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ANC Western Cape leader, Allan Boesak, addresses supporters waiting for poll results. Behind Boesak are liaison head Bulelani Ngcuka, NEC member Trevor Manuel and Salle Manle, regional candidate for the National Assembly. PIC JIM MCCLAGAN

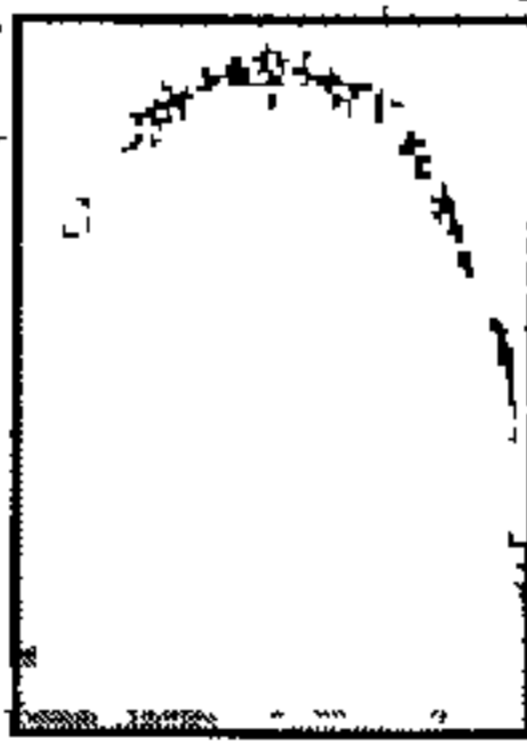
Phosa outlines six-point plan

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By Ike Motsapi
Political Staff

■ ANC LEADER

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS premier-elect for the Eastern Transvaal Region Mr Matthews Phosa has unveiled a six-point plan on how he intends to run the area.



Mr Phosa.

Phosa also told *Sowetan* in an interview that urgent steps needed to be taken in "order to avoid money being misused by people who are presently in state offices" (266)

He said his plan would be to

- Immediately put in place strict monitoring of government and administration in KwaNdebele, KaNgwane and the Transvaal Provincial Administration,
- Decentralisation of power,
- Kick-start all the structures of state so that

Urgent steps needed:

they should function in a cohesive manner,

- Finalise the policy position of all 29 regional structures.
- Start reconstruction and development.
- Identify the needs of the people and immediately begin to deliver and,
- Management of the expectations of the people must be people-driven. People should know what is happening so that if there is a delay in fulfilling their needs, they would be in the know.

Phosa said "Government must develop a culture of communication because this will help to solve problems that might arise

"The people of South Africa have managed to liberate themselves and this they did by communicating their aspirations through the ballot box," said Phosa

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Hundreds of supporters of the African National Congress celebrate their party's victory in Meadowlands, Soweto, on Monday night. People in black areas around the country celebrated until the early hours of yesterday after hearing that the ANC had taken an unassailable lead in the elections.

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TRIALS FOR

boesmans

**By Tyrone August
and Josias Charle**

THE STRUCTURES OF THE new national government and the provincial legislatures start taking shape, and culminate in the inauguration of the new State President next Tuesday.

ANC president Mr Nelson Mandela met outgoing President FW de Klerk at the Union Buildings yesterday to discuss the smooth handover of power. Details of their discussions were not released but they are believed also to have discussed the formation of the new cabinet.

The provincial legislatures will meet for the first time on Saturday in their provisional capitals.

The PWV will meet in Johannesburg, Eastern Transvaal in Nelspruit, Northern Transvaal in Lebowakgomo and Northwest in Mmabatho. Western Cape will meet in Cape Town, Eastern Cape in Bisho and Northern Cape in Kimberley. The Free State will sit in Bloemfontein, and

KwaZulu-Natal in Maritzburg. Thursday's meeting is primarily to elect a premier and the chairman of each provincial legislature.

Parliament will have its first session in Cape Town on Monday. Chief Justice Michael Corbett will swear in the newly elected members of Parliament. Parliament will then elect the new State President by secret ballot. Afterwards, Parliament will elect a Speaker and a Deputy Speaker.

The ceremony to inaugurate the new president will be held at the Union Buildings, Pretoria, on May 10. The inauguration committee, which met yesterday, has confirmed that 113 foreign heads of state have accepted invitations to attend. Forty-nine of them will be from African states.

Officials were tight-lipped on names but among prominent people expected to arrive are Mrs Hillary Clinton, wife of US President Mr Bill Clinton. But the official US delegation is expected to be led by Vice-President Al Gore. Prince Philip, husband of Queen Elizabeth, is also expected to attend.

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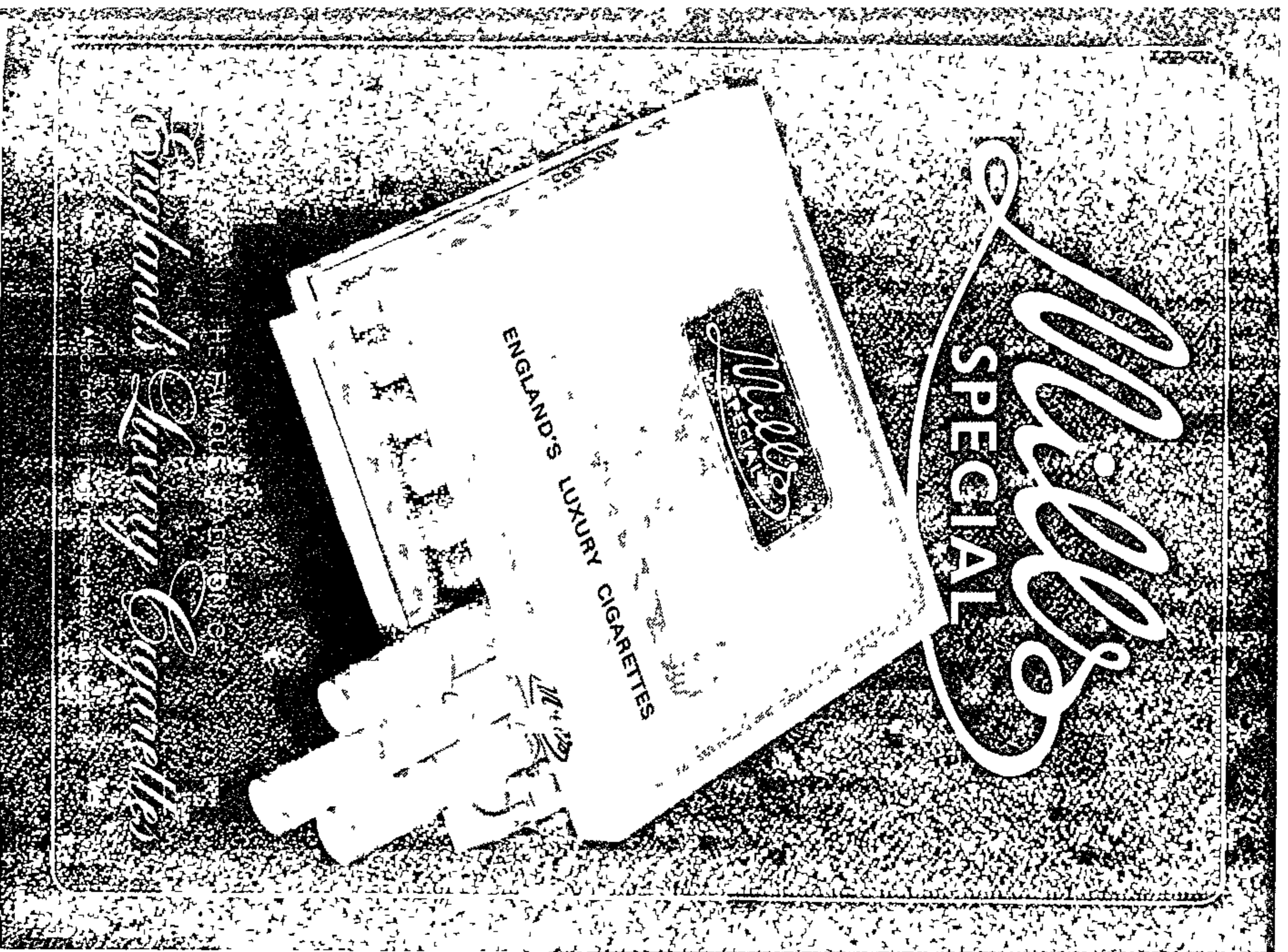
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Commit to

Cape unity

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By ANTHONY JOHNSON
Political Correspondent

THE National Party and the ANC have pledged to co-operate in a government of regional unity to make the Western Cape a winning province for all its people

NP premier-elect Mr Hermus Kriel and ANC regional leader Dr Allan Boesak — who met yesterday to discuss allocations for the 10 cabinet positions in the new regional executive — spelt out similar priorities for the region over the next five years

Cabinet posts in the region — six for the NP and four for the ANC — are expected to be finalised next week

Neither Mr Kriel nor Dr Boesak would give details about who was being considered to the top executive jobs in the new province, but it is understood the ANC is keen on securing cabinet posts related to housing, health, education and tourism

Speaking at separate press conferences, the two leaders isolated reconciliation and the social upliftment of the people of the Western Cape — particularly the poor — as the central issues to be tackled

Both leaders also said their parties should, in the interests of all the people in the region, put aside petty political animosities and concentrate on working together as partners in the new government to bring stability,

job-creating investment and accelerated economic development to the region

Mr Kriel said he did not foresee problems working with an ANC-dominated central government, saying "The government in the Western Cape will work together with central government there is no animosity from our side whatsoever"

He said he had "nothing against" the ANC's reconstruction and development programme. However, it would be necessary to draw up a plan of action to see to what extent it was affordable, its time-scale and how it could be applied in the Western Cape

Dr Boesak said the programme remained a cornerstone of its policy and that it would work hard to see this programme implemented by a regional government

He did not believe there would be any tensions between the ANC and NP if the NP went, along with the reconstruction programme, but added "If the NP tries to block it there will be tensions"

Dr Boesak said the ANC was determined to give its full co-operation in the NP-led government

However, he said healing the scars left by the NP's racially-tainted election campaign would be an important long-term focus for the ANC and the government

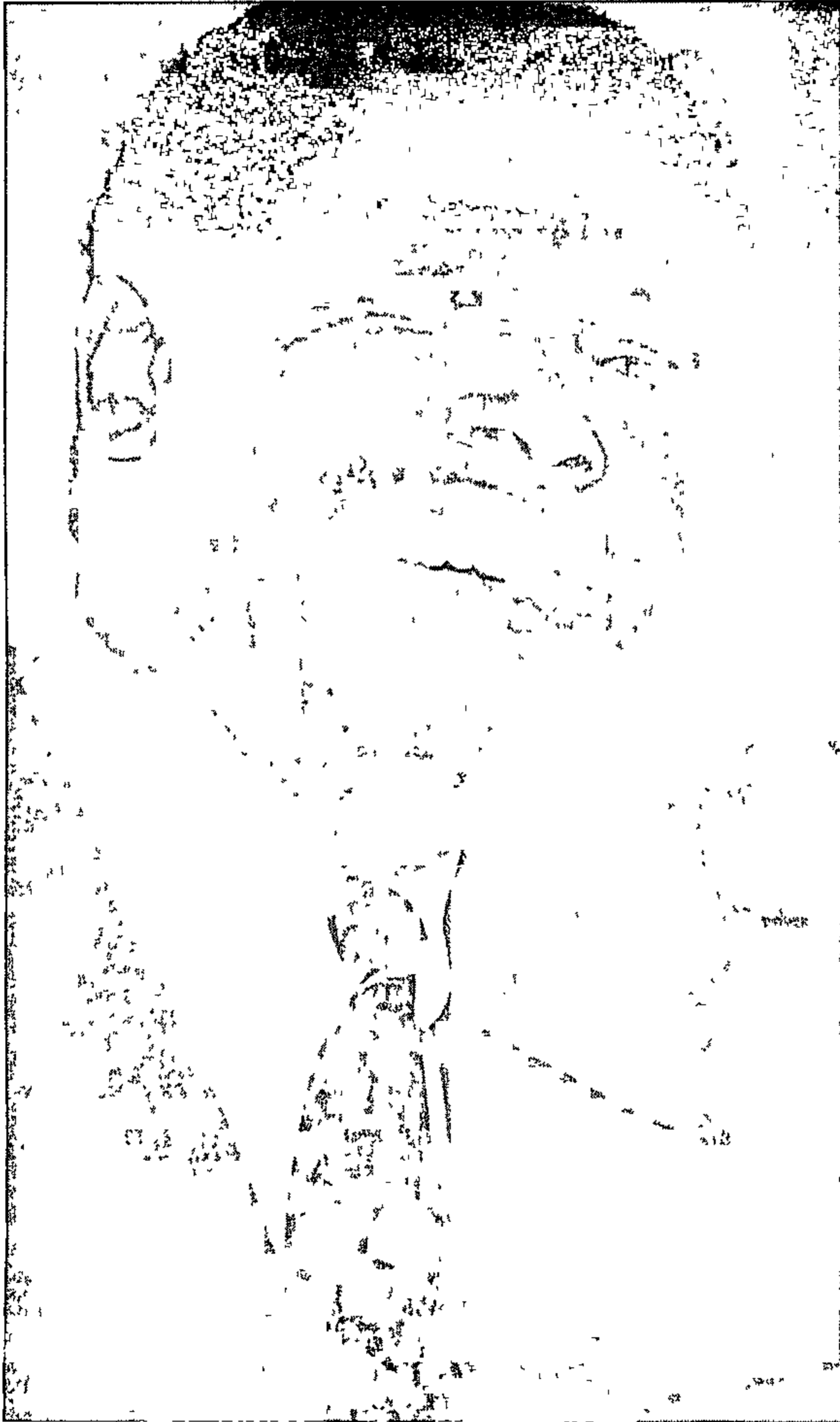


MARCHING TO VICTORY Overjoyed students from the University of the Witwatersrand march in the streets of Johannesburg yesterday to celebrate the African National Congress's commanding lead in the election
Picture AP

Edited by Mike Siluma

On Saturday nine men will be sworn in as premiers of ; some readers they are almost unknown, while to others th
The Star introduces you to four of them. The series will

Meet new premiers for c



Tokyo Sexwale PWV region

Tokyo Sexwale (PWV)

As a nation lined up at the polling stations on April 27, the PWV province's premier-elect was "hijacked" in Palestine Palestine, Orange Farm, that is — 50 km south of Johannesburg

Tokyo Sexwale's benign hijackers were young residents of the dusty settlement who insisted that he vote at the station closest to their homes rather than at the pre-selected venue

"Why did I go all the way to Palestine to vote? Well I live and I sleep in Houghton. But I exist, and I think I'll die, for Palestine and Phola Park and Crossroads and Khayelitsha. I wanted to vote in a place that is called a squatter camp

Now the chips are down. Sexwale, born 41 years ago in a squatter camp in Orlando Soweto, is in the PWV driving seat. And he will be judged not on his emotional affinity for those who have been pushed to the margins of this bustling province, but on his government's ability to boost them into the mainstream of social and economic life

Sexwale is certainly not the custom-made career politician whose every move has been calculated to achieve high government office. As a result, although his is one of the most widely recognised faces in the political firmament, Sexwale is in many respects an unknown quantity

He joined the ANC underground while still a teenager in the early 70s and was forced to flee the country a couple of years later when his cover was blown. He trained as an Umkhonto weSizwe soldier and was arrested while on a cross-border mission in 1977

He spent the next 13 years in jail, until he was granted amnesty in mid-1990 and immediately became a senior MK commander. In the second round of ANC regional elections, he became PWV regional chairman

Although in exile he studied public administration, Sexwale reckons this is the least of the assets he brings to his powerful new position. Far more valuable, he believes, is his experience of collective decision-making in the political structures of the ANC and of army-style implementation of decisions in MK

He speaks of establishing peace as a prerequisite for development and as a means of

"protecting the investment environment." It is no secret that as ANC PWV chairman he set out to get to know senior police officers. Currently, he says, he has regular contact with "all the police generals in the region"

It was the assassination of Communist Party leader Chris Hani, just a year ago, which thrust Sexwale into the spotlight. His powerful and largely effective pleas to millions of enraged South Africans to refrain from random reprisals commanded attention. So did his obvious non-racialism

Asked how he will ensure that a gulf will not open up between his Cabinet and the largely inherited civil service, Sexwale answers with characteristic conviction: "The priority will be to get various people who have served to understand that there's a new flag here. There are going to be new ways of doing new things

And we will say to them that we want complete loyalty. Not to any person but to the country"

— Jo-Anne Collinge

Matthew Phosa (Eastern Transvaal)

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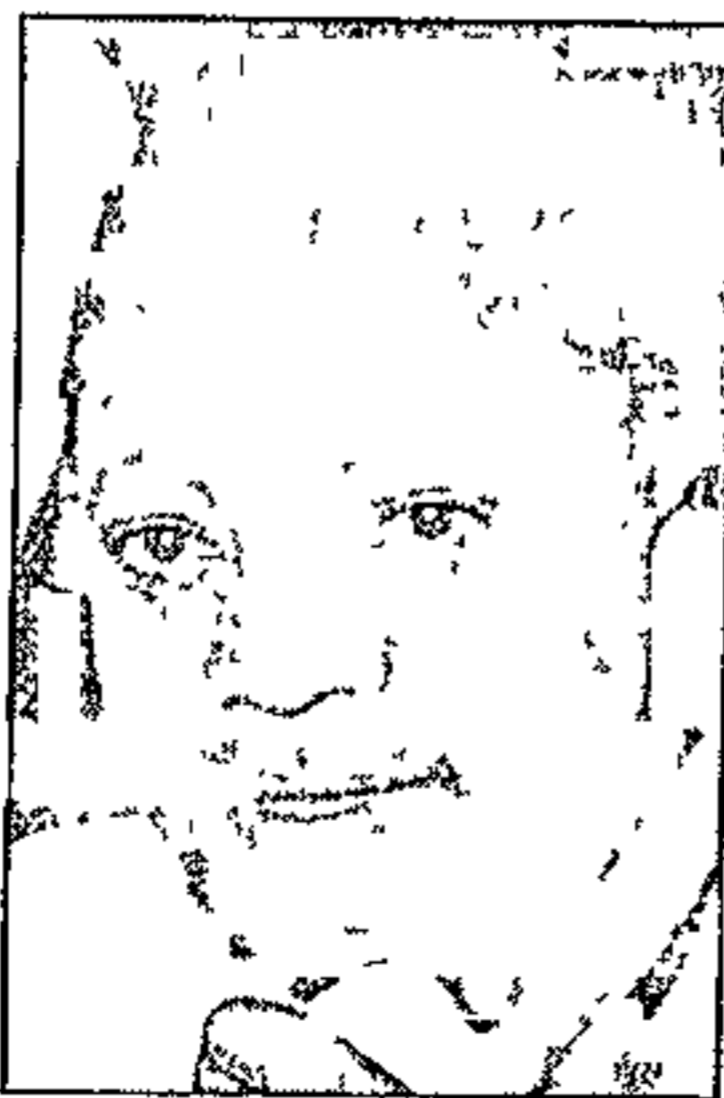
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Matthew Phosa Eastern Transvaal



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Popo Molefe North West region

his mother — a World War 2 nurse — and worked in the ANC underground while he ran his Nelspruit law firm In 1955 he crossed the border into Mozambique and became part the structure directing ANC political and military activity in the Eastern Transvaal

In 1990 he was among the first to be sent back into South Africa to begin negotiations with the Government — Jovial Rantao

Ngoako Ramathodi (Northern Transvaal)

Ngoako Ramathodi is slight, quiet, earnest, bespectacled — and exceptionally young for the job of premier of the Northern Transvaal

The 38-year-old former ANC exile, swept to power by the most comfortable regional majority, readily concedes that his is not a household name "I've always kept a low profile because I like it that way," he says

The outward diffidence is deceptive Ramathodi is a powerful politician with a powerful vision — to create a government of regional unity in his province in which every resident of the area can see themselves reflected Irrespective of his huge electoral support, he proposes to offer white rightwingers a role in his government "We're all in this together up here," he says

Ramathodi was born in the village of Tautswal near Potgietersrus Part of a large traditional family — his father, an ordinary labourer, had two wives — Ramathodi set out to get the schooling his parents did not have The quest took him through Hammanskraal, Potgietersrus and Tembisa, He eventually arrived at the University of the North in 1976

Repeatedly expelled by the university for his political activism, in 1980 he decided to skip the country His first years in exile took him through Lesotho (where he worked with Chris Hani) and Botswana Back in the Northern Transvaal he recruited Peto Mokaba

Eventually Ramathodi arrived at Roma University in Lesotho, securing his BA Law degree in 1984 and fitting in some military training in Angola The 1986 Lesotho coup saw ANC exiles forced out of the tiny country, and Ramathodi moved on through Zambia and Zimbabwe Six months' training in the So-

viet Union followed, and a role on the ANC's influential Political and Military Council, headed by Oliver Tambo

After Tambo suffered his stroke, Ramathodi was seconded to Nelson Mandela's staff — though he was still in exile in Mozambique — and accompanied Mandela on his first world tour in 1990

At the end of 1991, he was elected chairman of the ANC's Northern Transvaal region — the watershed event which propelled him to the premier's office — Shaun Johnson

Popo Molefe (North West)

Popo Molefe, ANC premier candidate for the North West region will have his hands full juggling the right wing, the former Bophuthatswana administration and the high expectations of his strongly ANC-oriented rural electorate

One of the accused in the Delmas trial, a member of the Black People's Convention and former general secretary of the United Democratic Front, Molefe is well aware of what he calls the more creative and proactive approach required in the switch from resistance politics to parliamentary leadership Hence his list of priorities

"The first point is the creation of a government of national unity which will lay the environment for reconciliation and which excludes the possibility for violence," he said "We will engage in an information campaign to inform people that they are guaranteed their property, the protection of their culture, language, beliefs and families"

He aims to emphasise that the whole country has accepted the process of transition and the Constitution guarantees everybody a place in the sun

The first line on the angry right wing — pockets of whom are prominent throughout the western Transvaal — will be a political approach

"The good showing of the Freedom Front may allow us to defuse tensions there"

Molefe promises to chisel an efficient bureaucracy from candidates of a variety of backgrounds — including those loyal to Lucas Mangope's toppled administration — emphasising that people who are not professional enough to commit themselves to a new government will not be needed — John Soderlund

Sexwale pledges support for range of businesses

THE ANC would try to protect existing mainstream business while intensifying efforts to groom emerging small- and medium-sized enterprises, PWV premier-designate Tokyo Sexwale said yesterday.

Sexwale said the ANC's reconstruction and development programme (RDP) in the PWV would be financed from legal gambling such as casinos, state lotteries, horse racing, levies on industry and central government disbursements (266).

Funds from international organisations such as the IMF and World Bank would also boost PWV development.

The traditional extractive economic base of SA needed to be transformed to one focused on manufacturing to be able to provide the country with vitally needed jobs, he said.

Traditional enterprises would be protected and rising black entrepreneurs encouraged through state assistance.

This had the advantage of making black people, in particular, feel part of the national economy and of ownership structures.

Sexwale said economies worldwide were primarily driven by small- to medium-sized enterprises.

These provided jobs in the medium to long term. For this reason, resources had to be made available to rising black entrepreneurs in SA.

SELLO MOTLHABAKWE

preneurs in SA

There was an immediate need to address the housing shortage and unemployment. A series of wide-ranging discussions had already been held with construction companies such as LTA, Stocks & Stocks and others, as well as the Soweto Builders' Association. The talks were aimed at working out co-operative strategies between black and white entrepreneurs.

Sexwale said that in view of the 45% unemployment rate among blacks in the region, it was critical that the plan addressed joblessness.

Sexwale dismissed misgivings about the ANC's plan to concentrate on the infrastructural development of previously disadvantaged areas such as Soweto.

He said the RDP was not an exclusive programme and was not aimed at undermining mainstream corporations.

He said the co-operation of mainstream industry was vital to the viability of any reconstruction programme, primarily because major corporations controlled huge funds and occupied strategic positions in the economy.

Sexwale disclosed that a finance committee would look into all aspects of development and advise the regional cabinet accordingly.

A new powerhouse for the new nation

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THE PWV has been the centre of political, class and racial conflict as our communities and workplaces have struggled to gain access to the democracy and the better living conditions now promised by the reconstruction and development programme

It is a province where stark inequalities are perhaps most visible, where the most luxurious suburbs on the African continent are adjacent to the poorest of townships

Such problems cannot be addressed by simply taking from the haves and giving to the have-nots, as this would not spread assets meaningfully nor would it necessarily enhance our total economic capacity

A global, developmental approach is required. The PWV cannot be milked dry, on the one hand. But on the other, decentralisation of resources must occur so that the PWV is not one of the only expanding employment centres in South Africa

This means that we must examine all aspects of our society to ensure that waste is eliminated, that resources are redirected, and that to the best of their ability, people pay for what they receive. There may have to be reconstruction levies and special taxes, especially on the small group of monopolistic corporations which are at the centre of white economic power

The constitution makes provision for the creation of a new entity called the PWV Province. This will have a premier, provincial legislature and 10-member Executive, and a distinct public service

The legislature is entrusted with 29 competencies which include major areas like education and health. The new province will ultimately inherit a budget of R7,6-billion and a civil service of 65 000 personnel from the former Transvaal Provisional Administration, plus other former racially constituted authorities

Below the provincial au-

THE ANC believes the PWV region will be ideally suited to its reconstruction and development programme. This is an edited extract from its policy document, Building a new PWV Province.

thority, metropolitan structures of government are emerging in at least two parts of the PWV. These will also be very powerful since they exercise authority over developed economies. In addition, new local authorities are being created from existing, racially defined councils

In every township there are civil associations and community organisations of many kinds. These have a major stake in the character of the transition and they wish to be involved at every stage. There are also trade unions, church organisations, and a range of other social movements

In addition, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) assist the communities in meeting their development needs

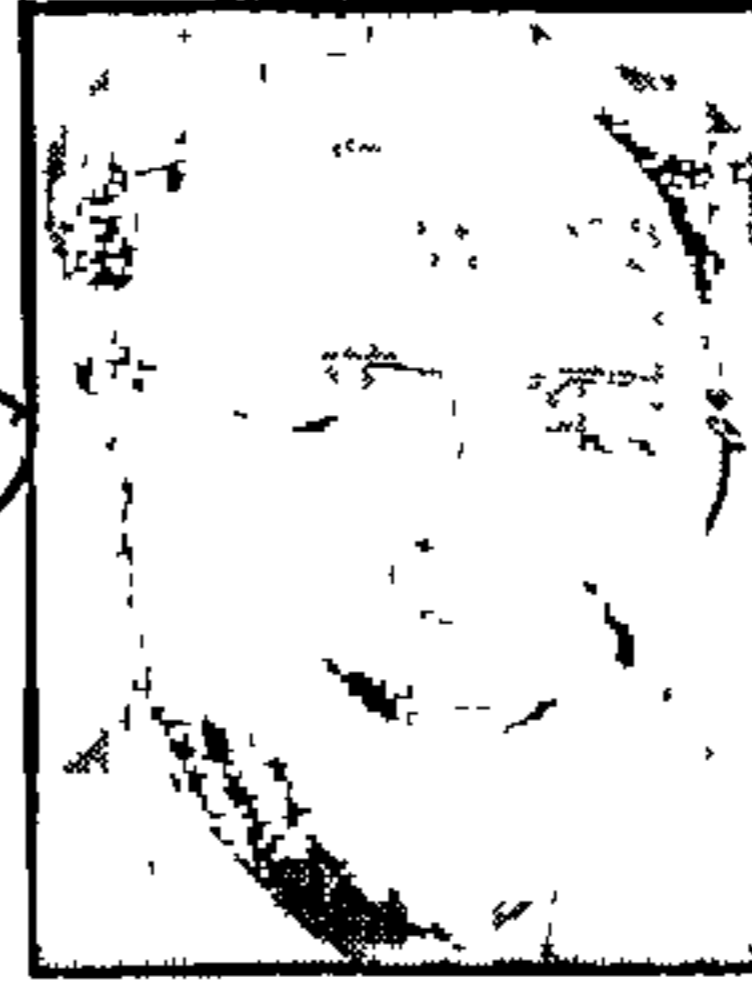
All areas of administration are characterised by discrimination against black people in both the personnel and in services offered. Predominantly

white (and male) officials decide on the allocation of financial resources, plan the provision of services, and implement them

The wealth created in the PWV over the last century of industrial activity remains highly concentrated within a small minority of the white population. Anglo American, based in the PWV, owns 43,3% of the total share value on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange, while the top six corporations (four of which are headquartered in the PWV) own 87,3%

The PWV economy is dominated by mining, manufacturing, finance, trade, and service industries, though mining is now less important in the PWV than elsewhere in SA

The central Witwatersrand has seen an absolute decline in manufacturing employment and a serious decline in the finance sector. At least 1,7-million people are active in the PWV



BEN TUROK ... likely to co-ordinate the RDP's regional implementation

informal sector. Formal sector employment was reduced by -3,9% during the 1980s. Manufacturing lost 10% of its employment base (compared to a gain of 1,7% countrywide). The unskilled have been hit particularly hard

Our first priority must be that every citizen should have access to paid employment. At present the unemployment rate is over 50% in many townships and the majority of people are living from the incomes of others

Job creation can be boosted in various ways. A major public works programme is

urgently needed. A commission will be appointed to investigate this immediately. However, these kinds of programmes tend to be short-term and more fundamental measures are needed as well

The principal solution lies in a speedy expansion of the economy at the base of the pyramid. We require a major effort at job creation through the provision of public assistance in the creation of a large artisan industry, through repair shops, small and medium-sized businesses of all kinds, particularly at the productive level. However, the service sector is also seriously deficient in the townships and many new jobs can be created in services

The new provincial government will have great opportunities at job creation in the fulfilment of its commitments with respect to the 29 competencies which are now their responsibilities. These competencies — some of the substantial ones are new to the provinces — reveal the scale of potential job creation. Local authorities also have very substantial job creation capacities, especially as new services are installed in deprived areas

ANC unveils its plan for PWV region

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By KEVIN DAVIE

BIG business may be subject to special taxes, says a draft version of the ANC's reconstruction and development programme (RDP) for the PWV, South Africa's industrial heartland.

It says: "There may have to be reconstruction levies and special taxes, especially on the small group of monopolistic corporations which are at the centre of white economic power.

"The major corporations not only draw inordinately large rewards for their owners and managers, but are responsible for SA's excessive development of a luxury goods sector which acts as a drain on much-needed foreign currency."

The RDP criticises the banking system, saying: "There are many problems with the way financial institutions do business in the PWV they are closely tied to other conglomerates, enjoy a tight level of concentration, have a record of discrimination, including red-lining (the refusal to grant loans in certain areas) and anti-consumer practices."

Entitled Building a new PWV province, the RDP draft says priority should be given to meeting the basic needs of all the people.

It says stark inequalities are perhaps most visible in the PWV.

The RDP will be located in the PWV premier's office so that it enjoys his authority

PWV premier-elect Tokyo Sexwale says academic Ben Turok will be the RDP's "conscience".

Mr Turok, No 11 on the ANC's PWV list, says ministerial seats are yet to be decided. But Mr Nelson Mandela's assistant, Jessie Duarte, will become PWV Finance Minister.

The RDP draft says reconstruction cannot be handled by taking from the haves and giving to the have-nots because that would not spread assets or enhance economic capacity.

"Without interfering unduly, the democratic government must ensure that we harness our national and provincial resources to support the RDP.

"To the best of their ability, people must pay for their services."

Wealth is highly concentrated in few white hands, it says.

"Anglo American, based in the PWV, owns 43,3% of the total JSE share value"

The PWV province will inherit a budget of R7,6-billion and a public service of 65 000 personnel from the former Transvaal Provincial Administration (TPA).

A challenge for policymakers is to integrate 35 local authority health departments (combined budget: R1,2-billion) with the Southern Transvaal Department of National Health (R400-million) and the TPA (R4-billion)

The RDP says the PWV economy has stagnated. Its share of national output was 42% in the mid-1980s and has dropped to 38%.

Only 54% of PWV residents had indoor piped water in 1991.

Minimum standards for housing should include protection from the weather, a durable structure, adequate living space and privacy, proper sanitary services, stormwater drainage, energy supply and access to clean water. (2/10)

The draft says that "no doubt, real life will bring out certain tensions between the profit-making interests of business and the implementation of the RDP".

"A major campaign to win hearts and minds will be necessary"

It sees major restructuring for both the public and private sector.

Job creation will come from a public works programme and the provincial government which "will have great opportunities at job creation with respect to the 29 competencies which are their responsibility".

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"The service sector is also seriously deficient in the townships and many new jobs can be created in services."

The RDP says subsidies to Putco are a matter of great controversy because the company has made enormous profits. The taxi business must be regulated.

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Clean administration promised

Sexwale sworn in as premier

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■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

The first sitting of the PWV Provincial Legislature on Saturday was an occasion of solemn ceremony followed by jubilant celebration.

Nothing spoke so eloquently of change as the ululating and cheering crowd which greeted each artillery vehicle of the SA National Defence Force as it crested Johannesburg's Civic Hill and slowed to allow the gunner to salute newly elected premier Tokyo Sexwale

Minutes before taking the salute in a ceremony in the shade of the Civic Centre, Sexwale had been sworn in as premier by Mr Justice C F Eloff.

Promises

In his inaugural address the new premier promised "an accountable government, a clean administration, free from the corruption of the past, free from favouritism, nepotism, 'tsotsism', factionalism, racism and tribalism" Sexwale emphasised the primacy of the Reconstruction and Development Programme, describing it as "an unapologetic and unequivocal statement — a declaration of war against widespread poverty"

He acknowledged that peace was a prerequisite for growth and development, and declared firmly "Peace must form the cornerstone of everything that we do."

IN A moving tribute, Sexwale quotes poet Ernesto Cardenal: 'Think of those who have died . . . you represent them'

poem by Latin American priest Ernesto Cardenal

"When you receive the nomination, the prize, the promotion, think of those who have died see them without a shirt, degraded, bleeding, hooded, crushed . . . riddled with bullets . . . You represent them They have made you their delegate, those who have died," Sexwale read.

Earlier in the day, members of the 86-strong legislature, speaking in various languages, swore or affirmed that they would serve the province to the best of their ability

Electric

The atmosphere in the Johannesburg Council Chamber was electric as the first group of five ANC members approached Mr Justice Eloff to pledge their commitment

Sexwale was unanimously elected premier The Speaker, ANC member Trevor Fowler, and Deputy Speaker, NP member Thomas Gunning, were also unopposed.

And the business of appointing committees was soon accomplished by "the Honourable Comrade Members of the House", as Fowler termed them.

At the end of the day's formalities Sexwale, together with his wife Judy and Chris Hani's widow Limpho, led the ANC's new legislators to the Alberton settlement of Phola Park. There the revelry continued until dusk.



De Klerk . . . hailed as a patriot.



Viljoen . . . praised for taking part.

He warned criminal elements. "This government, certainly this premier, is bad news for crime"

In typical style, Sexwale doled out praise and punches He hailed former President de Klerk as a patriot He praised Freedom Front leader General Constand Viljoen for resisting the "temptation of 'drowning this country in a bloodbath" and Inkatha Freedom Party leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi for taking the eleventh-hour plunge "to help prevent Armageddon"

But he was uncompromising in reminding his audience of the human sacrifice that the historic ceremony had exacted, ending his speech with extracts from a



It's everybody's party . . . PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale, flanked by Limpheo Hani (left) and his wife Judy, spent his first day in office on Saturday celebrating until late with the people of Phola Park, a solidly ANC settlement near Alberton.

PICTURE: JACOB RYKLIFF

PWV economic plan outlined

JOHANNESBURG — The present system of unequal political power and economic accumulation in the PWV region cannot continue, the ANC said yesterday in its first draft of the reconstruction and development programme (RDP) for the region

The document said the problem could not be addressed by simply taking from those who "have" and giving to the "have-nots" as this would not spread assets meaningfully nor en-

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hance economic capacity

However, the ANC said there may need to be reconstruction levies and special taxes, especially on the small group of monopolistic corporations

The document proposed a vast expansion of infrastructure in all sectors to re-orientate the PWV economy as well as new investment in productive capacity

● Johannesburg management

committee chairman Mr Ian Davidson said yesterday he supported PWV premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale's commitment to clamp down on city centre crime

He said in a statement that the wave of car hijacking and mugging had to be overcome if the region was to attract investment

Mr Davidson pledged his support for the ANC's reconstruction and development programme in the PWV — Sapa

Three NP members serve under Sexwale in PWV

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JOHANNESBURG. — The National Party has secured three seats on PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale's 10-member provincial cabinet.

The African National Congress in the region announced today that NP PWV leader Olaus van Zyl has been appointed Minister of Public Transport and Roads, while former Transvaal MEC John Mavuso — who was touted as a possible NP nominee for a position in President Mandela's national cabinet — is the region's Minister of Conservation and Agriculture.

ANC PWV regional executive committee member Jesse Duarte, who was a hot favourite for the finance portfolio, has been appointed Minister of Public Safety and Security.

She will effectively be responsible for the maintenance of law and order in the region, and will have to work closely with her national counterpart, Sydney Mufamadi.

The SA Communist Party's Jabu Moeleketi was elected Minister of Economic Affairs

Former Benoni NP MP Sakkie Blanche is his party's third man on the regional cabinet. He was given the social welfare portfolio.

Former ANC Youth League PWV chairman Peter Skosana has been appointed Minister of Sports, Recreation, Arts and Culture, with former SA National Civic Organisation deputy secretary-general Dan Mofokeng — who was opposed to the NP and Democratic Party campaigning in the townships — entrusted with the Local Government and Housing Ministry.

The PWV regional cabinet is Premier Tokyo Sexwale, Economic Affairs Jabu Moeleketi, Education and Culture Mary Metcalfe, Health Amos Masondo, Social Welfare Sakkie Blanche, Local Government and Housing Dan Mofokeng, Urban-Rural Development and Environment Sicele Shiceko, Public Transport and Roads Olaus van Zyl, Public Safety and Security Jesse Duarte, Sports, Recreation, Arts and Culture Peter Skosana, Conservation and Agriculture John Mavuso

PWV Ministers to be announced.

Parties set to choose senators

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BY ESTHER WAUGH
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

After the appointment of South Africa's first post-apartheid Cabinet, the hunt is now on for 90 senators and top public servants

Parties are expected to announce their senators early next week ahead of next Friday's first sitting of the Senate in Cape Town. The sitting will elect the president of the Senate — a post for which the National Party has nominated former Justice Minister Kobie Coetsee.

The Senate and the National Assembly will meet together on May 23 for the first sitting of the Constitutional Assembly.

Most parties' caucuses were meeting yesterday to finalise appointments to the Senate. The NP PWV caucus will finalise its

PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale meets the NP's leader in the province to finalise his Cabinet, to be announced today

appointments on Monday morning. Front runners are believed to be former Health Minister Dr Rina Venter, former Trade and Industry Minister Dr Org Marais, NP Transvaal director Dr Gerhard Koornhof and NP executive member Kobus du Plessis.

It is speculated that the ANC PWV region will select its senators from its provincial candidates list. Senators for this province could therefore include stalwart trade unionist Rita Ndzanga and veteran ANC leader

Henry Makgohi. Meanwhile, PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale was meeting the NP's leader in the province, Olaus van Zyl, yesterday to finalise his Cabinet, to be announced today. It is understood that the NP is holding out for the finance, transport and agriculture portfolios in the province.

But the ANC is punting Jesse Duarte as Finance Minister. Another ANC contender is believed to be Jabu Moleketi for the police portfolio.

New directors-general will be appointed only once the new Public Service Commission has been appointed by President Mandela. The commission is expected to be appointed today.

It is also understood that University of the Western Cape rector Professor Jakes Gerwel is to head Mandela's office.

IT BEGINS IN THE PROVINCES

THE PWV Paul Stober

A SLOW and tedious democratic process, rather than political opposition, poses the biggest threat to the ANC's plans to breathe new life into South Africa's economic heartland, the PWV.

As part of its Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP) for the PWV, the ANC plans to expand the region's housing and urban infrastructure, boost its manufacturing capacity and move away from its traditional reliance on mining. Co-ordinating and implementing a RDP will top the agenda of the ANC-led regional government and form the nucleus of regional politics over the next few years.

With a clear majority in the regional legislature, and the major opposition parties — the National and Democratic parties — in agreement with its aims if not its means, the ANC seemingly faces little opposition to its programme. A large South African Communist Party presence in the legislature will also ensure the RDP is driven forward.

But Wits University academic and local government expert David Solomon warned that with the need to draw in all political players — including the civic associations — there was a danger of development becoming bogged down in consultation.

Solomon pointed to the Johannesburg Metropolitan Chamber, which had brought together major players to discuss the restructuring of local government and had mushroomed into a maze of committees.

"A participatory decision-making system developed because it was the only way to move ahead, but it is cumbersome and time-consuming. Time was not an issue. But what happens now if 12 months down the line there is no development?"

The ANC is aware of the danger. Said ANC PWV deputy secretary Obed Baphela: "We need to ensure that structures, like the chamber and the Transvaal Provincial Administration, are transformed into delivery mechanisms, not just debating forums. If necessary we will use regional legislation to help them to deliver."

A further factor — and a potential

snag in cutting red tape — is that the exact powers and functions of the regional governments have still to be debated in the constitutional assembly.

For Baphela, the immediate concern is drawing people into organisations, like civics, so that they can help implement the RDP. Popular participation would lower expectations and increase understanding of why the government will need at least five years to tackle backlogs.

Although there have been tensions

between the ANC branches and civic organisations in PWV townships, the two are likely to remain in alliance until the local government election in November.

Neither Solomon nor Baphela are too worried about the ANC's ability to deliver regional development through development. Baphela

is convinced there are enough people with the necessary skills hidden in the townships. Commented Solomon: "An RDP is really just a matter of political will — deciding what you want and how you are going to pay for it. The national departments will be calling the shots on the RDP because the regions do not have too many financial powers."

Also a priority for the new PWV government is crime in the region, and it is likely to take a hard line on law and order. Baphela described the new regional government as "bad news for those involved in crime."

But policing, along with the other key priorities of education and job creation, are labour-intensive and costly. To pay for them, and housing and other urban infrastructural projects, the PWV will need a capital injection of at least R20 billion over the next five years, according to figures quoted by Solomon.

He is not unduly worried about the amount — or the ANC's suggestion of a regional reconstruction levy. "A 1.5 billion is not large by South African standards and even developed countries use reconstruction levies," he said.

Juggling the figure will be the responsibility of the regional finance minister, Jesse Duarte. Although the ANC regional chairman, Tokyo Sexwale, has already been sworn in as premier, the rest of the regional cabinet, which will include members of the National Party, has yet to be decided.

Delivery, not just debate, for PWV

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A young but strong PWV Ca

JO-ANNE COLLINGE reports on the PWV's newly announced Cabinet.

PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale yesterday announced a provincial Cabinet comprising seven ANC members and three National Party members.

It is a Cabinet that is young yet strong on public service — in the struggle against apartheid, that is. It is largely untested in the field of public administration and Sexwale himself epitomises the calibre of many of his executive heads.

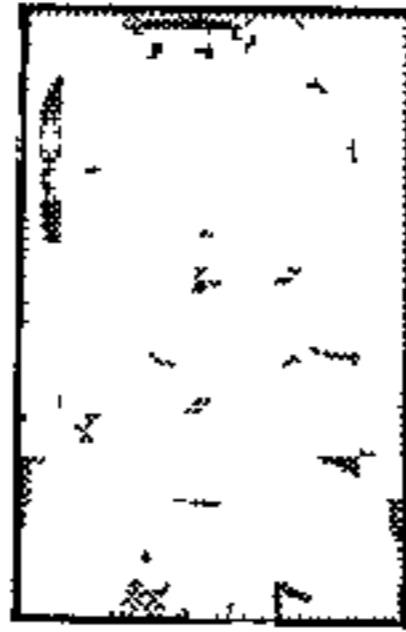
A former Umkhonto we Sizwe soldier, Robben Islander and head of the ANC's PWV region, Sexwale is one of the most recognisable and best-liked figures in the ANC.

He has held together a conflict-ridden ANC region, giving considerable priority to the question of policing. The capacity he has for leading the new province can be judged only on this basis. The conventional professional qualifications or benchmarks in public administration are absent.

In line with the constitution's provision on unity government, Sexwale was obliged to assign a number of portfolios to the National Party. The NP chose three top provincial candidates.

These people will serve in Sexwale's Cabinet.

AMOS MASONDO (40) responsible for the Health portfolio. Throughout the '80s he straddled Soweto civic politics and the labour movement, and became a prominent figure in the Transvaal United Democratic Front. Initially an organiser for the General and Allied Workers' Union, he went on to become COSATU's education officer. More recently,



AMOS MASONDO

he headed the ANC's regional elections commission. During the 1985-90 states of emergency he was incarcerated for a total of 37 months.

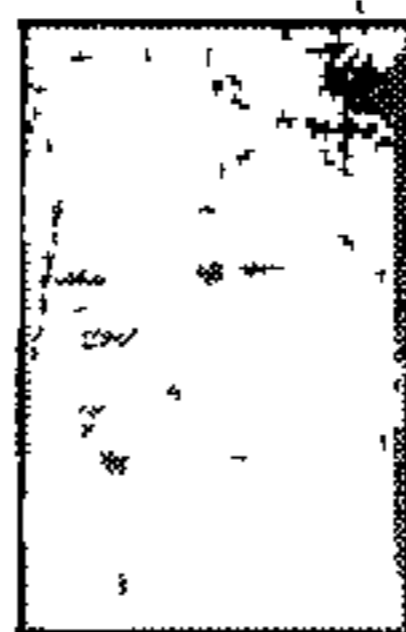
JESSIE DUARTE (40), formerly assistant to Nelson Mandela, is the provincial Minister of police — or Public Safety and Security. A member of the ANC PWV executive committee, her past suggests that she is an



DAN MOFOKENG

activist to the marrow. She was involved in Riverlea community organisations, the UDF's regional structures and the women's movement. She has held various administrative positions. Duarte was "listed" while still a pupil, and she and other women detainees were assaulted while demonstrating against conditions inside "Sun City" in 1989.

SICELO SHICEKO (29), responsible for Urban/Rural Development and Environment. The youngest Minister, he was



JESSIE DUARTE



SICELO SHICEKO

part of a generation of activists who agitated relentlessly in the '80s to end apartheid. He was formerly general secretary of COSATU's Witwatersrand region, and was active earlier in the Congress of South African Students, Soweto Students' Congress and the Paper, Printing, Wood and Allied Workers' Union. He is familiar with ANC thinking on reconstruction.

MARY METCALFE (39), a lecturer in theory of education at Wits University, fills the Education portfolio. Metcalfe has been on the ANC's regional executive committee for two years. Previous organisational involvement includes the Black Sash and, through it, the Free the Children Campaign. She was also an executive member of the National Education Co-ordinating Committee (southern Transvaal), active in the "All Schools for All People" initiative to desegregate schools, and has done education policy research for the democratic movement.

JOHN MAVUSO (66) responsible for Agriculture and Conservation. Although he joined the NP only last September, he was an NP-appointed Transvaal MEC for six years. In the '50s he was a leading ANC member in Alexandra. In 1972 he helped establish Inkatha. His position on In-



MARY METCALFE



JOHN MAVUSO

katha's central committee was terminated when he joined the TPA. His MEC appointment was controversial since he joined an NP government when repression was at its height.

OLAUS VAN ZYL (49), NP campaign manager and party leader in the PWV, brings considerable expertise to the portfolio of Public Transport and Roads. He holds a master's de-



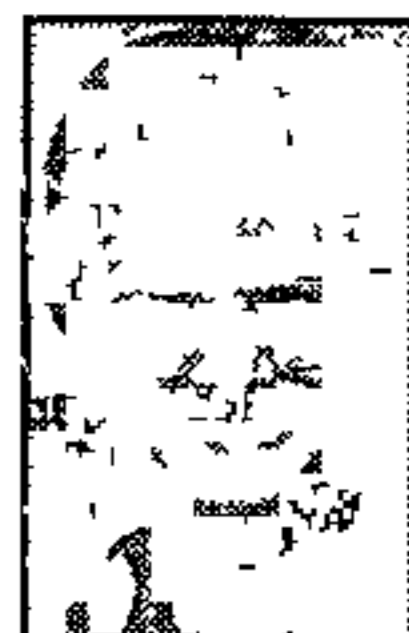
OLAUS VAN ZYL



PETER SKOSANA

gree in transport engineering from the University of California at Berkeley. Van Zyl has been mayor of Randburg, a member of the President's Council and a Transvaal MEC. More nominated than elected, Van Zyl has closely reflected every twist of NP reform from the mid-'80s.

DAN MOFOKENG (34) outgoing secretary-general of the South African National Civic Organisation, holds Local Government and Housing. A former COSATU trade unionist,



SAKKIE BLANCHE

Mofokeng entered civic politics in his hometown, Kaitleng. He participated in major restructuring initiatives as a member of the management committees of the Local Government Negotiating Forum and the National Electricity Forum.

JABU MOLEKETI (37) general secretary of the SACP in the PWV, serves as Minister of Economic Affairs. Born of working-class parents in Soweto, he joined the ANC underground in 1976. As a member of MK, he spent three years on missions inside South Africa in the late '70s and about a decade in MK intelligence and security work in Frontline states. More recently, he headed the monitoring section of the ANC's national election co-ordinating committee.

PETER SKOSANA (33) takes on the portfolio of Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture. A former chairman of the ANC Youth League in the PWV, he currently holds the position of education secretary in that structure. Raised in Sharpeville, he was a technikon student and member of AZASO when the historic rent uprisings occurred in the Vaal. When the SA Youth Congress was launched in 1986, he was elected southern Transvaal deputy president. He became president a year later and retained the position until SAYCO disbanded in 1990.

SAKKIE BLANCHE the NP member who wrested Boksburg from the CP in the last triennial election holds the Social Welfare portfolio. A design engineer, Blanche entered politics in 1969 and by 1976 was Boksburg's mayor. He first won a place in Parliament in a by-election in 1978.

SACP man gets finance post 'as sop to SAP'

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SENIOR SACP official Jabu Moleketi was given the PWV legislature's economic affairs and finance portfolio because of a feeling among senior ANC officials that his appointment to a security portfolio would have alienated SAP generals

Sources said Moleketi was a certain candidate for the public safety and security portfolio until Thursday. But after discussions, senior ANC officials felt his appointment would send "wrong signals" to the generals because he was — unlike national Safety and Security Minister Sydney Mufamadi — a high-profile SACP leader

Jessie Duarte, who was originally nominated to head the economic affairs and

WILSON ZWANE

finance portfolio, was then allocated public safety and security

Obed Bapela, whom many had tipped for the security portfolio, said he had declined it because he believed he was not ready for the job

It is understood Bapela, who has been a vocal ANC regional spokesman on policing, was a strong contender for the chairmanship of the legislature's steering committee on public safety and security

Bills on security matters will be debated by this committee before they can be voted

into law

At the swearing-in ceremony, presided over by Transvaal Judge President C F Eloff on Friday, PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale said the new provincial executive committee was not susceptible to bribery

Other members of the committee are Amos Masondo (health), Mary Metcalfe (education), Johannes Blanche (social welfare), Dan Mofokeng (housing and local government), Sicele Shiceka (urban and rural planning and development, land reform and environment), Olaus van Zyl (transport and roads), Solane Mavuso (conservation and agriculture) and Peter Skosana (sports, recreation, arts and culture)

ANC names its PWV senators

BY CYRIL MADLALA

Veteran trade unionist Rita Ndzanga and ANC stalwart Henry Makgothi are among the six names selected by the ANC PWV region for the 90-member Senate, the party announced after an ANC regional meeting yesterday.

Parties are expected to finalise their senators early this week ahead of Friday's first sitting of the Senate in Cape Town.

The other ANC PWV senators are Simon Makana, Joyce Kgoah, Mosheen Moosa and Indres Naidoo.

Makgothi, a former deputy ANC secretary-general, was

among the first ANC leaders in exile to return to South Africa permanently after the unbanning of political organisations by former president F W de Klerk in February 1990.

He was also head of the organisation's national secretariat in exile.

Ndzanga, as treasurer of the General and Allied Workers' Union, was detained in 1981 and 1984 under the country's security legislation.

Makana spent two years as the ANC's chief representative in Moscow, and became fluent in Russian. He also served the organisation in Uganda and various eastern European capitals.

Naidoo is a member of the SA Communist Party and a former Robben Island prisoner and exile. He wrote a book on his prison experiences called *Island in Chains* (266).

Moosa is an attorney.

The Senate, consisting of 10 senators from each region, is expected to elect a president at Friday's sitting.

The Senate and the National Assembly will meet together on May 23 for the first sitting of the Constitutional Assembly.

The NP PWV caucus will finalise its Senate appointments this morning. The party has nominated former justice minister Kobie Coetsee to preside over the Senate.

Relief in Sandton's R350-m budget

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BY ANNA COX

The Sandton Town Council last night announced a "good news" budget with only one increase — 9 percent for refuse removal. (266)

No other service costs or assessment rates were increased in the R350 million budget.

This was made possible because of the exceptionally high rates increases last year, said management committee chairman Peter Gardiner.

He said last year's increases were high because of a deficit caused by a faulty water meter which had led to the Rand Water Board (RWB) overcharging the council R4,6 million.

The RWB had agreed to repay this amount, while the Regional Services Council had agreed to repay R2,6 million for overcharging in sewage purification charges.

R32 million — almost 11 percent of the new budget — is dedicated to security.

The council also budgeted R11 million for reconstruction transfers to the Transitional Metropolitan Council for funding backlogs in less-developed areas within the central Witwatersrand region.

'Transfer made to bogus firm'

Council lost R4-m after hostel 'deal'

Star

BY MONTSHIWA MOROKE

Diepmeadow Council had lost about R4 million in revenue from the Diepkloof Hostel since the buildings were fraudulently transferred to a bogus company, a commission of inquiry into alleged land irregularities heard yesterday

Former mayor Johannes Mathala said the Black Local Authority Act was not followed in the allocation of land to developers — something he had fought "to the very end"

Mathala said the Act stipulated that a tender had to be tabled, the tenderer had to be checked and the city treasurer had to be involved.

In the case of Diepkloof Hostel no tender had been made and Jackson Morley of "Ivory Tusk" was given the buildings without paying the council. Morley had been collecting rent for the past four years but had not paid site and service fees.

"We resolved in a council meeting to retrieve the land, and instructed officials to take action. But we were flogging a dead horse. We suspected the province (TPA) was involved because they knew all about this yet they did nothing," said Mathala.

He suspected that a garage

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BUILDINGS were fraudulently transferred to a bogus company, an inquiry into alleged land irregularities hears

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site in Zone 6, which was allocated to a company "Khulunkonke" owned by former councillor J Mabasa, had not been paid for.

In evidence led on Monday it was alleged that a leading oil company had paid R990 000 to a Verner van Rhijn and that Mabasa had received R200 000 of that amount in a deal.

Mathala said another garage site, also in Zone 6, had inexplicably been allocated to KMG, a company owned by Irvin Khoza, which had tendered for the lowest amount of R204 000.

He said proposals had been heard and 15 tenders submitted, the highest being R1.5 million from one Nkuna.

"I believe some councillors were involved. We fought about this in the council and Khoza's tender was not approved. The matter was then referred to the TPA," Mathala said.

The hearing continues

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Single education department 'a priority'

Bid to restore learning culture

Star 19/5/94

■ BY JUSTICE MALALA

Moves to restore a culture of learning and teaching in black schools are under way and President Mandela will unveil a programme to achieve this within the next few weeks, the new Minister of Education, Professor Sibusiso Bhengu, said yesterday.

Speaking at his first press conference since taking the oath of office last week, Bhengu said the new ministry hoped for real contact between schools and their communities soon.

Bhengu said the first priority for his ministry was to establish a single department of education. The second was to ensure equitable allocation of the resources in a nonracial system and the third was to improve the quality of education.

He said the ministry's biggest

MINISTER says educational resources must be equitably distributed in nonracial system and quality improved

challenge was improving education for the African community. If the ministry did not intervene decisively, Africans would remain on the periphery as an underclass of the country's economy.

Bhengu announced that a new Department of Education and Training would be established by proclamation next week.

He said a strategic management team had been appointed to oversee the transition from

the old ministry to the new. It is headed by ANC education chief Dr John Samuel, who is special adviser to the ministry. Other members of the team are Siphon Pityana, Sheila Sisulu and Centre for Education Policy Development director Trevor Coombe.

The team, in consultation with directors-general of the old departments, would be responsible for continuity, rationalisation and policy development.

Bhengu stressed that all directors-general of the old departments were still in charge of their departments until the new system was in place. He also announced that there would be a single director-general in the new education department. Previously each of the 19 education departments had a director-general.

R11,3-m for Zevenfontein housing

■ METRO STAFF

The Central Witwatersrand Regional Services Council (RSC) this week voted a total of R11,3 million for the Diepsloot West development, to house the Zevenfontein community.

An amount of R7,4 million will go to the provincial administration, to reimburse it for spending

on sewerage and bulk water supply systems for Diepsloot.

The Randburg Town Council is to receive R3,9 million to improve water supply to its north-western sector.

The RSC also decided to fund the research to prepare a development strategy for the area known as Vlakfontein, north-west of Soweto and south of Kagiso. It is envisaged that this

area of some 840 ha will be used to relieve the housing shortage in the townships of Kagiso, Bekkersdal and Mohlakeng.

The estimated shortage of homes in this area stands at 16 600, according to RSC figures. Vlakfontein could accommodate 12 000 units. The study will be done in consultation with the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber.

Sexwale pledges good PWV govt

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MARK ASHURST

TRANSPARENT, accountable and service-oriented government in the PWV was the critical component in the national endeavour to build a new SA, regional Premier Tokyo Sexwale told the second meeting of the provincial legislature yesterday

Outlining a plan for the region, he pledged to maintain fiscal discipline.

Among the few figures cited in a speech that avoided the contentious question of budgets was an ambitious commitment to pro-

vide 150 000 units of housing in the next 12 months, each with electricity, running water and access to a telephone network

Sexwale stressed that the government would encourage micro, small and medium enterprises in a way that would "address the basic needs of society"

Other priorities in the PWV were an anti-crime programme, gun control, community policing structures, redevelopment of the townships, reclaiming CBDs as viable trading centres, encouraging small enterprises, housing, health

care, education, and foreign investment

Sexwale welcomed the keen interest of the private sector in development plans, and said a full housing plan would be presented to the cabinet within two weeks

However, government would not be party to any plan that created "serviced informal settlements in the name of housing"

People deserved to live in proper low-cost houses, he said Also, hostel accom-

modation would be upgraded into family units as hostel dwellers were re-integrated into the broader community

The premier's speech was not without a note of caution "The reality of government is that we cannot deliver everything overnight," he said

The creation of jobs and the generation of wealth necessary to improve the lives of the 6-million people in the PWV could be achieved only through consultation with all interest groups

Sexwale said he was "immensely impressed" by the work that had already been undertaken

Sustainable employment for "almost 50% of our citizens without formal or adequate employment", preventative health care with emphasis on AIDS awareness, and upgrading of inadequate social welfare were also earmarked for urgent attention

A single curriculum and rationalisation of current structures to provide quality education, "for all our

young people" would save taxpayers millions of rand, he said

Sexwale pledged the government to establish a comprehensive economic database to facilitate the marketing of the province within its first 100 days in office "We have the responsibility to actively solicit significant new local and international investment for the PWV"

Immediate action from government was the key to long-term development, he said Central to rebuilding the PWV was creating "a vigorous circle of progress" An urgent programme to develop the PWV infrastructure would provide the stability and growth necessary for "more pervasive reconstruction and development" regionally

The PWV was bound by the constitution to introduce community-police liaison forums without delay, a process already in motion, Sexwale said

The high level of car theft, violent assaults and rape would also be tackled

NEWS

Accountability a major concern

Down to work for PWV legislature

Star 20/5/94

■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

The legislature for the PWV province got down to its first real business yesterday in a bullring

Premier Tokyo Sexwale couldn't resist the temptation "I'm told this place is where they normally sell cattle or bulls," he commented, as he rose to make his speech "It's actually a bull market I'm just happy it's not a bear market"

But Speaker Trevor Fowler resolutely ignored the less-than-imposing trappings of the temporary home for the new legislature in the Nasrec exhibition centre between Johannesburg and Soweto

Fowler's unhurried, serious approach proved infectious as the 86-member House went to work to approve interim standing rules for the House

As members from various par-

ties rose to motivate various rules — or express reservations — it became clear that the question of public accountability and open government was a shared concern. (266)

Jabu Moleketi, MEC for economic affairs, supported the provision which enabled private members to have matters of "public importance" placed on the order paper on an urgent basis.

Peter Leon of the DP applauded the rules committee's decision to give the public and the legislature itself adequate notice of proposed legislation. Normally, a Bill will have to be published in the Government Gazette at least 14 days before it is introduced in the House.

Leon said this had done away with the secret and over-speedy process of law-making which had held under the apartheid regime and which had "promoted

the interests of the bureaucracy rather than the citizen".

Benny Alexander, the PAC's only member, challenged the rule which excluded from debate any matter on which a judicial decision was pending. This could help members to "run away" from an issue, by simply appointing a judicial commission and closing down debate.

The other theme of the sitting was compromise in the interests of reconciliation, which was reflected especially in the decision to accept English temporarily as the official language of record

Yesterday the sitting took place before a mere 30 to 40 observers — aside from the media Sexwale said journalists were most welcome — as long as they remembered that the members of the House were, one and all, parliamentarians. Not former terrorists or apartheid fascists



FACING THE CHALLENGES . . . former detainee, Jessie Duarte, is now the PWV's Safety and Security MEC

Duarte's plans for police

By RAY HARTLEY
Political Reporter

THE image of the diminutive PWV Safety and Security MEC Jessie Duarte, hands on hips and giving orders to the towering policemen who once detained her without trial, is irresistible

But, like so many others, Mrs Duarte has forgiven and forgotten, and embraced her former tormentors.

"For the most part, the police are willing to accept the task of protecting the Constitution and the community," she says from behind the new oak veneer desk recently installed in her Simmonds Street office.

"I counted this morning," she says, flipping through her pocket diary, "and in my first week I've held meetings with over 200 people. This is the most important challenge of my life."

Key to her portfolio is the reduction of crime, getting guns off the streets and bringing the police and community together.

Other changes need to be made as well.

"Never again must a policeman knock down a door with the barrel of a gun. That's the old *kragdadige* approach," she says.

"The challenge will be to bring together the police and the community so that they become one.

"The police have said that the PWV region needs 14 000 more policemen. This is a good ideal, but it is just not practical at the moment."

Instead, she believes that the man-

power shortage could be alleviated by putting trained policemen, currently deskbound, back onto the streets and introducing civilian administrators into the force.

Increased community involvement in policing would also help ease the crisis, she adds.

Since most violent crime is committed using unlicensed firearms, especially automatic and semi-automatic weapons, Mrs Duarte says these need to be seized as a matter of urgency.

This would then be followed by a restriction on the number of licensed firearms an individual can own.

Mrs Duarte says she welcomed the appointment of Sydney Mufamadi as Safety and Security Minister, adding that his trade union background should strengthen his resolve to implement changes.

Jessie in PWV's law and order hot-seat

By Sharon Chetty

SHE'S far from the dour, authoritarian face of the law and order ministry South Africans have grown to dread

In fact Ms Jessie Duarte, the new Minister of Safety and Security in the PWV region, is the kind of person to inspire confidence in even the most battle-hardened rightwinger

She's heading a new portfolio in the most violent area of the country outside KwaZulu-Natal, and being in the hot seat is a challenge this mother of two is fast rising to

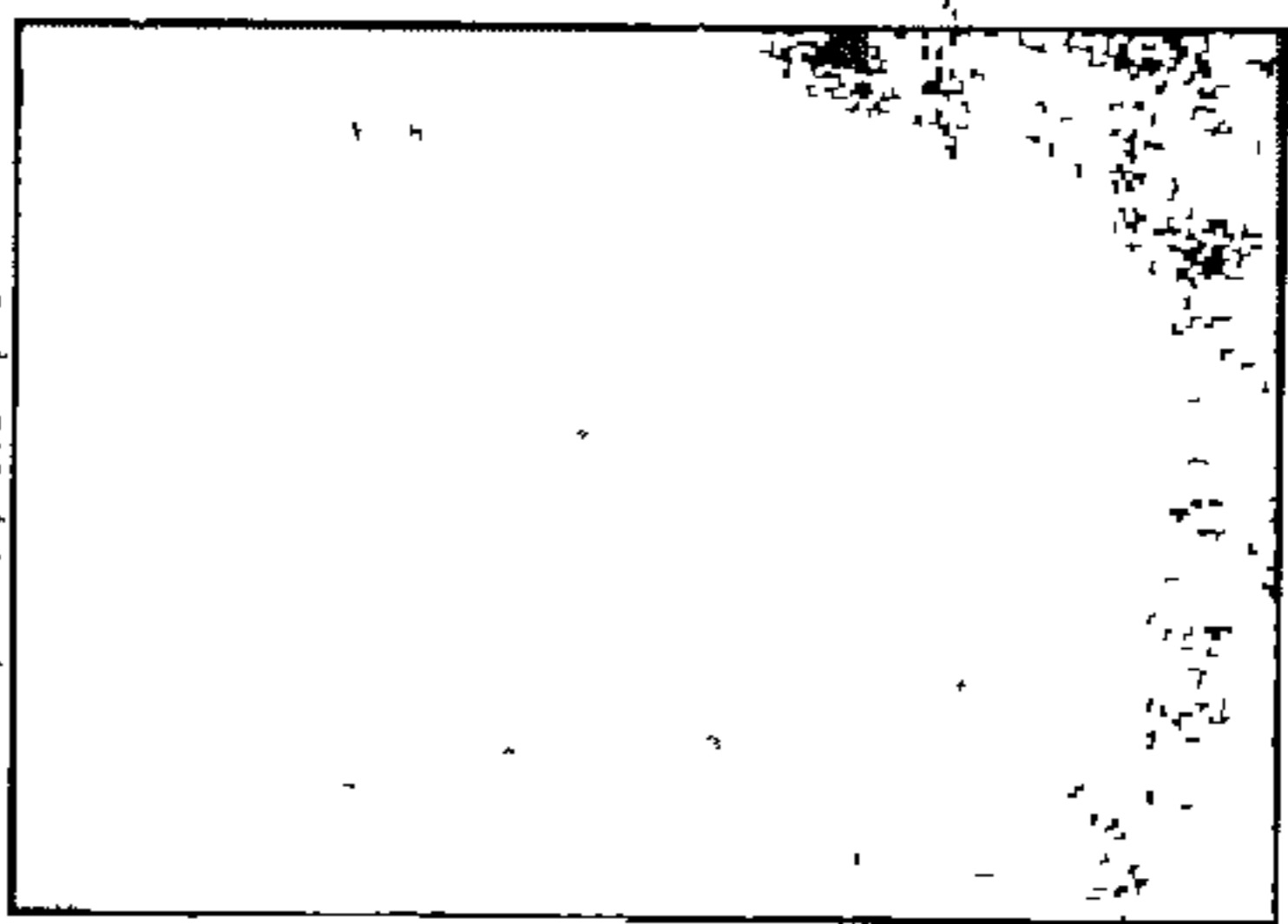
"The more time I spend away from here, the better I am able to do my job," she says, gesturing at the oak-veneered desk in her new-Simmonds Street office

In only one week in the job, she's fielded more than 200 queries from people concerned about the high crime rate, and often her response to them has been "what would you like to see us do?"

Community participation is vital if the police are going to succeed, she maintains

A priority is to set up community policing units in townships, especially on the East Rand

Already meetings have been held with community representatives and the first units are expected within weeks



Jessie Duarte ... the pragmatic minister in charge of safety and security in the PWV.

PICTURE: JOE MOLLEFE

"I want to see the people reclaim the streets in townships, villages, suburbs and the city centre. Women must be allowed to go about their business without fear of rape," she says

Community policing liaison forums will ensure that there is constant contact between the police and the people and the idea is to work jointly with the paramilitary self-defence units which

SDUs have an important role to play. They are in touch with their communities and have the experience of a special kind of policing

are already well established in many townships. SDUs have an important role to play. They are in touch with their communities and have the experience of a special kind of policing

"Those skills have to be channelled into working together with the police," said Duarte

"There are obviously some elements who are undisciplined and out of control — but the same can be said for the SAP," she added

"We want to get down to grassroots. We must reach a stage where the police are a respected and trusted part of the community

"Then people can go to the local officer and point out the criminals" "The bashing down of doors as in the past, should not be the way the police

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operate in the future," she added. Unlike her predecessors in the ministry of law and order, Duarte does not want the SAP to work as party-political machinery

"We have a government of national unity that represents all the people of this country. In the same way, the police have to do the same"

Duarte, who was once detained by the same police she now leads, says the experiences of the past are a good reminder of what not to do

"We were at the receiving end of the evil arm of the law, that, if nothing else, should stop us from committing the same bad deeds," she emphasises

On Friday the national ministry met to map out its work and Duarte says she left feeling "absolutely confident" that under Minister Sydney Mafumadi, the Ministry of Safety and Security would achieve at least some of its goals

Mainstay of this ministry "Sydney is a trade unionist who knows the value of getting people involved when it comes to issues. That I think will be the mainstay of this ministry," she said

A clampdown on car hijackings and gun controls are other short-term priorities. "Car thefts are a well-developed racket that has to be sorted out" "It is no more simply a case of a car

being stolen — people are killed, women are raped, and the crime around this is too much

"The source has to be found and wiped out," she said

Already various pressure groups, both pro- and anti-guns, have been in touch with her

"We can't take the stance that there should be no guns, but the traffic in illegal arms will have to be stopped

"We can apply laws when it comes to the licensing and regulating of firearms, but criminals have to be brought to book for us to be effective"

Duarte believes that the top brass of the SAP are firmly behind the new order in the country, but hopes to eventually win over the dissidents

"I can only outline and plan projects, but the success is going to come from the community and the police

"Because we have a plan, I think we have more chance of winning over those dissenters

"This is not going to be an elite police force that serves the government of the day

"The new SAP is going to be a part of the reconstruction of this country, and every member will be involved

"I am a pragmatist, not a dreamer, and the safety and security of every citizen is what this office is aiming for," she promised

Illicit deals cost council R6-m

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■ **LAND SALES** Officials accepted

By Mzimasi Ngudle

THE Diepmeadow Council lost an estimated R6 million in illicit land deals involving high-ranking officials and councillors

This emerged over three days last week in evidence before the commission of inquiry appointed by the Transvaal Provincial Administration. The inquiry has been postponed to June 13.

The commission heard that certain councillors and council officials were bribed into accepting tenders from applicants who were to pay less than the highest bidders. In some cases property developers allegedly falsely obtained land free from the council.

The commission heard evidence from, among others, the town clerk, Mr Johan de Jager, who is implicated in the seven land deals under investigation. Former Diepmeadow mayor Mr Maraba Mathala said De Jager was

lowest instead of highest bids:

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one of the three high-ranking officials who featured in almost all the deals.

Others are housing director Mr Jooste Mothapo and former council executive chairman Mr Frederick Phiri.

Former councillor Mr Godfrey Mokgotjane told the commission that one company, Ivory Task, was granted a tender without even applying for it. The commission heard that Ivory Task owner Mr Piet Smith paid R200 000 to some councillors.

In the land deals under investigation the following allegations emerged:

- A purported sale of Diepkloof Hostel which was reportedly given free to Mr Jackson Morley, whose

company Ivory Task featured in various land deals.

The commission heard that Morley collected all the rent at the hostel but did not pay rent or service charges to the council. According to the agreement, Morley was to convert the hostel into family units.

- The acceptance of Mr Irvin Khoza's tender of R204 000 for a site after the highest bid of about R1,5 million was rejected.

- Sales of land for development to Mr Piet Smith of Group Housing or Pentax, who allegedly paid about R200 000 to councillors.

- The sale of a business site where Mr Josiah Mabaso allegedly received R300 000.

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Reservations dampen praise of Sexwale speech

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THE PWV legislature yesterday welcomed Premier Tokyo Sexwale's policy speech last week, despite concerns over his commitment to build 150 000 low-cost housing units in the next 12 months

Opening the debate, NP leader Olaus van Zyl said Sexwale's speech had been "positive and non-controversial" However, the goal of building 600 houses a working day would take "a year or two, or three, longer" than intended

Housing Minister Dan Mofokeng hinted at a compromise figure when he said that failure to build more than 100 000 new homes would create serious problems for the future

DP leader Ian Davidson said the province did not have the capacity to deliver on Sexwale's promise. "At most 70 000 low-cost houses could be built in 1995"

Other criticism of Sexwale's speech focused on the provincial reconstruction and development programme, but was preempted by PWV RDP commission head Ben Turok

He said the provincial RDP was a first draft, drawn up by a party in opposition

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with no access to state statistics and "perhaps no proper understanding of how costings are drawn up".

The programme was a policy framework rather than a project list, he said

Although "the vision and ideals" of the RDP were not negotiable, widespread consultation was necessary to clarify the crucial issue of costings

Reuter reports that Turok said now the ANC was in government it was in a position to re-evaluate the cost of its RDP.

Freedom Front MPL Jan Landman attacked the NP for "entering into coalition with the ANC" He urged government to decentralise industry by "taking factories to the workers".

Davidson warned that economic policy should take into account that SA's three main economic areas — the PWV, Western Cape and Natal/Kwazulu — would be competing for investment.

ANC MPL Mbongiseni Radebe advocated a policy of economic competition combined with co-operation at rural level to share the fruits of the PWV's wealth

Masterhand: ECP



Education streamlined in months

PWV education MEC Mary Metcalfe said yesterday a PWV education department could be operational by the end of the year.

She told the provincial legislature at Nasrec, near Soweto, that four education departments would have to be merged. 2515/94

Metcalfe said she supported the creation of a regional education and training forum which would examine several issues. She highlighted the need for feeding schemes and shelter for poor pupils.

On adult education, Metcalfe said 40% of the adult population was illiterate.

Also speaking at the legislature meeting, PWV premier Tokyo Sexwale said the seat of the PWV would be debated in the provincial legislature after a select committee completes its report by June 16.

Sexwale proposed the committee would hear evidence from experts and interested parties on the issue. (246) (5)

The committee would consist of 10 representatives from the ANC, four from the NP and one each from the Freedom Front, DP, PAC and African Christian Democratic Party. Sexwale's proposal was accepted unanimously.

He also promised there would be a public protector to protect the public from the provincial legislature.

This would help ensure a clean administration.

Sexwale also promised to change the economy from a mining base to a manufacturing base, saying the PWV could not enter the 21st century without facilitating industry.

The province should compete with the Group of Seven and Pacific Rim countries.

The premier said organised labour would have to help provide the competitive edge.

Workers in China, Japan and Singapore would have to be eclipsed by local labourers.

He reiterated the need for a partnership between government, labour and business.

Tourism should be promoted to outdo gold as the PWV's main financial source — Sapa.

It will make headlines worldwide - Sexwale

'Secret scheme' vows 150 000 PWV houses

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■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

The Government's housing targets for the PWV would be realised by means of a "gigantic scheme" driven by the private sector and capable of creating 125 000 new jobs in six months, according to provincial Premier Tokyo Sexwale

In his response yesterday to the PWV legislature's debate on his policy address, Sexwale noted that some people regarded it as Utopian to speak of the supply of 150 000 low-cost homes within a year.

But, said Sexwale, the

Cabinet would soon be fully briefed on a "gigantic scheme that is going to hit headlines around the world".

The development would involve the establishment of industries, the creation of jobs primarily for residents of squatter camps, and the establishment of a substantial community bank.

Major corporations were already aware of the scheme and were fighting to have a part of it, he told the House.

The development had nothing to do with Department of National Housing plans and broke completely with the in-

vestment/housing policies of the past, he said

Critical ~~(A)~~ (266)

Sexwale exhorted members of the House to look beyond the functional areas of the second tier and to keep a critical eye on the national Parliament. For instance, he said, he would be watching the national defence budget and the policies of the intelligence services

"I don't think that we can condone a defence budget running out of control," he said

Under no circumstances would he approve the purchase of ex-

pensive "toys for the generals", as that would mean cutting spending on essentials. As premier, his concern was "bread and butter, not bullets and guns"

When it came to the powers of intelligence services, he would want to ensure that there was no spying on ordinary citizens and infringement of their right to privacy

Sexwale also announced his intention to appoint a "public protector" — known in the past as the ombudsman — with powers to scrutinise every aspect of public life on behalf of the public

Decision on capital still to be made

■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

It is by no means certain that Johannesburg will remain the seat of government for the PWV province

A select committee of the PWV legislature is to hear representations from the public and interested parties on possible capitals and report to the House by June 16. A motion on this matter was tabled yesterday by Premier Tokyo Sexwale, specifying that the legislature should finalise the seat of government by the end of next month.

The premier's motion came as something of a surprise in the light of the ANC's pre-election support for moving the provincial capital from Pretoria to Johannesburg.

Last budget for Randburg

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■ STAFF REPORTER

Gary Cooney, the chairman of the Randburg management committee, delivering the 1994/5 budget on Monday night, said the budget would be the last the town would ever know because, during the next 12 months, boundaries throughout the PWV would be redrawn and Randburg municipality would disappear.

On low-cost housing, Cooney said "The planning and provision of adequate low-cost hous-

ing is long overdue and agreements with the Transitional Executive Council necessitate that suitable areas for this type of housing be completed within the next four months" (266)

Expenditure of R252 941 790 is expected over the next year, with income realising some R243 226 926. This represents a deficit of R9 714 864, most of which will be recovered by increasing cleansing (refuse removal, etc) by 5,21 percent, sewerage by 15,21 percent and ad-

ding 12 percent to the assessment rates.

No money has been set aside in the budget for upliftment of the Nooitgedacht area, as a group of residents has instituted legal action against the council which, if successful, will render the incorporation null and void.

"During the election in April, of the 6 000 votes cast in the area, 5 200 were for the ANC, and the local branch of the ANC recently tabled a motion to be incorporated into the town."

No money for

TPA bid to allay officials' fears

Wilson Zwane

THE Transvaal Provincial Administration (TPA) has mounted a campaign to allay fears of its many officials that they would lose their jobs once the administration was, along with homeland administrations, incorporated into new provincial structures.

TPA director-general Len Dekker said the administration had convened seminars at which new developments were discussed. "In many cases, fear is based on a lack of knowledge ... uncertainty is the biggest cause of fear and once there is certainty, fear vanishes," he said.

Although he could not say what the future held for the TPA, Dekker said he took it for granted that personnel would be absorbed into new provincial structures.

He said he was proud of the TPA's officials, who he said were in step with developments.

On operations, Dekker said until the Budget was announced next month, his administration was allowed to use 1% of last year's budget a month. The total expenditure should, however, not exceed 45% of the previous budget.

He said the TPA would also give "factual information" to a select committee, which the PWV legislature had appointed to look into the fate of the administration's assets.

New SA flag raised at OAU gathering

ADDIS ABABA — The new SA flag took its place alongside those of 52 other African nations at the OAU's 31st anniversary gathering yesterday.

SA Foreign Minister Alfred Nzo and OAU secretary-general Salim Ahmed Salim presided over the flag-raising ceremony in a square outside OAU headquarters in the Ethiopian capital.

Congolese President Pascal Lisouba, Ethiopian Foreign Minister Syium Massfin and the entire diplomatic corps in Addis Ababa attended the proceedings.

Salim, who warmly welcomed the South Africans, said SA's membership marked the end of Africa's decolonisation. The struggle against apartheid had ended and the OAU could now concentrate on development throughout the continent.

"We welcome SA, the 53rd member of our organisation, and we say to our brothers and sisters in SA, black, white and brown, welcome to your African family."

The OAU chief paid tribute to President Nelson Mandela and Deputy President FW de Klerk and welcomed the new government's policy of reconciliation.

Nzo said government's foreign policy would be shaped by domestic needs and objectives, but SA would contribute to African development through continental and regional organisations.

"We are now finally part of Africa. We are coming home to Africa," he said.

SA had to consider humanitarian aid to

refugees displaced by civil war in Rwanda, Nzo said yesterday in an interview en route to Addis Ababa.

He said possible military intervention in Rwanda by SA troops would have to be carefully considered by government.

"There is no plan so far of any military action. But the spirit to assist and desire to help is there."

Nzo said SA would play a role in conflict mediation efforts in Africa in consultation with the OAU and the UN.

He warned against exaggerated expectations of economic benefits arising from SA's admission to the OAU.

"Charity begins at home. SA also has large foreign debt and must do everything possible to end that debt."

He said SA's membership of the OAU was "the culmination of a dream that one day SA will take its rightful place alongside the independent states of Africa".

SA would assist the continent in asserting itself in international politics and there was an increased potential for trade links with other African states.

Nzo emphasised, however, that SA's foreign policy would be guided by the priority of improving the lives of South Africans. "We are not going to foster big brother relations with the rest of Africa. We are for mutual co-operation to help uplift the other countries of Africa."

The South Africans will return home today. — Sapa

Rand hostels' ● Praise singer entertains MPs

Let's cut Defence Budget — Sexwale

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By Tyrone August
Political Reporter

■ **FIND FUNDS** Money must be channelled to housing:

PWV PREMIER MR Tokyo Sexwale yesterday called on the provincial legislature to support slashing the Ministry of Defence's slice of the Budget

"Others in this country want to talk about providing generals with tanks, Ratels, Casspirs and surface-to-air missiles. I don't think we should be part of that. I want to talk about bread and butter, not bullets and guns. We are not going to war here. I don't think we can condone a Defence Budget that is running out of control," Sexwale said.

He said although there was a need to protect the country, there was also a need to cut the Defence Budget to find funds for housing and education.

He also said the gap between the security forces and the community must

be closed. He said they were unpopular because they had to implement racist laws in the past.

"We need to liberate our people from the fear that is stalking the country," Sexwale said.

He also announced that Inkatha Freedom Party leaders would on Saturday accompany him on a visit to East Rand hostel indunas. *(21/5)*

Bring back life

"We want to bring back life to the East Rand," he said.

He supported the Ministry of Safety and Security's plans for gun control and disarmament. "There is insecurity but we have to limit weapons," Sexwale

said.

He also said there was a need to appoint a public protector "so that the public can be protected from this legislature if it goes wrong".

He said this public protector should be able to investigate "every aspect of social life, including the security forces".

In his maiden speech, the ANC's Robert McBride slammed media references to his past as a guerilla and said reconciliation was a two-way process and not selective.

He said because no democratic measures were available before, "other means to express our ideas" were used. "For this, we make no apologies," he said.

User-friendly transport urged

Bombs: Accused No 34 in court

ANOTHER Alrikaner Weerstandsbeweging member has appeared in court in connection with the pre-election bombing blitz on the Witwatersrand.

Johannes Andries Venter's arrest in Lichtenburg on Wednesday brought to 34 the number of right-wingers arrested in connection with the bombings.

Venter (28), of Jasmyn Street, Potgietersrus, appeared in the Johannesburg Regional Court before magistrate C J van Heerden yesterday.

He was not asked to plead and no charges were put to him. The case was postponed until June 24, when the other 33 right-wingers arrested in connection with the bombings will appear in court.

Venter was remanded in police custody because he was earlier this year sentenced to five years' jail for arson. Prosecutor Jeanette Neveling said Venter had lost an appeal against the sentence.

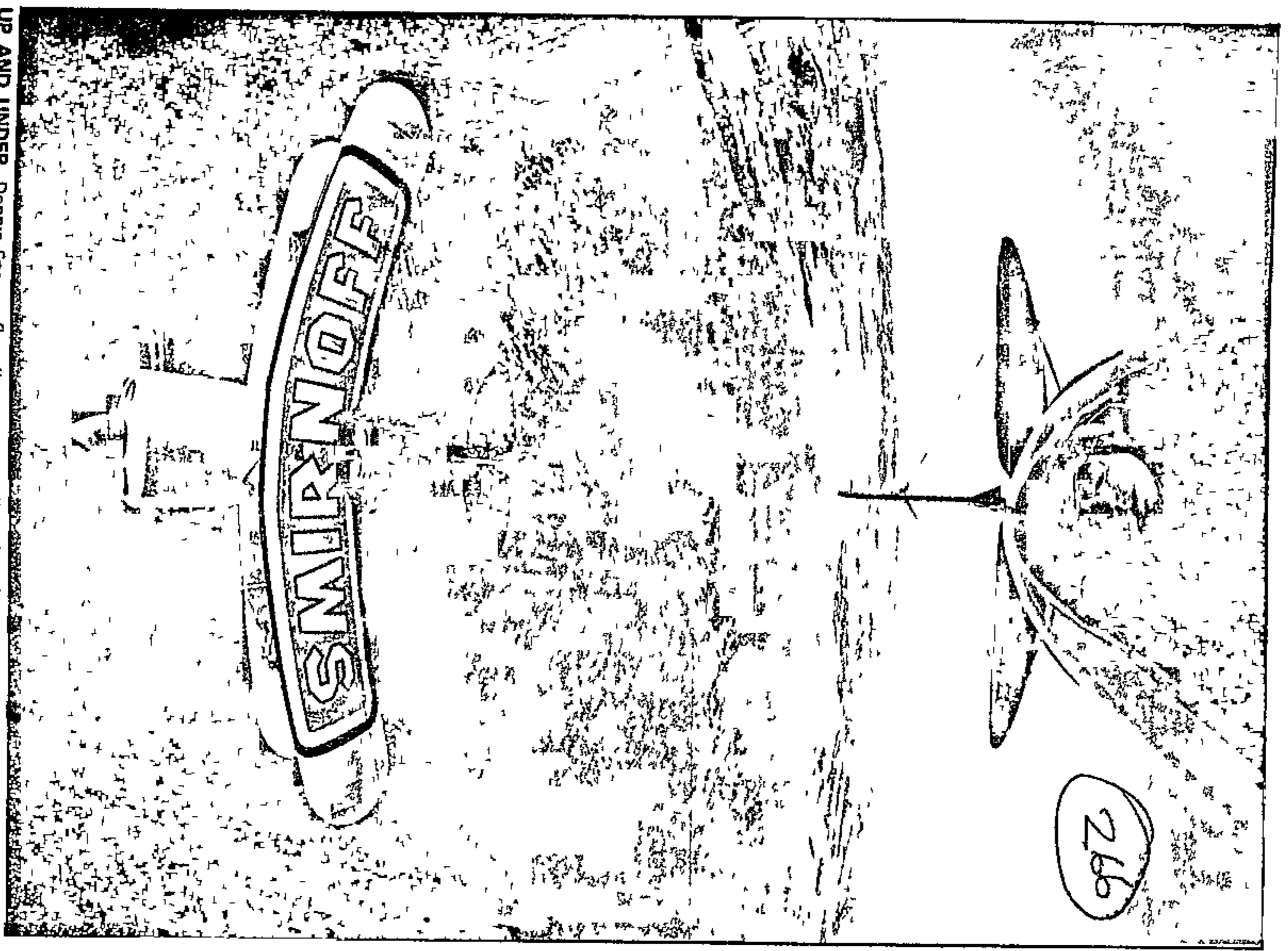
Bail

According to Colonel Neels van Wyk, who is investigating the bombings, police had been on the lookout for Venter since he lost the appeal.

Tall and bearded, Venter appeared calm when he entered the courtroom, wearing tangles.

The 33 other accused have been released on R10 000 bail each.

Nineteen people were killed and scores injured in two car-bomb explosions — one in central Johannesburg and the other



UP AND UNDER Dennis Spence flies "mirror image" with Relhan van Tonder (below) in their Pitts Specials. They will today attempt to undertake a "mirror roll" in the National Metal Air and Water Show which runs until tomorrow at Gemiston Lake. The event combines the final leg of the Ford SA Formula 1 Grand Prix powerboat series with top-flying air displays. PHOTOGRAPH HERMAN POTGIETER

GREATER Johannesburg and Soweto transport authorities are the first in the country to come up with a comprehensive regional transport plan, which could form the basis for a national policy.

The priority of the task teams involved in the Regional Passenger Transport Plan (RPTP) was to implement immediate solutions to address problems, along with long-term projects and studies to improve transportation, particularly for disadvantaged communities.

At present there is no clear strategy or policy for each public transportation mode — bus, rail or minibus taxi.

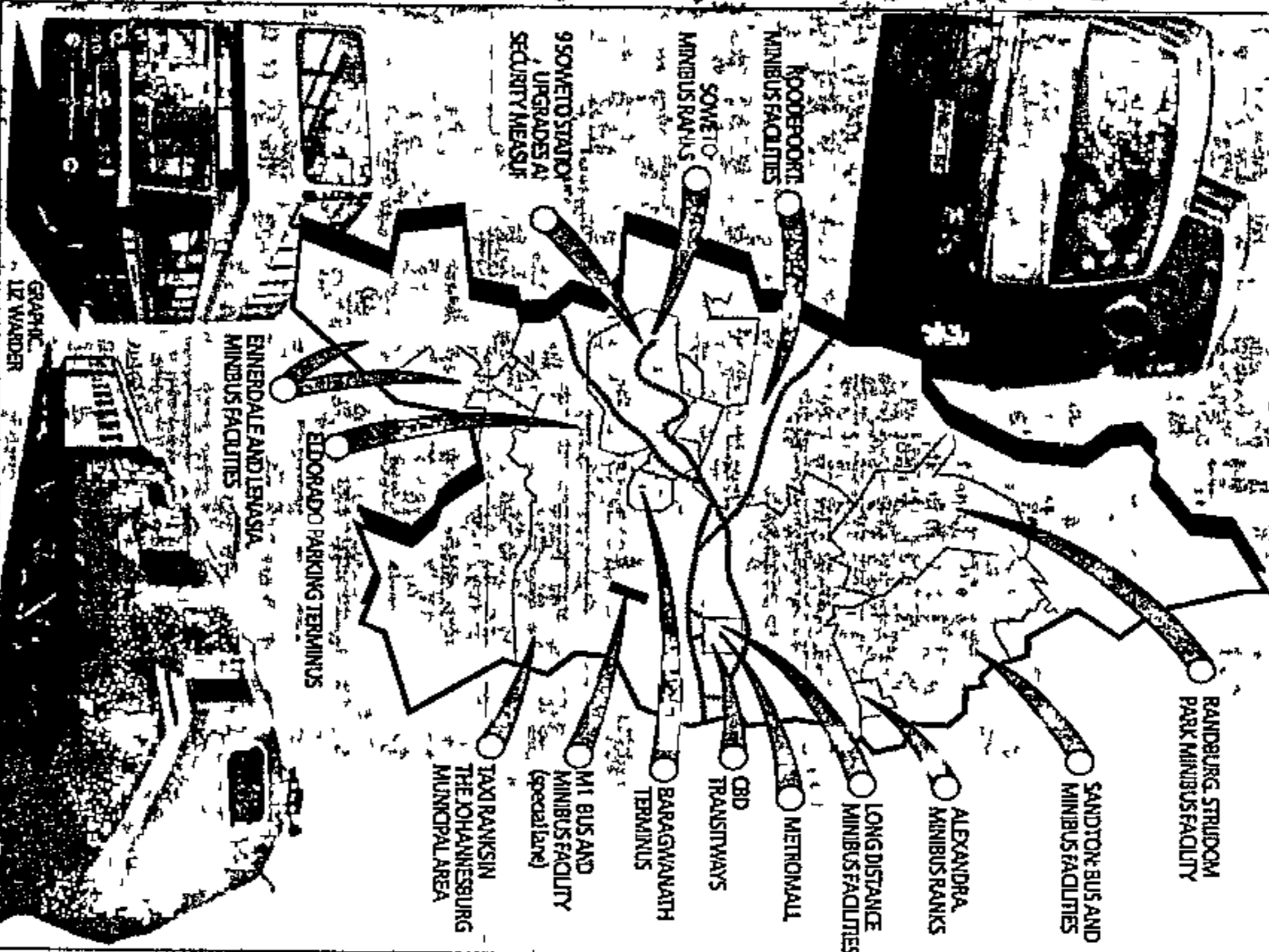
The study team found that the infrastructure for passenger transport was inadequate and, in particular, facilities for minibus taxis had lagged behind those for other modes.

Lay-bys are required throughout the region, major taxi routes in townships are in poor condition and ranking facilities are totally inadequate. Rail infrastructure — including stations, rolling stock and signalling equipment — has been neglected for many years and is in a poor condition, says the report.

The RPTP recommends that a metropolitan transport authority, guided and advised by a passenger transport body, be established to manage passenger transport as a whole or until a PWV regional structure is in place.

Previous mass transportation studies in the region recommended that the rail mode form the backbone of the passenger transport system. The minibus taxi, however, has become the dominant mode in the region, with the bus industry experiencing a lack of commitment from the authorities. Local authorities are reluctant to fully integrate minibus taxis into urban

Computer projects 1994/95 (R50 035 000)



THE new Regional Passenger Transport Plan is the first in which the authorities asked the people of Johannesburg and Soweto just what it was they wanted before putting a pen to paper, reports LOUISE MARSLAND.

It's even though the rail and bus modes have lost market share. Still, the RPTP believes that the minibus taxi is not fulfilling its optimum role as there is no clear vision. "Policies to fully integrate the modes should be put on hold until pilot projects have demonstrated how minibus taxis can become integrated in a more formal way with the other modes," the RPTP states. Because the level of service provided by all three passenger transport modes was found to be inadequate, the RPTP recommended that the metropolitan transport authority establish what

when compared with private transport was identified as a source of most of the problems experienced with bus services on the Reef.

The security problem is another which will be generally addressed. Passengers surveyed said they had suffered greatly from criminal and political violence on trains and were also caught in the crossfire of conflicts between minibus taxi operators.

Many civic associations expressed dissatisfaction about the lack of consultation by operators of all modes with regard to routing, fares and fare increases. Quality of service insurance issues, information for users and the level of subsidisation.

Projects in the pipeline for the 1994/95 financial year include: **Rail.** The upgrading of nine Soweto stations; investigations and implementation of measures to relieve problems at entry and exit points to staging yards and security upgrading.

Bus. Develop a policy for dedicated bus and minibus taxi lanes and examine the feasibility of such lanes on the V1, Jan Smuts Avenue, Oxford Road, Eloff Street Eki, Booyseas Road and Louisa Botha Avenue. The immediate investigation of the need for and location of bus depots, stations, terminals and holding areas in Randburg, Sandton and the Johannesburg CBD.

Minibus Taxis. Upgrade taxi ranks in the CBD and Soweto, provide identification of requirements for minibus taxi lay-bys and shelters in the region; identify major minibus taxi routes that need upgrading. The RPTP has also recommended the restructuring of the controversial Local Road Transportation Board, which is satisfactory only to the Department of Transport.

Urban toll roads

on cards for City

LOUISE MARSLAND

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A RADICAL new passenger transportation plan proposes tolls on urban arterial roads and extra vehicle licence fees to raise funds to integrate rail, bus and minibus taxi services in Johannesburg's metropolitan area.

The Regional Passenger Transport Plan (RPTP) was devised by bus, rail and minibus taxi operators — along with local authorities, civic associations, ratepayers' bodies and transport consultants — after consultation with "the people" at bus shelters, taxi ranks and railway stations.

Johannesburg metropolitan planning deputy director Jack Froneman said the plan was "people-driven", with consultation taking place at grassroots before anything was put on paper.

It recommends that R50 million be spent immediately on infrastructure to address short-term needs. Another R12 million has been budgeted in the 1994/95 financial year for further investigations.

Because of a decline in central and provincial government funding, road tolls, an additional R100 vehicle licence fee in the metropolitan area to bring in an extra R100 million, and increased parking charges to bring in another R5 million to R10 million a year have been proposed to fund public transport.

back seat as the emphasis shifts to catering for public transport. Motorists will have to forsake certain roads in the CBD and traffic lanes on major arterials to make room for buses and taxis.

Immediate projects include:

- Demarcation of bus and taxi lanes on the M1 and major roads leading into Johannesburg.
- Barring private cars from CBD streets earmarked for transitways.
- Establishing a regional taxi forum.
- Beefed-up security on trains and at stations.
- Narrowing the gap between rail and bus fares.
- Subsidising minibus taxis.
- Upgrading nine Soweto railway stations and hundreds of taxi facilities.
- Training taxi drivers and marshals to improve safety.

The taxi industry has made representation to the Transport Minister for financial aid, and the RPTP recommends that this issue be resolved as a priority.

The plan, commissioned by the Central Witwatersrand Regional Services Council, has been approved by working groups from the council and the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber. It is to be presented to the chamber

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soon, and has been submitted to the Department of Transport for final approval. A presentation will also be made to the PWV Transport Minister.

Mibus taxis — one of the most cursed services of our times — will get recognition for the vital role they play in public transport, if the RPTP is implemented.

The RPTP was commissioned by the Central Witwatersrand Regional Services Council (CWRSC) after the Department of Transport announced its intention to devolve the responsibility for passenger transport to the regional services councils. It has been approved by the relevant CWRSC and

Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber working groups and is due to come before the full Chamber soon. A copy is also on its way to the Department of Transport for final approval.

A presentation will also be made to the new PWV transport minister. The plan recommends that commuter passenger transport continue to be subsidised, but that the subsidy be used to the advantage of those who need it most.

Froneman said, "This plan is not about building super-duper highways, or carrying up the town with freeways, or about bigger parking garages. It is geared towards moving people."

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Good management required, says former accountant Duarte
Dutch instructor is planning to instil a multicultural approach

Changing face of the force

NEWTON KANHEMA

DUTCH policeman Colonel Albert Butenhuis is in Pretoria on a special assignment — to introduce to the South African Police Service (SAPS) a new approach to training as the country enters a new era.

Butenhuis is part of a team which will include four international police training experts, two SAPS training officers and two local civilians.

The team was established to direct and implement a new approach to basic training in local police agencies after recommendations by the Transitional Executive Council.

A deputy commissioner in his home country, Butenhuis has served in the police force for 31 years. He is president of the European Group on Multicultural Policing and Training, an organisation responsible for implementing an international approach to policing communities faced with the problem of illegal immigration and recruitment of immigrants into European police services.

The European Group includes Holland, England, Finland, Germany, Norway, Belgium and Portugal.

He has also worked in Hungary, where, during the dark days of socialism the police were autocratic.

Before coming to South Africa as a part of a European observer mission for the election, Butenhuis was assigned to Hanover, Germany to help recruit immigrants into the German police force.

This is a new thing in the German police — almost 50 percent of the policemen in Amsterdam are immigrants.

The police force is very democratic.

How do you deal with the resistance of police officers to new officers with a differ-



TRAINER Colonel Albert Butenhuis, who has served in the Dutch police force for 31 years. He is among four foreign police experts who will help change the way local police agencies are trained

PHOTOGRAPHY DEBBIE YAZBEK

ent cultural background? How can this resistance be avoided? These are some of the things we look at, he says.

My assignment is to transform them into a public-friendly police. They have to identify with their communities.

And in the case of South Africa I believe this is the aim — to instil positive attitudes towards police in the communities to change from a military to a civilian police service.

Instructor

Back home he is a member of the Dutch Police Study Centre. He is among those responsible for the management training of the Dutch police. He is also an instructor at the Institute for Social Science in Leiden.

Police Board subcommittee chairman Janine Rauch, a policing researcher at Wits University's Centre for the Study of Violence, spells out the multinational police training team's responsibilities.

The team will be accountable to the Police Board which is made up of equal numbers of police officers and civilians.

It is to operate for an initial period of six months and its continued operation will be negotiable.

The period taken to train police will be increased from six months to a year, with the second half of the year used for field training — a new approach for South African police.

Rauch says We are very excited that this initiative has taken off.

This will help the process of change.

Rauch says it is as important to the subcommittee as it is to the Government that the team should be inclusive in terms of race and gender.

Its international component should include at least one woman and at least one black.

Interest

The South African part of the team should also include at least one woman and at least one black.

While three countries — Holland, England and Jamaica — have confirmed that they will be involved in the programme, Germany, Canada and Belgium have also expressed interest in seconding a police training expert to the team, he says.

Each country will sponsor its own delegate.



IT'S A WOMAN Jessie Duarte, whom many expected to receive the PWV finance portfolio, does not feel her appointment was a case of affirmative action

PWV Minister's

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PWV Minister's view coloured by stint behind bars

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MAUREEN ISAACSON

MANY offices in the 30 Simmonds Street East Wing are empty as the executive branch of the PWV legislature gets things rolling. We've been waiting for the province's Public Safety and Security Minister, Jessie Duarte (40), for half an hour, when a young woman clad in long skirt and blouse arrives.

Her name is Mabi. She says she is Duarte's bodyguard.

She is followed by Duarte, who for the past four years has been Nelson Mandela's special assistant.

"My God, it's a woman!" shouted someone at the inauguration of the PWV Cabinet as Duarte received congratulatory kisses and her portfolio — a portfolio many had expected to be finance.

To the former she would say this is absolutely not a case of affirmative action. To the latter she would say, yes, I have a BComm honours degree and several years of service as an accountant, but this job requires good management skills.

"It is not so much my formal training that has prepared me for this job," she says. "My community background is better than any formal degree. It provided me with special communication skills. I am also dealing with the community out there — I worked very closely with the Riverlea community — I lived in the area for 15 years before I moved into Yeoville in August."

Her lack of knowledge of police science notwithstanding, she says her detention — eight months at "Sun City" (Johannesburg Women's Prison) in 1989 and a four-year restriction to the Johannesburg magisterial district gave her knowledge of the police "from the other side." Thanks to the years of repression, Duarte feels she can "rattle" the Public Safety Act of 1953, although she is not a lawyer.

Now, after only a few days in her new office, she says it is too early to release a step-by-step crime reduction plan. However, she talks of conflict management and non-lethal control of crowds and violence — methods in which she believes the police have not yet been trained.

She is not suggesting disarming the force. She is talking of a reversal of the old order, building relationships between police and communities, with police first in the line of defence of human rights. (2lob) (255)

Visible policing is uppermost on her agenda. She wants an increase of 14 000 in the number of policemen on the beat. She believes there will not be a problem persuading national Safety and Security Minister Sidney Mufamadi of this need.

The announcement of this plan comes in the wake of 13 murders in Tokoza a fortnight ago.

Tokoza, she says, is an area that "needs a lot of work. To give the people back their dignity we have to implement visible policing in the whole Katorus (Katllehong, Tokoza and Vosloorus) area, and that includes a recommendation to the Minister not to take the South African National Defence Force out."

Duarte, who has made the reduction of the crime rate in the PWV her first priority, sees community policing as the direction in which policing must be orientated.

"The constitution provides for people to form community police liaison forums — but this can happen without being organised through the ministry. Community policing turns around an old way of working. The police understand that victims have rights too — they cannot do a job like that without community involvement."

The boys in blue will have to try to create a new image. Despite talk of changing uniforms and vehicle colours, change will have to come from within, Duarte says.

There will be checks and balances. "The constitution provides for an ombudsman, nationally and provincially. We need to ensure the human rights of everyone, including policemen."

On self-defence units, Duarte says "They have a positive role to play." Support for the release of people detained for political activity, curtailing the length of prison terms, and looking at prison sentences as rehabilitative rather than punitive are also high on her agenda.

"It is not so much my formal training that has prepared me for this job. My community background is better than any formal degree, it provided me with special skills."

Tokyo turns on the charm at hot spots

SITimes 29/5/94

PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale turned on the charm yesterday and completely disarmed East Rand Inkatha hostel dwellers.

Visiting the three main Inkatha strongholds on the Reef, he said that while fatalities had dropped since the elections, people must work together to continue the peace process.

Dressed casually in slacks and cardigan, the premier was accompanied by PWV Safety and Security Minister Jessie Duarte and Inkatha PWV legislative member Musa Myeni. They were warmly welcomed by hostel residents in Thokoza, Katlehong and Vosloorus.

After viewing living

By NICK OLIVARI

conditions at a Thokoza hostel, Mr Sexwale said "People are entitled to proper housing. People here are still sleeping on concrete floors and this will only lead to further discontent."

He told an enthusiastic crowd armed with cultural weapons: "We want to provide electricity, jobs and housing. We want to break down the walls within the community and bring back the people who have been driven from their homes." He said yesterday's visit was the first step in a local peace drive, adding: "We are not magicians but we are trying to get people's lives back on track."

He said lasting peace would result from the ongoing meetings between residents of hostels and the neighbouring communities, including Phola Park.

Mr Myeni, on behalf of the local IFP branch, said "There has been too much blood."

"We are here today with the ANC leadership and we know that these people don't want more bloodshed. Enough is enough."

He then handed over a list of grievances for consideration by the premier.

Mr Myeni then dealt with one of the most serious problems facing hostel dwellers. He asked Metro-rail manager Dawie Putter, who was part of the entourage, how long it would take for normal train services to resume on the East Rand.

Mr Putter replied that a full service could be up and running 10 weeks after work commenced to improve security arrangements.

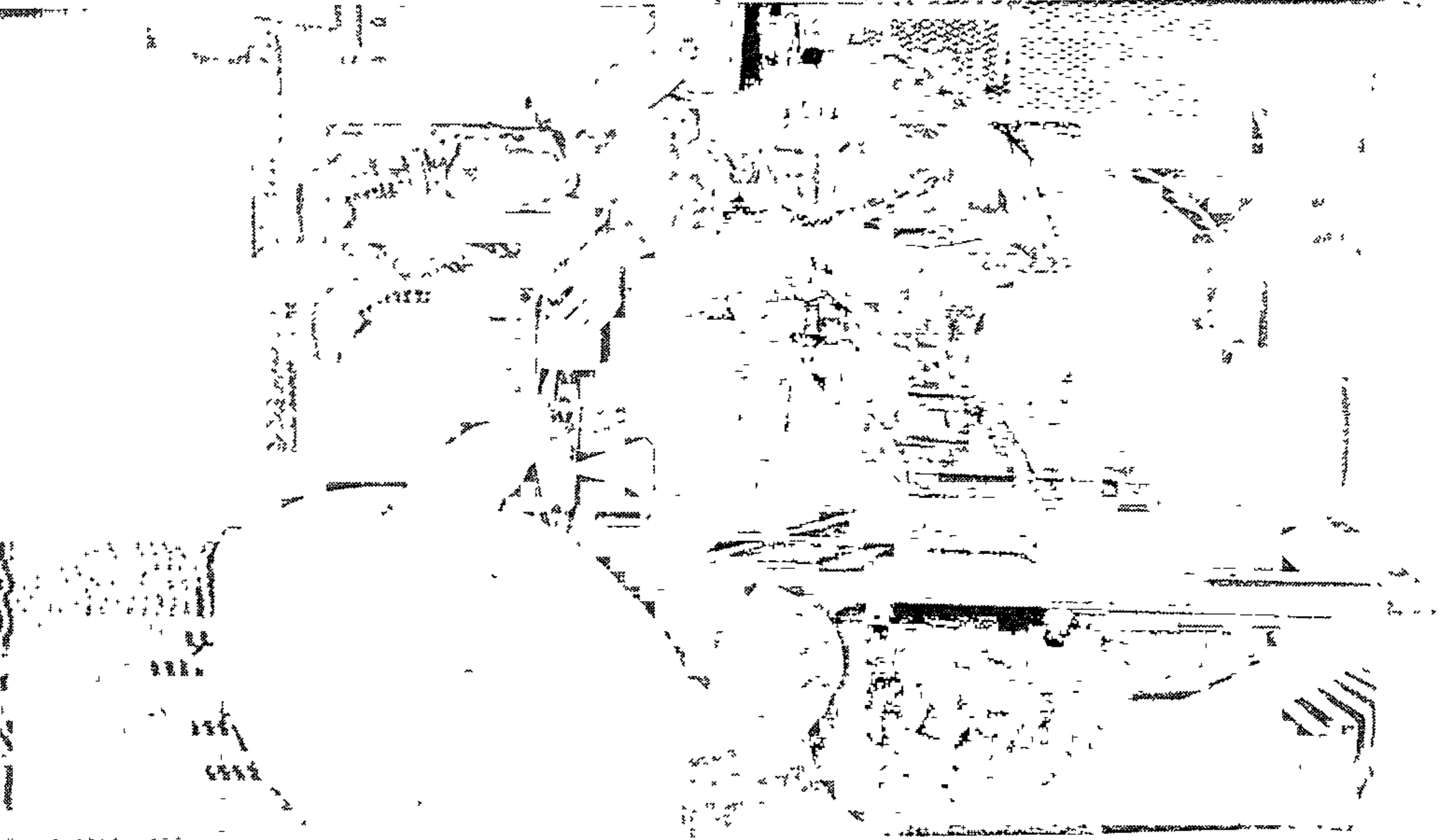
The crowd voiced loud and cheerful approval at this news.

Mrs Duarte, for her part, urged the hostel dwellers to get involved in community policing. "We want to get a community policing forum together which will include the ANC, the civics and the IFP," she said.

"We will be harsh with people who kill but we need your support for peace,"

Thokoza hostel resident Amos Zulu said he was thankful for Mr Sexwale's visit. "I have lived here since 1970 and this will help to bring back peace," he added.

South African National Defence Force members monitored the premier's convoy throughout the East Rand but proved unnecessary as the entourage provided an almost carnival atmosphere to the normally embattled townships.



TEA TIME . A Thokoza resident provides light refreshment to a soldier on watch near an Inkatha stronghold. Picture. HERBERT MABUZA

ANC to disband and disarm SDUs

Biday 30/5/94

SELF-defence units (SDUs) would be disbanded and their members disarmed, according to an ANC proposal put to SDU representatives at a meeting in Katlehong on the East Rand yesterday.

ANC regional deputy secretary Obed Bapela said SDU members between 13 and 18 years old would go back to school.

A special catch-up programme for these youths was being negotiated with PWV education authorities, he said.

Those between the ages of 19 and 24 should be accepted as police reservists in a neighbourhood watch. Other members should join the police force.

Bapela said these two proposals were still being negotiated with regional police authorities.

The disarmament programme, he said, was in line with the ANC's policy of strict gun control, limiting firearm ownership to one per person.

All illegal weapons would have to be taken from criminals, SDUs and armed hostel residents, Bapela said.

He said he hoped a law on gun control would be passed in the regional parliament by September.

JOHANNES NGCOBO reports PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale has urged East Rand hostel dwellers to turn their weapons over to Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini.

Speaking on the first leg of a peace campaign on the East Rand on Saturday, Sexwale said the residents' weapons should be destroyed in front of President Nelson Mandela, Home Affairs Minister Mangosuthu Buthelez and the king.

Visiting three mainly Inkatha hostels in Katlehong, Thokoza and Vosloorus, Sexwale said his government would build houses for the homeless, change the poor living conditions in the hostels, and build houses for squatters in Phola Park.

"We want to provide electricity for you, clean water, and give you jobs so that your lifestyle changes for the better immediately. The central government will give your region funds," Sexwale told the cheering crowd. (200)

Hostel dwellers carrying their assegais and wearing traditional garb braved icy weather to hear the premier.

Sexwale, who was accompanied by PWV MPs Musa Muyeni, Getrude Mzizi, Obed Bapela, Housing and Local Government MEC Dan Mofokeng and Safety and Security MEC Jessie Duarte, told the cheering and singing crowd the doors of government offices were open to anyone with a grievance.

He urged hostel residents and township dwellers to form committees that would begin to implement the process of reconstructing hostels and the townships.

TPA counts cost of free medical care

Star 3/15/94

■ BY DUNCAN GUY

The Government's plan to supply free medical care to children under six and pregnant women is expected to cost the TPA R32 million a year

Spokesman Lenette Roeleveld said yesterday the under-six-year-olds at TPA hospitals would cost around R18 million a year and the pregnant women R14 million.

Health Minister Dr Nkosazana Zuma told Parliament she planned to meet provincial health Ministers to ensure the scheme could be operative by tomorrow.

If not, it would definitely be in place by July 1

She said the scheme would have little impact in many areas as facilities were unavailable

Provincial governments to get R200m in Budget

ONLY about R200m would be allocated specifically to the new provincial governments in the Budget this month to finance their administrations, state expenditure director-general Hannes Smit said yesterday.

Since the old administrations would continue running regional government functions in the short term, the usual allocations to the four provinces, the TBVC and the self-governing territories would be made, he said.

"The Budget will have exactly the same format as in previous years, except for a supplementary spending proposal to finance the provincial cabinets," he said. The amount — less than R200m — would not add to overall spending totals.

The total allocation to each region would be linked to functions, such as education, at present performed by those governments in the TBVC. As functions were formally handed to the new provinces, they would use the

GRETA STEYN

finance allocated to the old administrations — as well as central government allocations.

One exception was housing, where central government's allocation went to the national housing fund, which would distribute it to the regions, Smit said.

At present, there is a national housing board and four regional housing boards with access to central government funds. The relationship between the regional boards and the provincial governments has not yet been defined. Sources said the boards were operating in terms of National Housing Forum policies, but that could change if regional housing ministers disagreed with the policies.

Smit said a law would be passed soon to establish the reconstruction fund, which would kick off with R2,5bn from government.

Sources said the first direct alloca-

tions to the new regional governments were likely to come from the reconstruction fund. These allocations might be made before the fiscal and financial commission — to be appointed before the end of the month — had decided on formulas for sharing revenue.

Meanwhile yesterday, the PWV government announced it was convening a "township summit" on reconstruction and development in Soweto this weekend. PWV premier Tokyo Sexwale would open the conference with a speech which was expected to expand on the theme of rebuilding the township.

One of the main objectives of the summit was to broaden understanding of the role of townships in implementing the reconstruction and development programme at regional and local level. That would be done by discussing the PWV programme, highlighting past problems in development projects and discussing a plan to rebuild townships.

Education promotions halted

THE PWV region's education ministry suspended promotions in its four education departments yesterday.

It said the process of selection of candidates for promotion had become controversial.

"The ministry is of the view that a review of these procedures should be made with the participation of all interested groups.

"The procedures that are agreed upon would need to meet standards of democratic participation, accountability, recognition of merit, affirmative action and fairness. It is the view of the ministry that until procedures are established, no appointments into promotion posts should be

made.

"Appointments that have already been made have legal standing and must remain, but where such appointments are under dispute, a process for review will be instituted as soon as possible. This applies to all the four education departments in the PWV province." 216/194

Teachers, students and parents who were dissatisfied with recent appointments and promotions were asked to "allow this process to take its course and ensure that the right to fair labour practices is recognised." (20) (266)

The provincial ministry said it would set up the relevant procedures as quickly as possible. — Sapa.

PAC reviews poll results

THE PAC has established a number of commissions to prepare the party for local government elections and the next general election.

This follows a review at the weekend of the PAC's poor performance in the April elections.

PAC publicity and information director Sipiwe Sithole said yesterday that delegates at a national workshop in Johannesburg were unanimous the elections were "too free to be fair".

He said the Independent Electoral Commission's inadequacies had contributed to the PAC's loss.

Delegates at the workshop recommended to the PAC leadership that the party co-operate with government where it was in the interest of the nation and the spirit of reconciliation. — Sapa.

PEANUTS

By Charles Schulz



Board will mark out PWV municipalities

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A demarcation board has been established to determine new municipal areas in the PWV province ahead of non-racial local government elections next year.

The board will advise the PWV provincial government on new local government areas that will twin formerly separate black townships with adjoining white towns for purposes of local government elections and sharing administrative and financial burdens.

It will also demarcate areas over which appointed local government forums will have control in the interim before elections.

The work of the demarcation board has major implications for formerly white municipalities which will have to share revenue with townships with which they are twinned.

At a function hosted by the Transvaal Provincial Administra-

tion yesterday, the PWV MEC for housing and local government, Dan Mofokeng, complained that the board did not have enough blacks or women. (2bb)

"The racial composition of the board is not very good," Mofokeng said. "The gender issue as well is not fairly addressed. I want the present 16 members extended to 24 to take into account these concerns."

The members of the board are

P Smith, chairman, M Dlamini, vice-chairman, Ann Bernstein, Urban Foundation, W Ovens, town planner, J Rosmarin, town planner, Professor A. Mabin, Witwatersrand University town planning, D Viljoen, town planner, P P C van der Hoven, town planner, S J Schoeman, chairman of the townships board, Professor N Maritz, town planner Unisa, Z P le Roux, attorney, P Delpont, former Pretoria town clerk, A P Khumalo, Katlehong councillor, B Carlsson, civil engineer, R Seedat, and attorney G Hugo -- Sapa.

New rules for jailed youths

JACQUIE GOLDING AND TIM COHEN

THOUSANDS of jailed youths and children are set to have the terms of their imprisonment adapted under new regulations drawn up by a variety of government departments

The departments of Public Safety and Security (responsible for arrests), Justice (responsible for sentencing), Correctional Services (custody) and Welfare (child care), have jointly drawn up regulations following President Nelson Mandela's statement in his opening of Parliament speech.

Mandela said he had issued instructions that guidelines be drawn up which would "empty our prisons of children and ... place them in suitable alternative care".

The four directors-general and responsible Ministers met on Friday to "fine-tune" the guidelines and alternative care arrangements, a Correctional Services source said at the weekend.

"The guidelines are in place and the directives will be sent out to the various prison departments once the Cabinet has given its stamp of approval," he said, adding that it was a "mammoth" undertaking and quite costly.

Justice Minister Dullah Omar said yesterday the guidelines had been completed and the President was to be briefed. Mandela was likely to announce the details of how the new system would work soon.

Currently, 756 children are awaiting trial while 881 are serving sentences, according to the Correctional Services Department.

Community bank plan for housing

GRETA STEYN

THE PWV government was considering setting up a community bank to help finance the building of 150 000 houses, the province's co-ordinator of reconstruction and development, Ben Turok, said yesterday.

Speaking after an RDP conference in Soweto, Turok said the financing of the ambitious housing programme proposed by PWV premier Tokyo Sexwale would not depend solely on government funds.

"We are entitled to finance from the national housing budget but the proposal we are looking at is a self-contained scheme. A presentation has been made to the PWV cabinet on using a community bank to finance the housing scheme," Turok said.

Further detail would be available at a later stage, but the banking move had nothing to do with existing community banking initiatives.

At the weekend conference Sexwale was defiant about the 150 000 target, which had met with resistance from central government and scepticism from industry. Acknowledging that he had "treaded on some toes", Sexwale told the conference if the target was not reached in the first year, the same target would be set for the second year.

Turok said the scheme would be for durable houses, rather than site and service. He said some rigorous technical assessment would be done,

especially on acceptable standards, as the proposal "transgressed the boundaries of narrow professionals".

The conference was also told of an agreement with the Small Business Development Corporation to train people in every PWV township.

Turok said 50 vocational training centres would be set up in the region, each training 100 people a year in skills needed to set up small businesses. The project would be financed by a R1m SBDC grant, and the corporation would make a further R5m available in loans to people who had completed the course and wanted to set up businesses.

The Johannesburg City Council also supported the project, and discussions were under way with other funders to secure more finance.

A proposal was also discussed at the conference to set up local planning forums on the regional RDP. The main issues discussed related to the importance of the civics in setting up these forums and the possibility of their being granted statutory powers. It was decided that community development officers would have to be trained as a matter of urgency.

Sapa reports that ANC MP Moses Mayekiso told the conference that financial institutions and banks should pay a levy or tax to help finance housing.

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SDUs at ER

peace event

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■ PAINFUL DEATHS Sexwale calls on

ER residents to embrace reconciliation:

By Tyrone August

PRV PREMIER Mr Tokyo Sexwale yesterday made a strong call for peace and reconciliation at a report-back meeting after an African National Congress delegation met the Inkatha Freedom Party in Tokoza on the East Rand.

"Peace is not attained because a new flag is up. We have to fight for peace," he told the meeting, which included members of East Rand self-defence units (266).

He said there were still those who were serving the past, and who continued to arm people in the hostels and townships. The deaths of several people were painful but reconciliation was im-

portant

Another meeting will be held on June 11 between the ANC and IFP to discuss resolutions made yesterday. These include resolutions that dealt with the "no-go" zones, upgrading of hostels, reconstruction of damaged houses, policing, crime and other related issues.

Mr Vuyani Mpofo, an official of the ANC's East Rand sub-region, described yesterday's meeting in Tokoza as historic and said it was the first meeting of the ANC and IFP since the April elections.

The next meeting will be held at Tokoza Stadium to build on the ANC-IFP peace talks, which began with Sexwale's visit to East Rand hostels on May 28.

Don't favour ghettos'

Stitch townships cities - Sexwale

ANNE COLLINGE

ANC talked of developing townships, it did not reinforce ghettos but integrate vast dormitories into stream of urban life, Premier Tokyo Sexwale said on the weekend.

The occasion was the one-day 'townships summit', called by the national steering committee for Reconstruction and Development Programme and held at the University in Soweto.

"We are not focusing on the townships because we favour cities," said Sexwale. "We are in favour of exclusive cities."

"We are examining the possibility of stitching the townships into cities. We want economic and residential links between the townships and the cities to break the gaps made by apartheid, leading to non-racial cities and a common tax base."

Sexwale pledged a new

AT A one-day 'townships summit' in Soweto, the PWV premier advocates nonracial cities and a common tax base

style of communicative government. And the crowd, crammed into the too-small lecture theatre, responded with an unhesitating chorus of "Oh yes!" when Sexwale declared "You are now in charge. You are now the government." (266)

If people-centred development was the main theme of his address, the think-big message was not far behind.

"This is the time for bold leadership, for making statements — but standing up to defend them."

No visionaries set themselves low targets," Sexwale insisted.

He himself was defending his promise to facilitate the building of 150 000 houses in the region

during the course of a year. "It must be done — it can be done," he said, adding that if they failed it would be due largely to a lack of courage and imagination on the part of the leadership. But, even if the target of 150 000 homes was not reached, the actual result was likely to be better than if sights had been set low.

Sexwale insisted that development was about economic growth and the creation of wealth, not about the mere provision of services.

He announced that the Small Business Development Corporation had made an initial amount of R6 million available for establishing 50 vocational training centres in the townships and setting up small businesses to absorb trainees.

"These will train people in trades and in business. They will also engage in the production of real goods such as furniture, pots and other articles needed by our people."

Committee to decide on PWV capital

Star 6/6/97

■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

The ANC in the PWV province stands by its view that Johannesburg should be the provincial capital, but its arguments will be scrutinised along with all other submissions by a multi-party select committee of the PWV legislature.

The 10-member committee, chaired by the PAC's Benny Alexander, will hear oral submissions on the seat of govern-

ment for the PWV on June 14 and 15. (266)

Written submissions by "all relevant structures, organisations and interested individuals" must reach the offices of the PWV legislature, at Nasrec, south of Johannesburg, no later than noon on Friday

Alexander said it was expected that local authorities, political parties, civic organisations, organised business and trade unions would be making their

views known

Despite the ANC's clear preference for Johannesburg, there had been "no decision by the provincial parliament on which city will be the seat of government", said Alexander

The fact that the Johannesburg City Council was renovating the City Hall with a view to accommodating the legislature and the executive council did not mean that any deal had been sealed, he insisted

Education dept on hold

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THE PWV education department would not assume its powers in terms of the interim constitution until a unified education body was in place, PWV education minister Mary Metcalfe said yesterday. 7/16/94

The integration of existing departments could take as long as 18 months, although Metcalfe said she would be "very unhappy" if the department was not in place by 1995. (S) (266)

The legal authority to control funding or appointments was subject to the creation of a unified department for the province. Presently, money from the government's transitional fund was available only by direct application to the national Minister.

Promotions within existing departments should be treated "with sensitivity", Metcalfe said. In the absence of legal authority, her department supported a moratorium on departmental promotions, pending full discussion and the introduction of new procedures.

"Departments are very well aware of situations where such promotions are problematic."

MARK ASHURST

A two-day workshop organised by the department last week led to the creation of a PWV education and training forum to involve all major stakeholders in setting up a unified department.

The forum would co-ordinate a matric 1994 catch-up programme during the winter vacation to enable students whose education had been disrupted last year to achieve better results.

Non-governmental organisations, broadcast and print media would be asked to participate in the programme, which would be staffed by volunteers and funded by the private sector.

The ministry would encourage widespread public debate on the constitutional role of the education department. The balance of power between national and provincial government, and the separation of responsibility within regions, were unclear, Metcalfe said.

Everything would be done to ensure schools began the 1995 academic year with adequate text books and facilities.

Plan to unify education

By Lulama Luti

A NEW single education department for the Pretoria-Witwatersrand-Vereeniging province could be in place by January 1995.

However, PWV provincial education minister Ms Mary Metcalfe yesterday warned that this might not be easy to achieve and that it could take longer.

She said moves aimed at the total dismantling of the four existing education systems in the province were already in place. Metcalfe had held numerous consultative workshops and meetings with concerted education bodies and organisations.

And to prove that she means business, yesterday the minister called on all matric students and teachers to attend "catch-up" programmes during the winter holidays.

And to help facilitate these programmes, the ministry has pledged to:

- Provide a list of all centres-schools that will be offering these programmes (to be published in the media soon);
 - Negotiate with the print and electronic media for additional (supplementary) programmes, and
 - Avail whatever resources are at its disposal for these programmes.
- "The lack of the culture of learning is a major problem and parents need to be

encouraged to take up their position as the key element (in the process of restoring it)," she said.

Metcalfe said her ministry would do everything in its power to ensure that the process of integration was acceptable to all. This, she said, will involve proper consultation with all concerned.

Other issues that the ministry would be looking into as a matter of urgency include proper provision of textbooks, addressing lack of facilities and the repair of and (building) of more schools.

● Enquiries about the winter holidays "catch-up" programmes can be directed to Robinson Ramatle at 836-5060.



'Single education department by end of year'

Bid to refurbish PWV schools

Star 7/6/98

■ BY JUSTICE MALALA

PWV Education Minister Mary Metcalfe yesterday pledged to carry out an immediate programme to refurbish vandalised township schools, and also plans to have a single regional education department in place by the end of the year.

Metcalfe said the programme will include community-driven initiatives to restore the culture of learning and teaching. These initiatives include drawing up a code of conduct, the integration of sports and cultural activities, and the participation of eminent members of the community.

A co-ordinating committee formed at the weekend is to establish the PWV Education and Training Forum to assist in setting up the new ministry. The forum will be made up of student, teacher and relevant non-governmental organisations.

"There will be a two-day workshop at the end of this week to get the four different departments' officials in the region to see how the new department will work.

"The ministry will also facilitate interdepartmental co-oper-

INITIATIVES to restore the culture of learning and teaching to be community-driven, says PWV Education Minister

ation through setting up relevant structures to begin the integration process. This will require the ministry to work together with existing departments to develop a common understanding of problems in the province, and a common vision of how these problems would be resolved," Metcalfe said.

Before the department is established, the ministry would liaise with communities about their needs, problems and available resources. It would also work with Education Minister Sibusiso Bhengu on appropriate systems for strategic-change management and policy formulation, Metcalfe said.

She said the ministry was committed to ensuring that schools start next year with facilities effectively utilised and accessible to all children.

Metcalfe also appealed to students and teachers to put in extra effort to achieve better year-end results. She said that after consultation with students, teachers and non-governmental organisation, the ministry expected matric students to attend catch-up programmes over the holidays.

She said the ministry would provide the media this week with a list of all centres and schools that would be offering the programmes. The ministry would also be negotiating with the electronic media for the airing of additional educational programmes. (266)

Metcalfe said her foremost area of concern was the lack of schooling in certain areas in the region. She said her aim was to get these schools running efficiently as soon as possible.

She predicted that one of the thorniest problems that would face the ministry in bringing about change was the issue of school governance, which at the moment was in the hands of the Government, school boards or trusts at different schools.





Tears after the jab . . . nine-month-old Chane Human was the first toddler to receive Jo'burg City Council's piggy-back Hib vaccination yesterday. PICTURE RUVAN BOSHOFF

City offers 'piggy-back' vaccination

Star 9/6/94

BY SHIRLEY WOODGATE

Johannesburg City Council scored an innovative first with the launch of a "piggy-back" immunisation scheme yesterday, whereby certain costly vaccinations for underprivileged children will be cross-subsidised by medical aid patients attending any of the 50 municipal clinics.

This means that each medical aid-funded child that is immunised by the council against Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) enables a poor child to be immunised as well. Hib disease, which affects one in 250 children under age five, causing meningitis, pneumonia, septicaemia and acute arthritis, is highly contagious and can be spread in the same way as the common cold.

The chairman of the city's health and housing committee, Marietta Marx, said although the State had introduced free medical care for children under six, the private sector had become involved in the Hib scheme as the vaccine was too expensive to be included in the national health offer. (266) (55)

Professor Alan Rothberg of the Representative Association of Medical Schemes said his organisation had negotiated with several medical schemes and the council to make the offer viable.



City councils scramble to scoop seat of power

PUBLIC hearings will be held by the PWV parliament next week to elect a capital city for the country's richest and most densely populated province. A final decision is expected by June 20, writes LOUISE MARSLAND.

Star 11/6/94

THE PWV parliament and its spending power are being enticed by capital city bidding committees with offers of tranquil lakeside chambers, historic buildings and rose gardens complete with koi ponds.

This week Johannesburg, Pretoria, Germiston and Midrand handed in bids to the PWV ad hoc committee chaired by provincial legislature member Benny Alexander of the PAC. Boksburg has yet to decide whether to put in a separate bid or to back Germiston.

The deadline for bids to house the PWV parliament was noon yesterday.

The committee will hold public hearings on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Johannesburg would act as a catalyst for regional reconstruction and development if awarded the PWV seat of government, strategic planning director Ian Symons says. Development within the PWV area had moved progressively north of Johannesburg to the Sandtons and the Midrands, and has been led away from the massive economically dysfunctional township areas south of Johannesburg. "We don't believe that is a good thing."

issue is not an emotional one.

"We are talking about a technical and practical bid. We have the experience, the 10 000 public servants employed by the provincial administration all live and work in Pretoria, and we have all the infrastructure."

Shoredits proposes housing the regional parliament in one of the historic buildings off Church Square — at minimal cost, as the buildings are owned by the province.

Germiston says it needs to become the capital of the province to rebuild its violence-ravaged townships.

Amalgamated

Germiston marketing agent Peter Mancer says when the city started developing its lake district last year, it was preparing to bid to become the PWV's capital.

"We are the first to have amalgamated with our neighbouring township into a non-racial municipality, we are the first to have started a low-cost housing project, and we are offering a most serene area with parliament on the lake and all the necessary road, rail and air links close by."

"We are also on the East Rand, which has been the hardest hit by violence and needs the reconstruction a PWV parliamentary seat of government would bring."

Midrand town clerk Henry Lubbe says: "We are ideal, in the middle of the PWV. We have the land to build on. We're on all the major highways, only minutes from an international and a regional airport. Our growth is good and we have all the supporting infrastructure."

Symons's council, which underwrote a loan to the province for renovation of the City Hall as a site for the regional parliament — after ANC assurances that it would choose Johannesburg as capital — stands to lose millions if the bid goes elsewhere. (266)

In an aggressive counter-bid, the Pretoria City Council and Pretoria business joined forces to form Capital Initiative, a committee to promote the city's case. Spokesman Andy Shoredits says the

Non-racial municipalities the goal

New towns for greater Jo'burg

Star 11/6/94

THE boundaries of towns and suburbs in and around Johannesburg are to be redrawn in a bid to create new non-racial municipalities for the region, but recommendations put forward by the statutory and political bodies involved differ substantially

A common theme in creating the new towns, however, is that emphasis has firmly been placed on socio-economic and demographic considerations. The new municipal areas have to be economically viable and represent a fair population mix of both rich and poor, thereby equally distributing the burden of reconstruction, according to sources within the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber negotiating forum.

A transitional metropolitan council (TMC) for the central Witwatersrand area is due to be in place within weeks to oversee the creation of non-racial town councils in the area and prepare for local government elections next year.

Johannesburg and Soweto are one of several major urban areas which will have a metropolitan council to assist in the integration and co-ordination of urban economies. It will legislate over the town councils in its metropolitan jurisdiction.

The Metropolitan Chamber negotiating forum is busy drawing up the internal and external boundaries of the TMC, which will legislate for the present areas of Greater Johannesburg and Soweto.

In the next few weeks there will be intense debate on the proposals handed in by the city and town councils, and on the proposals to be handed in next week by the ANC and its alliance of civic organisations.

There are two major points of departure that have to be ironed out before a final constitution for the TMC and its metropolitan substructures (municipalities) is mapped out.

One is the power to be vested in the metropolitan authority, including who gets to redistribute the revenue generated in the region, and the other is the size of the new municipalities.

THE new areas have to be economically viable and represent a fair population mix of both rich and poor, thereby equally distributing the major burdens of reconstruction, reports **LOUISE MARSLAND.**

The statutory side have proposed that the present racially fragmented system of local government in the province be rationalised by establishing eight local councils on the basis of redrawn boundaries. The approximate size of each new municipality would be 400 000 people per local council, although they would differ in size.

Dr Harry Formanek, who represents several Randburg ratepayer and resident federations and sits on the Metropolitan Chamber committee responsible for investigating new boundaries, warns that the maps being released now are merely scenarios and will still change significantly.

"There are maps floating around all over the place and everyone has a different idea. These are proposals based on economic reality and boundary reality," he says.

The city and town councils also want future local councils to control their own budgets, subject to the obligation to deliver the minimum standards of service set out by the metropolitan government, separate administrative infrastructure for the metropolitan government and the local councils to perform the powers and functions allocated to them, and a single metropolitan-wide property valuation roll.

It is known that the non-statutory bodies on the Metropolitan Chamber believe that all revenue generated by the new municipal areas should be given to the TMC on the basis of one municipality, one tax base, to redistribute the money where needed.

The ANC and its alliance partners in the Metropolitan Chamber are expected to table the creation of more than

12 new municipalities under the Witwatersrand metropolitan council, each with about 200 000 people within their boundaries.

They also want "all powers currently exercised by apartheid local authorities and bodies to be immediately transferred to the TMC." The ANC and its partners also believe that attacking poverty and deprivation will be the first priority of the TMC.

The statutory side also propose that "administrator bodies" be appointed for the existing local authorities to oversee the transfer of assets, rights and obligations to the TMC and relevant local councils, oversee budgets and ensure the continuation of services while the existing segregated councils are being dissolved.

It has also been proposed that a reconstruction and development programme be agreed on for immediate implementation and a strategic management team be appointed to look after the metropolitan change-management process. (266)

Once the transitional metropolitan and municipal structures are in place in the Witwatersrand area — hopefully before the end of the year — the boundaries will be finalised and preparation for elections will begin.

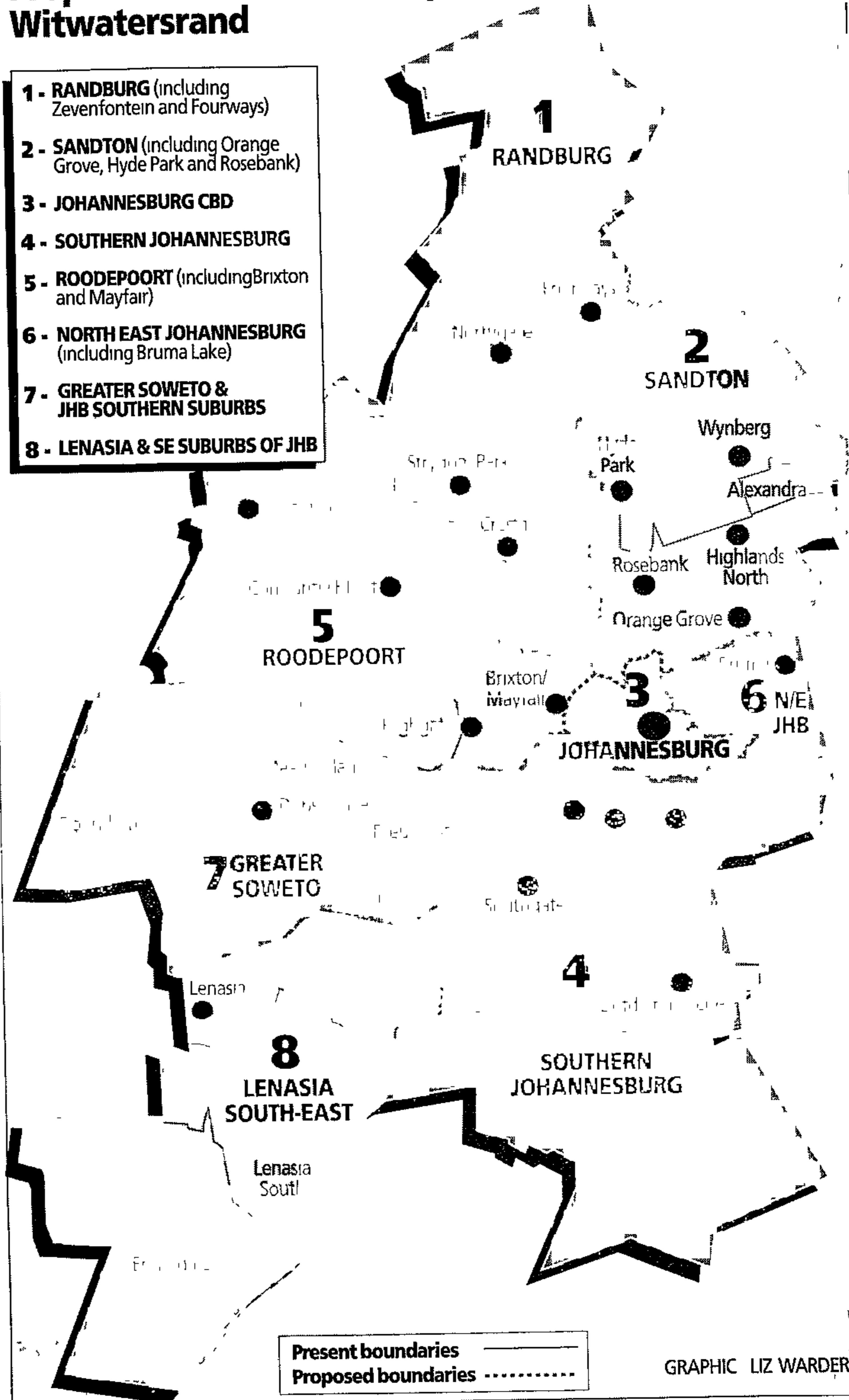
The holding of elections and the setting up of final structures is expected to take place in the second half of next year.

The statutory bodies propose that 30 members be nominated by the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber negotiating forum for each local council in the transitional phase and 60 members nominated for the TMC, with 10 elected for the TMC executive committee.

Formanek urges all community organisations to get themselves involved now by attending the Metropolitan Chamber subcommittees on boundaries. "We need meaningful input, and there is a distinct lack of community-based organisations on these forums. We need people to become involved now."

Proposal for 8 new municipalities within central Witwatersrand

- 1 - **RANDBURG** (including Zevenfontein and Fourways)
- 2 - **SANDTON** (including Orange Grove, Hyde Park and Rosebank)
- 3 - **JOHANNESBURG CBD**
- 4 - **SOUTHERN JOHANNESBURG**
- 5 - **ROODEPOORT** (including Brixton and Mayfair)
- 6 - **NORTH EAST JOHANNESBURG** (including Bruma Lake)
- 7 - **GREATER SOWETO & JHB SOUTHERN SUBURBS**
- 8 - **LENASIA & SE SUBURBS OF JHB**



Present boundaries ———
 Proposed boundaries - - - - -

GRAPHIC LIZ WARDER

Proposal to slice up

Reef towns

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THE ENTIRE map of the Central Witwatersrand metropolitan region, is being radically redrawn to create between eight and 10 new "non-racial and economically viable" municipalities in place of Johannesburg, Soweto, Randburg, Sandton, Roodepoort and Lenasia.

In a proposal tabled this week, Soweto and Johannesburg were sliced up into four new towns. Randburg gets Fourways and the Zevenfontein squatters, while Sandton is offered Alexandra, Rosebank and Hyde Park. Roodepoort takes on Mayfair, Brixton and parts of Soweto, while part of the conservative south of Johannesburg will be included in Soweto (2bb)

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New municipal areas are also proposed around Bruma Lake and the Johannesburg central business district

This is just the first of several proposals which will be tabled before the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber

Proposals being hotly debated at present include the powers to be allocated to a future metropolitan council and local councils, the control of revenue, and the redrawing of boundaries for new non-racial local councils

Membership of the Metropolitan Chamber has been divided up into statutory bodies — city and town councils, management committees and some ratepayer associations — and non-statutory organisations such as the ANC and its alliance partners in the civic organisations as well as certain political parties

Sparks are expected to fly between the two distinct camps for the division of Johannesburg and Soweto into new municipalities

The statutory bodies have pro-

posed that eight municipalities consisting of about 400 000 people each be created within the boundaries of the proposed metropolitan councils which will govern the areas currently known as Johannesburg, Soweto, Randburg, Sandton, Alexandra, Roodepoort, Lenasia and the former "coloured areas" in south-western Johannesburg (2bb)

The non-statutory side, which will table its proposals at a special Metropolitan Chamber meeting on Wednesday, favours smaller councils of about 200 000 people each in between 15 and 20 new local town councils

One source within the Metropolitan Chamber said the idea of the proposal by the statutory bodies was to bring the haves and the have-nots together in viable towns. In the end, compromise would have to be reached, said the source, and the Witwatersrand municipal area could end up with about 10 or 12 new towns for which new names would have to be found

Sexwale promises to repair homes

BY ABBEY MAKOE

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to discover the conditions under which inmates lived

PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale promised yesterday that the provincial legislature would repair houses that were destroyed during clashes between residents and hostel dwellers in Katlehong last year.

He spoke at a rally attended by about 3 000 people in Radebe section in Katlehong.

"We want to take back those women who fled their homes," Sexwale said, and urged the cheering supporters to consult with Dan Mofokeng, the PWV MEC for Housing, on their needs regarding shelter.

Sexwale would not say when the houses would be repaired, but indicated it would start soon (2/6/94).

As the delighted supporters cheered continuously, a section in the crowd yelled "What about the hostels?"

"They must go," Sexwale replied, to a roar of approval. He said during his recent visit to the hostels he was "shocked"

They slept on cement (floors) It becomes easy to wake them up and say 'let's go and kill'". Sexwale said "We will destroy them (hostels) and build houses. We want houses to be built, not hostels," Sexwale said.

He turned on to the SDUs, whose members had turned out in large numbers. "SDU members who are too young to do anything must go back to school." Those members who were too old for day schooling could join the new police force.

Sexwale said Obed Bapela and Robert McBride from his office were currently in ongoing discussions with SDU representatives on how they could be dissolved.

He concluded "The road to the new South Africa is a long one. The road from apartheid is 300 years," he said, and asked people to take part in the implementation of the RDP in their areas in order to ensure its success.



Meeting the people . . . Tokyo Sexwale greets supporters in Katlehong yesterday.

PICTURE JOHNNY ONVERWACHT

W Rand council shows way

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■ BY GIEN ELSAS
WEST RAND BUREAU

Randfontein is expected to be the first West Rand council to meet in its new form early next month with negotiations so far advanced that the statutory and non-statutory bodies are already nominating their representatives for the new council.

Krugersdorp too is far advanced in its planning although the negotiation forum has not yet been officially recognised. The forum's interim steering committee has already recommended that the new council, which will serve Krugersdorp, Kagiso, Munsieville and

Azaadville, will consist of 48 members

According to Krugersdorp town clerk Koos Richards, the forum will be recognised by PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale from June 17 and only then can it take formal decisions

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The forum has held several meetings during the past few months and has reached consensus on various issues, including the size of the new council.

Twenty-four of the members will be nominated from the statutory and 24 from the non-statutory bodies.

Richards said the next forum meeting had been arranged for June 30

In Randfontein the new council will consist of 34 members. The Randfontein Negotiation Forum decided that the statutory body would consist of four existing councils, representatives from Toekomsrus, Mohlakeng, Hillside, Dwarskloof, the National Party, Labour Party, Democratic Party, Women's Association and the Randfontein Ratepayers' Association.

The non-statutory members would include representatives from the ANC and the civic associations. According to Randfontein town clerk Lou Brits, the first meeting of the new council is expected to be held early in July.

There is much more than just prestige in choosing Johannesburg capital, there's also keeping decay at bay, reports Jo-Anne

Save dying Jo'burg is t

The siting of the PWV capital in central Johannesburg is crucial to a strategy to prevent the vast, heavily populated area south of the city sliding off the development map.

This is the thrust of the Central Johannesburg Partnership's answer to the demand by the Select Committee of the PWV Legislature that contenders for the provincial capital spell out the social and economic impact on the area.

"A positive intervention such as the establishment of the provincial capital within the Johannesburg CBD will create a stimulus through the creation of renewed confidence, leading to a strong and robust CBD," the CJP's document argues.

"In turn, a strong robust CBD can act as a platform from which the redevelopment process so desperately need in the south can be launched."

The CJP also highlights the political importance of destroying apartheid's geographic legacy "in the most visible and well-known urban complex in the country, that is the Johannesburg/Soweto division".

The CJP's submission — which is also the submission of its three constituent sectors, the Johannesburg City Council, the business sector and the inner city residents — is not bathed in a rosy hue

Suburban flight

Its point of departure is that the Johannesburg CBD still represents the greatest physical investment anywhere in southern Africa, but that this investment is being put to less and less use.

Since the 1970s there has been a distinct development trend in the Greater Johannesburg sub-region, the report observes.

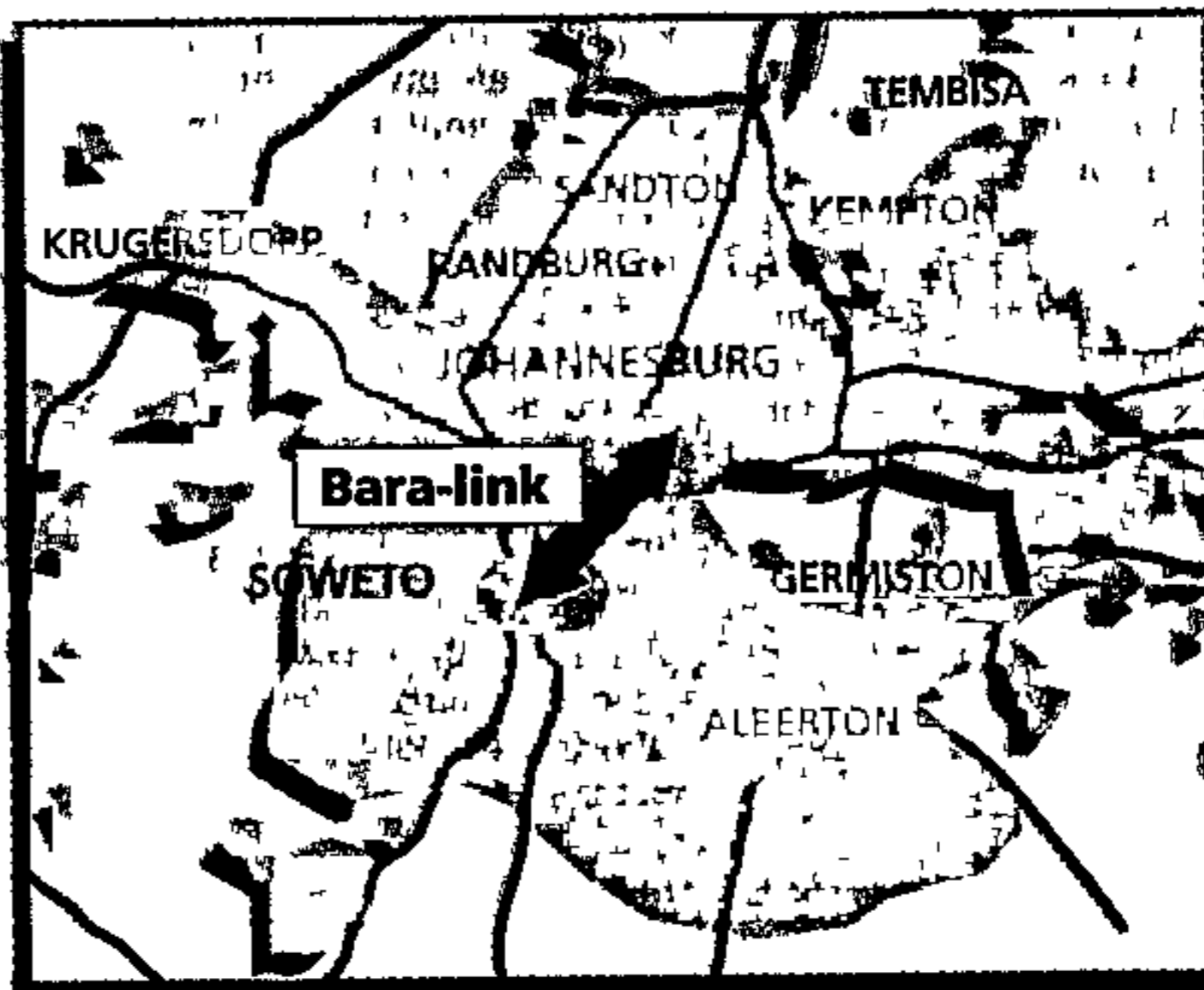
The main features of this have been: "The flight of development from the Johannesburg CBD to the northern reaches of the sub-region — Rosebank, Sandton, Randburg and Midrand. The decline and/or stagnation in shopping and office sectors within the Johannesburg CBD itself. No change in the south, with its structure, lack of facilities and lack of employment opportunities becoming more critical"

In a strange way, "economic

CAPITAL JO'BURG — CURE FOR TWO DIVIDED

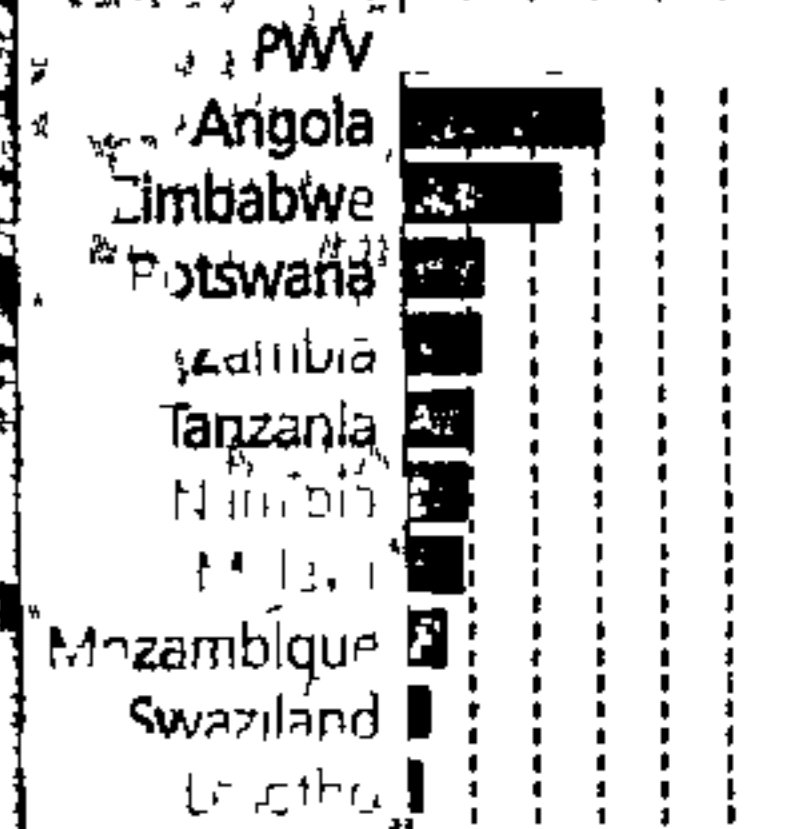
The Bara-link

One of the main thrusts of Johannesburg's case is to develop the link between the CBD and Soweto. It says the choice of the city as the capital should be seen as a kick-start to development in the south and if this does not happen a great opportunity would have been lost to break down the apartheid structure of the Johannesburg-Soweto division



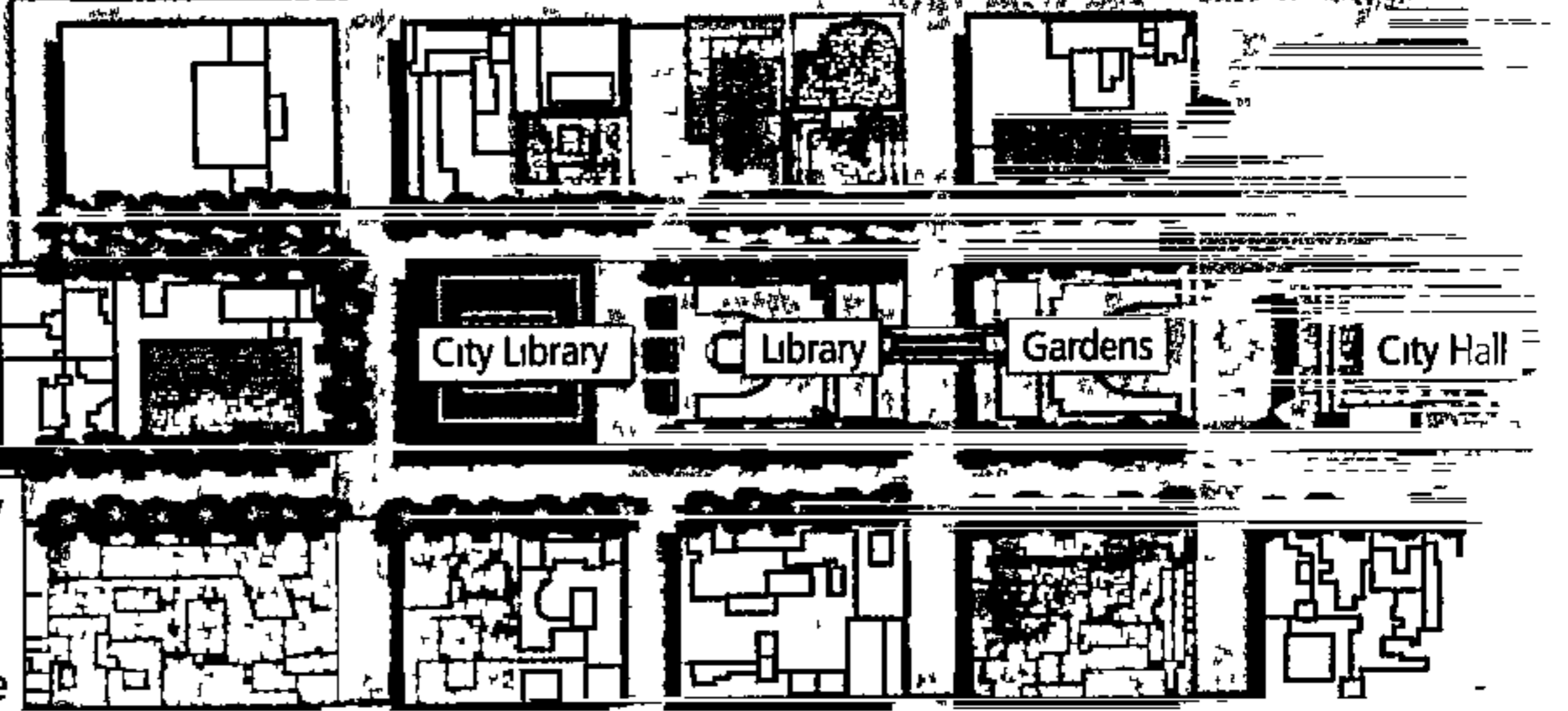
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The PWV general gross domestic product of Southern Africa GDP.



The symbolic heart of the regional government

This is where Johannesburg wants to see the "government of the people by the people" — in its civic spine.



- Public rental (the City Library and GPO not confirmed)
- Private rental immediately available

ally dysfunctional" Soweto — poorly serviced and with little business and no manufacturing to speak of — and the declining CBD, with more facilities than it can use, were made for each other, the report suggests

But they will not be able to take advantage of their complementary situations without some well conceived development impetus. The siting of the capital in the Johannesburg CBD is only one factor in stitching the city and megatowship together. It is not enough, on its own, to achieve this, the report says.

But if a decision were taken not against Greater Johannesburg as the seat of the PWV government, this could well be enough to accelerate the flight

from the CBD and to sink development prospects in the south.

The report is not shy in spelling out the probable social costs of this "Firstly concentrated poverty largely due to unemployment. Secondly declining services. Thirdly, the increase in crime. Fourthly the outward migration of the population, with the younger and more skilled in search of jobs elsewhere and the movement of commerce and industry to other areas"

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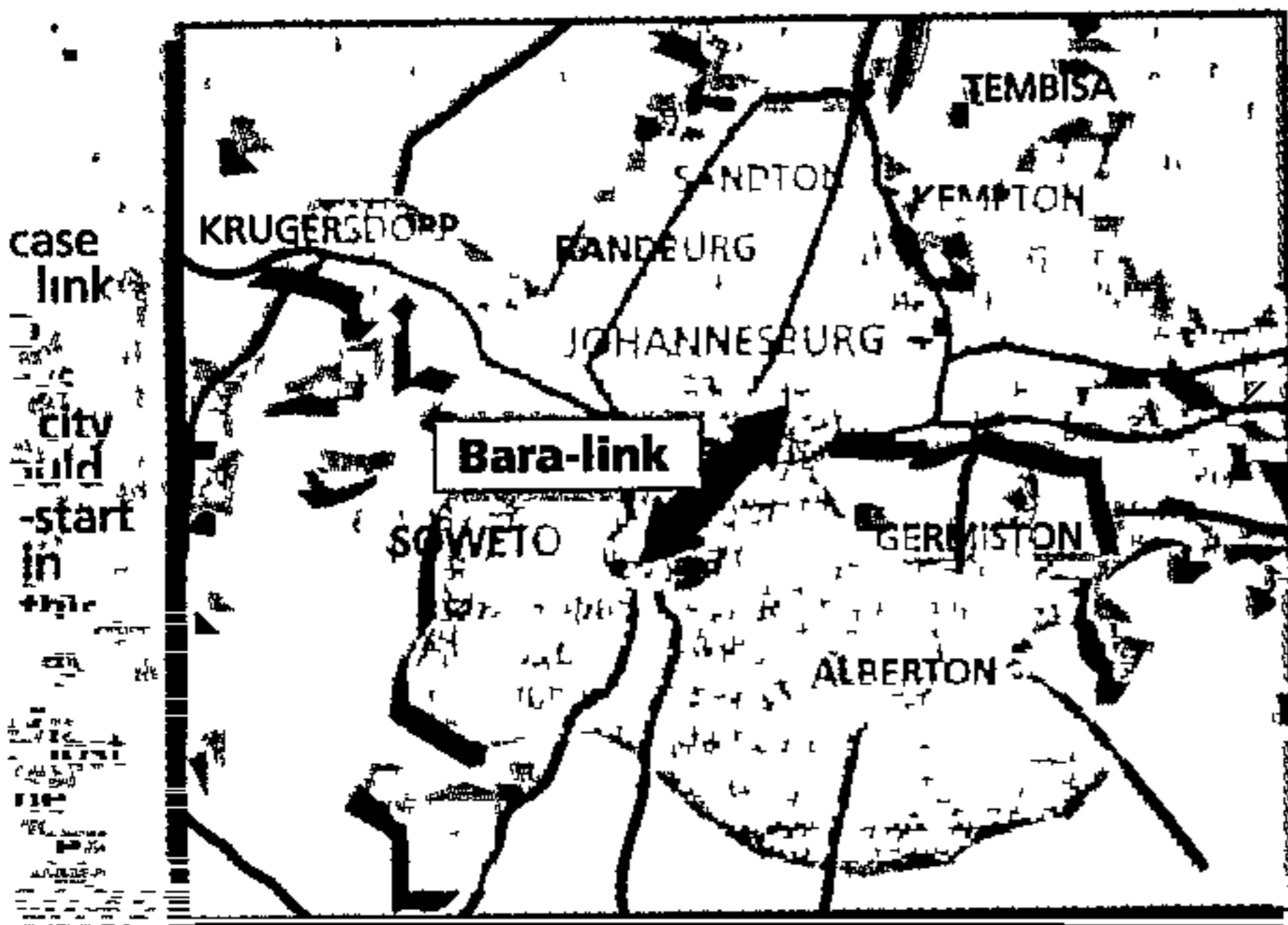
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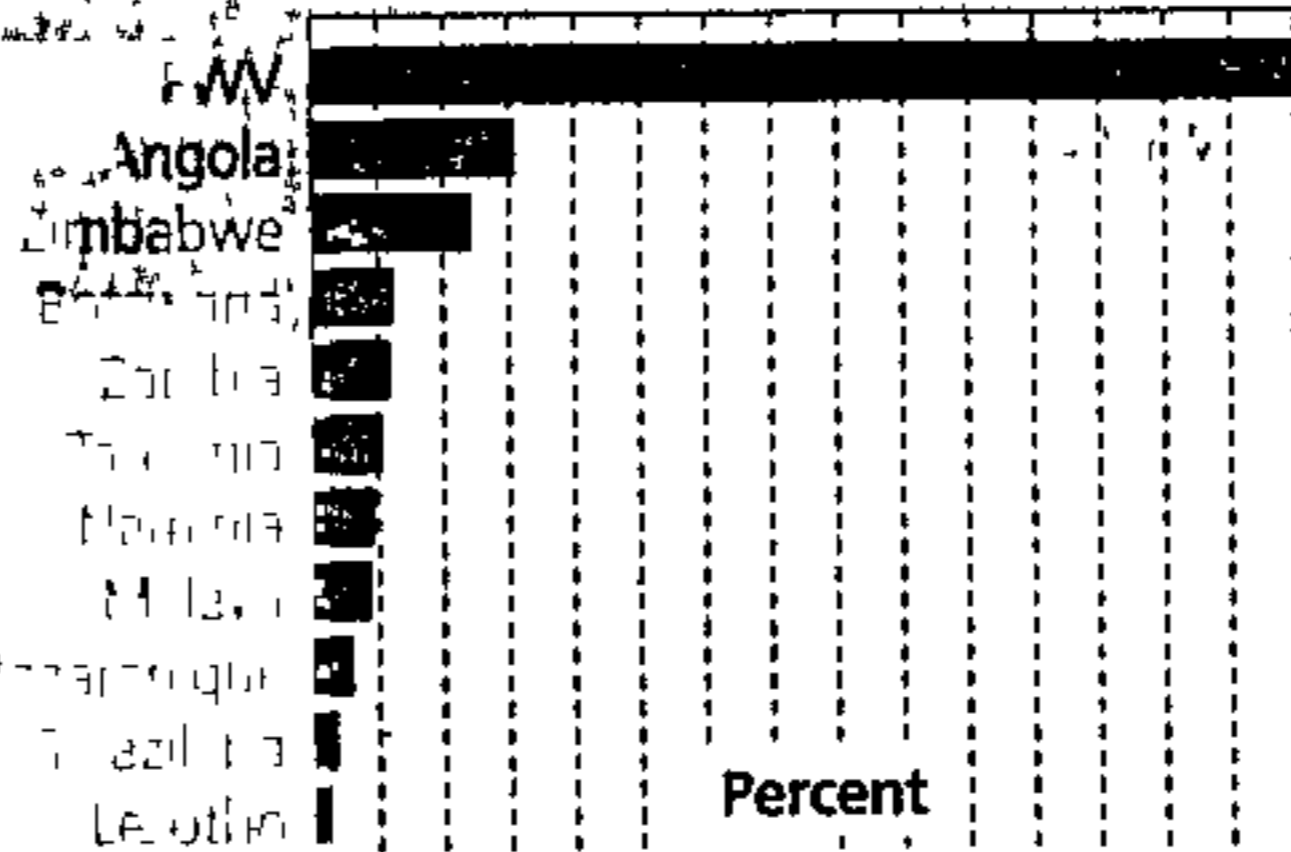
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JO'BURG — CURE FOR TWO DIVIDED CITIES



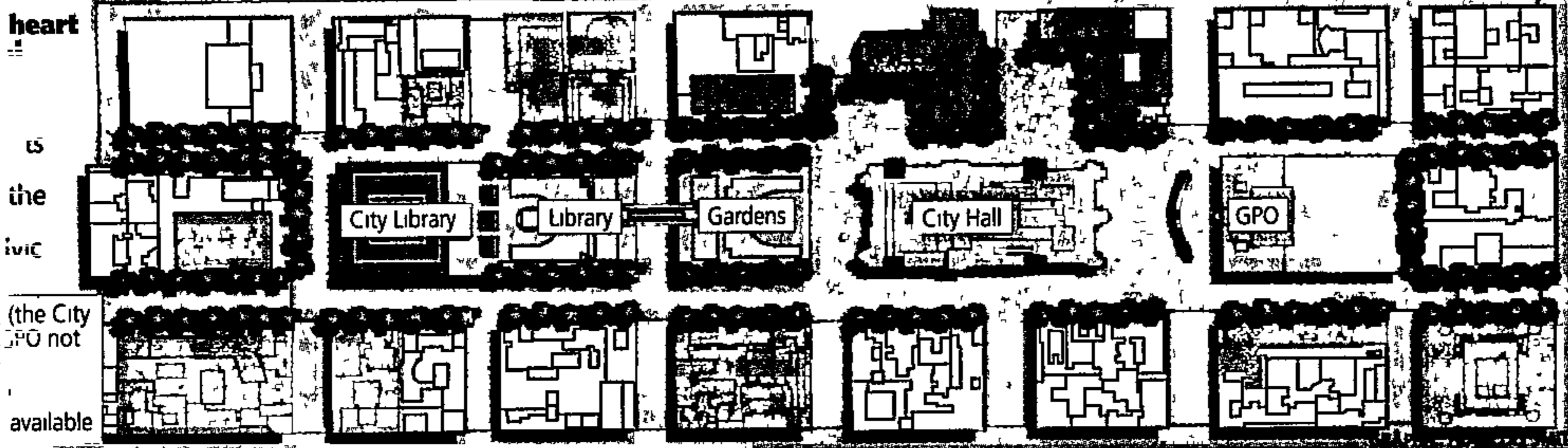
The PWV generates 30% of the total gross domestic product of the whole of Southern Africa and 40% of SA's GDP.



If Johannesburg gets the capital it will create a strong and robust CBD, says the report.

If it does not, there will be a further drain on CBD resources, less investment, more crime, declining services, the migration of younger, skilled workers and business and, because of all this, Johannesburg will contribute less to the province

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sub-region, with 3 to 5 million people, probably has a greater population than the Pretoria and Vereeniging sub-regions combined but also represents enormous opportunities for further investment" The report concedes that the regeneration of the centre city will not happen in isolation from development elsewhere in the sub-region, particularly in Soweto itself. The short-term strategy should be to rescue the CBD; the longer term, to create a substantial link between the CBD and the south. Descending into the alienating jargon of professional planners, the CJP submission explains that "simultaneous catalytic projects must be deve-

loped along the proposed linkage between the CBD and Soweto", particularly the area close to Baragwanath. For the Reconstruction and Development Programme to succeed in the PWV, there must be a new, more equal exchange between the "established islands of advantage amid a sea of disadvantage", asserts the Johannesburg submission. "Consolidating a strong economic heart for the region in central Johannesburg and promoting investment in the deprived southern parts of the region are two of the most profound decisions that need to be taken to address the long-term viability of the region and the nation."

Hasty figures in battle for capital

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■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

The Pretoria Capital Initiative (PCI) has been chided for "unintentionally misleading" the PWV Select Committee on the Seat of Government on the probable costs of establishing a capital anywhere other than Pretoria.

The admonition from committee member Andrew Feinstein came after PCI spokesman Tiego Moseneke conceded yesterday that they might have relied on "a bit of an overkill" in claiming that 70 percent of jobs in Greater Pretoria depended directly or indirectly on government.

Various aspects of Pretoria's costing of the establishment of a new capital in Johannesburg were closely questioned by the

committee

Pretoria's overall estimated cost was R2,44 billion, including a R784 million price tag attached to "private sector support and service organisations" which, it was claimed, would feel the need to follow government.

Moseneke pointed out to the committee, sitting for the second day at Nasrec, south of Johannesburg, that the figures had been prepared hastily.

In sharp contrast to Pretoria, the Central Johannesburg Partnership (CJP) submitted figures which put the direct capital costs of relocation to Johannesburg at about R3,3 million and annual costs, for rental and staff relocation for the first three years, at about R34 million a

year.

CJP director Neil Fraser said he was "staggered" by the Transvaal Provincial Administration's relocation allowance of R30 000 per worker. For a move from Pretoria to Johannesburg "this certainly sounds excessive", Fraser commented.

The CJP's proposal that Johannesburg become the capital rests entirely on the province renting available space in the CBD, including the refurbished City Hall.

The organisation submitted actual rentals for various buildings and strengthened its development pitch by disclosing that property owners were discussing reinvesting a slice of the income from rent in a recon-

struction and development fund.

Fraser suggested that if Johannesburg were selected as capital, the move should be phased, with various administrative departments transferring as leases in their present accommodation terminated.

The TPA also disclosed that only 1 621 of the estimated 4 800 workers who would be employed in the new PWV administration were currently in the permanent employ of the TPA. Another 558 workers were in temporary TPA posts and 640 positions were vacant.

The committee will have its report to the PWV legislature completed by tomorrow morning and the House is due to begin the decisive debate on Monday.

Health budget crisis warning

Bara chief warns on closures

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■ BY DAVID ROBBINS
HEALTH WRITER

The health budget for the PWV should be reopened and subjected to professional scrutiny to avoid a major crisis, including the closing down of many hospital wards, says a superintendent at the region's largest hospital.

Dr Grant Rex of Baragwanath Hospital, and co-author of a report commissioned by the ANC, has warned that without this intervention the region's health services also face possible job cuts during the current financial year.

He said the situation could have serious political consequences for the ruling ANC.

According to the report, entitled "Preparing to Govern", immediate action should also be taken to unscramble cumbersome bureaucratic procedures which impede the efficient management of hospitals.

Rex said the procedures laid down by the Public Service Commission were too complex and slow-moving.

"We are urging that the commission be decentralised as soon as possible, with each province establishing its own," he said.

On the financial crisis, the report states "The provincial budget has been carefully designed so that its overspend will be

THE CO-AUTHOR of an ANC-commissioned report warns of the possible shutting of thousands of hospital beds in the future

politically impossible to cut "

Overspending on health for 1994/5 in the PWV is estimated at around R300 million or about 10 percent of total budget, a figure which has risen steadily from R93 million in 1992/3. The normal procedure is that the health department simply asks for supplementary votes during the course of the year.

"The same will happen this year," says Rex, "forcing the Government either to find the money or to face huge problems in most major hospitals."

The report says. "By September hospitals will start running out of supplies and the national Government will be faced with the option of shutting many thousands of hospital beds in order to come in under budget "

"Preparing to Govern", co-authored with Rex by health specialists, has been submitted to the PWV's health MEC, Amos Masondo, for consideration.

A PWV legislature committee chaired by the PAC's Benny Alexander decided Midrand was too far north and Pretoria had exaggerated the cost of moving.

LOUISE MARSLAND reports

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JOHANNESBURG is likely to become the capital of the PWV after a recommendation by a PWV legislature select committee — a decision which has long-term economic benefit for the region

The committee's report, which goes to the legislature on Monday for a final decision, is likely to be confirmed

The economic implications for Johannesburg and the disadvantaged areas around the city are enormous, according to the report by the committee, chaired by the PAC's Benny Alexander

It quotes "significant socio-economic possibilities" at the levels of black empowerment, job creation, crime prevention and inner-city housing

"This is the only sub-region in the PWV that lost jobs between 1980 and 1991"

Making Johannesburg the capital "would provide an enormous psychological boost to the economy of the province that could ensure this area does not continue to stagnate", the committee said in its report

Should the area degenerate further, the medium and long-term costs for the PWV legislature "are likely to be horrific", it said

The sub-region was home to more than 2 million people and produced 35 percent of the PWV's gross domestic product

"Through Soweto, it could play a catalytic role in invigorating and building the townships of the PWV," the committee said

Johannesburg management committee chairman Ian Davidson said capital status would boost the economy of Greater Johannesburg by creating thousands of job opportunities for an underemployed workforce and stimulating investment, which would lead to expansion of the local economy

Great confidence

He described the select committee's recommendation as "wonderful news"

"We have the people, the skills and the infrastructure to be an outstanding capital."

The committee said that siting the capital in Johannesburg and possible related developments should not be seen as "showpieces" but should rather be seen as a statement of great confidence in the future of the PWV with Johannesburg as its economic epicentre

"The establishment of the capital in Johannesburg will, in the short and medium term, create significant job opportunities in the construction and related sectors, especially if undertaken with the participation of a multitude of small contractors

"This will have a spin-off throughout the economy," the report said

Innovative financing packages proposed by the private sector were highlighted in promoting development in the region

Central Johannesburg Partnership's Neil Fraser proposed that 1 percent of all rental for office space received by the private sector from the PWV government be ploughed back into the community

Office rentals in the Johannesburg CBD were found to be cheaper than elsewhere because of the state of the market

It would not be necessary for public servants to leave their homes in Pretoria because tram services between Pretoria and Johannesburg would allow them to commute

The private sector's strong support for Johannesburg suggested that it would be willing to play a facilitative and developmental role

The committee has recommended that support staff be accommodated immediately in CBD buildings and that they move into the City Hall by August 1

The administration would be sited in Johannesburg in under-utilised public buildings and private buildings near the City Hall during the next 18 to 24 months

Committee deliberations took only a week after cities and towns had been asked to make presentations. There were 20 submissions

Only Johannesburg, Pretoria and Midrand made the shortlist

The committee found Midrand unsuitable because it was too removed from the south of the province

Lacked vision

The town would continue growing vibrantly and did not require the economic boost that hosting the capital would provide, the report said

Pretoria's proposal did not deal with medium and long-term economic and social effects in the region and lacked "driving vision", the committee found. It was also felt that the cost of moving people from Pretoria was "excessively exaggerated"

Johannesburg City Council strategic development director Ian Symon said he was pleased with the committee's recommendation

It was the right decision for the whole metropolitan region, he said

"I believe that the Reconstruction and Development Programme itself is not going to be financed by regional government or national government in isolation.

"It needs the private sector to buy into it and it will give the private sector the confidence to inject cash into the CBD, and facilitate development southwards," Symon said

While emphasising that it was a bit premature to comment, a Johannesburg Chamber of Commerce and Industry spokesman said the move would stimulate the local economy immediately and improve employment levels

"A long-term, possibly abstract benefit is the way such a decision would focus attention on the problem areas in our city"

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Johannesburg set to be capital

Bid for local govt deal

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LOUISE MARSLAND

Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber has formed a committee to finalise the establishment of a transitional metropolitan council (TMC) and new transitional town councils for the region by next week.

The committee, which is made up of 11 members from the ANC alliance and civic associations, and nine members from affected municipalities, will work through the weekend under the chairmanship of Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert to try to reach agreement on several controversial issues.

"The positions of the town councils and the ANC have been tabled and now we have to try to find each other," said one chamber representative.

At stake is the size and power of future municipalities in the Greater Johannesburg and Soweto region, and the timing of the process.

The town councils feel there should be about eight new towns, each with 400 000 people, whereas the ANC alliance wants only 200 000 people in a municipality. (200)

The alliance and civic organisations want stronger metropolitan government, but the municipalities propose that future town councils retain many of their existing powers.

The municipalities want the TMC and the new town councils up and running simultaneously, while the alliance feels that the TMC should be established and working before the new municipalities are formed.

STUNNED ANC provincial legislators had their first glimpse of the lavish lifestyle and managerial excesses of Pretoria's bureaucrats at a sitting to decide on a new capital for the PWV this week.

Documents requested by the legislature's seat of government committee showed that the Transvaal Provincial Administration occupied nearly four times more space than it needed, suffered from massive racial imbalances and paid out inflated relocation payments.

By Friday, the TPA's efforts to persuade the committee to retain Pretoria as the provincial capital had backfired and the committee voted for Johannesburg, adding that the TPA's office space should be cut by two-thirds.

The TPA's problems began on Wednesday when it emerged that questionable staff figures had been given to the committee by TPA director-general Len Dekker in an effort to inflate the costs of moving the bureaucracy to Johannesburg.

Mr Dekker told the committee that 4 800 staff would have to be moved from Pretoria to Johannesburg. But a second report, produced the following day by TPA deputy director for finance and works Cas Kruger, showed the TPA employed only 1 621 permanent and 558 temporary staff.

He told the Sunday Times the rest of the 4 800 staff mentioned by Mr Dekker were employees of central government departments some of whom could join the provincial government in the future. The ANC has ordered its legislators not to comment on the controversy before a caucus meeting

Lavish lifestyle of bureaucrats stuns the ANC

By RAY HARTLEY: Political Reporter

Scheduled for tomorrow morning the legislature is scheduled to make a final decision on the new capital later tomorrow.

A submission by the TPA showed its officials occupied an average of 62 sq m of office space — way in excess of the 16 sq m per person of an average Johannesburg executive suite, according to a submission by the Central Johannesburg Partnership (CJP).

Mr Kruger told the committee that the discrepancy arose because the TPA figure included corridors, toilets and archival storage. Even so, said CJP director Neil Fraser, the figure appeared excessive.

The TPA was also renting property while 1 200 sq m of office space in two buildings it

owned in Pretoria stood empty, according to the TPA submission.

Another TPA document showed that taxpayers would subsidise its employees to the tune of R29 218 each to assist them with moving from Pretoria to Johannesburg.

Mr Kruger said the TPA was powerless to reduce the relocation payment as it had been set by central government.

But a copy of the regulations governing resettlement expenditure showed TPA officials could determine the payment "in a managerial autonomous way" within broad guidelines.

The TPA relocation payment included R12 000 for "transfer and transfer dues" on new houses

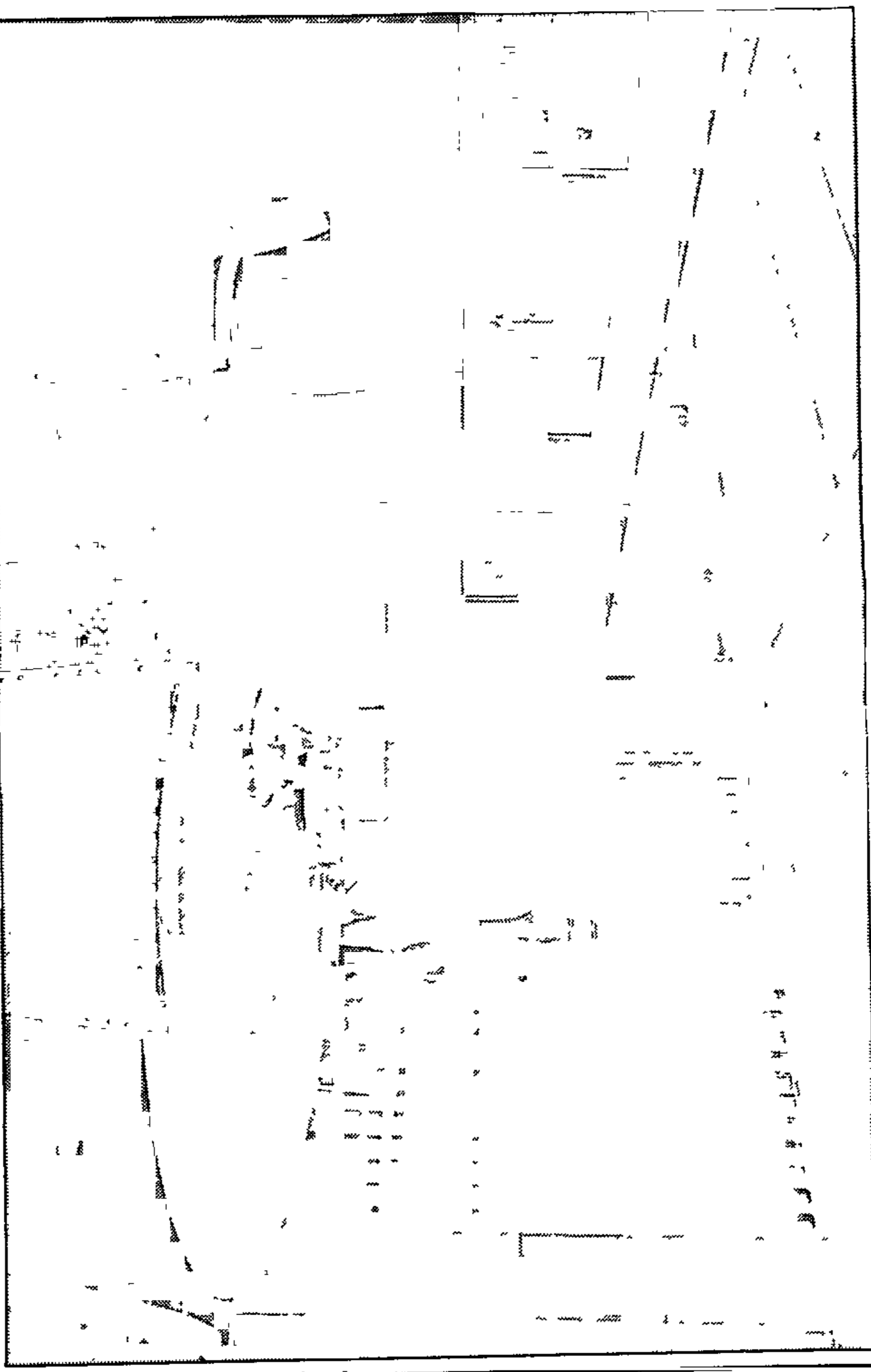
and a R5 000 "resettlement cost", which Mr Kruger said was intended "for curtains and those sorts of things".

Along with R3 500 for furniture removal, R2 718 for school clothing, R2 000 for "abnormal living expenses", relocated TPA officials could also receive a R3 000 "home-owner's allowance" spread over six months.

Other figures revealed a massive bias in favour of white employees.

Less than 10 percent of head office employees were black, with not one black in the three grades above deputy director. Even the "lower grades" category was dominated by 1 570 whites compared to 226 blacks.

Mr Kruger said the imbalance arose because few blacks had applied for TPA posts.



ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT. TPA deputy director Cas Kruger in his Pretoria office. A PWV legislature committee heard this week that TPA officials occupied nearly four times more space per person than needed. Picture: CHRIS COLLINGRIDGE

Rates, water, electricity and refuse removal increases all outstrip inflation

Joburg budget shocks

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ASSESSMENT rates are set to rocket again next year when the effect of the delayed property evaluation roll is felt

BY SHIRLEY WOODGATE

Johannesburg residents face rates, water, electricity and refuse-removal increases well above the inflation rate

But the real crunch could come next year, with assessment rates set to soar when the effect of the delayed property valuation roll is felt

Presenting a R2,7 billion budget this morning for the city, management committee chairman Ian Davidson began with a 11 percent increase in domestic rates for 1994/95

In addition, he announced a 9,6 percent increase in the domestic electricity tariff, and a 10 percent tariff increase for householders' gas

There will also be a 12 percent increase in the water tariff and a 17,5 percent increase for domestic refuse removal.

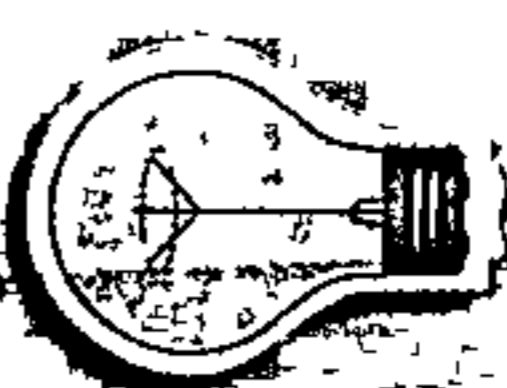
All these increases will be payable from next month.

Non-domestic users of electricity pay an extra 10,9 percent, and non-domestic water consumers 13 percent more

Out goes the street-cleaning levy, which has been abandoned after protests from commercial and industrial consumers who maintained this was an unfair system of taxation.

The electricity increase makes provision for a rise in the Eskom tariff in January. But this may have to be reviewed if electricity sales fall short or if Eskom's tariff is higher than expected.

Average monthly tariff increases



Up 9,6% for domestic consumers
Up 10,9% for business consumers

Up 10% for domestic consumers
Up 13% for business consumers

Up 12% for domestic consumers
Up 13% for business consumers

Up 17,5% for domestic properties
Up 10,9% for domestic companies
Up 13,4% for business properties
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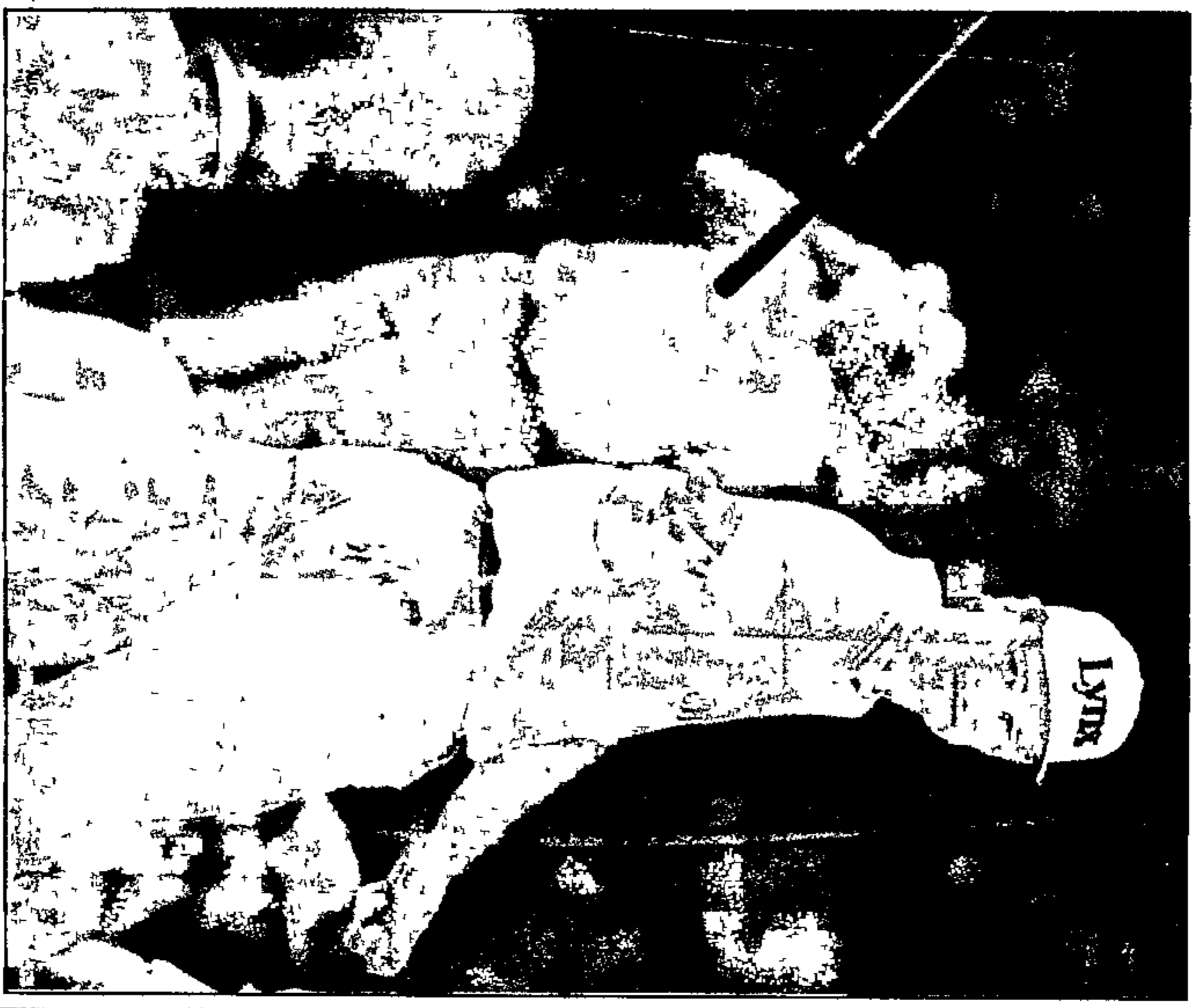
In real terms, from next month the average resident in Rosettenville, Orange Grove or Roosevelt Park will pay almost R40 a month more on rates and taxes with water going up by about R5,40, electricity by R13,34, refuse removal by R2,60 and rates by R15

ANC councillor Clive Gilbert pointed out that all increases were well above the 8 percent ceiling on growth recommended for local authorities by the Finance Department's deputy director-general, *John* He also stressed that rates accounts were set to soar in the next budget because of the delay in bringing into effect the new valuation roll.

"This year's 11 percent increase is the sugared pill, making it appear as though it is low. If the valuation roll had been published six months ago in time for the mandatory four-yearly assessment, this year's increase would have rocketed. "A 10 to 20 percent increase in property valuation when the toll is eventually published, could have a drastic effect on rates next year," he warned. The R2,7 billion budget is up from R2,2 billion in 1992/93 and R2,4 billion in 1993/94. Major sources of income are electricity sales (R1,1 billion), assessment rates (R627 million), water sales (R294 million), sewerage fees (R141 mil-

lion), refuse removal (R117 million), gas sales (R63 million) and bus fares (R52 million). Major operating expenses are salaries and allowances (R1 billion) and general expenses (R2,2 billion). Capital expenditure of R30 million goes mainly on electricity, gas, hire of equipment and transport expenses. This budget is expected to be the last presented by the ruling DP/NP coalition. The ANC's policy of a single tax base and an integrated budget for the entire metropolitan area, is likely next year

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Victim

Ernie Els faces another 18 holes today after finishing with a 73 yesterday, his worst round of the championship

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Minister adopts ANC academy idea

Star 20/6/94
Minister of Safety and Security Sidney Mufamadi has adopted the idea of a police academy in which high-school pupils would be trained in various fields including engineering and motor mechanics, PWV MEC for public safety and security Jessie Duarte said yesterday.

Addressing about 200 representatives of East Rand Self Defence Units in Kaitleng, she said the academy would accept any pupils with a Standard 5 (266) ~~266~~.

This was proposed by the ANC PWV region as part of its programme to disband and disarm its self-defence units and hostel-based self-protection units.

Proposals include educating and training some members, integrating others into neighbourhood watches and the SA Police Service, and charging East Rand residents a monthly levy of about R2 for neighbourhood watch systems.

Duarte told a press conference after the meeting that Mufamadi was committed to the concept of accepting SDU members as police reservists, but was still examining the proposal to integrate SDU members without matric — Sapa.

Residents to pay for protection

By Musa Zondi, Mapula Sibanda
and Sapa

A PLAN for East Rand residents to pay a levy of R2,10 a month for a neighbourhood watch programme by the controversial Self-Defence Units has been proposed by a member of the PWV legislature, Mr Obed Bapela.

Bapela proposed the plan yesterday at a meeting attended by more than 200 SDU members. The meeting was seeking ways and means of reintegrating members of the SDUs into society.

Also present were MEC for Safety and Security Jesse Duarte and Education MEC Mary Metcalf.

Bapela said the levy would fall under a general services charge to help reinstate "a culture of payment"

The campaign is centred on creating jobs for the unemployed members of the defence units and to send them back to school should they so wish

Speaking yesterday at Katlehong's Las Vegas hall, Metcalf told members of SDUs on the East Rand that those who had the responsibility of defending the community should be afforded the chance to learn.

The plan for education rested on two pillars: what to do with those who wanted to go back to school or those who thought it unlikely they would go back. (266)

The education plan would comprise four phases:

- A go-back-to-school programme for those between the ages of 13 and 18,

- A programme for the 19-to-25-year-olds willing to go to school and to integrate those unwilling to return to school into the police force or reservists;

- An illiteracy-combating programme which would also involve life-skills training, and

- Psychological and counselling support for those plagued by many years of war in the area.

Mr Nazir Carrim of the PWV legislature's

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education desk said support had been received from Dr Saths Cooper of the Family Institute, Lloyd Vogelmann of Wits University and other experts.

For those between the ages of 13 and 18, a school re-orientation programme will begin next month and run until December with the idea of integrating them into normal schools at the beginning of next year

In a frank admission, Duarte said it was true that some SDU members had been involved in criminal activities. She said the time for action, and not rhetoric, had come.

She also said police had expressed a willingness to take people into their reservist force, but communities had to agree on who would be allowed in

Those who were involved in criminal activities would be left out.

Duarte also said they had consulted with industry on the East Rand about job creation. Most industries had expressed concern at the high level of violence and it was important for the area to achieve stability before investment in the area could be expected.

Housing MEC Mr Dan Mofokeng had identified a development plan in Germiston, she said. The project could create employment for some SDU members.

Duarte also announced that Housing Minister Mr Joe Slovo had approved PWV premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale's plan to build 150 000 low-cost houses in the next 12 months.

Sabotage by TPA claimed

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Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — PWV region officials claim bureaucratic sabotage by employees of the Transvaal Provincial Administration are hampering efforts to set up the new provincial government

But TPA officials responded that they were hesitant to give information to people who had not been properly appointed

A PWV region source said the offices of newly-elected legislators were encountering "deliberate resistance", including lost documents and ignored requests for equipment and information, from TPA department officials in Pretoria

"We thought at first it was just a few incompetent people, but the loss of strategic documents and problems in specific areas lead us to believe this is sabotage,"

PWV govt
'can't get
started'

the source said

TPA officials, however, claim provincial premiers and legislators have been appointing dozens of new people to posts not sanctioned by the Commission for Administration

"You can't just employ people if it has not been approved or budgeted," said a TPA source

TPA officials felt that while they were keen to support and assist the new provincial government as apolitical public servants, they could not agree to de-

mands from people who had not been formally placed in the official structures of the public service as laid down in legislation

Commission for Provincial Government chairman Mr Thozamile Botha said strategic management teams were being established to better integrate public servants with newly-appointed provincial officers and legislators

The PWV source said a continuing culture of secrecy in the public service and uncertainty over authority structures had contributed to the problems

"Nobody knows who's the boss or how seriously they should take requests from people they have never heard of. Mostly we have to rely on goodwill and this is not always forthcoming

"Having to fight to get information makes planning, development and implementation difficult," the source said

Rand ratepayers to pay major increases

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JOHANNESBURG — Johannesburg City Council management committee chairman Mr Ian Davidson yesterday presented a budget designed for the new era of metropolitan government — and confirmed Johannesburg residents' fears of major increases in their contributions.

Mr Davidson said about R400 million, or 49% of the city's capital spending, would benefit areas outside Johannesburg. The total budget for the city would rise by 18% to R3,6 billion.

This means a 9,6% increase in electricity charges, a 10% increase in gas charges, and a 12% rise in water tariffs. Property rates will rise by 11% — Sapa

Tariffs rise in Johannesburg

JOHANNESBURG'S R3,6bn budget for 1994/95 was 18% higher than last year's, with residents paying more for a range of increases. *Biday 21/6/94*

Operational expenditure of R2,8bn was about 14,3% higher, with increases for consumers averaging about 10,75%, the Johannesburg City Council said yesterday. Domestic electricity tariffs rose 9,6%, gas 10%, water 12% and waste removal 17,5%.

Management committee chairman Ian Davidson said the city's budget was the "engine" driving the reconstruction and development process in the metropolitan area. The city had accepted its role in righting past wrongs as its "relative prosperity would not have been achieved with-

JACQUIE GOLDING

out the people of Soweto, Alexandra and other apartheid townships. *(2/6)*

"Johannesburg has successfully advocated a metropolitan authority and tax base to fund urgent reconstruction and development without bankrupting the region."

He said that without Johannesburg's full involvement, the Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) would be doomed even before it began. He recommended that the TMC develop its own reconstruction and development programme, linked to those of national and provincial governments.

The TMC also had to liaise closely with

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the PWV parliament to ensure that the available money spent met people's needs and "was not lost in some grand plan that looks great on paper but fails to deliver at local level", Davidson said. *21/6/94*

The city's capital spending will rise 33,6% to R820m. Of this, the council's share rose 23,7% to R407,6m, while commitments of the state, regional services council (RSC) and outside bodies went up 45,1% to R413m. *(2/6)*

The capital budget included externally funded regional projects of R342,9m (up 31%) and R44,6m for housing funded by state loans and grants (up 165,9%). About 49% of the R820m would be spent on projects that would directly benefit the metropolitan area rather than just the city alone.

Davidson said estimates showed 37,4% would be spent on regional waste and water and 16,8% on electricity projects. Other major allocations were for metropolitan planning at 9,4%, roads at 7,4%; and health, housing and urbanisation at 6,5%.

The capital budget provided for continuing metropolitan projects, but if the TMC failed to fund the R131m needed for new projects planned by the RSC (which the

TMC would absorb), the council would have to review the situation.

In the past year, Johannesburg businesses paid levies of about 81% of the RSC's R300m budget, while Johannesburg benefited directly to the tune of only 8,7%, Davidson said.

Davidson said the TMC's budget emphasis should be in line with the Metropolitan Chamber's financial policy, focusing on repairs and maintenance to reduce backlogs. Central and provincial government had to help finance the TMC.

The civic association Actstop said it considered the budget to be "provisional" because in the next two months, local government would have been restructured and the budget might have to be revisited.

It said the hikes in rates and tariffs, which resulted in an increased income, had to be used to address the infrastructure and service delivery problems in Soweto and other townships.

Contributions by ratepayers were justified if it turned back some of the crises created in townships by the total lack of services, Actstop said.

City 'must create its own RDP'

Star 2/16/94

■ BY SHIRLEY WOODGATE

A top priority of the new Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) must be to address backlogs within the area, Johannesburg City Council management committee chairman Ian Davidson said yesterday. Presenting the city's R2,7 billion budget he said: "We still have no precise information of the costs of reconstruction"

Guestimates put the final costs at about R10 billion over 12 to 15 years but he believed this to be too high.

He said central and provincial government would have to play their role in enabling the metropolitan authority to fulfil its function financially. "Local government

must be transformed to become the delivery mechanism for the Reconstruction and Development Programme.

"I suggest the TMC should develop its own RDP, and link it to those of the national and provincial governments

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Development

"The development of a metropolitan RDP is an urgent priority for the TMC, but it must be a holistic process."

Davidson said reconstruction was only feasible in tandem with economic and social development. Job creation was as important as building roads, and future metropolitan budgets must reflect this.

Violence costs 12 000 their jobs

UNREST AREAS Businesses

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forced to relocate because of danger.

By Joe Mdhlela

RESIDENTS of the East Rand townships of Katlehong, Tokoza and Vosloorus have lost 12 000 jobs as a result of companies relocating to more stable areas.

Job opportunities have been lost even in the black townships themselves, with local businessmen electing to relocate to areas such as Midrand and other peaceful regions.

Vice-president of the Germiston Chamber of Business Mrs Lynne Cheshire confirmed that "due to political and economic forces, businesses have been closing down".

Second thoughts

She said prospective investors in the areas were "having second thoughts" about establishing plants near the affected townships.

"In areas like Katlehong, where politi-

cal violence was rife, this has definitely caused businesses to relocate," she said.

She said Katlehong was still experiencing grave difficulties in conducting normal business activities as suppliers were still concerned with safety.

She also talked about insolvency being prevalent as a result of loss of business activity in areas such as Wadeville and Germiston.

Addressing residents of Katlehong at the weekend, MEC for safety and security Mrs Jesse Duarte said businesses were concerned about safety in Katlehong, Tokoza and Vosloorus. This, she said, had resulted in busi-



Mrs Jesse Duarte

nessmen being hesitant to invest in the area.

Duarte said the Government was engaged in job creating campaigns in order to reduce the levels of conflict.

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Joburg set to become PWV capital soon

Sowetan 21/6/94

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Utmost care

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Mr Jan Landman (Freedom Front) said he would support the proposal if the African National Congress agreed to treat "with the utmost care" the cultural rights of all groups, including Afrikaners.

"My party could gain a lot of ground by propagating the idea that the ANC's alleged support for Johannesburg is

based on an anti-Pretoria mentality and on an anti-Afrikaner philosophy. We could argue that the work- ings and proceedings of the seat of government committee was purely and simply window-dressing."

Negotiate a deal

"We shall not do that now and we are prepared to support the ANC's choice on condition we can negotiate a deal with the ANC."

Landman suggested a protection of cultural rights in a new dispensation on local government.

Support for Johannesburg also came from the National Party, Democratic Party and African Christian Democratic Party.

Johannesburg City Hall

The only Pan Africanist Congress member in the assembly, Mr Benny Alexander, chaired the committee meeting which recommended the legislature sit in the Johannesburg City Hall from August 1.

Debate on the seat of the province continues today. — *Sapa*



ing preparations end tragically

Huge tariff hike shock

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Mr Cas Coovadia spokesman for Actstop (Action to Stop Evictions) said it considered this a provisional budget because of local government restructuring within two months (Zide)

"These increases will be justified if income is used to redress problems in local townships." — *Sapa*

North West tackles regional capital issue

The Argus Correspondent

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MMABATHO. — As the PWV parliament meets today to decide Pretoria's fate as provincial capital, a similar battle between cities in the North West region is set to take place in Mmabatho.

The North West parliament is to tackle the issue of a regional capital with three towns vying for capital status.

The towns proposed are Klerksdorp, Potchefstroom and Mmabatho.

A spokesman for the Premier's office said a proposal would today be made to the cabinet that, in addition to the public, relevant organisations such as government departments and taxi associations be allowed to make representation in support of recommendations for the capital.

He said the cabinet would then reach a decision and take it to the Legislator for comment.

Other matters to be discussed in parliament today are the role the 10 government departments of the region should play in implementing the Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP). Following yesterday's first session, the spokesman said there was a tremendous spirit of co-operation between the parties involved.

During the first sitting of parliament they pledged their loyalty towards the government of the North West region.

Solid support for Johannesburg

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Crime expected to rise by 20%

'More policemen needed in PWV'

Star 22/6/94

The PWV region needed 14 000 more policemen to fight crime which was expected to rise by 20 percent in the next year, according to regional commissioner Lieutenant-General Koos Calitz

Calitz was addressing the PWV provincial legislature's standing committee on safety and security at Nasrec, near Soweto

Great shortage

He said the region's budget request did not cater for the great shortage of policemen and that the training budget was decided nationally

Calitz told the committee that the 25 000 policemen in the region amounted to the equivalent of 1,28 policemen for every 1 000 people on the Witwatersrand

This figure compared very unfavourably to the national ratio of 2,5 policemen for every 1 000

THE PWV region has just more than half the number of policemen per 1 000 people compared to the rest of the country

people

In a report presented to the committee, Calitz criticised plans to restructure the South African Police Services (SAPS) along the lines of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the United States

He said that in terms of draft legislation, a provincial commissioner would not be able to operate on a day-to-day basis without being informed of investigations by national units which, under the proposed National Investigation Services, would re-

port to the national commissioner

Calitz said the draft legislation did not distinguish between crimes to be investigated by national or provincial units and it would take up to four weeks to decide which of the units would be able to investigate a particular crime

Changes

Calitz has sent a report suggesting changes to the draft legislation to the committee advising Safety and Security Minister Sidney Mufamadi

SAPS spokesman Colonel Dave Bruce said Calitz had been requested to speak to the committee on specific issues concerning the police and was expected to address the committee tomorrow — Sapa and Staff Reporter

TPA officials' 'jobs secure'

Sowetan 22/6/94

SA Press Association

TRANSVAAL Provincial Administration officials based in Pretoria would keep their jobs in spite of the decision to make Johannesburg the capital of the PWV, premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale said yesterday

Minutes after legislators had passed the motion to make Johannesburg the seat of the PWV government, Sexwale said the decision was not against the TPA

"They have nothing to fear," he said, adding that their jobs were protected by the constitution

The decision was a socio-economic one and not political (2 job)

He said the upliftment of Johannesburg, which had been decaying, would benefit all the cities in the province.

PWV legislature declares Johannesburg the provincial capital

JOHANNESBURG became the PWV re-

gion's capital with a unanimous decision by the provincial parliament yesterday.

It agreed to move into the Johannesburg city hall and phase the administrative relocation from Pretoria to Johannesburg.

"The capital has come to its natural home," said city management committee chairman and provincial MP Ian Davidson. "Johannesburg is the economic and financial powerhouse of the region and the political powerhouse of the future."

PWV premier Tokyo Sexwale said the business community had a key role to play in developing the city, redistributing wealth through job creation and marketing

the city to international investors.

"We expect Johannesburg to boom, to grow" and to take the PWV region and the country along with it, he said.

But he warned that while business had an important part to play in the creation of the new capital, "if they think this will enrich them further we are not talking the same language."

The PWV government would have failed if "at the end of the day the rich have become richer and the poor poorer."

Sexwale also hinted that the city's name was likely to be changed along with the PWV acronym. "What was Johannes? Who was Johannes? Someone must educate us

about this Johannes."

He added that Egoli meant "place of gold" and not "city of gold" and in its traditional usage the name referred to the minedumps scattered across the region.

In choosing Johannesburg over Pretoria and Midrand, Sexwale said the legislature had not sought to take sides. "To Pretorians I say you have not lost, it's only that Johannesburg has won. We all belong to the PWV and no city or town will be relegated to a position where it will not be able to grow."

The new capital could not, however, be

marketed effectively, nor investment attracted, unless action was taken to bring down high crime levels, drug lords were stopped and taxi wars were ended.

"Warrioring in the taxi industry are beginning to utilise the centre of the city as a war zone," he said.

Hawkers doing their "unattractive trade" on pavements and streets were an eyesore that compromised the beauty of the city. "We need to organise them and find a place for them to trade."

Sexwale dismissed suggestions that the decision had been reached long before a provincial seat of government committee had sat to hear evidence.

"Even I didn't believe at times that the capital would come to Johannesburg."

Pre-decision lobbying and bravado by groups such as the ANC's Johannesburg suburbion should not be interpreted as evidence of the manipulation of the democratic process, he said.

The committee had shown the declaration of Johannesburg as the capital and the use of surrounding CBD buildings to house officials was cost-effective and brought government closer to its constituents, he said. "This is a brand new capital in a brand new province."

Sexwale expects Jo'burg to boom as PWV capital

Star 22/6/94

■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

The PWV legislature has voted unanimously to establish Johannesburg as the capital of the two-month-old province

"Although we may not like it, you have the right to call us the Johannesburg regime," quipped Premier Tokyo Sexwale to the press gallery in the makeshift debating chamber at Nasrec near Soweto

The formal decision was taken late yesterday afternoon after two days of debate on the report of the select committee on the seat of government

Opportunity

The committee had recommended Johannesburg as the capital largely because of the opportunity this option offered for social and economic development (266)

Sexwale remarked that "we expect Johannesburg to boom, we expect it to grow and to play its critical role as the engine of both the province and the country"

But he said that his government and big business were not talking the same language if the latter understood Johannesburg's developmental role to mean enriching the already rich and empowering the conglomerates

He underscored a point made by the PAC's Benny Alexander, chairman of the select committee, who challenged banks to stop red-lining inner city areas and thereby to show that business paid more than lip-service to the notion of developing the inner city residential sector

For years now all major banks have red-lined — imposed a blanket prohibition on the granting of new mortgage bonds — on residential properties in the CBD and Hillbrow.

In addition, said Sexwale, special account would have to

be taken of small business in an effort to revitalise the Johannesburg CBD

Demands were also made on the Johannesburg City Council to recognise the Reconstruction and Development Programme. The ANC's Ben Turok said the council had been accustomed to "deliver goods to a passive citizenry", whereas the keynote in the RDP was empowerment and participation

NP leader Olaus van Zyl felt that the Johannesburg City Council could perhaps show its enthusiasm for the city's new status quite tangibly, by cutting the rental rate of R20/sq m on the city hall, which will house the legislature

To workers in the Pretoria head office of the TPA, Sexwale said the inquiry on the capital "was not a battle for or against the TPA" and the selection of Johannesburg was not retribution for the old administration's part in enforcing "the laws of apartheid"

The Star's Pretoria Correspondent reports that Mayor C J Uys and management committee chairman Dr Pieter Smith have both expressed disappointment over the decision to make Johannesburg the PWV capital

Acceptance

Smith said Pretoria had put in a strong bid for the provincial capital but, having lost, was accepting the legislature's choice

Uys admitted that he continued to "wonder about the wisdom of the decision", adding "Seen in the light of the country's economic situation and the high costs of such a move, I would still think that it is not too late to reconsider the decision."

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the matter and taken a principled stand

"Meanwhile, I'll continue to carry out my responsibilities. But I ac-

reports that he was being considered for an ambassadorial post. Neither President Mandela nor Foreign Affairs knew anything about it.

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PWV bid for probe into prisons plight

By Tyrone August
Political Reporter

THE PWV provincial legislature yesterday recommended to the National Assembly that an urgent inquiry be made into South African prison conditions.

The recommendation, proposed at its meeting at Nasrec in Johannesburg by the MEC for Safety and Security Mrs Jessie Duarte, was prompted by the protests which broke out in various prisons on June 8.

The protests were directed mainly at securing amnesty for common law prisoners but also included complaints about liv-

ing conditions in prisons.

Duarte told the legislature that conditions in prisons were "appalling".

After the prison protests, Correctional Services Minister Dr Siphosiso Mzimela announced that a commission of inquiry into prison conditions would be appointed.

Duarte called on Mzimela to urgently table this commission's report "without delay" (216) (216)

In his support for the recommendation, the Democratic Party's Mr Peter Leon called on the Government to look at the plight of Dimutri Tsafendas, who has been in prison since 1966



DP man may not order more raids

CIPress 26/6/94

By SEKOLA SELLO

JO'BURG City Council management committee chairman and leading member of the Democratic Party Ian Davidson came under fire at the PWV legislature on Friday for sanctioning the eviction of squatters at Liefde and Vrede Squatter Camp three weeks ago.

After a heated debate during which Davidson, who is also a DP member in the legislature, was accused of being provocative and arrogant, the house unanimously resolved that a moratorium was to be placed on evictions and land invasions.

A visibly shaken Davidson repeatedly shook his head as ANC members, including provincial housing MEC Dan Mofokeng waded into him for ordering the evictions and demolition of squatter shacks at Liefde and Vrede south of Johannesburg on June 6 (26/6).

In a direct reference to Davidson, Mofokeng asked rhetorically "What propelled him, what persuaded him to take such evil action?" Another ANC member, Ronnie Mamoepa, said the decision was "provocative" and smacked of "arrogance and *kragdadigheid*".

Members of the Freedom Front, Na-

tional Party and Inkatha Freedom Party also criticised the City Council's actions. However, the NP and FF also called for measures to be taken to arrest the increase of land invasions.

Davidson did not take the criticism lying down and countered that his critics should not "come here and tell me about morality". He said he would not allow people to take the law into their hands.

Orchestrated

He further charged that the land invasion in Liefde and Vrede was partly orchestrated by one Veli Dlamini whom he called a "racketeer of the first order he is no Robin Hood. He was charging people between R150 and R200 to put up shacks".

According to Davidson, land invasion was jeopardising the council's plans to help provide about 16 000 housing units in the next 12 months. Davidson said their housing scheme was unparalleled in the region.

The motion to put a moratorium on evictions and land invasion was tabled by the ANC's Steward Ngwenya and was unanimously adopted.

Metropolitan body to take over councils

BIDA 27/10/94

ADRIAN HADLAND

A TRANSITIONAL Metropolitan Council would be created soon to take over the functions and powers of the Johannesburg and neighbouring city councils as well as the Central Witwatersrand Regional Services Council (CWRSC). (206)

CWRSC chairman Len de Wet said last week that the proclamation of the metropolitan council was expected in "the near future".

"Existing local authorities are likely to continue to operate for a limited period until new metropolitan substructure areas have been demarcated and established."

It is estimated that eight reconstituted local authorities would be created to replace the existing councils which include Johannesburg, Sandton, Randburg, Roodepoort, Soweto and Alexandra.

The new metropolitan body, to be created in terms of the Local Government Transition Act of 1993, would be responsible for the collection of turnover and employee-based RSC levies as well as a "much wider range of metropolitan powers, duties and functions".

It would be empowered to claim levies from the reconstituted local councils in respect of its functions as well as "an equitable contribution based on gross or rates income".

More than R187m in uncommitted funds held by the CWRSC would be passed on to the metropolitan council for project allocation while a contingency budget, including a R50m contribution from the Johannesburg City Council, had been established.

"We welcome these far-reaching constitutional developments and are fully committed to helping achieve a smooth and successful transition on the central Witwatersrand for the benefit of all the people," De Wet said.

The creation of the metropolitan council effectively meant the Johannesburg City

Council would "disappear", management committee chairman Ian Davidson said this week. But it was "precisely because we accept our responsibilities that this city has advocated, and successfully lobbied for, the creation of a metropolitan authority with a metropolitan tax base".

An adequate tax base was essential to ensure urgent reconstruction and development requirements could be managed properly without bankrupting the entire region, Davidson said.

The metropolitan council's main role would be to guide the upgrading and development of services and infrastructure and to ensure that all resources, including administrative and financial, were sufficient to ensure implementation.

Davidson said the council was likely to assume direct responsibility for the Johannesburg CBD. "Rates and taxes generated in the CBD would be received by the metropolitan council, which would control the CBD budget, exercise all powers and functions of the CBD, and be responsible for service delivery within the CBD."

This would guarantee the CBD's continued growth and enable the metropolitan council to take the lead in growing the economy of the whole metropolitan region by providing it with a sound footing for development programmes.

The council would raise revenue by imposing a levy on the supply of bulk services, by transferring payments from metropolitan substructures, from borrowings, from the receipt of intergovernmental grants and from services provided by the metropolitan council itself.

In the initial period, metropolitan council members would be nominated from statutory and non-statutory organisations but elections for a fully representative council would have to be held, De Wet said

NEWS Jessie Duarte proposes the establishment of a central police recruitment centre

Bid to end bias at police stations

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PWV MEC for public safety and security Ms Jessie Duarte yesterday proposed that a central police recruitment centre be established to ensure that discrimination against township activists was ended

Duarte told a meeting at Alexandra Township that most station commanders had an attitude towards township activists

She said the proposal would be discussed with Safety and Security Minister Mr Sydney Mufamadi on Thursday. "We know that station commanders have got attitudes towards people who

they knew to be activists in the townships. So if you come with your application form they say just forget about him or her," she said.

She told the meeting that policemen and women were being retrained on how to be accountable.

She said people should form community policing forums where they would tell police what they required

"This is your police force. It's not the best police force in the world but if you want it to be the best you must take responsibility together with us for changing it." — Sapa



Municipal workers call for Davidson's resignation

'We won't carry out evictions'

The SA Municipal Workers' Union (Samwu) yesterday told its members to refuse to carry out eviction orders issued by the Johannesburg City Council.

The call was made after a march from central Johannesburg to the civic centre in Braamfontein in protest against recent evictions of squatters in Liedtke-en-Vrede and Devland, south of the city.

The union also demanded the resignation of management committee chairman Ian Davidson for his "unilateral decision" to evict the squatters.

A union memorandum said "Ian Davidson has proved to be racist, incompetent and not representative of any community he purports to serve."

Other union demands were for a transitional metropolitan council, a single industrial council and higher wages for the lowest-paid municipal workers.

Councillor Marretta Marx accepted the memorandum in the civic centre courtyard.

Marx was jeered when she said, "The council is a legal body obliged to act (against squatters). We have already given assurances the council will not take down further shacks."

She said the council would report back to the union. ANC councillor Clive Gilbert

also met the marchers and called for the resignation of the National Party-dominated council. "It is our land. Let the people rule themselves."

At a press conference earlier, Samwu local government co-ordinator Richard Spalding said workers should not be used to evict people. "We have been used for political gain," he said. Johannesburg Municipal Em-

ployee Association president David Fox said evictions should take place only after consultation with the victims.

"The process is very important. The process is through negotiations. The spirit is one of collaboration."

Samwu Metropolitan Chamber representative Adrian Oloetse said the DP and NP were deliberately delaying the setting up of a transitional metropolitan council.

About 5 000 Samwu members blocked Risk Street for about six blocks as they marched to the civic centre, and traffic backed up for several blocks on both sides.

Pedestrians also had to wait for the marchers to pass. One said "We have to work. We can't wait."

Bus services were disrupted because many drivers took part in the protest. — Sapa.

Pay increases for city employees

City employees	to	10 per cent
Police	to	10 per cent
Fire	to	10 per cent
Water	to	10 per cent
Sanitation	to	10 per cent
Public works	to	10 per cent
Transport	to	10 per cent
Health	to	10 per cent
Education	to	10 per cent
Other municipal workers	to	10 per cent



"Roadblock" ... members of the SA Municipal Workers' Union march in protest against recent evictions of squatters south of the city. PICTURE ANTON HAMMERS

World Bank slates town-twinning idea

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THE concept of a "twinning" programme aimed at merging white local authorities and adjacent townships to reorganise local government has been condemned by the World Bank.

The bank's latest report on reducing poverty in SA said the "twinning" of Sandton, Randburg and Alexandria, which has a deficit of R12m, would require a 9% increase in property taxes in Randburg and Sandton to cover the Alexandria shortfall.

But the "twinning" of Johannesburg, Diepkloof and Soweto — Diepkloof and Soweto's local authorities are burdened with a deficit of R200m — would result in an increase of about 40% in Johannesburg property taxes.

This would encourage the pattern of "space distortion" inherited from the apartheid era, the report said.

Firms and households in high tax areas would relocate to avoid a heavier tax burden, with different households getting varied levels of service depending on where they lived.

"Ultimately a twinning programme would result in the loss of economic base

for Johannesburg (for example) and a further deterioration of the level of services provided in the lower-income areas."

The report called for a metropolitan boundary which incorporated the entire central Witwatersrand region.

The metropolitan system would more than likely create a local government system accountable to constituencies and independent of the uncertainties of central financing.

It would also have a better chance of financing the backlog in urban infrastructure and services in a way that ensured disciplined government spending.

Urban centres were the economic core of the country, and enhancing their functioning was vital to national growth and improving access to basic services for the poor, the report said.

Central Witwatersrand Regional Services Council chairman Len de Wet said recently that a transitional metropolitan council would be created soon to take over the functions and powers of the Johannesburg and neighbouring city councils and the regional services council.

Dispute threatens services in Tembisa

MORE than 300 Tembisa City Council workers were dismissed last month after an unresolved dispute that is threatening services in the area.

Tembisa administrator Han Eybers said the dispute started with alleged illegal actions by the labour force, including taking a council official hostage.

The council has enlisted the assistance of private contractors and remaining

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staff members in an attempt to render essential services.

The council alleges the dismissed employees were involved in disruption and intimidation.

Eybers said a subcontractor was prevented from digging graves. Electricity staff, and the ambulance and fire brigade were also prevented from per-

forming their duties.

Eybers said the council was granted a Supreme Court interdict two weeks ago to prevent the dismissed workers from occupying council property.

He said an Industrial Court hearing on the matter had been set for today.

The Health, Municipal and Allied Workers' Federation could not be reached for comment.

140 ballot boxes disputed

CAPE TOWN — A total of 140 ballot boxes with 185 115 ballot papers were disputed in the KwaZulu/Natal election, constituting about 4,1% of the province's voters, the SA Institute of Race Relations has reported.

The institute said most of the disputed ballots were marked in favour of the Inkatha Freedom Party. In all other areas, the number of disputed ballots was negligible, the institute said.

The Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) had reported widespread irregularities and incidents of coercion in KwaZulu/Natal, including the stuffing of ballot boxes, voting by children, the operation of illegal voting stations and the removal of IEC officials from some polling stations.

Because of the coercion, about 20% fewer monitors were deployed in KwaZulu/Natal than had been planned.

Assessing the election, the institute said one of its vice-presidents, Lawrie Schlemmer, had described SA's present political situation as one of "pre-democracy".

TIM COHEN

In such a situation, ethnically based political groupings had opted for a unity government rather than a normal government-versus-opposition arrangement.

He said the ANC had been supported by only 3% of whites while only 2% of blacks had supported the NP or the DP.

Government by "grand ethnic coalition" would lead to a "corporatist state", he said.

While providing the country with stability, such a system would also cater for the interests of central and provincial government, most labour, most agriculture, most business and most traditional sectors.

But SA could pay dearly for this in the long term through the possible exclusion of the concerns of consumers and investors.

Opposition to government and innovative policy proposals would have to be provided by groupings outside Parliament, particularly through the work of non-governmental organisations, Schlemmer said.

Thokoza: ANC units bar Sexwale

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JOHANNESBURG. — Renegade members of the ANC self-defence units in Thokoza have openly declared regional premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale no longer welcome in the battle-scarred township.

The ANC government has lost control of the rebels, who have also vowed to destroy migrant workers' hostels occupied by Zulus loyal to the IFP.

The sound of gunfire echoed throughout Thokoza's streets yesterday morning as commuters boarded taxis to work. It was not clear whether anyone had been killed.

Residents spoke of sleepless nights because of fighting between the rebels and IFP-supporting hostel dwellers since four

people were killed on Saturday. "It is back to square one. There are no-go areas for some people. People have run away from their houses. There is gunfire every night. There is no peace at all," said one resident.

There are at least 2 000 unit members in the eastern townships of Kaitshong, Thokoza and Vosloorus.

Endemic violence is one of the urgent problems facing the government.

One unit member said they were taking the law into their own hands because the government did not want to destroy the hostels.

The man, who said he was a commander of at least 50 renegade unit members, challenged

Mr Sexwale to tour the township. "He will not come out of here alive. We voted for him hoping he will destroy the hostels. Now he wants to improve them. How can you improve the dwellings of people who kill us?" he said.

Various political factions formed "self-defence" groups in townships because of the failure of the police to protect black communities, which perceived the security forces as apartheid's enforcer.

Defence force spokeswoman Captain Sonya Nel said the military faced a difficult task trying to find township gunmen.

"We cannot pinpoint anyone as being responsible for the fighting," she said — Sapa-Reuter



A HELPING HAND . . . Township youths help an elderly woman flee sniper fire in Thokoza yesterday after renewed clashes broke out between ANC and IFP supporters. The ANC rebels were taking the law into their own hands because the government refuses to destroy the IFP-supporting hostels.

Picture AP

Business urged to back RDP with creative ideas

THE head of the PWV region's commission dealing with the reconstruction and development programme (RDP), Ben Turok, has appealed to businesses in the PWV region to come forward with innovative and creative ideas for its successful implementation

While some professional bodies, companies and individuals had already proposed a range of plans — including one retired businessman who offered to donate six city blocks — further contributions were required to make "this huge social experiment" work, Turok said

Most major companies had training facilities and these could be used out of work hours to teach the unemployed skills, he suggested

In draft legislation on provincial RDP goals, being prepared by PWV legislators, the business community is credited with "a positive attitude to the RDP" as well as a willingness to co-operate in its implementation

"Many business constituencies noted they had never been formally consulted under the Nationalist regime, and that a new approach was welcomed," the draft stated

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It added, however, that "real life" would bring out certain tensions between the profit-making interests of business and the RDP's implementation "A major campaign to win hearts and minds will be necessary."

At the centre of the RDP drive was the diversification of the regional economy, Turok said (266)

This included the involvement of small businesses in providing manufacturing components, broadening ownership and employee participation and setting up new partnerships between the state, the private sector and communities (267)

On the establishment of mechanisms capable of delivering RDP projects, Turok said considerable progress had been made.

About 900 community representatives from across the PWV had attended a conference recently in which guidelines had been discussed for bottom-up development initiatives.

Four basic steps had been agreed upon at the conference:

- The representatives would return to their communities and establish interim development committees;
- The committees would "talk devel-

opment" and go through the RDP manifesto to understand the concepts and objectives;

The committees would then undertake a "capacity audit" in which the numbers of plumbers, builders, carpenters, possible project managers and other skilled workers living within a community could be identified.

A "needs assessment" would prioritise what projects — either schools, houses or clinics, for example — were needed first; and

The committee would then examine how best the project could be delivered

"If a community has decided it needs a school feeding project, it would have to consider whether a private company, non-governmental organisations, churches, voluntary schemes or the local education system would be the most effective vehicle for the development."

At a national level, Minister without Portfolio Jay Naidoo, responsible for the RDP, had advertised 12 senior posts to assist with kick-starting and overseeing the programme.

While consultations with business had made for a good planning environment, the private sector's involvement and creativity were vital components of the RDP, Turok said

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HAWKERS

Vanishing breed?

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PWV premier Tokyo Sexwale is giving hawkers a bad case of *déjà vu*. In what he describes as an attempt to clean up downtown Johannesburg, hawkers could be relegated to demarcated trading areas away from the city centre. History repeats itself: not long ago Nat government officials banned street trading because it supposedly hurt the country's image. *(SSA) (266)*

Sexwale has not outlined where or when this move will take place, but it is part of his stated goal of curbing crime, drugs and taxi violence. Unfortunately, he believes it's also necessary to crack down on working people trying to escape the poverty engendered by 50% unemployment. He told the PWV legislature last month, "We can't market Johannesburg with the unattractive trading that is taking place on our pavements."

The African Council of Hawkers & Infor-

BUSINESS



Jo'burg's street traders eyesore or attraction?

FM 8/7/94
mal Businesses (Achib) has asked for a meeting with Sexwale to discuss the issue and pitch for more amenities, such as shelters, for hawkers. Achib executive president Lawrence Mavundla doesn't pretend that hawkers on city streets are an attractive sight and he does believe that making a city attractive leads towards development. But he strongly condemns any attempt to move street traders out of the city centre. "You cannot take hawkers away from the people."

Mavundla adds that his council's plans will not end simply with a meeting between Achib and Sexwale. He aims to push its policy plans with leaders of the other provinces as well.

Free Market Foundation executive director Leon Louw rejects the idea that hawkers are an eyesore to prospective foreign investors. He contends that experience worldwide shows that cities with hawkers tend to attract more tourists than those without. And, he adds, exchange control and other economic structural problems are what's really turning off potential foreign investors.

The Small Business Development Corp's Johann Muller concedes there are innumerable problems surrounding hawking, especially in the Johannesburg area, but says the informal sector is an invaluable part of the economy rather than an impediment to growth. "That is where our future lies." He believes the appalling rate of unemployment can at least be mitigated by sustainable growth in the informal sector. Achib reckons about 3m people around the country depend largely on hawking for their livelihoods.

The history of hawkers around the country is indeed painful. City councils, at their discretion, repeatedly pushed hawkers out of the CBDs and police often confiscated their goods and harassed them.

Though hawkers no longer need licences, unless they are selling food cooked on the streets, the Johannesburg City Council plans — in terms of its amended constitution — to form a "Section 59" committee to deal exclusively with hawking and informal trading.

The committee will draw members from the council, Achib, the SBDC and other stakeholders, and get input from the provincial authority. One function will be to control

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the influx of foreign traders to the city. Achib believes six out of 10 hawkers in the city are illegal immigrants, mostly from Zimbabwe. Achib is also unhappy about the overseas hawkers — especially those from Asia — who are on the streets competing with locals.

Most of the committee's participants agree that informal trading in the city centre should be assessed and changes

implemented. Nevertheless, Louw warns that if changes lead to the removal of hawkers from the city centre, the whole process is likely to backfire.

He believes that regulators should take into account the fact that hawkers are not doing business for fun. "They too have families to feed."

Councils to cede powers, assets

Star 9/7/94

CITY and town councils in the central Witwatersrand area will be dissolved within the next two months and all their assets, powers and functions transferred to a nominated Transitional Metropolitan Council until the boundaries of new non-racial towns are drawn up

The transfer of municipal powers to the new interim metropolitan body is part of an agreement being hammered out by local authorities, political parties, civics and ratepayer organisations on the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber

Time is running out for local government to get its act together and start preparing for elections next year

Imposed

In the words of one town councillor in the negotiations, "This is the make-or-break week"

If agreement is not reached in the next few days on the new boundaries for non-racial towns in Greater Johannesburg — and the mechanism by which certain powers will be given back to the new town councils in the region — structures could be imposed on the region by the PWV government and central Government

TRANSFERRING all the powers, assets and functions of local town councils to the metro level is part of a deal being hammered out by negotiators, reports **LOUISE MARSLAND.**

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The plan is for the Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) to keep services running in the region until interim municipal sub-structures (interim town councils) are set up to run the new towns — hopefully by the end of the year

All representatives on the interim councils will be appointees until democratic local government elections take place in about mid-1995

If all goes well, sources within the chamber say the TMC could be up and running by August

"This is a very dangerous game we are playing," said a municipal official "The stakes are very high and unless the ANC and civics come up with a satisfactory mechanism to hand back the powers to the municipalities, we will hit a deadlock"

The "mechanism" being negotiated could involve future town councils having to bid to get their powers back — from controlling town assets, levying rates, to ref-

use collection — much in the same way the provinces have had to lobby central Government to obtain their powers

"The new town councils will have to come up with a business plan, and not every town will end up controlling the same things. It will differ from province to province and from town to town," the source said

This compromise by the local authorities, which were dead against relinquishing their powers before the new towns were up and running, has drawn fire from some community groupings in Randburg, Sandton, Roodepoort and Johannesburg

Compromise

They believe that once you give power away, the chances of getting it back are minimal

But town council negotiators say the compromise was necessary

Johannesburg city councillor Sias Reyneke pointed out that

existing local authorities were not negotiating from a position of power "If we don't get a deal soon, we will lose our power to govern There is a real threat of major labour disruptions and of central Government intervention"

The ANC and aligned civic associations will be workshopping all weekend to try to come up with a workable plan to piece together non-racial towns from the existing Randburg, Roodepoort, Johannesburg, Sandton, Soweto, Lenasia, Eldorado Park and south-western areas of Johannesburg, and to find an acceptable mechanism for the transfer of power to allay the fears of the former white local authorities

Divided

Local authorities and certain ratepayer organisations have already presented a plan to the Metropolitan Chamber for existing municipalities to be divided up into eight new towns in the central Witwatersrand area

Johannesburg civics spokesman on the chamber, Cas Coovadia, says the Local Government Transition Act provides for the interim municipalities to have

powers and if they are not happy with the powers allocated, there will be an arbitration mechanism

"New town councils must have the capacity to deliver services to their people they must be viable The reality is that the provinces are clamouring for power from central Government, and the Municipal Sub-structures will do the same to metropolitan government

"Non-racialism is the equitable delivery of services and resources in the metropolitan area."

The chamber's special negotiating committee is due to report back on Wednesday evening

Great big spenders

A RIGHT-WING town council has been accused of plunging an East Rand town into debt after going on a R50-million spending spree.

Accusers say the Conservative Party-controlled Brakpan council has run up the debt in its last year of office before a non-racial transitional governing body takes over in preparation for local elections.

The Democratic Party, National Party, ANC and Brakpan Concerned Residents Association are trying to stop the council "throwing away" R14-million on an airfield allegedly used by a senior council official and an "elite group of aircraft owners".

They also claimed the council spent R27-million on a luxury civic centre the town did not need, wasted R14-million on computer hardware that never worked, and purchased land at twice the original cost.

Last week, members of the Brakpan local government negotiating forum rushed to court to seek an interdict preventing the council from resolving at its monthly meeting to buy the airfield.

The matter was resolved, temporarily, out of court when the council agreed to wait for the outcome of a court hearing set for Tuesday before passing the resolution.

The council claimed the purchase of the airfield was first mooted three years ago and that it was provided for in the 1994/5 budget.

"Consulting engineers established that a need exists for an airfield with better facilities than what is presently offered," said Brakpan management committee chairman Stefan Kruger.

The planned purchase was part of an industrial development programme aimed at attracting investment to the town.

Quoting from a study conducted 15 years ago, the DP, NP, ANC and the residents' association said the airfield was on unsuitable, shallow land under which mining had occurred and that the landing strip was in the glide path of big aircraft approaching Jan Smuts Airport.

The airfield is owned by a private company, the Benoni-Brakpan Aero Club. It has 40 members, including Brakpan town clerk Thys Human.

It is alleged that one rea-

Critics charge that town spent:

● R27-million on a luxury civic centre it didn't need

● Wasted R14-million on computer hardware that never worked

● Bought land at twice the original cost, and

● Now wants to buy its own airstrip.

By JACOB DLAMINI

son for the proposed purchase is that Mr Human has bought a light aircraft but has nowhere to put it — a charge he hotly denies.

"It's true that I have acquired an aircraft but I have no financial interest in the deal. I do fly but I can put my aircraft at any airfield," he said.

But the DP's Shelley Loe said "This is an absolute outrage. It is clear that the Brakpan town council is trying to render the town bankrupt."

The council has admitted to losing R7-million on the dysfunctional computer system it bought in November last year.

It was bought from the ISIS computer company to update the council's 20-year-old system — and was supposedly a state-of-the-art network.

The purchase was made despite a R1,8-million tender from another computer company.

The new system produced a monthly electricity bill of R169 000 for one household before it was put aside for a cheaper one costing R1,8-million.

Brakpan town treasurer Lucas Pretorius said the expensive system would be used "once we have perfected it".

Residents association chairman Johan Stoltz said "The expense on that botched computer deal was horrific."

Another outcry is over the sale of a large section of land called Vlakfontein

The land belonged to a mining company until the firm went into liquidation last year.

It was bought for R3-million by Prime Invest, which later sold it to the council for R8,3-million. The land has since been occupied by squatters.

Mr Human said Brakpan did not lose a cent on the deal — but the ANC and the other parties believe otherwise. "It could be true that there was something wrong with the deal, but Vlakfontein was bought with a loan from the TPA. So Brakpan did not lose a penny on that one," said Mr Human.

ANC spokesman George de Lange said there were two transactions in the land deal. "One council cheque was made out to Prime Invest while another was made out to the Vlakfontein Mining Company. How is the second payment explained when we all know that Prime Invest bought the land from the mining company?"

Last month, the council obtained a R30-million loan.

The residents' association's Mr Stoltz said Brakpan's investments had shrunk to less than R10-million — from a high of R30-million two years ago.

"We are going to fight this tooth and nail. Money has been spent indiscriminately and now there is a 16-percent increase in rates and taxes. Taxpayers

have to foot the bill for the council," he said.

Mr Human denied Brakpan was in debt. "We have R44-million in cash reserves — but we have to do our projects on loan."

The new civic centre was built because Brakpan's town hall was 75 years old "and we needed something new".

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OPINION Sexwale needs all the help he can get for housing plan

Implement Local Act

PREMIER SEXWALE'S ANNOUNCEMENT about the imminent implementation of a massive housing plan in the PWV area is great news

South Africa has come through a transition towards democracy which has solved the crisis of legitimacy with breathtaking success. Now, we face the even greater crisis — the crisis of delivery.

Briefly put, this has to do with demonstrably improving the quality of life of the vast majority of people who have suffered under the old era. This means better housing, health, education and more jobs.

Sexwale's announcement falls squarely in this field and can be seen as his personal commitment to giving substance to the promises of the Reconstruction and Development Programme.

There is one level that will critically determine whether Sexwale's plan will succeed or fail. That is successful constitutional transition at the local-metropolitan level of government.

It is at this level where a home dweller, however humble or wealthy, receives water, electricity, sewerage, refuse removal, maintenance of parks and other community facilities such as cemeteries, libraries etc.

It is not only the responsibility of local-metropolitan government to provide these services but to see to it that they are paid for in some way.

Sexwale's statement says "The programme is to build the 150 000 houses at an average cost of R30 000 each. This includes the cost of land, infrastructural services and funding costs."

The provision of "infrastructural services" and their continued maintenance and payment is what stable and well functioning local government is all about.

We have come through a national and regional constitutional transition with considerable success given the odds stacked against us. But we still do not know what is going to happen with Soweto and Johannesburg, Alexandra and Sandton, Dobsonville and Roodepoort.

Services

Who will provide water, refuse removal, sewerage, maintenance of parks, libraries, cemeteries, school grounds? Who will maintain and upgrade these services?

The most important legal instrument we have to address this problem is the Local Government Transition Act. It is this Act that has to be implemented and bring about new local-metropolitan authorities which will be responsible for "infrastructural services" on which any housing plan is going to depend.

What does this Act in effect say? Let us concentrate, for the sake of argument, on the area covered by the Regional Services Council of the Greater Witwatersrand.

1 Johannesburg, Sandton, Randburg and Roodepoort as local city councils will disappear. This means the authority vested presently in them, as well as the billions of rands of assets controlled or owned by them will be transferred to as yet to be negotiated new local authority.

2 The old Local Authorities in Soweto, Dobsonville, Diepmeadow, Alexandra, Ennerdale, Eldorado Park, Westbury and Lenasia will similarly disappear and be replaced by the same as yet to be negotiated local authorities.

4 The Act stipulates that

(a) A Negotiation Forum has to be established in this area to negotiate the area of the forum,

● The establishment of a Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC),

● The establishment of Metropolitan Sub-structures (MSS) within the TMC,

In this article, Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber chairman **Dr Frederik Van Zyl-Slabbert** reacts to the multimillion rand housing plan announced by PWV premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale:

● The finalisation of the area of the TMC as well as the number of MSSs and their areas,

● The powers and duties of the TMC and MSSs in relation to one another; and

● The number of people who will be appointed and serve on the TMC and MSS.

(b) The TMC and MSS will then, as appointed bodies, govern the area previously governed by all the old local authorities such as Johannesburg, Sandton, Roodepoort and Randburg. These TMC and MSSs will therefore now own and control all these assets and liabilities of these old authorities.

(c) The TMC and MSS must help to prepare the area for local elections by defining wards and registering voters on a voters roll.

(d) All the above is known as the pre-interim phase of local government transition leading up to the interim phase, which will be heralded in by elections which will

then establish an elected TMC and MSSs.

Where are we now in the Metropolitan Area in the Witwatersrand? (which from all accounts, is the most advanced of the metropolitan areas in negotiating the Act?)

1 Nowhere near ready to have elections as scheduled for April 1995.

2 We have not yet negotiated the TMC and MSS that have to be implemented for the pre-interim phase.

3 It seems those responsible for negotiating the Act have abandoned negotiations at local level. The Act itself is the consequence of political compromise. Nobody tells us down there what that compromise entails.

Consequently, negotiators try to negotiate new compromises on old compromises, or simply undo old compromises.

4 Those who govern at the national or regional level seem to assume that somehow things will "just come right" at the local level.

They won't. We face perhaps the greatest challenge to urbanisation on the African continent right here on the Witwatersrand.

5 We are threatening to get bogged down in petty and nit-picking negotiations which somehow reflect a total sense of urgency as if there is some magical *deus ex machina* at a higher level to come to our aid.

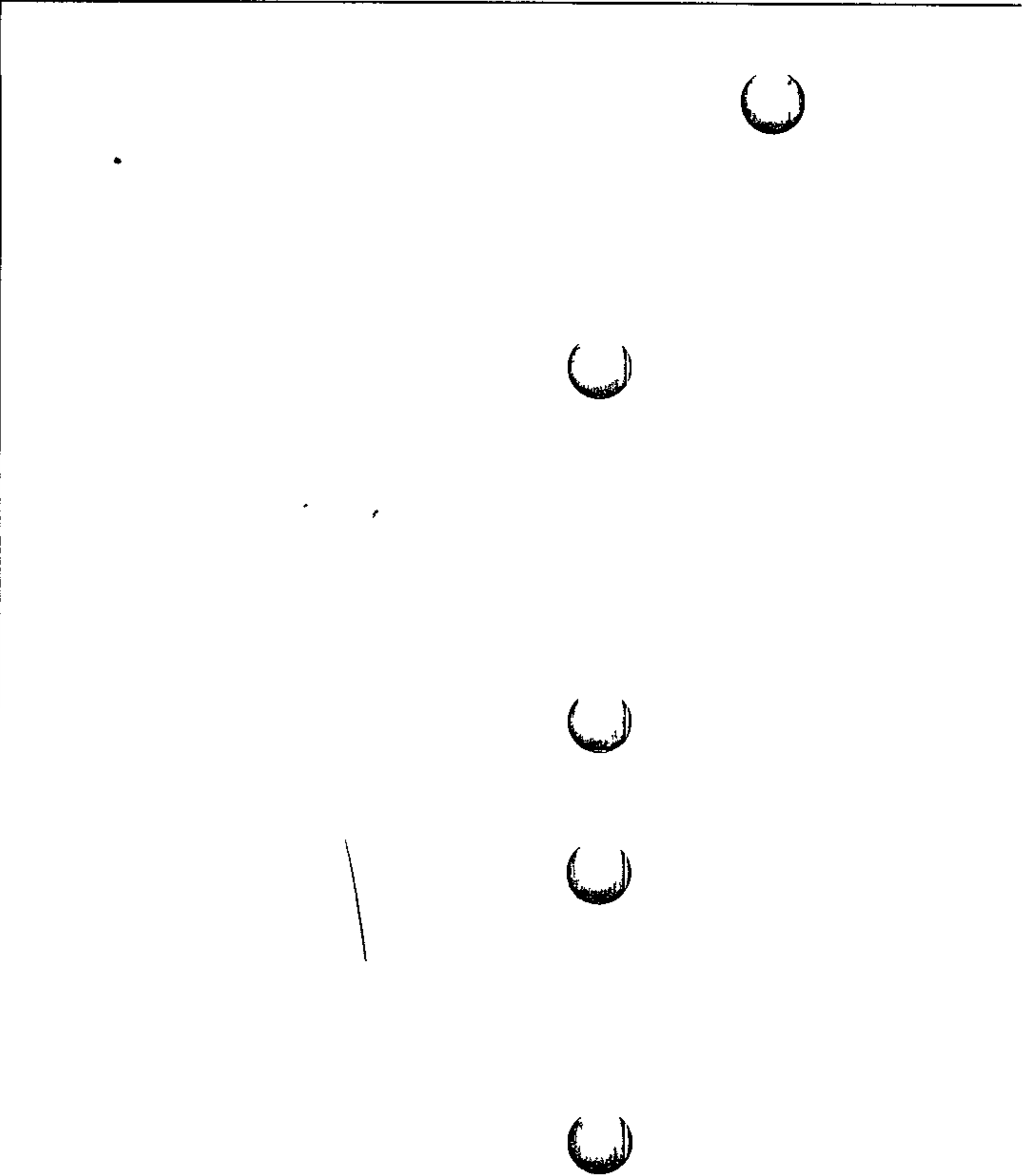
Instead of snooty comments, negotiations at the local level need desperate assistance. South Africa and Parliament came to a standstill to let national negotiations succeed.

The world almost came to a standstill to let our national elections succeed. The time has again come for a national effort to let local transition succeed.



Dr Van Zyl Slabbert

It seems those responsible for negotiating the act have abandoned negotiations at local level.



East Rand to feel benefit of RDP

JOHANNES NGCOBO

THE reconstruction and development programme would be implemented next week in the East Rand townships of Katlehong, Thokoza and Vosloorus, PWV local government and housing minister Dan Mofokeng said yesterday. **31 Day**

He told the first meeting of the task group planning for the three townships that the PWV government had made the East Rand a priority. **12/7/94**

Ordinary people should start seeing changes in their daily lives and that should motivate them to begin paying for local government services. **(266) 347**

Yesterday's launch of an "action plan" for the area was attended by Katlehong, Germiston, Thokoza, Alberton, Vosloorus and Boksburg town councillors, the SA National Defence Force, PWV safety and security committee representatives and the Wits-Vaal peace secretariat.

The plan involves promoting reconciliation between warring groups, returning displaced people to homes around hostels, negotiating with illegal occupants of homes, rebuilding destroyed and damaged homes and putting in place a visible security presence.

ANC East Rand chairman Vuyane Mpofo said PWV premier Tokyo Sexwale would visit the townships on Sunday to unveil his peace plan, which would be coupled with the RDP, and which had the same objectives as the task group's plan.

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STEPHANE BOTHMA reports that the SA Police Service's internal stability unit, withdrawn from duty in some East Rand townships by Parliament earlier this year, would be redeployed in the area only when the community had given the green light.

Community and security leaders yesterday stressed that the unit's presence would not be forced on the people of Katlehong, Thokoza and Vosloorus, despite the fact that a police presence and subsequent proper policing were urgently needed to stabilise the area where renewed violence

has claimed more than 25 lives this month.

The SANDF troops now stationed in the area at the request of the community could not remain there indefinitely. **(266)**

Several programmes were under way to liaise with community structures to find out "how and if" the unit would be accepted back into the area, a source said.

Multidimensional community liaison forums were investigating the possibility of giving the unit a new name, new uniforms and different vehicles. **(347)**

ANC ousts CP in Jo'burg council

■ BY SHIRLEY WOODGATE
and ABDUL MILAZI

The ANC yesterday effectively ousted the Conservative Party as the official opposition in the Johannesburg City Council after one Democratic Party and two National Party councillors crossed the floor to join the ANC's existing three members.

The moves by Martin Sweet,

DP councillor for Yeoville, Rupert Korb, NP councillor for Hillbrow, and Mike Levin, NP councillor for Jeppestown were announced at a press conference at ANC regional headquarters by the party's spokesman Obed Bapela.

Ian Davidson, DP leader and chairman of the Johannesburg City Council management committee, said Sweet's move was "pure opportunism".

NP spokesman Daryl Swaine-poel said the defection of the party's members was "no great loss" because they had "shocking records".

It is reliably learnt that several other councillors have indicated they are seriously considering joining the ANC shortly, and an announcement is expected soon that at least one more Randburg councillor is joining the ANC.

At the press conference Sweet lashed out at recent DP actions in local government.

ANC MP Mathole Motshekga condemned the slow progress at various local negotiating forums and called on the Government to declare August 23 as the final date for establishing all transitional councils and April 27 and 28 as the dates for the first non-racial local government elections.

Brakpan council first to go nonracial

Star 14/7/94

■ BY PAULA FRAY

Previously Conservative Party-run Brakpan has become the first PWV authority to sign an agreement setting up a non-racial transitional local council (TLC) to run the town until democratic local elections are held.

The TLC — which includes Brakpan, Tsakane and Geluksdal — will be manned by a broad range of civic organisations, councillors and political parties.

Brakpan's Negotiating Forum co-chairman Dr Steve Erasmus said the council — once labelled "right-wing" — was pleased to be the first in the PWV.

Despite calls from the right-wing Transvaal Municipal Association for CP councils to set up alternative citizens' councils, the local CP took part in the forum but did not sign this week's agreement.

Represented on the 28-seat council are the current Brakpan

Town Council, the administration of Tsekane, the Concerned Residents Association of Brakpan, the National Party, the Democratic Party, the CP, the Freedom Front, the Geluksdal Civic and Residents Association, the ANC, the SACP, Azapo, the SA National Civic Organisation, the Brakpan-Vlakfontein Steering Committee, the Geluksdal Action Committee, Inkatha and Cosatu.

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Eight councillors — Erasmus, Stefan Kruger, Steve Marx, Kobus Nell, Wicks Adolph, Dr Sias Nothnagel, Henne Boyens and Pieter de Jager — join Jim Vining, Wally Labuschagne, Japie Smith, Johan Stoltz, Elsa Nothnagel, Shelley Loe, Paul Nkuna, Brendan de Klerk, Toco Molapo, T Mabuza, Ace Phiri, Themba Kgasi, E Petersen, Frances Khumalo, Mishack Mngum, Dan Mohlosana, Pierre le Roux, M Mbanza, Steven Mbungelo and Lunga Nxaba.

Midrand workers fired

About 500 striking Midrand municipal workers were dismissed when they failed to meet a return-to-work midday deadline yesterday. *Star 15/7/94*

The workers had been issued with an ultimatum that they return to work or face dismissal.

The Midrand Town Council assured residents that it had hired temporary staff to replace the dismissed workers. *Staff Reporter (266) (266)*

PWV D-Day for Sexwale

By **THEMBA-KHUMALO**
Political Reporter

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TODAY is a crucial day for PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale to test his popularity among the people of the East Rand when he visits the trouble-torn townships of Katlehong, Thokoza and Vosloorus — where he was earlier declared not welcome by the youth.

His visit starts at 8 am in Phenduka section, renamed Tambó zone, where he will address a mass meeting of residents. The section is one of the areas worst hit by the violence that has raged for the past 20 months between township residents and hostel dwellers at Mazibuko.

His office described the visit as a continuation of the peace process initiated by the Sexwale and Inkatha leadership in response to "an invitation by the East Rand self-defence units central command structure to visit the townships to help explode the myth that the premier is not welcome there".

The PWV legislature, the SDUs and the ANC have dismissed the barring of Sexwale from entering the three townships as the work of

a "clique of criminals" who are not even members of the SDUs. They did not want to see an end to the violence because they benefited by hijacking cars which they sold to chop-shops and the situation has created fertile ground for them to engage in big underground drug-trafficking, the organisations said.

Ceasefire

Today's visit comes against the backdrop of a ceasefire agreement between the warring factions of the pro-ANC SDUs and Inkatha-aligned self-protection units on Thursday. The pact is a culmination of weeks of behind-the-scenes efforts by a Methodist priest, the Rev Mvume Dandala, who was approached by the ANC and the provincial government to broker peace in the area.

Speaking at a press conference in Alberton, Dandala said the SDU and SPU members had agreed to work with the government in implementing patrol schemes in the township. They also agreed that the future of the hostels, the rebuilding of destroyed

houses and the return of vacated houses to their rightful owners should be under the supervision of political leaders.

The Minister of Defence, Joe Modise, has announced the deployment of more troops in the townships to help police who have to combat ordinary crime and political violence.

The latest developments brought hope to residents that lasting peace will return to the area.

■ Inkatha leader and Minister of Home Affairs Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, said yesterday the ANC wanted to dismantle Inkatha hostels "and this hangs over the heads of our people on the East Rand like a Sword of Damocles".

Speaking at the 19th annual conference of the IFP in Ulundi, Buthelezi said two serious threats to the government of national unity were the ongoing state of emergency in kwaZulu/Natal which was "unconstitutional" and the lack of consultation in government which manifested itself recently when the army was called upon to support police in East Rand townships.

Urgency as August 23 is named

Deadline for transitional chamber

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■ BY PAULA FRAY
CITY EDITOR

August 23 has been set as the deadline for the historic launch of nonracial local government structures in the central Witwatersrand region, Deputy Minister of Provincial Affairs Mohammed Valli Moosa and PWV Housing Minister Dan Mofokeng announced yesterday.

This is the day negotiators want the area's Transitional Metropolitan Chamber (TMC) firmly in place.

Delegates at last night's Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber meeting agreed to speed up deliberations with the new deadline in mind.

Progress in negotiations to establish the TMC has been delayed by discussions on finer details. There is now a renewed push for urgency.

At a meeting with Moosa and Mofokeng this week, a delegation from the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber — which includes statutory and

SPEEDY creation of Witwatersrand region's Transitional Metropolitan Chamber urged by Valli Moosa

non-statutory bodies — undertook to work towards the deadline. (2bb)

In a joint statement, Moosa and Mofokeng said the delegation presented an outline of the progress made towards the establishment of a TMC and metropolitan substructures.

"Further negotiations will take place in the forum as a matter of urgency," they added.

It was also agreed that the TMC for the central Witwatersrand area should be launched on August 23.

This urgency was echoed by chamber chairman Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert, who expressed concern that "rapid progress be made".

Building blocks to ensure the future

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By Joshua Raboroko

■ MAJOR THREAT Dan Mofokeng

THE PWV PROVINCIAL government has been urged to empower black builders and contractors by involving them in the plan to build 150 000 housing units

The involvement of all sectors of the building and construction industry in the development of South Africa was essential — and ways could be found to do it, experts say

But the problem of soaring building and labour costs are emerging as one of the major threats to the Government's programme, according to a survey

The survey was commenting on concerns expressed by the black construction industry that it was being excluded from plans to build homes

Managing director of Intersite Mr Dirk Ackerman said that many black professionals had been excluded from involvement in significant projects in the past

Intersite, the property management arm of the South African Rail Commuter Corporation, was actively trying to include those professionals in its projects around the country — and Ackerman believes that more property

vows to import to counter costs:

companies should be doing the same

These professionals include, architects, quantity surveyors, project managers and electrical, structural, mechanical and civil engineers

Ackerman said various teams of blacks were involved in projects such as a taxi rank development and the upgrading of Johannesburg south station with a combined value of R8 million His company had numerous cases where it had used black contractors Contracts worth R16,4 million went to five contractors for the refurbishment of nine stations in Soweto

Landscaper Mr Billy Leballo was awarded the job to do the landscaping for the projects, and the ongoing maintenance work

"I will just be happy to be part and parcel of the grand idea by Mr Tokyo Sexwale's housing plan Blacks should be included in the project to economically empowered them," Leballo said

Figures by the Bureau for Economic Research at Stellenbosch University show that building costs rose by 12

percent in the second quarter compared with the same period last year

Worse is to come. The BER's executive, Mr Nils de Jager, says he expects building costs to increase by 18 percent in 1995 and by over 21 percent in 1996, as the low-cost housing programme raises demand for building material and pushes up wage costs

The threat of surging prices in the housing programme is two-fold it pushes up the cost to the fiscus and, more importantly, renders State subsidies ineffective, thus making houses less affordable to the low-income sector

PWV local government and housing MEC Mr Dan Mofokeng said his administration would import building material if local manufacturers raise prices when low cost housing initiatives created a greater demand

His administration would not allow manufacturers and suppliers of building materials to raise inflation by pushing prices up once the low-cost housing initiatives had been launched

Split into municipal behemoths

ANC plan for PWV region *Star 23/7/94* 'a shocker'

TURNING the apartheid-born towns of the central Witwatersrand into three giant mixed municipalities will merely destroy the economic infrastructure of the few towns that are viable

This is the almost unanimous view of delegates to the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber regarding the ANC's plan for the region

Almost extinct

Town councillors and representatives of communities and civic organisations surveyed say the three proposed new municipalities do not make economic, social or political sense. There are even some ANC members who agree with this view.

One of their major concerns is that community participation will become almost extinct in such large areas.

The crisis hit this week just when the Metropolitan Chamber had almost reached the end of negotiations for setting up new transitional structures.

"Stunned" is the word most used to describe the mood of negotiators

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THE ANC plan made available to WeekendStar has serious ramifications for the entire PWV province if put into practice, reports **LOUISE MARSLAND.**

Everyone thought they almost had agreement on the boundaries — between eight and 10 new municipalities comprising between 300 000 and 400 000 people was the generally accepted view. Then came the bombshell.

An ANC source who does not favour the three municipality proposal says there is no way such big structures can implement the Reconstruction and Development Programme.

"The big losers will be communities, unions and civics.

"The civics will have no chance of community participation and the unions will be at the bottom of massive pyramids."

Johannesburg City Council nego-

tiator Sias Reyneke says three massive municipalities cannot sustain the region's economy. "It will lead to urban decay. They will rip our city apart if they go for this. You can't build a city like that."

The ANC alliance and other non-statutory members of the Metropolitan Chamber will be meeting all day on Tuesday to try to resolve the deadlock. On Wednesday the negotiating team, consisting of representatives from all chamber members, are to meet again.

"It is a crisis," says Civic Association of Johannesburg (CAJ) spokesman Cas Coovadia.

Impossible

He says that because of the pressure of negotiations and urgency, it has been impossible to consult broadly and allow communities into the boundaries debate.

He adds that major structural changes should not be made until wide consultation has taken place.

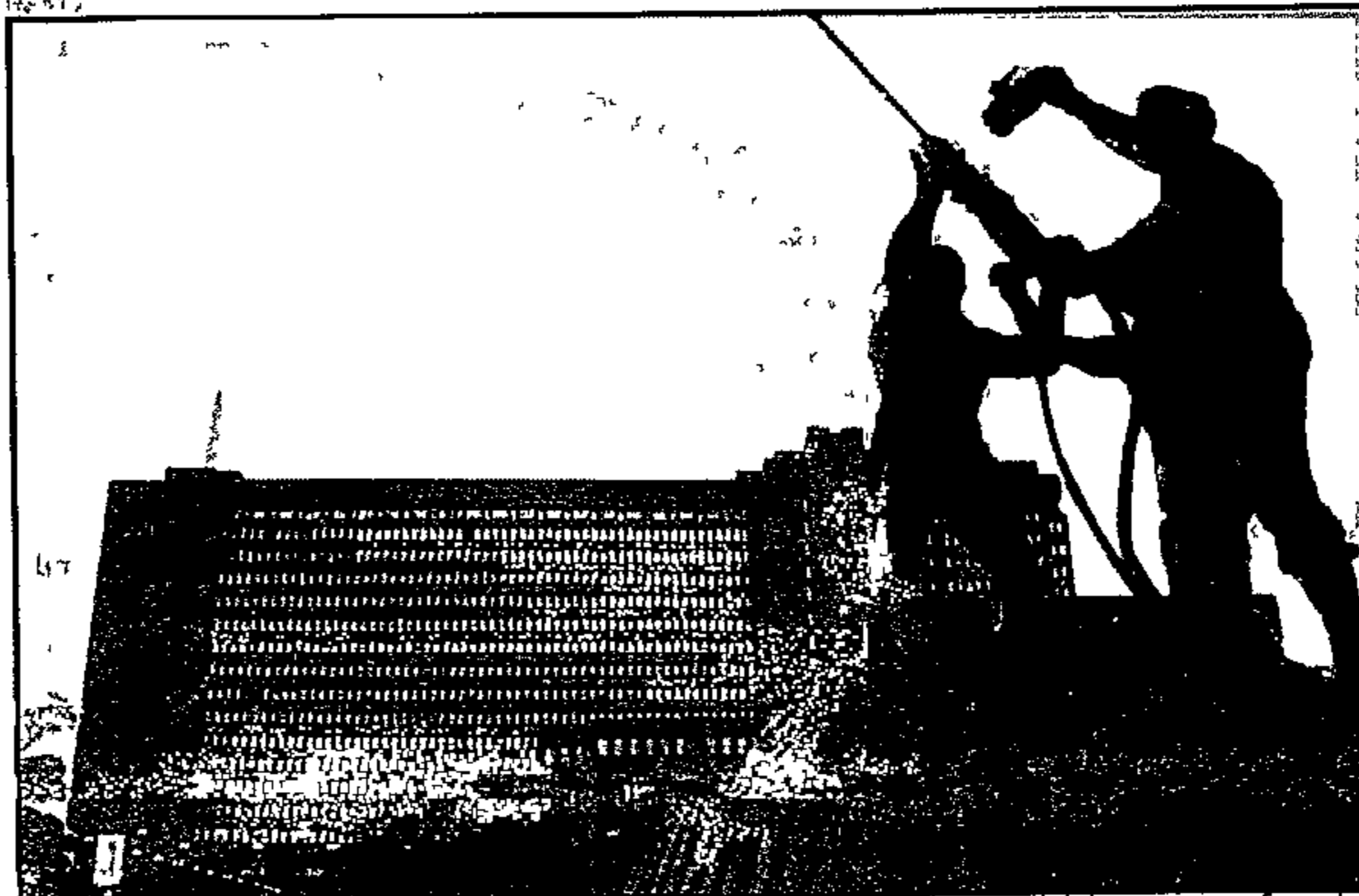
CAJ is in favour of the establishment of between eight and 10 municipalities, which is not a major structural difference from existing

boundaries, Coovadia says.

The ANC proposal completely contradicts the ANC alliance's previous position and the position put out by the statutory side on the Metropolitan Chamber — the local authorities, political parties, and ratepayers' and community associations.

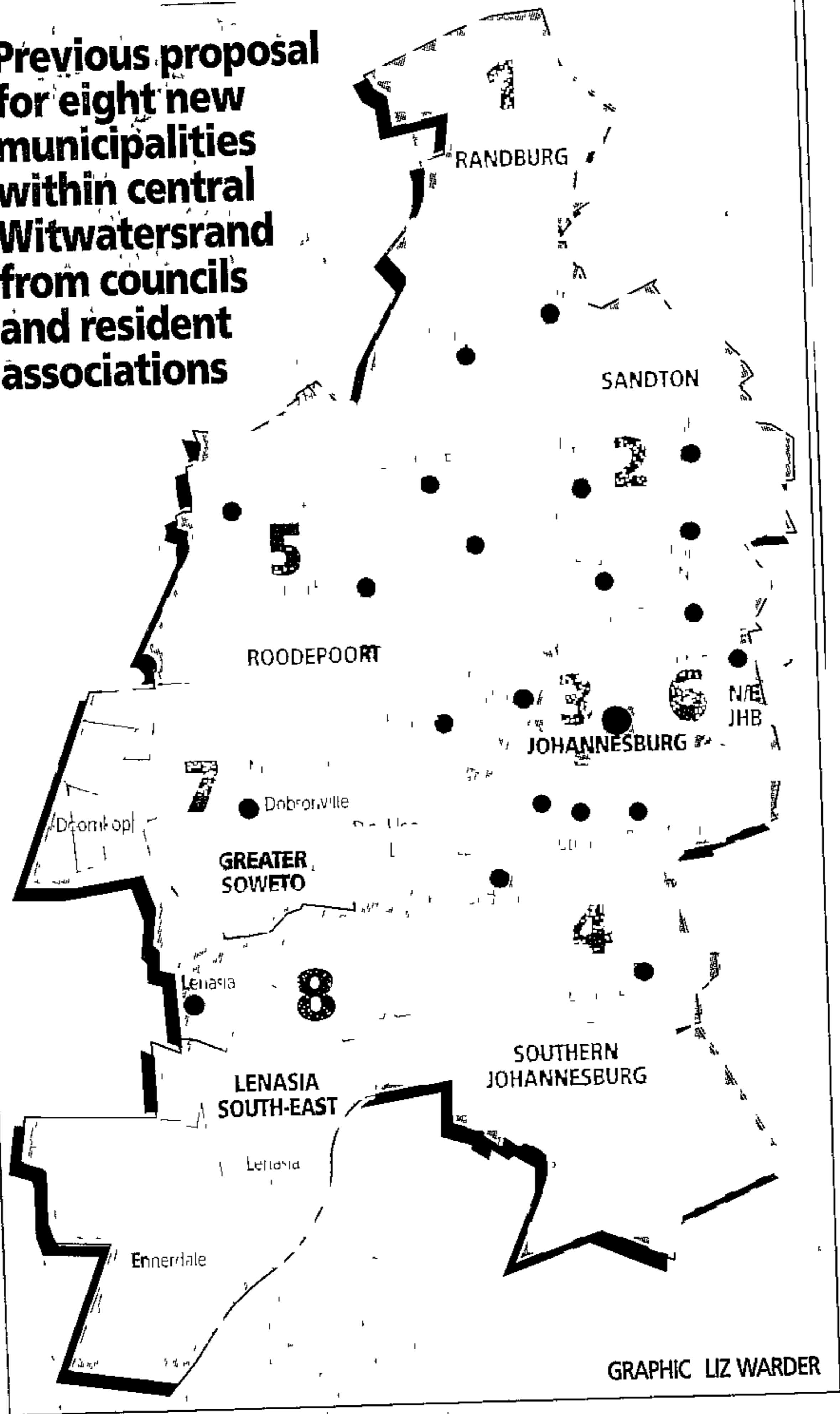
Its position a few weeks ago, along with the rest of the non-statutory side, was for smaller councils of 200 000 people each in 15 to 20 new town councils in the metropolitan area.

A month ago, the statutory side proposed that between eight and 10 new "nonracial and economically viable" municipalities of about 400 000 people each be created in place



FAMILIAR SIGHT The Johannesburg Civic Centre could be one of only three serving a giant region, each with a 1,5-million population

**Previous proposal
for eight new
municipalities
within central
Witwatersrand
from councils
and resident
associations**



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of Johannesburg, Soweto, Randburg, Sandton, Roodepoort and Lenasia.

The three municipalities now proposed by the ANC will consist of about 1,5 million people each and will stretch from one end of the Witwatersrand to the other

Irrelevant

"Orange Farm would be governed from Roodepoort, when there's not even a road to link the two!" an ANC delegate says

The Federal Party's Frances Kendall, who also represents ratepayers in Roodepoort and western Johannesburg in negotiations, says metropolitan government will be rendered irrelevant by such unwieldy municipalities

"The biggest problem in

this region is the development one Unless you involve communities in their own projects, they fail

"These proposed structures would not really be municipalities, but metropolitan government Communities would not have any say and no control, no decision-making powers, no elected people"

Northern Johannesburg ratepayers' spokesman Margrit Woolf says huge towns will only perpetuate the money-wasting administrations of existing town councils "There is a need for strong metropolitan government because there is a need for distribution We need one body to levy taxes and distribute the money, because of the wastage by councils such as Johannesburg on

luxury projects such as the Civic Spine, light-rail studies and major sports stadiums"

Woolf says a strong metro government will be watched closely by all the municipalities as to how their money is spent, and local government will be more accountable

Slums

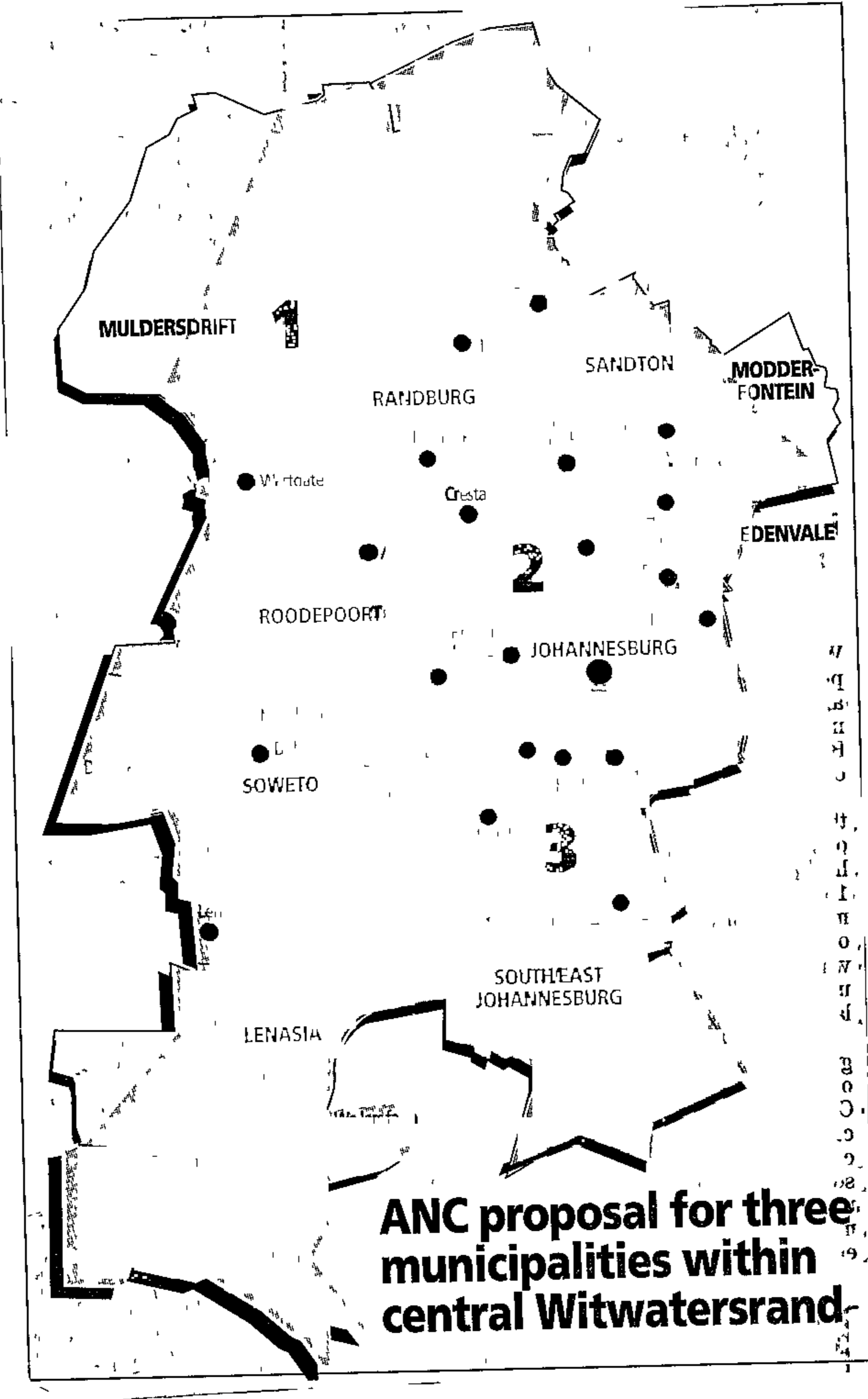
Kendall says the argument by the ANC that it would get rid of apartheid boundaries to bring blacks and whites together does not hold

"In such a huge municipality, there is no way there will be any sense of community or people working together Carlike slums will develop and there will be no community participation."

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Furore over PWV 'super-municipality' plan

ANC drops local govt bombshell

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◆ ANC local govt plan

are said to be desperately unhappy with the plan, which creates bigger towns with bigger bureaucratic administrations. Local authorities are threatening court action if the plan is imposed on the region.

At least one top ANC man is known to have resigned from negotiation committees in protest. Mark Swilling, an ANC member and long-time consultant to the civic associations, pulled out last week. Swilling is out of town and could not be reached for comment.

The ANC plan was sprung on the special negotiating committee of the Metropolitan Chamber last week by Cohn Matjila and Ivor Isaacs, ANC negotiators in the Metropolitan Chamber.

It is a radical departure from the previous ANC alliance policy of more than 12 new towns for Greater Johannesburg and Soweto.

The cause of the split is believed to be a fallout between PWV MEC for local government Dan Mofokeng and Mathole Motshekga, who works with ANC constitutional affairs in the province. Isaacs and Matjila are believed to report directly to Motshekga.

Another top ANC man said this week: "This is not the ANC I know. These are what we call the 'Gucci comrades'. They are power-hungry. They haven't been with the process from the beginning. They haven't served time in jail like many of us. They've just come in and taken over and they know nothing about local government."

The ANC is saying that not only will these three structures take over existing administrations, they will build and

expand on those administrations. It's just jobs for comrades."

One angry delegate to the chamber negotiating committee said: "We were absolutely flabbergasted. It goes against everything we have been negotiating over the past four years."

A civic member described the reaction of delegates: "The proposals were so ludicrous, so laughable, that those who have been involved in the process for a long time were embarrassed."

The ANC claims to have civic support for the plan.

But the minutes of a meeting between the negotiating committee, Mofokeng and Deputy Minister of Provincial Affairs Mohammed Valli Moosa reveals that the Civic Associations of Johannesburg (CAJ) do not support Matjila's view.

It was confirmed this week that several South African Communist Party branches in the Witwatersrand have also rejected the latest ANC plan.

Matjila, who claimed to speak for the ANC, SACP, COSATU and the civics, told the negotiating committee and the Ministers that only big municipalities met the criteria necessary for viable nonracial towns.

He said boundary lines had to focus on the need to redistribute resources and recognise the realities of the central Witwatersrand, with a very rich north and a very poor south.

Mofokeng also warned that the Metropolitan Chamber would not have the final say on boundaries. The provincial government had a Demarcation Board and all parties would have to make representations to it.



EXCLUSIVE
RADICAL ANC proposals threaten local government negotiations, reports LOUISE MARSLAND.

A RADICAL ANC plan proposing three super-municipalities in the central Witwatersrand has caused a deep split between the ANC and the civics, and threatens to derail local government negotiations.

The ANC in the PWV province has been accused of wanting to destroy the economy of the region for the sake of winning the local government elections set for next year. Now there is a serious split in the ANC alliance negotiating the future of local government in the region.

The split is over a proposal to incorporate the existing towns of Johannesburg, Soweto, Randburg, Sandton, Alexandra, Roodepoort, south-east Lenasia, Ennerdale and parts of Muldersdrift and Orange Farm into three mega-local authorities of about 1.5 million people each.

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A top ANC source, who is critical of the proposal, revealed that there were elements in his organisation who believed that all structures, policies and boundaries should be geared to the sole aim of winning the region in the local elections.

"They are linking white suburbs to large black concentrations to ensure they have an election victory in all three," the source said.

WeekendStar has obtained details of the ANC's plan, including maps, which show giant municipalities stretching from the rural areas towards Hartbeespoort Dam down to Orange Farm on the one side, from the top of Randburg down to Soweto, and from Edenvale down to southern Johannesburg.

The ANC proposal effectively negated the reasons for having metropolitan government "for party-political reasons", said the ANC source.

Civic associations and unions aligned to the ANC



26 protesters
are arrested

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JOHANNESBURG —

About 26 dismissed employees of Midrand municipality were arrested while demonstrating yesterday (26).
Town clerk Mr Henry Lubbe said the crowd barricaded offices and stoned vehicles.

South African Municipal Workers Union organiser Mr Andrew Nkoenyane claimed police used "excessive force" — Sapa.

Witwatersrand split rejected

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The Inkatha Freedom Party yesterday rejected an African National Congress plan to divide the Witwatersrand region into three local authorities (266)

"It will stifle diversity and promote conflict and a lack of accountability. Final boundaries cannot be drawn without community participation," IFP senator Ms Ruth Rabinowitz said in a statement. — Sapa

● Inquiry hears allegations into corruption

R3-m boost for ailing council

By Joshua Raboroko

THE CENTRAL Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber is to give the Diepmeadow Council a R3-million boost

This was confirmed by the chamber's chief executive, Mr Vic Milne, after a meeting of the Witwatersrand Services Crisis Committee at the Johannesburg civic centre

He said the money would help alleviate the council's financial problems

Milne said "It is hoped the money will help the council survive through these trying times"

The council applied for funds from the chamber after a rent and services boycott had plunged them into financial difficulties

The council had not even been able to pay its employees. This led to a

■ FINANCIAL AID Big relief for cash-strapped Diepmeadow:

strike that left the township virtually unmanageable

The move is seen as one of the first steps to dissolving the present town and local councils

In his report on the financial position of the council, Greater Soweto manager Mr Howard Veale said the 1994/95 operating budget showed a R34 7 million deficit

He said the reason for the deficit was that for many years the city council had not received enough funds from inter-governmental grants

The council would have been indebted to the tune of R5 355 378 at the end of the month, had the cham-

ber not agreed to provide bridging finance (266)

● Meanwhile the commission of inquiry into alleged irregularities in land transactions within the Diepmeadow Council is to release its findings next week, council sources said

The commission stopped gathering information last month on alleged irregularities which amount to millions of rands

Commission chairman Mr Peter Colin said a report had been submitted to PWV premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale

The commission was hoping to finalise its report this week and announce its findings within a few days

Body blow to local govt talks

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LOUISE MARSLAND

LOCAL government negotiations have suffered a serious setback following an ANC decision to proceed with the establishment of a Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) in three weeks, whether or not there is acceptance of its plan to establish three super-municipalities in the Johannesburg region.

A deadlock over municipal boundaries is expected next week between the ANC Alliance and local authorities and residents' organisations. It could now be left to one of the 21 faceless demarcation boards to decide the future of suburbs in Johannesburg, Soweto, Sandton, Alexandra, Randburg, Roodepoort, Lenasia, Ennerdale, Eldorado Park and adjacent areas

Super-municipalities (266)

The ANC caused a furore a week ago when it unveiled a last-minute proposal to create three super-municipalities in Greater Johannesburg and Soweto with about 1,5 million people each

Following another "fruitless" meeting of the special negotiating team of the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber last night, delegates were no closer to consensus

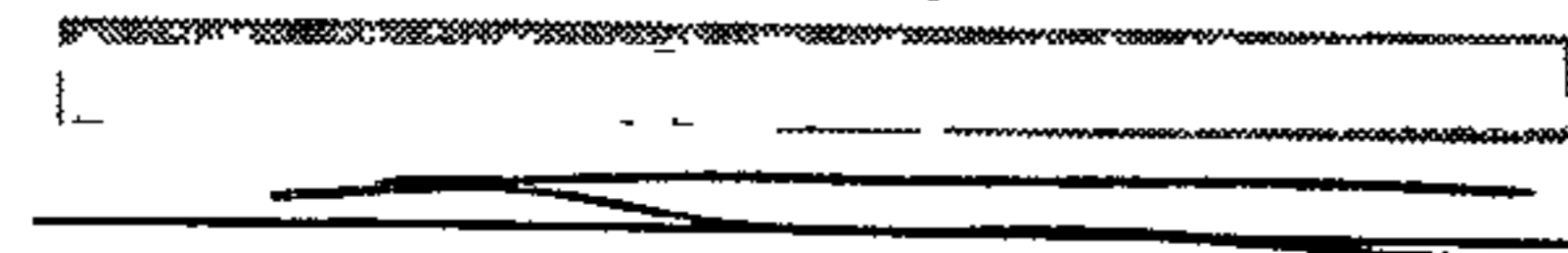
According to sources, a jovial Colin Matjila, ANC Metropolitan Chamber negotiator, announced that he had the support of the South African Communist Party, the South African National Civic Organisation and the Congress of South African Trade Unions for the three-municipality plan.

Matjila and the regional ANC office are expected to release a statement shortly on the issue and its position on the local government negotiations

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◆ TMC wrangle

The meeting last night was attended by PWV MEC for local government, Dan Mofokeng, who seemed to have given tacit support to the new ANC metropolitan plan — called the "banana split" by Sandton town councillors — after attending a day-long meeting between the ANC and all its allies on Thursday

"They're falling like flies," said one representative at the meeting last night of the civics and other parties who had initially strongly opposed the plan

Within the ANC Alliance in the chamber, about 11 civic associations in Johannesburg are still believed to oppose the super-municipalities and will be making representation to the PWV legislature next week, under the leadership of the Civic Association of Johannesburg (CAJ).

Everything will come to a head next week at the next meeting of the negotiating team scheduled for Thursday "That will be where the dramatic news comes out," said one delegate. "It's either deadlock or agreement"

Earlier this week, the ANC asked for a postponement of the negotiating committee meeting

scheduled for Wednesday, after WeekendStar reported that the ANC and civics were split over the super-municipality plan

One councillor said he felt increasingly frustrated by the process "A week ago we were so positive of reaching agreement Everyone appeared to be negotiating in good faith." (266)

Now, he said, white councillors had been told by some delegates that they were illegitimate and represented nobody

Sources say there are so many hidden agendas that no one is sure which proposals are genuine The local authorities have already conceded more power and funding to the TMC in order to reach agreement with the ANC on the boundaries

Even if negotiations deadlock and a demarcation board decides on several smaller municipalities in the region, the ANC will still have "won" with a strong TMC

Most delegates are gloomy about the region's prospects with such division between the stakeholders in the region

"How can we drive the region into a better future when we can't even agree among ourselves, in our own parties?" asked one



Council gets union blast

THE SA Municipal Workers' Union said yesterday "unprecedented mass action" would be taken to protest against the dismissal of 600 Samwu members by the Midrand Town Council.

Samwu's southern Transvaal executive committee decided at the weekend its members in the region would go on strike from August 8 218194.

The union said employers should realise they could not dismiss employees "and get off scot free". The dismissals were "provocative and unjustifiable".

Samwu demanded the immediate reinstatement of dismissed workers. If this was not done, the town council would be held responsible for the "consequences of union members' anger" (266) (52).

Samwu said municipal employees in Germiston, Alberton, Boksburg, Vanderbijlpark, Bedfordview and Johannesburg would be among those taking part in the strike — Sapa

**Slabbert warns
against delays**

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Metropolitan Chamber
chairman Frederick van
Zyl Slabbert says any
deadlock in establishing
a regional metropolitan
council could delay the
development and up-
grading of services in
the PW (266)

Dr Slabbert said the
outstanding issue was the
size and composition of
municipalities within the
metropolitan area and
the distribution of power
between the two tiers of
authority — Reuter

Council Wage battle looms

By Joshua Raboroko

A SERIOUS confrontation is looming between the Mohlakeng municipality and its employees after workers made demands including wage increases and resignation of nine councillors

About 200 workers marched on the offices of the Randfontein Town Council where they handed a memorandum of their demands to local authorities this week.

The workers demand that the council: Pay them salary increases they were promised from August 1; end nepotism, upgrade staff; reinstate dismissed workers; stop misuse of vehicles and terminate services of nine councillors immediately

Chairman of the Municipal Education State Health and Allied Workers

Union Mr Serame Digoanaye said yesterday that they wanted councillors to resign because the allowances they receive could be used to pay workers

He claimed some councillors misused council vehicles and received "fat cheques from the authorities".

"Councillors' blue-eyed boys are the only ones upgraded and affirmative action is not practised to empower employees," he said.

Secretary of the Randfontein Negotiating Forum Dr Bill Reed, who received the memorandum, said the workers' demands were receiving attention. The forum would reply within seven days

However, he refuted the claim that councillors were receiving "fat cheques from the council" saying the salaries were not raised because of the rent and services boycott



Rwandan handits, armed with sticks, protect a bag of food aid looted from the International Committee of the Red Cross during the distribution of food at the Kimbumba camp near Goma, Zaire, earlier this week.



TPA workers stage sit-in

BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

Frustrated social workers and pension officials began an indefinite "sit-in" in the Transvaal Provincial Administration's central Johannesburg offices yesterday, causing social services in many areas to grind to a halt.

Top of their list of grievances is the fact that they do not have transport to do their work. According to a memorandum prepared in June, 53 social workers had to share seven cars — only three of which were in good condition.

"If an abandoned baby is picked up right now we would not be able to go out and fetch that baby," one of the social workers said.

Estimates of the number of

workers involved range from 115 to about 200.

PWV MEC for Social Welfare Sakkie Blanche, whom workers hope will intervene to resolve the situation, has issued a statement urging them to stop their sit-in and "address their grievances through the established mechanisms".

Grievances included:

- The lack of a risk allowance and compensation for workers injured in the course of work, despite the fact that many functioned under dangerous conditions and the hijacking of pension "payrolls" was increasing.
- The lack of basic equipment and stationery.
- Lower pay scales than those offered by local authorities.

A lack of consultation over the merging of TPA social services with those previously run by the administrations of the tricameral Parliament.

Workers confirmed that TPA labour experts had been at the Newgate office, distributing a notice warning that the sit-in was seen as "illegal and unjustified", that it amounted to a criminal offence and could result in heavy financial loss to workers.

"You are therefore instructed herewith to resume your normal duties immediately," the circular concluded.

Most copies of the letter were shredded and tossed on the floor. And the demonstrating workers declared that today would see another sit-in.

Pensioners occupy municipal offices

... residents

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PWV bosses look into forum petition

Soweto 11/8/94

By Joshua Raboroko

■ LIVING CONDITIONS

Grievances will be responded to soon:

THE PWV provincial government is looking at a petition that expresses concern at living conditions in Johannesburg's south-western townships

The petition also states that the communities in these townships are being discriminated against

The government's communications director, Mr Chris Vick, said yesterday that the petition had been given to premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale and PWV housing minister Mr Dan Mofokeng

He said they would probably respond to residents' demands before next Monday

Mofokeng would deal with demands from communities that their rent be reduced to R45 in line with that of Soweto.

The petition was handed over to representatives of the provincial government on Tuesday by leaders of the Joint Civic Forum, who represent communities in Noordgesig, Bosmont, Newclare, Riverlea, Westbury, Ennerdale,

Coronationville and Eldorado Park

JCF leaders, who led a march by about 500 people on the Sexwale's office in Johannesburg, threatened to launch a rent boycott in their areas if their rent was not lowered

Other demands are State housing subsidies, upgrading of amenities like schools and roads, rent and electricity arrears to be scrapped, communities to be involved in future development in their areas, health services to be subsidised, taxi facilities to be upgraded and the State subsidises of transport for the

disabled *(200)*

The petition has also been submitted to the secretariat of the Johannesburg City Council

The forum has given the PWV government and the council's management committee seven days to respond to its demands

Spokesman for the forum, Mr Shahrem Ishmail, said parties in the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber had no mandate to represent communities living in the south-western townships

Delivering the goods preoccupies

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ON Monday, it will have been 100 days since Tokyo Sexwale was sworn in as the premier of the PWV region. And while this somewhat arbitrary period, which the ANC was encouraged to declare at the behest of its Clintonite advisers, has scarcely given the new administration time to settle in, it is appropriate now to reflect on the past three months.

Few of the new legislators or officials would disagree that "delivery" has become the central preoccupation of the PWV government: delivery of houses, services, jobs, feeding schemes, a more transparent and accountable bureaucracy, the control of crime and the myriad components of the reconstruction and development programme. So far, little has actually been delivered.

Sexwale's grand regional housing scheme, through which 150 000 low-cost homes were to have been built in the first year, has been absorbed into Housing Minister Joe Slovo's national ambit. After months of consultations, a national housing White Paper will eventually be presented to Parliament. Once this has been passed and guidelines established, Sexwale can reclaim what is left of his scheme and set about building the homes he has promised.

Some officials argue Sexwale was

seduced both by a sense of his own power in the new dispensation and by an alluring private sector plan which seemed to rise above the housing quagmire in its provision of all the answers. On both counts he has been firmly brought into line.

The province has battled, too, keeping up with other national priorities. The provision of free health care for children under six and pregnant women, as announced by President Nelson Mandela, threw the regional health infrastructure into crisis. Drug supplies and personnel shortages, exacerbated by a winter flu epidemic and administrative confusion, made the treatment of up to 400% more patients at some clinics extremely difficult. (26b)

The primary school feeding programme — also announced by Mandela as a 100 day priority — once again caught provincial planners off balance. It is unlikely the scheme will be up and running, even in a limited way, before early next year.

The recent escalation in crime has put great pressure on provincial safety and security minister Jessie Duarte.

Recently announced delays in the payment of some pensions, undiminished expectations of voters and staff, the discovery of spying devices

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in ministers' offices, delivery problems and the almost daily marches and protests outside the PWV executive's Simmonds Street offices have all contributed to the development of a siege mentality among many.

Since its inception the PWV government has been operating on the basis of daily crisis management, says one official. Pre-election preparations for governing, in the form of policy papers and discussions with non-governmental organisations, were woefully inadequate. "I don't think anybody ever imagined the scope of what lay ahead."

The restructuring of the bureaucracy lies at the heart of the PWV's difficulties. About 80 000 mostly Pretoria-based TPA officials in six departments must be rationalised into 10 new ministries.

Wits public and development management lecturer Roland Hunter, who has been advising the PWV government on its restructuring initiative, estimates the PWV's administration could swell to 200 000 officials within five years, at an annual cost to the taxpayer of R15bn.

The ANC, which has effectively placed 50 of its people at the top of the hierarchy since the elections, was naive about the influence of "old-style" public servants on the delivery process, one official says. "We are dependent on them."

The answer, proposed by Wits's public and development management department, has been the creation of strategic management teams in each ministry. The challenge is to replace the hierarchical, rule-driven, no-initiative, unresponsive, white male-dominated system with a problem-solving administration based on modern management methods, says Hunter. But this will take time.

The problem is encapsulated by the RDP commission headed by Ben Turok. Supposedly meant to lead the province's RDP initiative, the commission finds itself without any machinery for the implementation of its programmes. Understaffed, without project managers or an operation room, the machinery does not exist even for processing those who want to get involved, says an official. "We are still in election mode, listening and preparing rather than doing."

The PWV's difficulties are not helped by logistical problems that militate against effective government. While legislators are based out

of town at Nasrec, the executive plans in its CBD offices. The new city hall premises are unlikely to be ready until early next year.

Sources say the legislators are becoming increasingly frustrated by the lack of contact between the two. Ministers do not turn up to caucus meetings or standing committees and fail to brief legislators adequately. Sexwale's grand housing scheme was explained to the PWV's relevant standing committee only two weeks ago.

"This has been a strange and new experience for most of them," says provincial government commission deputy chairman Tjol Lategan. While these are still early days, "things are being set on course and we should be satisfied in general at the progress made".

The regions have still not been handed down a range of powers from central government, including those concerning education, health, security, roads and local government.

Lategan estimates it will be at least a year before the PWV is ready to govern effectively. In the meantime, legislators and officials must face one crisis at a time while trying to restructure the PWV's bureaucracy and deliver the services promised to the electorate.

Pensioners hammered by pay-out point strike

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By SIPHO ZUNGU



STILL HOPING . . . Desperate pensioners at a strike-hit Soweto pay-out point this week. **■ Pic: TLADI KHUELE**



WHAT A DRAG . . . Thousands of pensioners waited in vain — some for three days in a row — for their grants.

THOUSANDS of unsuspecting pensioners and disabled people were hit hard by this week's three-day strike by social grant workers who refused to service Soweto pension pay-out points.

"This is a shame For three days now I have been coming here, in this cold. And I hardly have tea in the house," one Diepkloof pensioner said.

Pay-out points affected by the wild-cat strike — suspended after talks on Wednesday between the strikers and PWV Provincial Administration acting director-general Len Dekker — were Diepkloof Hall, Uncle Tom's Hall in Orlando West, White City's Number Office and the Orlando Communal Hall

For first-time pension grant applicant Violet Kekana (61), who was told to collect her pension this month, it was an "unbearable long wait which I just had to endure"

PWV MEC for social welfare Sakkie Blanche said 115 public servants at the Newgate government offices had staged a sit-in in protest against what they termed unfair and racist promotions and a failure by management to address grievances raised in February by the National Education, Health and Allied Workers Union.

At Wednesday's meeting, the strikers agreed to go back to work tomorrow, pending more talks on Wednesday.

Forum lays claim to Midrand

North East Rand to form nonracial metropolitan body

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■ CITY REPORTER

The North East Rand — consisting of Kempton Park, Tembisa, Edenvale and Modderfontein — is set to become the sixth non-racial transitional metropolitan council (TMC), the Kempton Park City Council announced at the weekend.

And the body immediately gave notice of its intention to claim Midrand.

On behalf of the North East Rand Forum (NERF), the council said the decision to form a TMC was taken on Saturday in terms of the new local government dispensation. The forum represents political, business and community interest groups.

The forum said it would "make a concerted bid to include Midrand in its TMC".

Elements within the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber have already called for the inclusion of Midrand, which is located within the Greater Pretoria Forum.

The NERF has written to PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale to oppose any moves to include Midrand into Greater Pretoria or the central Witwatersrand.

"The North East Rand Joint Technical Committee has appointed a consultant to put together a full motivation for the inclusion of Midrand together with Ivory Park and Rabie Ridge in the North East Rand TMC," a forum spokesman said. (266)

However, Midrand said it was in the process of deciding its various options and alignment. "The Midrand community does not take kindly to unnecessary outside interference in our decision-making process or to persons wishing to dictate any choices to the Midrand community."

"It is also unanimous in its wish not to be divided, and whichever option is eventually decided upon should be applicable to the Midrand community as a whole," said the Midrand Town Council.

The inclusion of Midrand in a North East Rand TMC "will best serve the Local Government Transition Act requirements and the objectives of the RDP", said Ralph Herzberg of the ANC and Arnie Korf of the Kempton Park City, joint chairmen of the forum technical committee.

The issue of where Midrand will finally be is likely to be decided by a demarcation board to be appointed by the PWV premier.

Should Midrand be included, the North East Rand TMC will have 40 seats with a 10-member executive.

The North East Rand will also have three transitional metropolitan substructures representing Kempton Park/Tembisa, (50 seats), Edenvale/Modderfontein (14 seats) and Greater Midrand (22 seats).

"Executive powers will be entrenched in the TMC to ensure proper planning at all levels," said SA National Civics Organisation representative Ali Tleane.

se ● Workers need to be paid

Strike at council enters second day

By Joshua Raboroko

THE strike by more than 300 employees of Kagiso Council, who are demanding a dismissed shop steward be reinstated, entered its second day yesterday

The workers, members of the Municipal, Education State Health and Allied Workers' Union, said the trade unionist was dismissed without a proper hearing. They claimed the dismissal was "an unfair labour practice" by Kagiso administrator Mr Rayne Snyman who had taken the decision unilaterally.

At a meeting yesterday the workers,

who also have grievances about the sale of council property, said Snyman had sold two council motor cars without consulting senior employees.

They claimed he did not give details of how much the vehicles cost as well as reasons for the sale. The workers also claimed that the council's security firearms were sold to senior employees.

Snyman said yesterday a meeting would be held with union leaders today to discuss the dismissal. He would also submit documents showing the sale of the cars and firearms. The money, he said, was in the council's coffers.

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Some amazing progress has been made in PWV in last four months

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BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE
PWV CORRESPONDENT



Tokyo Sexwale . . . took bold steps to defuse tensions in East Rand townships.

PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale has the edge over President Mandela in one respect

He has had 105 days to make good on the priorities he outlined in his opening address to the provincial legislature

At the time, he presented a real selection of promises — from open and accountable government to the promotion of community policing structures, and from supporting trade in the inner cities to redeveloping the townships

Just a pity that the most eye-catching proposal on the PWV list — to produce 150 000 low-

cost homes within a year — was very publicly neutralised when national Housing Minister Joe Slovo stepped in to review the workability of the scheme

With nearly one-third of the first year gone, there's not a single house on the ground and it's still unclear whether the PWV housing strategy will get Slovo's seal of approval

But it would be wrong to regard the eclipse of the housing plan as a total summation of the first three months of the PWV government. It would also be wrong to invoke the familiar provincial plait "But we have no powers!"

In the PWV province some amazing progress has been made even where the MEC concerned has very few powers. A case in point is the stabilisation of the East Rand townships of Tokoza and Kattlehong, where Sexwale himself took the initiative and was backed consistently by MEC for Public Safety and Security Jessie Duarte

Until the national Police Bill is passed later this year, the PWV government has no statutory policing powers. But Sexwale and Duarte knew very well that that peace in Tokoza/Kattlehong was firstly a political issue involving the IFP and ANC and secondly a

question of security. The PWV Ministry of Public Safety and Security worked solidly at mediating between warring parties, recognising the significant community groups — and sticking with the process through inevitable setbacks

While it would be premature to declare a victory for peace on the East Rand, residents there have had a taste of accountable government

Some 2 000 displaced families have seen real progress towards the repair of their devastated homes — as pledged by Sexwale (200)

It is on questions of style that the PWV government wins marks — and on questions of substance that it cannot yet deliver. But don't knock style — it's important when it comes to principles of democracy and accountable and open government

It was style that allowed the PWV Legislature to determine that Johannesburg would be the provincial capital and escape the accusation that the ANC had sewn up the deal before the election.

In fact the ANC had taken such a position, but Sexwale put the whole question up for review by a multi-party Select Committee. Every move of the committee was open to the beady eyes of the public — and by the time the hearing was over, nobody could doubt that an independent conclusion had been reached

Welfare department loses R10m to theft

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THE PWV social welfare department had lost R10m through fraud and theft of pension money this year, social welfare standing committee chairman Ignatius Jacobs said yesterday.

The situation was so bad that the committee was planning to call officials from the Welfare Department to give evidence before it.

The committee discovered the fraud two weeks ago when it was investigating ways of improving the distribution of pensions in townships.

"We were discussing the department's weaknesses that could be contributing to the numerous problems

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pensioners have in receiving their pensions when the information was given to us," he said.

He would not say whether the fraud was a legacy from the Transvaal Provincial Administration or a new phenomenon in the department. "The matter is being investigated by the standing committee.

"If there is sufficient proof that this is an inside job, we will have no option but to hand the matter over to the judiciary."

A number of pay-out points were robbed on pension days.

Last month robbers pounced at one of Coronationville's pay points and got away with more than R300 000.

Beside the robberies and fraud, the ministry was also plagued by the non-payment of pensions.

In some areas the welfare officials did not arrive on pension days.

The committee would also look at devising a better payment system.

In some instances pensioners had been robbed on their way home from the pay-out points.

Some of them relied on escorts to get their monies.

Jacobs said the department was considering using the Post Office to distribute pensions.

"We are investigating ways of improving the paying out of pensions.

"We will be able to make recommendations after a report on our findings has been compiled."

R38m claim for damages is dismissed

PRETORIA — An Israeli investor claiming R38m in damages from the State

Historic agreement on council signed

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■ BY PAULA FRAY
CITY EDITOR

Nonracial elected local government on the Witwatersrand moved a step closer last night at the signing in Johannesburg of a historic agreement to form a transitional metropolitan council (TMC) in the area.

The agreement was signed by 51 bodies and was witnessed by Deputy Minister of Local Government Mohamed Valli Moosa, PWV MEC for Local Government and Housing Dan Mofokeng, Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber chairman Dr Van Zyl Slabbert and chamber chief executive officer Vic Milne. (206)

The agreement was not

signed by the CP and the Northern Areas Group.

The TMC — which incorporates the areas of Johannesburg, Roodepoort, Soweto, Diepmeadow, Dobsonville, Alexandra, Sandton, Randburg, Ennerdale and Lenasia into a giant metropolitan city — will govern the area until the first nonracial local government elections next year.

And, said Moosa, the signing would give impetus to local government transition.

Amid the back-slapping and thanks given after yesterday's signing was an audible sigh of relief at the end of negotiations which had first started more than three years ago in April 1991.



Historic . . . Mohamed Valli Moosa witnesses the agreement to launch the Witwatersrand Transitional Metropolitan Council last night with Dan Mofokeng, Dr Van Zyl Slabbert and Vic Milne. PICTURE PETER MOGAKI

New local govt body for PWV

Sowetan 24/8/94

By Joshua Raboroko

LEADERS OF the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber last night signed an agreement to set up new local government bodies and the Transitional Metropolitan Council for the greater Johannesburg area, effectively dissolving the CWMC

The agreement to establish the new local government, representing 100 members from the various racial groups, will be submitted to PWV premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale to be ratified

The signing ceremony was chaired by chief executive of the Institute for a Democratic Alternative for South Africa Dr Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, who said the agreement meant that all the chamber's facilities, resources, assets and liabilities would now be transferred to the TMC

Speaking at the ceremony at the Johannesburg Civic Centre, MEC for local government Mr Dan Mofokeng said the agreement marked an important milestone for the implementation of the Government's Reconstruction and Development Programme (200)

He said the new local government was faced with the challenge of persuading people to pay for services

Deputy minister of local government and constitutional affairs Mr Vallie Moosa said the TMC was welcome. The date for the municipal elections would be announced later. The agreement includes a period of arbitration until September 15 to resolve disputes on the number and boundaries of new local government areas

After arbitration the amended agreement will be submitted to Sexwale for proclamation

The Conservative Party did not sign the agreement and the Freedom Front expressed the wish to join the TMC later

Pay 'not above market-related salaries'

Sexwale defends his appointments

Star 29/8/94

■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

The office of PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale has unflinchingly defended the administration's appointment of 65 new staff members, arguing that their pay is "definitely not above market-related salaries" even if it exceeds rates set by the Public Service Commission

A statement released by the premier's office pointed out that the 65 constituted a mere fraction of the 60 000-odd employed by the province and that the remainder had been transferred from the Transvaal Provincial Administration

It was stated that the 65 newcomers — only some of whom are employed in the office of the premier — had been vital to the process of setting up the new provincial government

Furthermore, "the process of establishing the office of the pre-



Sexwale . . . hand-picks staff.

mier is a lengthy one (which) will obviously take some time, but is based on the belief that the premier's office forms the heart of government's activities and that its staff should be hand-picked because of their experience, qualifications and skills"

According to the statement, the TPA had initially been approached to provide suitable staff for the premier's office

"The TPA responded that, in most cases, it did not have the required personnel."

The appointments were temporary, the premier's office pointed out. Once the posts had been confirmed by the Public Service Commission they would be advertised and the incumbents would have to apply, like anyone else, to be considered for permanent appointment

"The situation of the 65 is probably the least secure of any employees in the public sector

Unlike those whose positions are protected under the Interim Constitution, the 65 do not receive any benefits. They do not receive UIF, medical aid benefits, housing subsidies (or) transport allowances (266)

It was intended that the 18 bodyguards among this group would become part of the police VIP Protection Unit

Sexwale tests the balance

PWV premier Tokyo Sexwale says the provinces need more power, writes Jo-Anne Collinge Star 2/19/94

The PWV's Tokyo Sexwale raised arguably the most concrete challenge to central Government of any of the nine premiers when, about two months ago, he put forward a housing plan which used mechanisms outside the national scheme

Of course, the housing question was resolved but if anyone tried to read into this event secret federalist ambitions in the political psyche of Tokyo Sexwale, they would be wrong

"Certain competencies belong to the provinces I don't think we should make any mistake about that," he says

"But the Interim Constitution is a good safeguard, so that we do not have rampant federalism

"I am quite pleased that there is a financial constraint that is exercised at central Government level" (Zbb)

What Sexwale is not so happy about, however, is the way the constitution is being played out and, in particular, the piecemeal manner in which powers which are due to the provinces are being allocated by the centre

He feels this frustrates the progress of the provinces.

"You see, if I was a Government minister I'd have nine provincial ministers doing my job"

If this sounds curiously like an argument for central control, it changes colour a little when Sexwale goes on to explain his notion of powers being held concurrently by central and provincial government

"Concurrency doesn't mean that both of you are using those powers to the same extent The list of powers in Schedule 6 of the constitution belong to the provinces

"The central Government to me is a welcome watchdog If you (in the provinces) undermine standards, if you threaten national security, the central Government comes in"

But Sexwale feels that the stipulation that powers cannot be allocated to provinces until they have "administrative capacity" is unfair

"Central government must also look into its own capacity to handle the same power You'll find that some provinces are much better placed administratively to handle certain matters"

Sexwale freely admits that there has not been a lot of progress in moulding the administrative establishment inherited from the Transvaal Provincial Administration to the requirements of the new PWV province

It is here that he has found constitutional restraints chafing He says he can't hire and fire as he might like

Sexwale insists that his MECs must have management teams in which they can have confidence

"There are some kinds of people that I can't rely on to effectively run those management teams," he says

Given these problems it is surprising that Sexwale has not filled the position of director-general, which was advertised a couple of months back.

Surely, the right man in this job would begin the process of regrouping and remotivating the provincial administration?

Sexwale concedes that this is so The delay, he says, has been partly due to technical and constitutional factors

"In this situation you must understand that you are dealing with Civil Servant Number One," he says

the same again

Star 3/11/94

THE division of Greater Johannesburg and Soweto into between three and 20 new nonracial towns will be hotly debated by political parties and community organisations next week. **LOUISE MARSLAND reports**

THOSE worried about losing that prestigious Sandton address or being moved from Soweto into Roodepoort will not have to wait long to find out where they will be living in the new, improved central Witwatersrand

Local government negotiators met the deadline for the establishment of a transitional metropolitan council (TMC) in the central Witwatersrand to oversee the local government elections next year, but, after deadlocking on internal boundaries, left the issue to independent arbitrators

Arbitration hearings open to the public will be held at the Braamfontein Civic Centre for three days, starting at 9 am on Monday, in committee room D. A decision will be announced by an Independent Mediation Service of South Africa (IMSSA) team by September 15. The new boundaries will have to be ratified by the Demarcation Board

Strong emphasis

The towns at stake are Johannesburg, Soweto, Alexandra, Sandton, Randburg, Roodepoort, Lenasia, Ennerdale and Eldorado Park.

By last Friday, 18 submissions had reached IMSSA's offices. There was strong emphasis on government close to the people as well as political parties' promises of further community involvement in the boundaries debate

The ANC, supported by trade union federation COSATU, the Soweto Civic Association and some civics affiliated to the SA National Civic Organisation (SANCO), argued the case for three large municipal structures. Its submission detailed the racially distorted consequences of apartheid, in which "lavish wealth and abject poverty" characterised society. The ANC said larger structures would ensure smooth rationalisation, redistribution of resources and economic redevelopment

"The objective of nonracialism and the reduction of economic disparities can best be achieved within larger municipal substructures." Small municipal substructures would result in racial and economic exclusivity, perpetuating apartheid

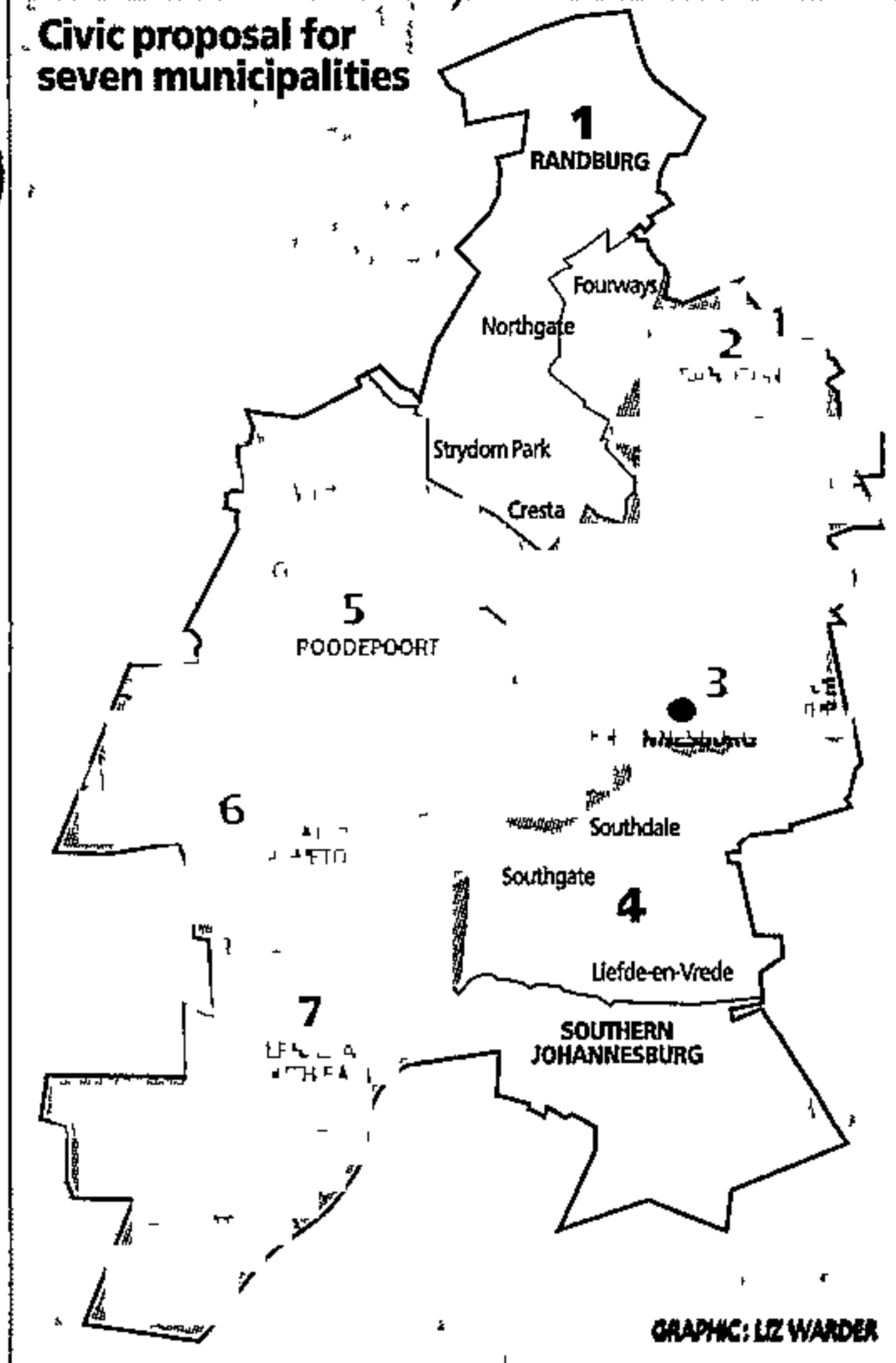
The statutory side — made up of the city and town councils of Johannesburg, Randburg, Sandton, Roodepoort and Dobsonville, the executive committees of the south-western areas, Davidsonville, Fleurhof, Ennerdale, Lenasia and Marlboro Gardens, the Democratic Party, and Johannesburg east and south ratepayers — has redrawn its map for eight municipalities. A ninth area would be created, making way for the central business district and all its resources to fall under the TMC's control

The statutory side contended that its proposals supported the kind of metropolitan government envisaged in the Transition Act, providing for unification of various sectors under a TMC without ignoring the reality of economic units or communities

It says a limited number of larger municipal substructures would undermine metropolitan government. "Maximum direct participation in government at grassroots level cannot be realised unless municipal substructures are sufficiently small to bring government close to the people"

The Civic Associations of Johannesburg, encompassing 13 civic associations which belonged to

Civic proposal for seven municipalities



REDRAW: Several civic associations have put forward a plan to try to ensure community participation in local government

SANCO, proposed seven new towns. It contended that restructuring should at this stage be limited to enable sufficient community involvement later. "As appointees we do not have the mandate to effect major restructuring of boundaries during this phase." Next year should rather be devoted to service delivery and implementation of the Reconstruction and Development Programme, broadening community participation, preparing for elections and implementing a single tax base through the TMC

The SA Communist Party favoured nine to 12 new towns to enable adequate and equitable redistribution of resources across the metropolitan area, ensure administrative capacity and allow sufficient community participation in local government

The PAC, mooting larger municipalities, submitted a map which differed substantially from the ANC's. It proposed one large northern area encompassing Randburg, Sandton and Alexandra, a western area made up of Roodepoort and Dobsonville, and a large southern structure taking in the rest of Soweto, Johannesburg and the south-western industrial areas

Put to vote

Meanwhile, the Federal Party, supported by residents' associations from the northern suburbs, stuck to its proposal for up to 20 new towns of about 200 000 people each. It contended that only in a small local authority did the ordinary man or woman have a chance of ensuring a part in local decision-making. "When power is centralised, elected politicians form distant, monopolistic bodies that believe people must be told how to live"

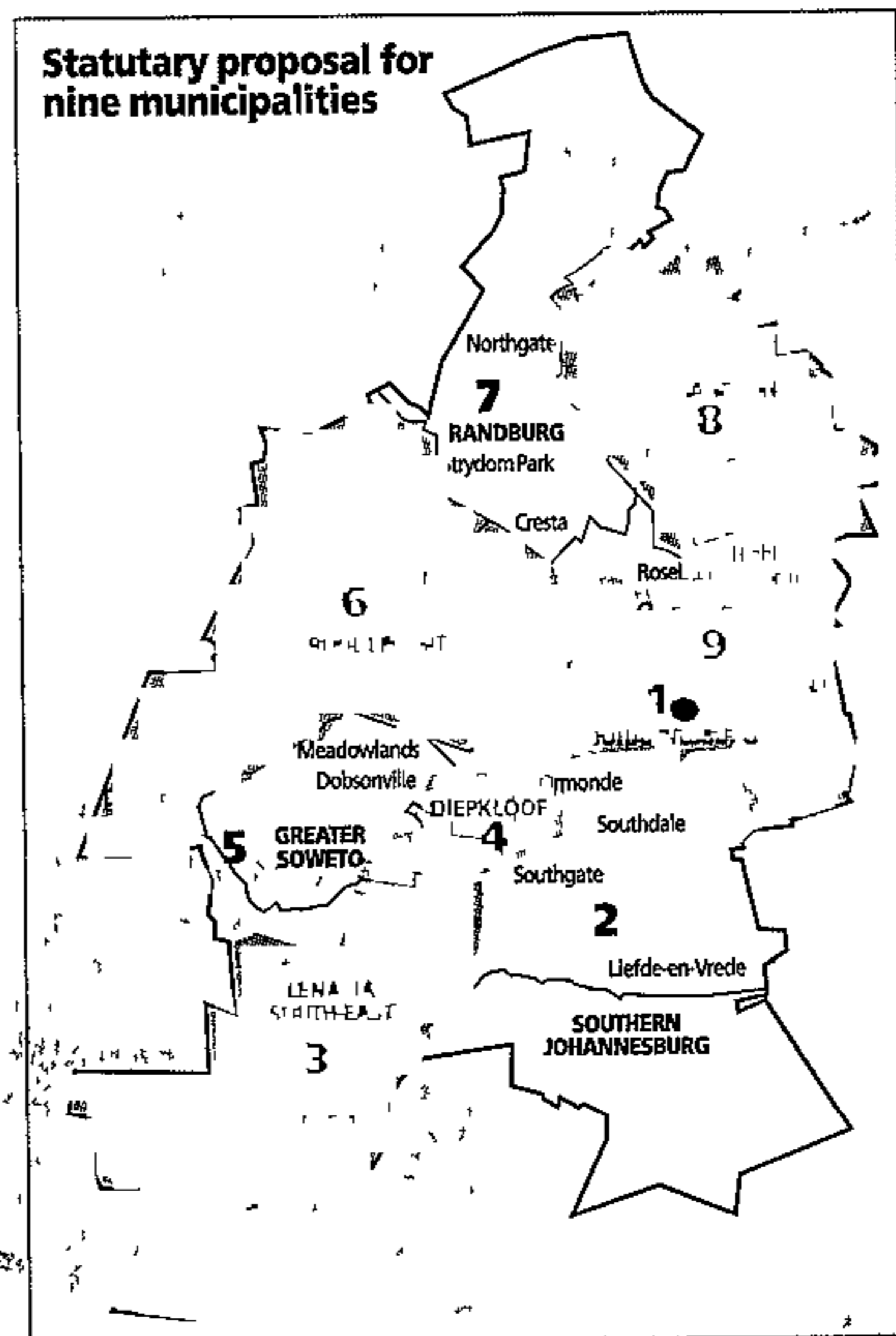
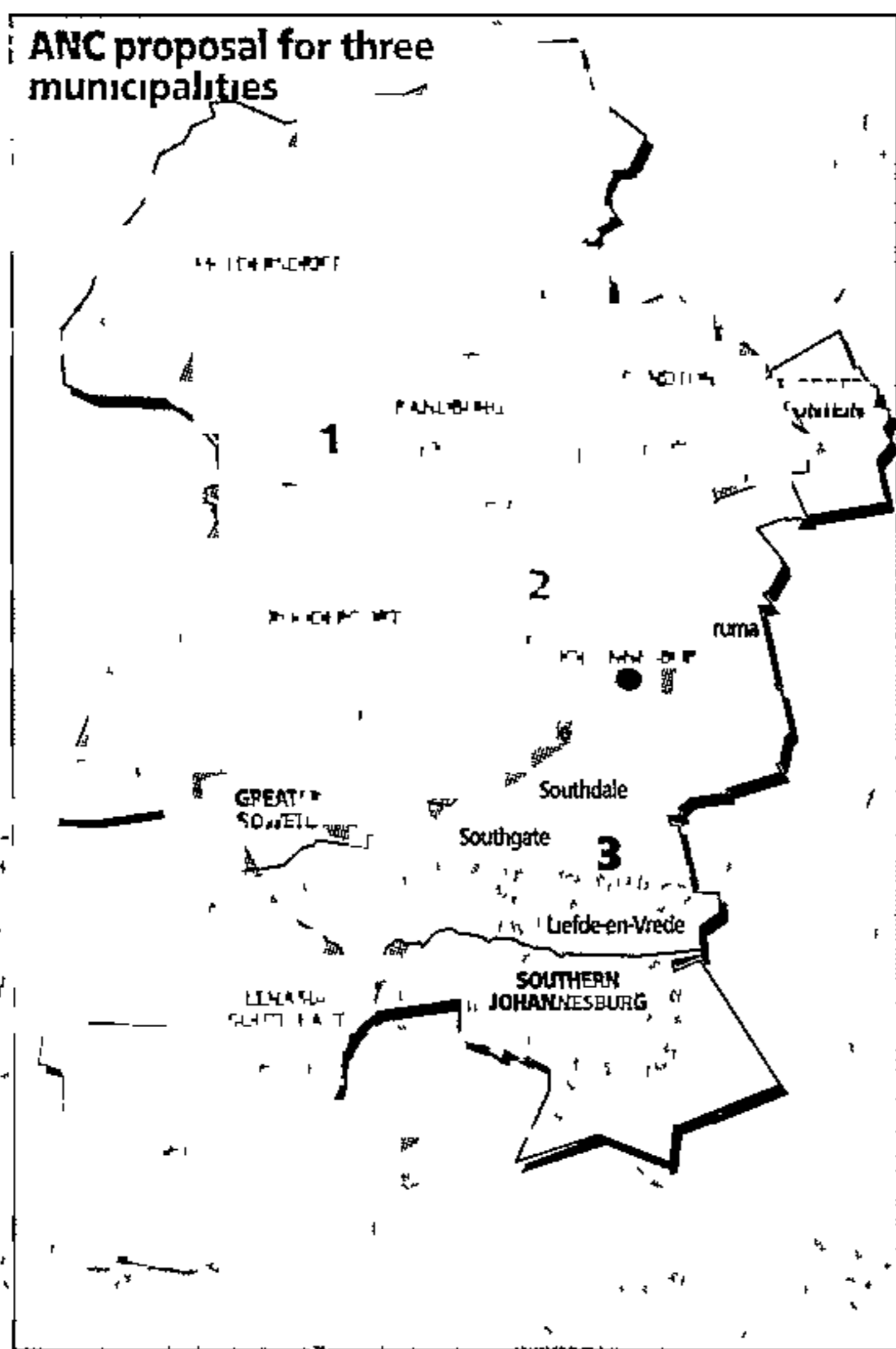
The Inkatha Freedom Party said it believed in decentralisation and the devolution of powers for a more manageable structure. It favoured several smaller towns, but did not specify how many

The NP, which was in dispute with the statutory side over the proposal for a ninth town, said it was prepared to abide by the outcome of arbitration

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MAPPED OUT: Proposals from the ANC and municipalities for new nonracial towns in the Greater Johannesburg and Soweto districts will be tested at arbitration hearings next week

Reef will never be

Municipal action looms

BY DUNCAN GUY

yesterday

Up to 60 000 municipal workers in the PWV are preparing to go on strike "sometime next week" in solidarity with 600 workers dismissed in July by the Midrand Town Council.

This follows the council proposal that it should only selectively re-employ them, the SA Municipal Workers' Union said

At a press conference in Johannesburg, national chairman Sunnyboy Motsoso warned that the strike could go beyond affecting the region's 3 million people by spreading to neighbouring regions

Workers will use their mus-

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PWV strike looms

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cle, not the legal course," he stressed

Motsoso also said talks between the union and the council, brokered by the PWV regional government, lasting up to yesterday, had not been as fruitful as the union had expected

Midrand town clerk Henry Lubbe said their differences over an agreement were "what we mean by re-employment, Samwu interprets as reinstatement"

The union is meanwhile also at odds with the council over their failing to suspend personnel officer Ernest Letjane whom they allege has been taking bribes from people for employment — the core reason for their strike in July

"That means he still has access to files," said Motsoso

Lubbe asked "How can we suspend him if he hasn't been able to have a disciplinary hearing? And we need witnesses for that (procedure) who are Samwu members."

Since negotiating, Samwu had obviously changed their stance having just wanted the man transferred, he said

Samwu accused the Midrand council of "already having a list" of people they would take back — and that would exclude shop stewards who had less than 10 years' experience

The union has also objected to the council's refusal to agree to take back workers facing criminal charges as a result of the strikes in July

Proposal to link poor south, rich north

Alliance plan for 3 municipalities

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■ BY PAULA FRAY
CITY REPORTER

An ANC alliance proposal for three large central Witwatersrand municipalities — labelled the "banana split" by detractors — was prompted by the need to implement the Reconstruction and Development Programme, the group said yesterday.

Addressing mediators at a Braamfontein hearing to decide on the number and form of internal boundaries within the area of the Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC), the ANC's Nazir Ali said equitable redistribution could be achieved only within large metropolitan sub-structures (MSSs).

It would also achieve the least amount of disruption while linking the "poor south" with the "rich north".

"This is a bold step saying that we are going to integrate our society," said Ali.

In their written report, the alliance said a model with eight MSSs was "not in the interests of this country, its people and the economy, as it is tantamount to perpetuation of apartheid under a different guise".

However, the statutory caucus said the alliance's submission was based on the incorrect view that the TMC would not achieve its goals. The alliance proposal was also "social engineering" in its most unacceptable form.

The statutory caucus called for eight MSSs and another for the central business district, which would be governed directly by the TMC.

It was impossible to divide the MSS into equal areas or population sizes, said statutory caucus chairman Sias Reyneke.

Major restructuring had been achieved as "we have already unified a great number of local authorities under a major metropolitan city", Reyneke said.

He argued that the TMC agreement had been negotiated on the understanding that — as the statutory side wanted eight MSSs and the non-statutory side initially indicated they wanted between 15 and 20 — the parties would settle for between eight and 10. (266)

"The statutory component still maintains that the agreement that was reached is incompatible with the three-MSS proposal and that three MSSs were never considered by the parties," he said.

Noting that the Johannesburg CBD brought in 12 percent of SA's gross domestic product and 85 percent of the TMC's production, Reyneke said unification would be enhanced if the CBD was the metropolis's core.

The statutory proposal for eight MSSs plus the CBD would lead to a single tax base and redistribution of resources as well as community-driven local government, he said.

The face of local government in the Central Witwatersrand is about to be changed forever, but negotiators are still at odds over what form the new megacity should take. City Editor Paula Fray reports.

ANC says its MSSS will perform well

Size doesn't count when it comes to performance, says the ANC alliance in support of its controversial proposal for three large local authorities within the Central Witwatersrand Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC)

The historic agreement signed last month to form the TMC is expected to be approved by PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale once arbitrators have decided on the size and form of its internal boundaries

The TMC joins the old apartheid group areas into one metropolitan city to facilitate equal access to resources before the first democratic local elections next year

The issue of the TMC's internal boundaries was sent to arbitration after the three-year-old negotiations hiccupped, following the ANC alliance's proposal that the TMC should consist of three metropolitan sub-structures (MSSS), linking the "rich north to the poor south."

In principle, this position is supported by the SA Communist Party and the PAC

On the other hand, the statutory caucus, also party to the agreement and consisting of town councils, management committees and some ratepayers' groups, has suggested eight MSSS plus a separate CBD MSSS controlled by the TMC

The Civic Associations of Johannesburg (CAJ) proposal calls

for seven MSSS. Some groups, including the Federal Party, have called for up to 20

At stake during this week's arbitration hearings was far more than just the shape of local authorities

The dispute centres on whether or not the TMC as it stands will have sufficient power to effect the redistribution of resources before next year's elections

Dramatic restructuring

The ANC, in motivating for three large and powerful MSSS, says the TMC alone cannot provide for the dramatic restructuring it was mandated to embark upon

According to the alliance, the restructuring of local government should be measured against the Government's RDP. This calls for the amalgamation of segregated local authorities into new ones with non-racial boundaries

"The objective of non-racialism or racial integration and the reduction of economic disparities or imbalances can best be achieved within larger MSSS," the alliance says.

But the statutory caucus believes this view is wrong

"The TMC is an effective vehicle for redistribution of resources," says Sias Reyneke, adding that the TMC will determine overall policy as well as take re-

sponsibility for the RDP. CAJ's Cas Coovadia believes economic and racial integration will be more effective via a strong TMC.

But, he cautions, major restructuring should not be made until residents have been given a chance to take part in the debate

The ANC's MSSS have populations of between 700 000 and 1.5 million

In most of the other proposals, Soweto represents an MSSS of between 1.2 million and 1.7 million people

The statutory caucus maintains it is impossible to create MSSS of equal sizes unless Soweto is carved up

The issue of size raises the question of effective public participation and delivery of services. The alliance maintains MSSS boundaries will not affect the delivery of services. Nor, it adds, will it affect the public's ability to take part in the process of democracy

But others disagree. "Maximum direct participation in government at grassroots level cannot be realised unless MSSS are sufficiently small to bring government close to the people," says Reyneke, who adds that the alliance boundaries are artificial and constitute social engineering in its most unacceptable form

For the alliance, on the other hand, the "eight plus one" option is tantamount to perpetuation of

apartheid under a different guise as existing boundaries are left virtually intact

The alliance and PAC believe that new boundaries should send out a bold signal

"We need to send a clear message to the man in the street that local government has embarked on restructuring," says the PAC's Bonga Majola.

On a practical level, the ANC proposal combines various administrations and local authorities or parts thereof (each with its own by-laws, plans and identities) into single units

At least one MSSS is more than 70 km long, combining Randburg in the north with Orange Farm in the south.

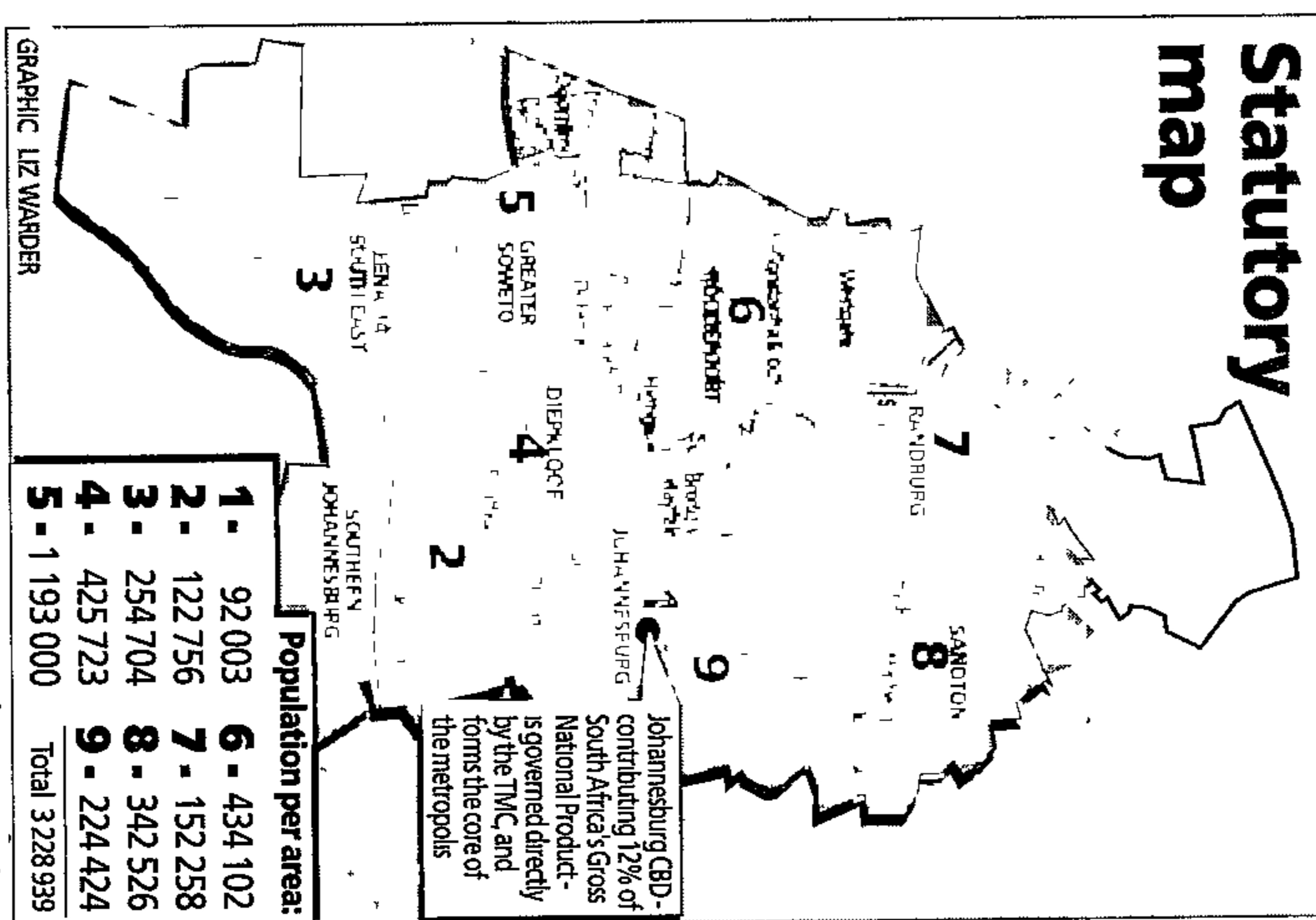
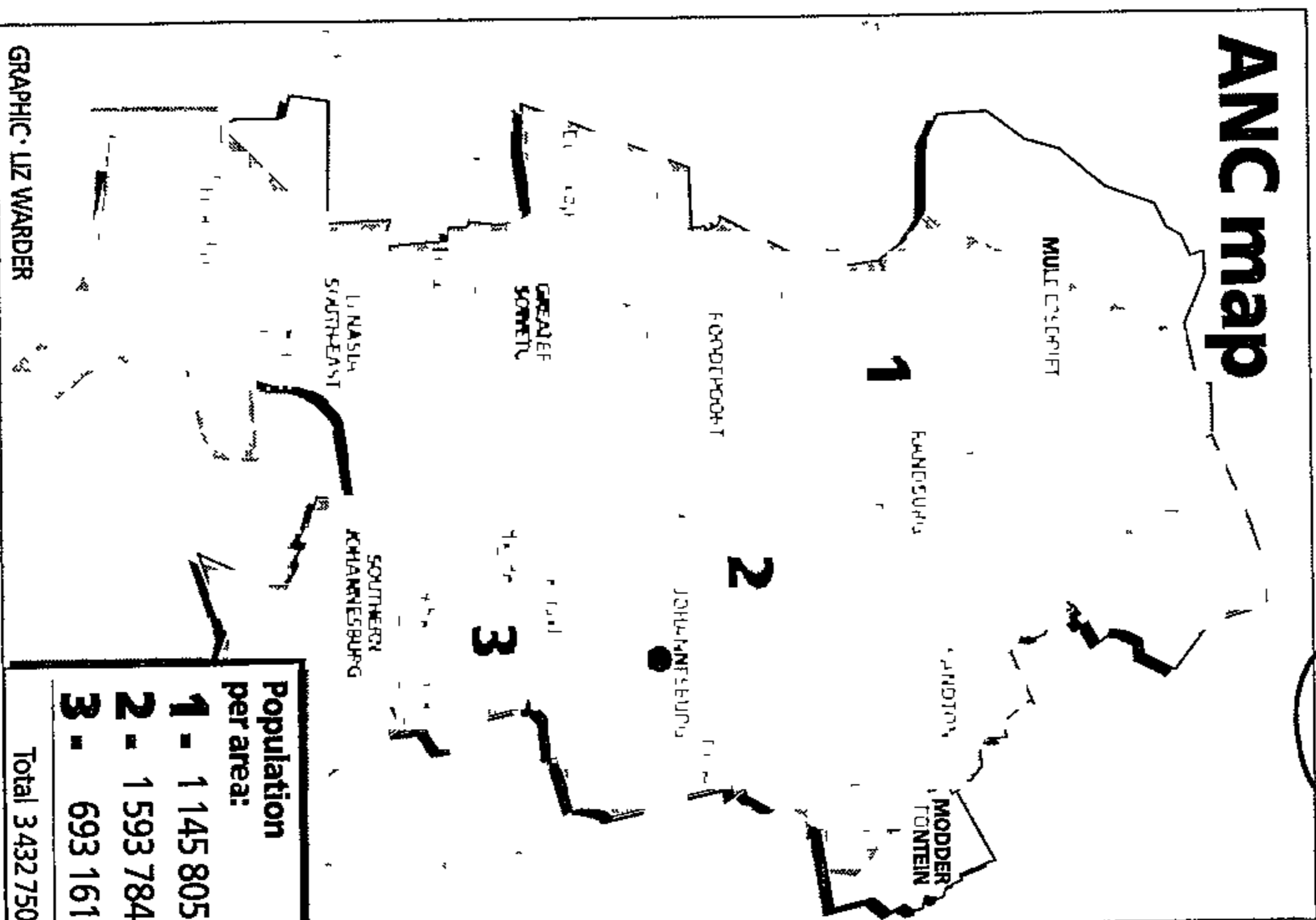
Those in support of the statutory option believe the establishment of the TMC has in itself rendered the old apartheid boundaries irrelevant

Final boundaries

It is now up to the arbitrators, advocate Paul Pretorius and attorney Fikile Bam, to make their decision. They have until next Thursday

However, the issue of final boundaries beyond the elections could still be left to the man in the street, if groups such as CAJ and the IFP have their way

They want the final boundaries to be decided only after the public has been extensively canvassed - even suggesting a referendum



Proposed local authorities... the ANC Alliance and statutory caucus proposals are two of several representations being looked at by arbitrators who have to decide on the size and number of municipalities within the central Witwatersrand. Population sizes were submitted by the Alliance.

Tensions rise over TMC seat allocation agreement

TENSIONS are expected to rise among political parties on the non-statutory component of the Central Witwatersrand Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) following an agreement between the ANC and the PAC on the number of seats each of the seven political parties will get.

In terms of the agreement, the ANC/SACP-alliance will get 24 seats, Inkatha Freedom Party six, the PAC six, the African Christian Democratic Party (ACDP) two, Federal Party one and Azapo one.

The sources said parties which were likely to be aggrieved by the ANC/PAC agreement were the Federal Party and Azapo. No comment could be obtained from these organisations yesterday.

But Inkatha negotiator Gerda Bekker expressed surprise at the agreement and said as far as her organisation was concerned the issue had not yet been finalised.

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Kendall said the deal was struck without consultation and was yet to be tabled at a meeting of the non-statutory organisations' caucus.

She said she could not understand how the ACDP, which got fewer votes in the region in the elections, got more seats than her party. She said she would be happy with two TMC seats.

In terms of an agreement reached at the Central Witwatersrand Metropolitan Chamber last month, the non-statutory and statutory components of the chamber are each entitled to 50 seats on the TMC.

The non-statutory component — parties which were not involved in local government in the past — included political parties such as the ANC, the PAC and Inkatha Freedom Party as well as civics.

They said it was hoped that a meeting of the non-statutory organisations, planned for early next week,

would finalise a list of nominees to the TMC's municipalities.

The number and size of the municipalities will also be known next week when the arbitration findings are made public.

In terms of the agreement, reached at the chamber last month, the non-statutory organisations have to nominate 120 people to the council's sub-structures. An equal number of councillors will be nominated by the statutory organisations.

Soweto Civic Association (SCA) general secretary Pule Buthelezi said his organisation was "perfectly happy" with the 10 TMC seats allocated to the civics.

It is understood that the SCA and the Civic Associations of Johannesburg will share seven of the seats. Roodepoort Community Councils, the Federation of Western Johannesburg Ratepayers' Associations and the Federasie van Belastingbetalersvereniging van Stad Roodepoort will each get one TMC seat.

New municipalities clear the way for nonracial metropolis next year

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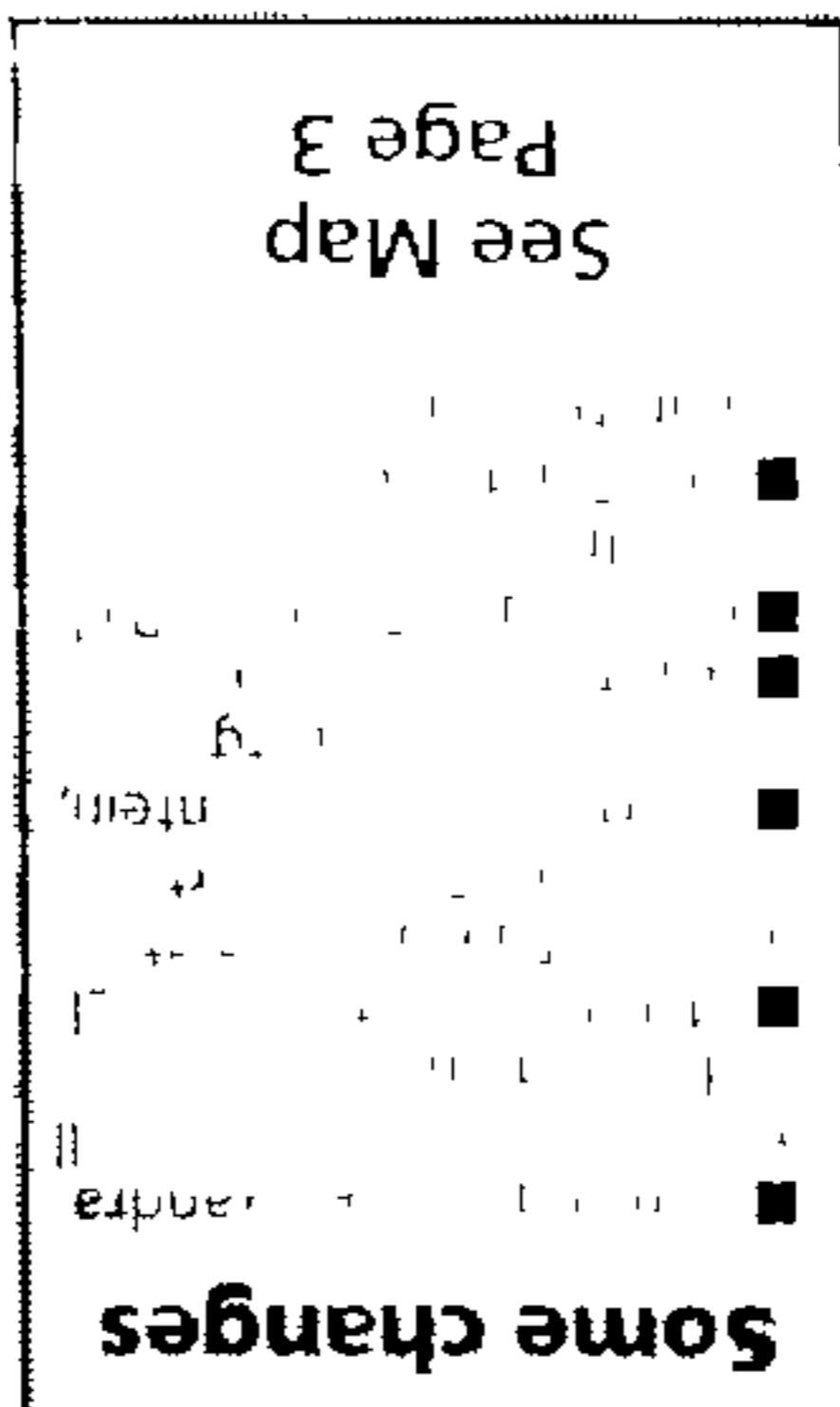
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■ CITY EDITOR

South Africa's financial and commercial hub — the central Witwatersrand — has been split up into seven new municipalities, clearing the way for a non-racial metropolis. Arbitrators' decisions on the new municipal boundaries, announced yesterday, will be followed by the establishment of a Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) for the region. An agreement to form the Central Witwatersrand TMC, which dissolves the existing apartheid structures, is to be gazetted next month and will be effective by November 1.



PWV MEC for Local Government and Housing Dan Mokoeng said yesterday. The decision on the new boundaries was left to arbitrators after negotiations for the TMC deadlocked over the issue. Although some minor details regarding the boundaries had to be finalised, they remained binding until local government negotiations next year, said Mokoeng.

Various parties have called for increased public participation — possibly even a referendum — to decide on the final boundaries.

The arbitrators, advocate Paul Pretorius and attorney Fikile Bam who were appointed by the Independent Mediation Service of South Africa, presented PWV Premier Tokyo

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Brave new Jo'burg (26b) takes shape

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Sexwale with their own map of seven metropolitan substructures (MSSs) Soweto, Dobsonville/Roodepoort, the CBD, greater Randburg, greater Lenasia, Alexandra/Sandton which includes Hillbrow, Kensington and Malvern, and, a final MSS of suburbs south of the M2 East

Although part of Soweto remains intact, the map links some of the "mink and manure belt" with underdeveloped suburbs

It replaces the local government bodies of Johannesburg, Roodepoort, Soweto, Sandton, Diepmeadow, Dobsonville, Alexandra and Randburg as well as the Ennerdale and Lenasia South East Executive committees, the Central Witwatersrand Regional Services Council and the Local Government Affairs Councils where they run areas outside municipal boundaries

The MSSs form part of the TMC agreement which has to be ratified by Sexwale

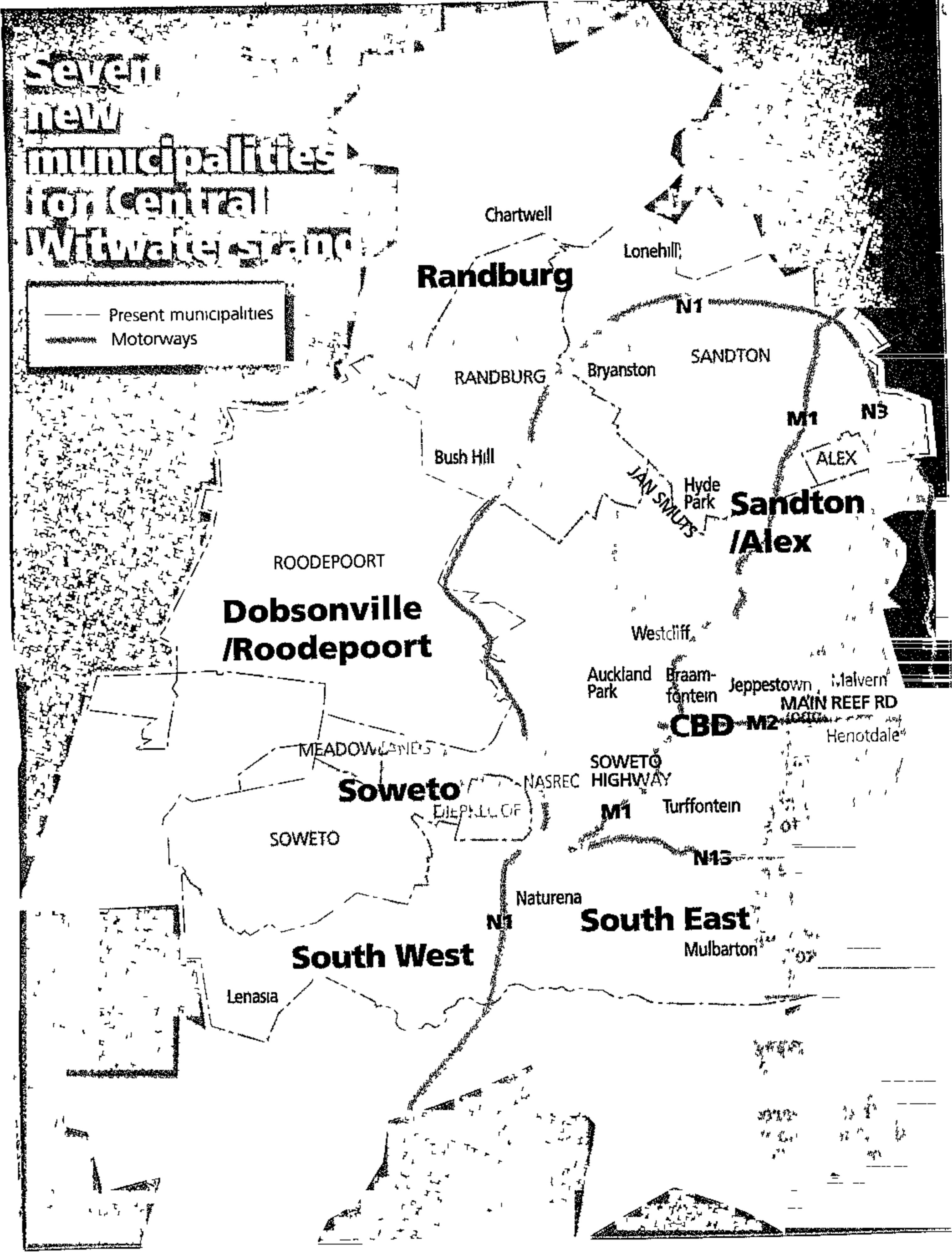
Nominations for the 100 representatives on the TMC were finalised last night and organisations now have until Monday September 26 to list their nominations for each MSS. A total of 240 MSS representatives, about 34 for each substructure, will be nominated

■ As yet, only the central Witwatersrand and Pretoria have signed an agreement to form a TMC while Port Elizabeth and Klerksdorp were the first cities to create nonracial local government

A number of smaller urban centres have already set up transitional local councils

Seven new municipalities for Central Witwatersrand

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Speedy transfer to TLC's urged

■ BY JO-ANNE COLLINGE

The PWV standing committee on local government is to ask MEC Dan Mofokeng to help expedite the transition from white local authorities, which will not be legal after October 26, to the new Transitional Local Councils (TLCs)

As the NP's Johan Kihlan pointed out, "it is unrealistic to think that all the TLC's could be in place by October 26"

He warned of "tremendous problems" which would pile up if there was no authorised decision-

making body for any period of time

Chairman Nomvula Mokonyane stressed that it was not desirable to create a vacuum in which nobody could be held accountable for the workings of the municipality

In the case of black local authorities, the relatively simple option exists of extending the appointments of administrators who have long substituted for discredited township councils

Various committee members made it clear that, although this was a practical answer in the

townships, it was not politically sound. Every effort should therefore be made to expedite the formation of TLCs

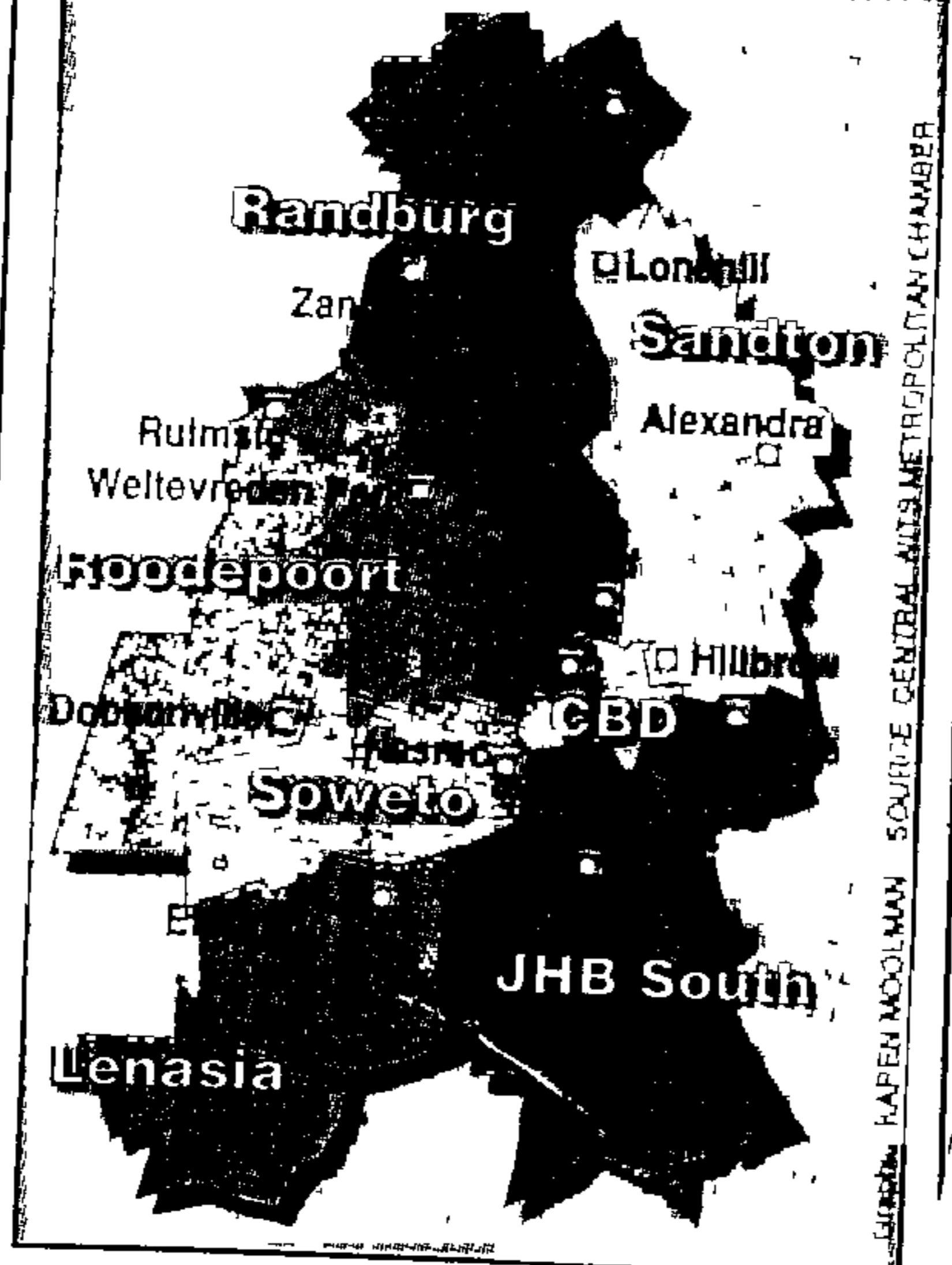
The ANC's Richard Mdakane appealed to all parties in the committee to influence their local representatives to get on with the job of creating nonracial councils

The DP's Ian Davidson proposed that, whatever the bridging mechanism which Mofokeng decided on, it should be made subject to a "sunset clause" which would stipulate a time limit for setting up a TLC.

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JOHANNESBURG. —

About 1 200 municipal workers marched on the town council of Midrand, north of here, yesterday.

The council said the marchers demanded the reinstatement of dismissed colleagues, the suspension of allegedly corrupt officials pending investigations and the establishment of a disciplinary tribunal.

Protesters warned that drastic action would be taken if the demands were not met. — Sapa

Apartheid-style local authorities are rap councils or local sub-structures, but disagree reports Jo-Anne Col

Local govt reform

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When local government restructuring was entrusted to community leaders there were many doubts whether it would ever get off the ground

Divisions at grassroots level were so sharp, it was suggested, that it was absurd to think that local negotiators would ever agree to deracialise the towns and cities without someone cracking the whip at the highest level

In the PWV, however, the "impossible" dream is becoming reality. Local negotiating forums exist throughout the province and several are poised to follow Brakpan's lead by setting up transitional local councils (TLCs) within weeks

A plethora of apartheid-style local authorities in the PWV will be replaced before the year is out by four metropolitan councils (encompassing some 17 or 18 localised sub-structures) and up to 15 TLCs

Significant

The restructuring of councils has happened much more slowly than originally planned — the drafters of the Local Government Transition Act hoped to have TLCs up and running by early May. But it has also happened without significant waving of the carrot or the stick by national political leaders

"All in all I think we've been making good progress, but there are areas where we feel that

things are not going as well as could have been expected," says James van der Merwe, assistant director of institutional development for the PWV

The four areas where forums have decided to set up metropolitan councils are the Johannesburg-centred Central Witwatersrand area, the Greater Pretoria area, the North-East Rand area; and the Vaal

Greater Pretoria has only to finalise a few details before its agreement to set up a metropolitan council and three local sub-structures will be promulgated as law — possibly by October 1. Pretoria will have a southern sub-structure, comprising Verwoerdburg and Rantesig; a central sub-structure, comprising Pretoria, Ateridgeville, Eersterus, Laudium and Mamelodi; and a northern sub-structure, comprising Akasia and Soshanguve

The Central Witwatersrand is not far behind Pretoria. Arbitrators were used to finalise the internal division of the metropolitan area into seven sub-structures. With its strong override of many social and class divisions (Hillbrow landed within the bounds of Sandton and yuppy Melville in Dobsonville)

The composition of the Metropolitan Council, which will have 100 members and exceed the PWV Legislature in size, has been settled. As soon as the members of all sub-structures have been nominated, the Central Witwatersrand

Step by step towards a new municipal order

The first phase of local government restructuring involves setting up appointed transitional councils. The second phase, due to take place in the second half of next year, is the election of interim councils with guaranteed representation for minorities

The transitional councils are set up by local negotiating forums. These are the steps to be followed:

1. Local players constitute a forum inclusive of all local councils, parties and civic groups, and the forum applies to the premier and the provincial committee on local government for recognition
2. Having secured recognition, the forum decides whether to set up (a)

a transitional metropolitan council (TMC) with local sub-structures, (b) a transitional local council (TLC); or (c) a local government co-ordinating committee. It then decides on the size and the membership of the TMC/TLC/co-ordinating committee

3. The forum then formulates the result of negotiations as a formal agreement and has each of its two equal-sized components — the statutory and the non-statutory sectors — nominate half the number of future councillors

4. Finally, the forum submits the agreement and list of nominated councillors to the premier and the provincial committee for approval and promulgation as law

agreement will receive final scrutiny by the PWV premier and Committee on Local Government

The North-East Rand Forum has opted for a metropolitan council with sub-structures. But the size of the council and the number

of sub-structures will depend on whether Midrand decides to be part of the area. Kempton Park, Tembisa, Edenvale and Modderfontein are within a metropolitan area, and they would comprise three sub-structures

If Midrand were to join, it would bring with it Rabie Ridge and Ivory Park and they would form a fourth sub-structure. The Midrand group has three other options to join Pretoria, the Central Wits or to stand alone as a TLC

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authorities are rapidly giving way to metropolitan structures, but disagreement still exists in some areas, reports Jo-Anne Collinge

Reform surges ahead

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Towards local order

The Vaal Metropolitan Local Government (MLG) with local government officials, including the mayor, are in the process of forming a local council (TLC) or (C) and of government co-ordinating committee which decides on the size and the composition of the TLC, co-ordinating committee. The forum then formulates the result of negotiations as a final agreement and has each of its two equal sized components — the statutory and the non-statutory, to nominate half the number of councillors. Finally, the forum submits the agreement and list of nominated councillors to the premier and the provincial committee for approval and promulgation as law.

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Local negotiators on the East and West Rand have steered clear of the metropolitan model and instead have set up a series of TLCs, all of which draw together the former white town and satellite townships.

The TLC for Greater Brakpan, which embraces Brakpan, Tsakane and Geluksdal, was officially proclaimed on September 14. Mayor Willie Labuschagne is drawn from the statutory side of the TLC. The chairman of the executive committee, Paul Nkuna, comes from the non-statutory sector.

Provincial sources say the Greater Alberton agreement is likely to be the next promulgated. It merges local authorities, political parties and civic organisations from Alberton, Tokoza, Phola Park and Eden Park.

In three other East Rand areas, Greater Boksburg (including of Boksburg, Reiger Park and Vosloorus), Greater Germiston (consisting of Germiston, Katlehong, Bedfordview, Zonkezizwe and Palm Ridge) and Greater Benoni (consisting of Benoni, Actonville, Daveyton and Wattville) forums have cleared all hurdles except the last.

They have been able to agree on the size of the TLC and its area of jurisdiction, but are deadlocked over the selection of the new councillors.

Sometimes it is the "statutory" side — dominated by apartheid age councillors — that runs into trouble, trying to sort out who among them will continue as councillors into the new age.

Sometimes it is organisations on the non-statutory side — typically constituted by forces which opposed apartheid — who cannot agree among themselves on the weight of representation each group should get.

The problem in Boksburg is particularly intractable and the premier is to appoint a professional mediator to assist the non-statutory parties to sort out nominees.

In Greater Springs parties (from Springs, KwaThema and Bakerton) are edging towards a formal agreement to set up the TLC. And, in principle decision to go for a TLC rather than the half-measure co-ordinating committee is believed to be imminent in Heidelberg and its satellite townships, Ratanda and Shallmar Ridge.

The Conservative Party council in Nigel is still undecided whether to form a TLC with Duduza, Airpark, Jameson Park and McKenzville. The alternative — which all other areas seem to have rejected — is to take the co-ordinating committee route, which leaves the racial councils in place but sets in place a structure which assumes certain planning and budgeting functions.

The negotiating forum for the town of Devon and the township of Impumulelo has not even gained official recognition. On the West Rand, the Randfontein Negotiating Forum leads the pack.

Technicalities

It has an agreement on a TLC, it has all its nominees in place and only a couple of technicalities stand in the path of promulgation in a fortnight or so. Randfontein, Mohlakeng, Toekomsrus, Hillside and Dwarskloof/Brandvlei should be one local authority.

The Weston Local Government Forum (joining Westonaria and Bekkersdal), the Krugersdorp and Carletonville forums (respectively drawing together Krugersdorp, Kagiso and Azaadville, and Carletonville and Khutsong) have been recognised. But no firm TLC agreement exists in these places.

In relation to Bronkhorstpruit and its satellites of Zithobeni and Rethabiseng, the premier and the Provincial Committee on Local Government have been unable to concur on registering a forum.

And in Cullinan, north of Pretoria, the forum has not yet gained official recognition because the question of boundaries is still being settled in talks between the provincial committee and the forum.

By late September then, the PWV could report one TLC across the line, three forums nearing the finish and four more heading into the home straight. As for the other 11, they'll have to step up the pace on October 26 the term of office of existing local authorities runs out and there are no guarantees that there will be a further "grace period".

A timeless wardrobe

Appearance plays a subtle, but important role in either establishing women as credible business partners or reinforcing the bimbo label.

Marlene Bunn Cardin should know. She employed style as a tactical weapon in her climb to the top of the international video fashion industry.

At this forum with a difference Cardin will draw on her own experience in discussing the need for a timeless basic wardrobe and the principles to use when incorporating prevailing trends.

Delegates will accompany her on a visual tour of the fashion capitals of the world, focusing on trends for the spring season and a look at winter/autumn 1995.

A speaker at the next Women's Forum on September 27, she heads two divergent empires: Videofashion!, the largest video fashion magazine in the world, and Video Ordnance, a programme showcasing the latest developments in weapons systems technology.

"One should avoid getting caught in a trend, it can be terribly expensive," she cautions Cardin maintains that extreme trends can be "translated and interpreted to suit your needs," but emphasises that women mustn't become fashion victims. "Wear what suits you."

On the financial front former lawyer Rosemary Lightbody will take a look at the Divorce Amendment Act. "The act only makes provision for the bones of your financial rights, Lightbody warns.

Now employed by the Legal and Tax Services division at Southern Life, she estimates (arbitrarily) if many divorcees walk away with as little as a third of the real benefit due from a retirement annuity pension fund. She will highlight and provide solutions to these problems.

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CP councils warn govt of court action

Wilson Zwane

THE CP-aligned Transvaal Municipal Association has warned that it will take provincial authorities to court if they disband CP-controlled towns which refuse to establish transitional local councils

Association president Paul Fouche said at the weekend suggestions that CP-controlled towns were holding up transforming local government were "utter rubbish"

Minister without Portfolio Jay Naidoo said last week local authorities which refused to make way for nonracial local government structures would not receive funding from government

Fouche said the association had directed all its affiliates to co-operate and get the process to set up nonracial local government structures under way

However, an apparent determination by some provincial authorities to foist the "transitional local council concept" on CP-controlled towns was creating problems

The Local Government Transition Act provided for two models of local government — the transitional local councils on which statutory and non-statutory organisations would have equal representation

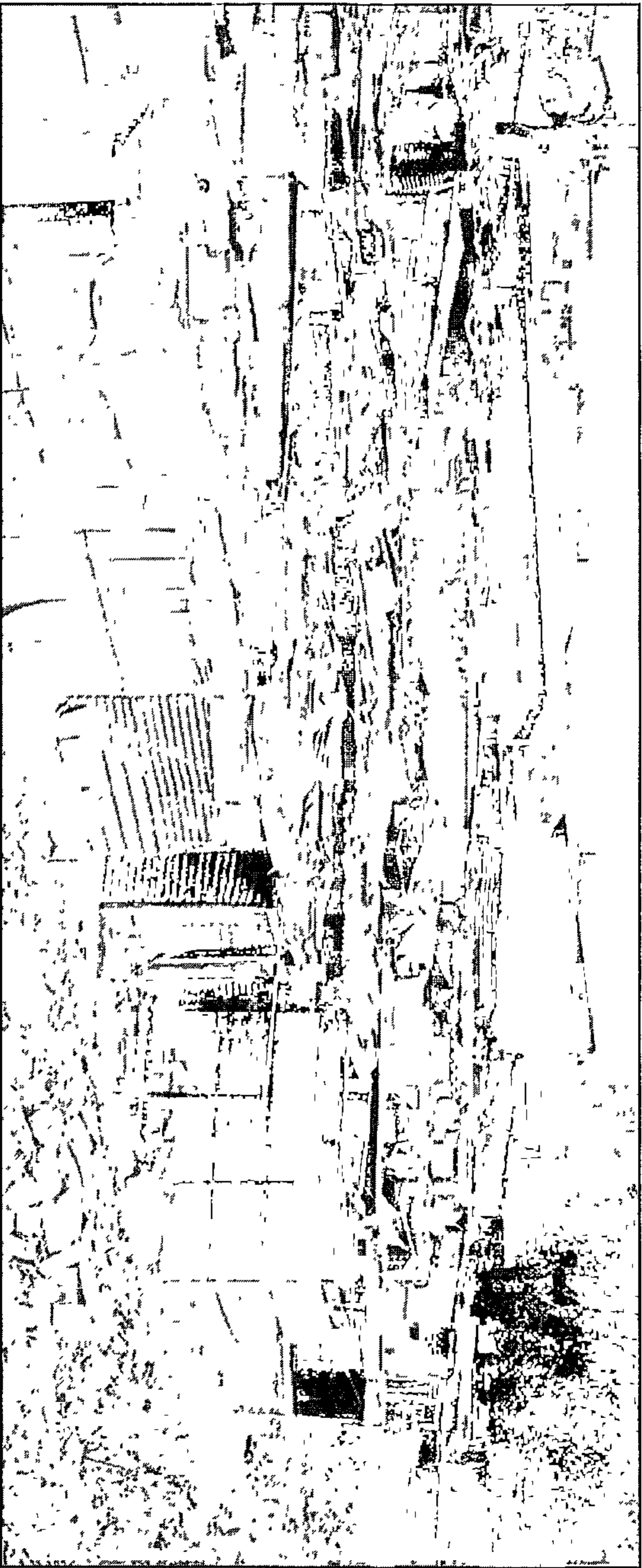
and co-ordinating committees, which would incorporate existing local authorities in areas where agreement on local councils was not possible

Statutory organisations are organisations which have been involved in local government in the past. They include political parties such as the NP, CP and DP, as well as municipalities

He said an agreement had been reached that medium-sized and small CP-controlled towns should opt for co-ordinating committees. In these towns, the transitional local councils could only be established if sufficient consensus was reached

Fouche said his organisation was ready to help provincial authorities resolve problems which arose in CP-controlled towns. But if the authorities disbanded the local authorities and foisted transitional local councils on them, the Transvaal Municipal Association would have no choice but to go to court. It was his organisation's intention to prove that the co-ordinating committees were workable

NEWS FEATURE The filthy, murky township which is a melting pot of nations



Alexandra Township may be socially and economically deprived, but it is a township of great hope.

Alexandra the place of hope

By Joe Mdhlela

IN SPITE of social degradation, economic deprivation and violence, hope springs eter-

■ SOCIAL DEGRADATION The township that defied Vervoeerd:

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work, epitomising their own cares, hopes and fears

There will be those who will capture the mood of the township by composing songs, even their own versions of psalms, expressing a deep hurt brought about by deprivation

unheard of, especially among blacks. But the Mosoms and Spoilers had lots of firepower and demanded a protection fee. Failure to comply spelt doom. Indeed, many residents were killed as a result of failing to comply. Even in the midst of such murk, there is always the intelligentsia to keep the

"Township" as the area is popularly known, has a rich history of gangsterism, political resistance and the 1957 bus boycott that was tied to the "pound a day" wage demand

Complementing all this were two notorious gangs — the Msomis and Spoilers. These gangs wreaked havoc and panic among residents, businessmen, shebeen kings and queens and musicians and artists

These incidents marked the epoch, stretching from the mid-40s to the early 70s

The "bo Mastense" (landlords) plied their trade in buying up plots in abundance and then letting them out to people who were desperate for accommodation

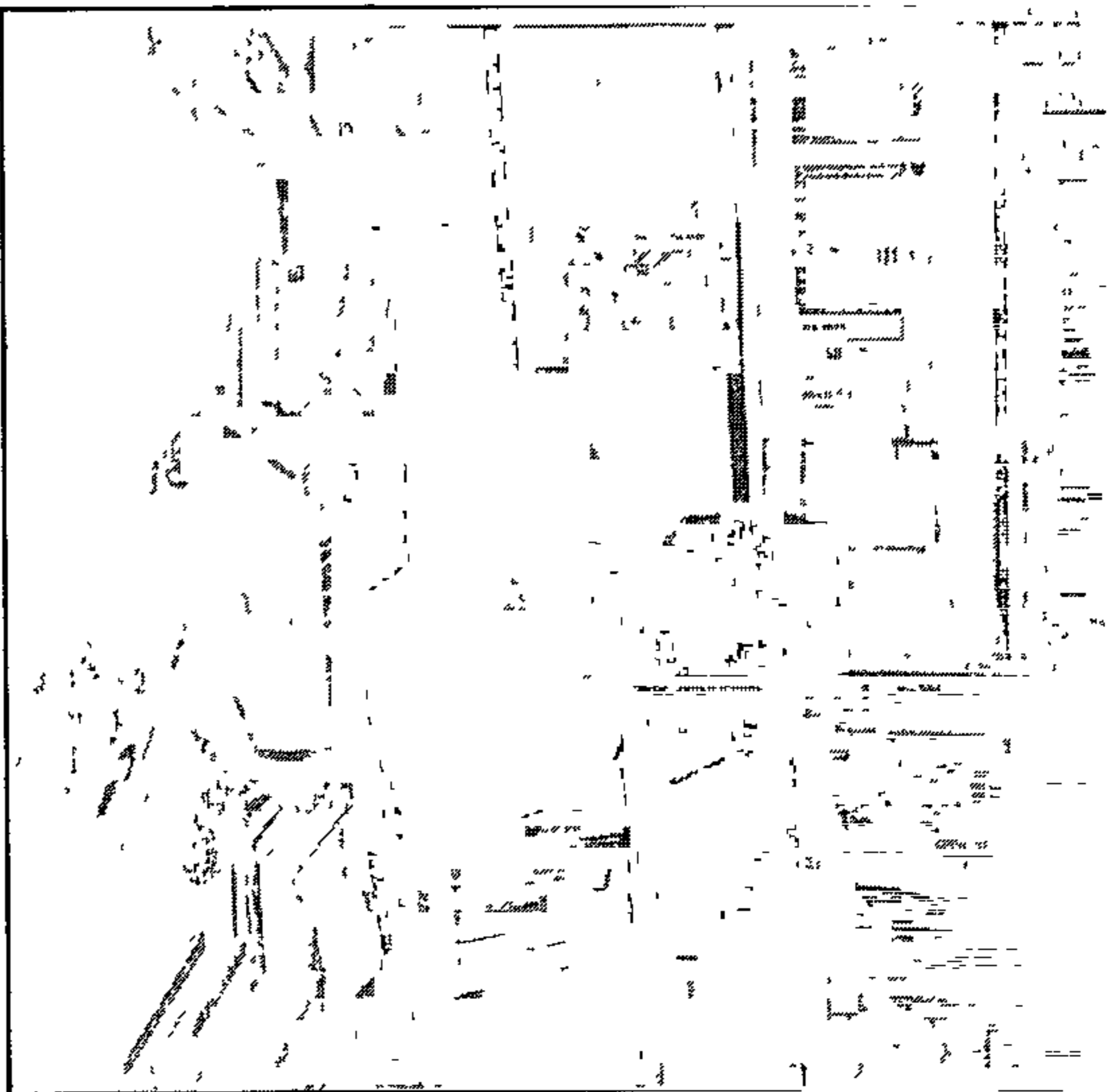
As a result, Alexandra has become cosmopolitan in character, accommodating a diverse conglomeration of cultures

An interesting feature of Alexandrais that it is one of the few black townships that resisted the Government's forced removals in pursuit of Dr Hendrik Verwoerd's race policies

While thousands of black townships were relocated to areas "outside the so-called white areas", Alexandra defied the decree, staging numerous court battles that ensured that the community remained intact

Today, Alexandra, filthy as it is, has a unique soul of its own. Perhaps a soul brought about by the knowledge that the previous government's notorious decrees had no effect on it

Today the area is a place of homeless shackdwellers. Disease and squalor abound



Despite all the gloom, Alexandra boasts a modern library

It is an area of great political division, but it is a place of great hope about its reconstruction

Poet Mongane Wally Serote has this to say about Alexandra " And Alexandra, My beginning was knotted to you, Just like you knot my destiny "

What can we draw from this? The poet, just like all people who were born there, has been influenced by

the experience acquired there. His own early impressions were formed by what the township had to offer

In other words, the world should not really be shocked by the violence and the lawlessness in the area. The social engineering in the place contributes largely to it

There will be poets like Serote, who will express their frustrations in their

harmony popularised by rumba. It came to work in the mines at the turn of the century, is part of the Alexandra experience

Mbube, sometimes referred to as "Ngoma B'sika", was and still is a medium used by migrant workers to reflect their experiences and frustrations

In Alexandra such groups grew in numbers, and not in stature, as in most black townships they were frowned upon as "country bumpkins"

Not so today. Consider the fame Lady Smith Black Mambazo raked in for themselves, using the very same songs and styles previously despised

Alexandra has its fair share of such heroes, as it has its fair share of villains. Music was and still is part of Alexandra. The penny whistle, made famous by Lemmy Mabaso in the late 1940s, was the order of the day in this bustling township

Alexandra culture gave South Africa what became known as "Kwela music", supported, as Serote would tell you, by "both black and white music lovers"

It was little boys like Lemmy (10 years when he started) who imitated legendary names like Zakes Nkosi. They copied his marabi jazz and converted it into their unique kwela blend, using homemade guitars and cheap penny whistles to produce musical sounds

The Dark City, as Alexandrais sometimes called, had its uglier and darker side. The reign of terror plotted by the Msomi and Spoilers ruined the lives of ordinary people

These gangsters emerged at a time when the possession of revolvers was

date and philosophy. Equally, there are those who express their anger by resorting to violence and other wayward ways

However, it is the women's organisations that are working tirelessly to bring hope and peace to Alexandra

Through Women for Peace, Mrs Alma Serote has done a lot of work to uplift residents in this depressed township

Serote, co-founder of the women's organisation has often suffered disillusionment "because of the problems that were plaguing my community"

But she has persisted, believing that reconstruction and the healing of wounds require patience

There will be disappointments, she concedes, "but we must never waver in our commitment to work for peace and justice"

Now retired, Serote puts her hope in the youth "to carry on the fight against social decay"

For a different angle on Alexandra, watch NNTV at 7 30 tonight

Perhaps a soul brought about by the knowledge that the previous government's notorious decrees had no effect on it?

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Councillors take lion's share of local govt seats

Bitter ratepayers' lash 'power grab'

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LOUISE MARSLAND

FURIOUS ratepayers in the central Witwatersrand have discovered that they have been done out of the proportion of local government seats they believed they were going to be given

They say political parties, together with their town councillors, have contrived to deny them all but a handful of seats out of 240 available in the seven new municipalities

Ratepayers' organisations say they have been knifed in the back to ensure that as many councillors as possible keep their jobs in the new dispensation

Eighteen northern Johannesburg ratepayers' associations have sent an urgent letter to PWV Premier

■ A guide to local government transition appears on Page 10

Tokyo Sexwale demanding an urgent meeting to discuss the issue

Ratepayers' representatives walked out of a meeting on Wednesday night, declaring a dispute. Local authorities, in turn, accused them of being uncompromising.

The result is that communities will have little or no say as to how their areas are governed and their money is spent in the next year, because many of the councillors returning to office have not faced the electorate since 1988, when the last municipal elections took place

The issue has blown up now because all nominations for the Central Witwatersrand Transitional Metropolitan Council, to be established on November 1, and the seven new transitional municipalities or metropolitan sub-structures (MSSs), as negotiators call them, have to be in by October 17

◆ Ratepayers

Each Central Wits MSS has had a certain number of seats allocated for the appointment of councillors to run each new municipal area until local government elections take place. In total, 240 seats are available on the new MSS councils and they have been divided equally between the two negotiating camps, with 120 going to the non-statutory side — consisting of political parties like the ANC and civic associations not previously involved in local government — and 120 seats were given to the statutory side, made up of all the former apartheid councils and ratepayers' associations.

Of the 120 seats available for division among the statutory negotiators, only four have been given to ratepayers' associations to fill. There is every indication that the non-statutory side may be attempting to push through the same formula this week, meaning that the ratepayers' federations, which effectively represent all the former "white" suburbs in Johannesburg, Sandton, Randburg and Roodepoort, will have only eight representatives of the 240 councillors in the seven new towns.

Even in Soweto, where the National Party and Democratic Party have minimal representation, the two parties have voted themselves 28 (18 and 10 respectively) of the 39 seats available to the statutory side, leaving Soweto's longstanding Sisonke Party with only 10 seats.

What ratepayers fear most is that the 240 nominated representatives, mostly political, will be responsible for running the seven new towns that make up Johannesburg, Soweto, Alexandra, Sandton, Randburg, Roodepoort and Lenasia for up to a year, until local government elections. (266)

"They are perpetuating the old guard. This is jobs for the boys, plain and simple. It was bulldozed through on Wednesday by the political parties," said Tony Palmer, chairman of the Johannesburg Metropolitan Action Group.

The Johannesburg Federation of Eastern Ratepayers and Residents Organisations vice-chairman Cornel Nicholas said it was obvious that ANC councillors in Randburg and NP and DP councillors in the other councils had reached a deal on the division of seats, sidelining residents' associations.

Johannesburg chief negotiator and statutory caucus chairman Sais Reyneke denied this.

Reyneke said Johannesburg had come with a compromise proposal a week ago to give ratepayers' associations double the representation they had ended up with. But, he said, ratepayers' associations and the other local authorities had rejected the idea.

Reyneke admitted: "Ratepayers do have grounds for being unhappy, but they have shown an inability to make compromises . . . they shot themselves in the foot."

BY PAULA FRAY
CITY EDITOR

Dispute over seats deepens

Ratepayers' groups within the Central Witwatersrand are threatening to call for a rates boycott unless they receive increased representation within the area's Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC)

The dispute over the allocation of seats deepened last night when the Freedom Front and Sofasonke Party joined ratepayers in declaring disputes. They said the negotiations

process had been disregarded by the National Party/Democratic Party alliance in the TMC's statutory caucus, which had used its power to push ratepayers and smaller parties aside

The row is threatening to delay next month's expected launch of the TMC. The Northern Areas Group, Ranted, Federation of Southern Johannesburg Ratepayers and

the Federation of Eastern Ratepayers and Residents Organisations of Johannesburg said last night they were consulting their supporters about a rates boycott

Unhappy

There are 100 seats in the TMC, half for statutory groups and the other half for non-statutory parties. The protesting

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groups are unhappy over the NP/DP's majority of the statutory seats

Within the TMC there are seven metropolitan substructures (MSS), where there are also disputes over allocations

The Soweto MSS has a total of 78 seats, divided again between statutory and non-statutory bodies. Of the statutory seats, the Sofasonke Party has been allo-

cated 10 seats, while the DP has 10 and the NP 18

Sofasonke Party deputy president Mandla Masibuko said the party rejected its allocation of only one seat on the TMC and 10 in Soweto

FF chief negotiator and PWY MPL Dr Gerrie Human said the party joined the forum after the April elections had proved they had sufficient support — "in fact, more so than the DP"

It declared a dispute after an initial offer of two TMC seats was reduced to one. It was offered only one MSS seat

Three towns leading way

By Mokgadi Pela

BENONI, Brakpan and Alberton are ahead of their East Rand counterparts following agreements for the establishment of transitional local councils.

The agreements, which received the blessing of the PWV provincial cabinet on October 12, will lay the basis for the de-establishment of the old separate black, Indian, coloured and white local authorities.

Thus will, according to the PWV provincial authorities, pave the way for the first nonracial and democratically

elect local government structures

The new TLC will be empowered to review existing budgets of the old local authorities. It will further be expected to ensure the successful implementation of the Reconstruction and Development Programme to improve the quality of life of all residents.

Those still battling to establish their TLCs include negotiating forums of Springs, Boksburg, Heidelberg, Nigel, North East Rand and Germiston.

The forums are still bogged down by arguments between statutory bodies on the one side and non-statutory bodies on

the other. The former comprise mainly old establishment structures while the latter consists of formerly extra-parliamentary structures.

Following the recent agreements which brought about the TLCs in Brakpan, Benoni and Alberton, *Sowetan* has been inundated with accusations mainly from the non-statutory side that the other party was "dragging its feet".

For its part, the statutory side has accused former activists of holding on to the past and "rigid mindset of thinking that they have a monopoly on correctness".

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Bridging the divide: Patrick Fitzgerald

PHOTOGRAPH: THEMBA HEDEBE

One province, two worlds apart

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More than physical distance separates the new PWV government in Johannesburg and the civil service headquarters in Pretoria
Drew Forrest spoke to the man whose task it is to reconcile the two

THE mood at 30 Simmonds Street is one of slightly chaotic urgency: phones shrill, people crowd the corridors, packed lifts rise and fall. At the old Transvaal Provincial Administration headquarters, Afrikaans secretaries buff their nails in a sea of bureaucratic calm. Sixty kilometres and a cultural universe lie between the new PWV government in Johannesburg and the civil service in Pretoria. Bringing them under one yoke is the task of Patrick Fitzgerald, the enthusiastically voluble director of Wits University's Graduate School of Public and Development Management and head of Premier Tokyo Sexwale's strategic management team (SMT). A former member of the ANC's Botswana underground cited in numerous security trials in the 1980s, the 40-year-old Fitzgerald personifies the divide. He and other members of his SMT — ex-civic leader Lawrence Boya, former unionist and exile Lucy Nyembe and ex-student activist Peter Cranko — have been sitting in on weekly meetings of top administrators who loyally served the apartheid state. Last week saw a landmark encounter

symbolically at Midrand at which an initial document outlining a stepwise reform of the PWV civil service was endorsed by both sides. Agreement was also reached on a joint task group to drive the process of "change-management". To go to cabinet shortly, the document may provide a blueprint for public service restructuring nationwide. Phase one, starting next month, will be a three-month awareness-building campaign pitched at public servants, politicians, trade unions, consumer lobby groups and others. "We'll circulate documents and questionnaires, stage workshops, seminars, small and large meetings," said Fitzgerald in an interview at Wits. "We want to create a vibe so that people can buy into one institution with a single culture and appropriate goals — cost-effectiveness, productivity and a service and development ethos." Fitzgerald does not say it, but his reform efforts are greatly complicated by the civil service job guarantees in force at least until the final constitution is adopted. The service is expected to shrink through natural attrition by only eight percent a year — he has no

choice but to win over and redirect the old guard. "Civil servants have enormous power as advisers to the politicians and drafters and implementers of legislation. They can delay, squander, give vague advice and fudge information," he says. The PWV government has inherited the rump of the old TPA, a mixed blessing. Unlike the North and North-West, it does not have to accommodate incorrigibly incompetent, corrupt and workshy homeland civil servants. But the cultural hiatus in the PWV is deeper: the mass of the region's 65 000 civil servants are black, the 200-strong management elite is overwhelmingly white, male and Afrikaans. "It's a caste system, cut off from its social context," Fitzgerald says. "We have a rainbow province without a rainbow administration."

It is a caste which feels deeply insecure but which is, Fitzgerald says, curiously accepting of the new order. "There are isolated pockets of obstruction — sometimes documents are vague, or policy options not spelt out in full — but no conspiracy. Organisational politics take over from ideology; every one has a vested interest in making things work. They want to show what they can do." He adds: "The most common response is one of exasperation, when they feel we don't understand what they're trying to do, or make unreasonable demands. We're also learning."

Moving the administration to Johannesburg — a decision has been taken to shift the provincial capital — will lay the foundation for "creating a new animal", Fitzgerald believes. "People need to rub shoulders, meet at tea, network."

Pivotal to delivery on the reconstruction and development programme, the civil service establishment also has to become developmentally literate. Civil services have been central to development drives in the Pacific Rim countries, using the legitimacy of the state to "bring about new environments in society where things can happen".

The local civil service establishment, rigidly hierarchical and rule-bound, has to learn entrepreneurial and problem-solving skills. "Any competent management cadre has to be critical and wide awake."

Fitzgerald's vision is a marked departure from the years of National Party rule, when the civil service was a keystone of Afrikaner economic upliftment. It has implications for the white management elite — which "had lifetime jobs, drove nice cars and sent their children to good schools" — but also for black public servants now pressing for statist policies from the ANC government they elected.

"There's lots of emphasis on labour relations on union demands for better conditions and wages," Fitzgerald says. "It's often forgotten that the public service is not there to pay management salaries and pensions or to give jobs to employees. It's not even there to be representative of society, although affirmative action is obviously a good thing. It's there to provide services to fuel economic development and nation building."

He warns: "The risk is that we may go the same way as many African countries. If that happens, we're headed for disaster."

Are you up to the challenge?

If the future of a society is its youth, then the future of all South Africa (and perhaps the rest of Africa too) will be decided by the way the youth of the PWV relates to the world.

More than 20 million South Africans are under the age of 18 and by the year 2020 this figure could be 40 million. These burgeoning masses will either

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become the educated force that carries South Africa to the forefront of world markets, or they will coagulate into a jobless, alienated and recalcitrant monster.

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As the first business conference to be organised by the Youth League, it will be an historic occasion. More importantly, though, it will give business an

Officials threaten to go it alone in bid for power

By RAY HARTLEY
Political Reporter

SENIOR PWV officials, frustrated at the slowness with which provincial powers are being handed down, are considering granting themselves the powers through provincial legislation

The head of Premier Tokyo Sexwale's strategic management team, Mr Patrick Fitzgerald, said provinces needed to start taking the initiative. "We have to become more proactive at provincial level," he said

He said schedule 6 of the constitution spelt out the areas in which legislatures had jurisdiction, and all they now had to do was pass

laws. He was backed by PWV spokesman Ronnie Mamoepa, who confirmed that the legislative option was being discussed. But he emphasised that the option had not been approved by the legislature or the PWV cabinet

Provincial Affairs Minister Roelf Meyer said provinces had the power. "The real question is whether they have the administrative competence to exercise the powers," he said (26)

Mr Meyer said the two officials were "out of touch" with Mr Sexwale, who had accepted the national government's explanation of the devolution of powers.

Seats dispute delays TMC

Seats 26/10/94

■ BY CHARMIELA BHAGOWAT
and PAULA FRAY

The Central Witwatersrand Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) will not be inaugurated on Tuesday because of disputes over the allocation of seats in its structures, the PWV government announced yesterday.

It said the non-racial local government structure could not be launched on November 1, as expected, because nominations for councillors on the TMC's metropolitan sub-structures (MSSs) had not yet been finalised.

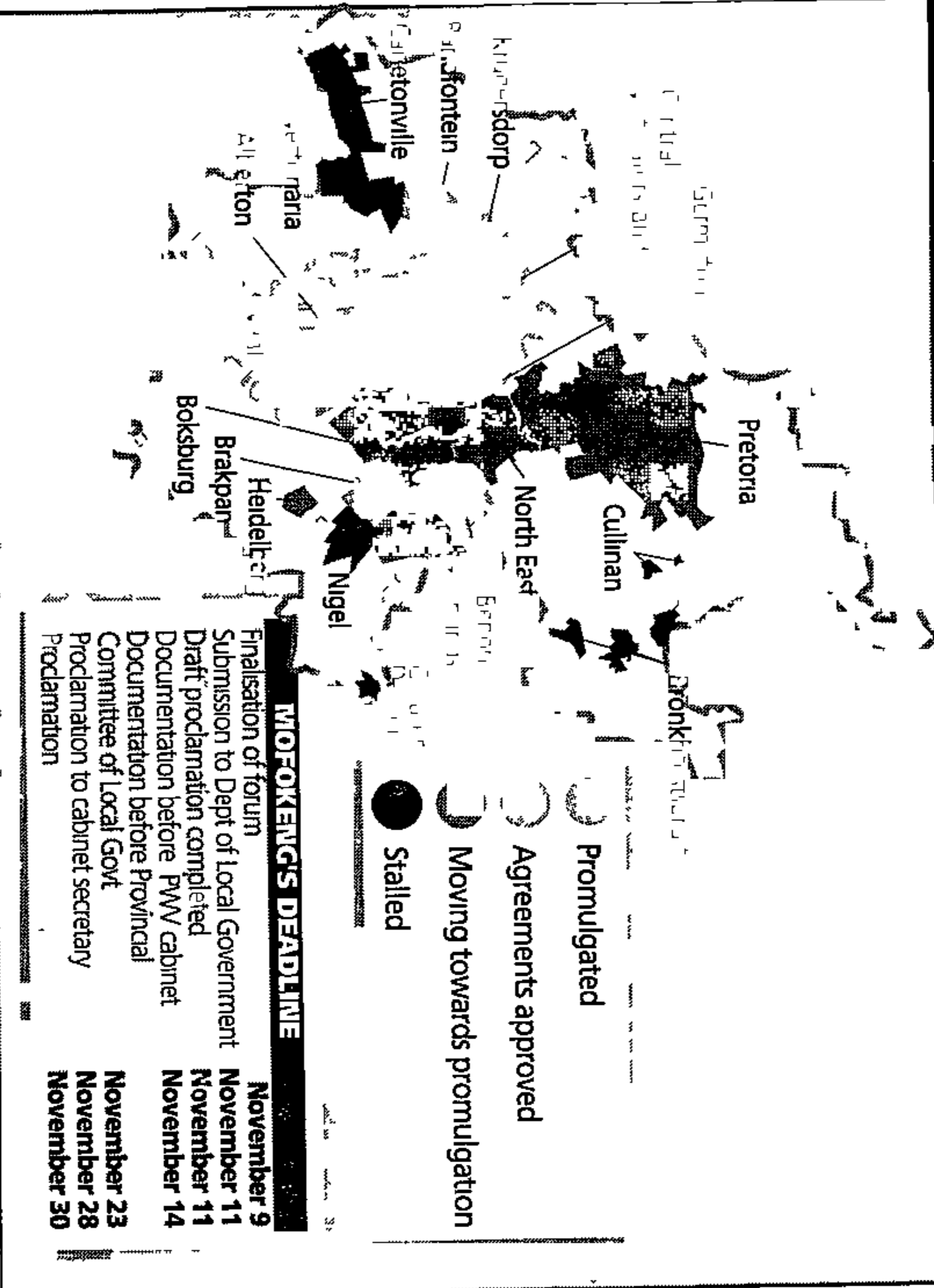
However, these should be finalised when the negotiations forum meets again on Tuesday, according to Vic Milne of the Metropolitan Chamber's secretary.

Milne said an amendment to the Transitional Local Government Act provided for the old councils to continue existing until the TMC was in place.

Negotiations for seats on the MSS of the Central Witwatersrand TMC — which incorporates municipalities from Randburg to Soweto and from Rodepoort to Kensington — have been marked by acrimonious disputes.

Ratepayers' groups have alleged they have been "stabbed in the back" as each has been allocated only one seat despite their membership being split up when new boundaries were drawn up. The proclamation of the TMC

PROGRESS ON PWV LOCAL GOVERNMENT STRUCTURES



agreement was initially delayed following a dispute — which was later settled by arbitration — over internal boundaries.

PWV Local Government MEC Dan Mofokeng has warned that negotiation forums for local government structures could have administrators imposed on them

if they did not finalise their agreements by November 9.

Only Brakpan and Randfontein have finalised transitional local government agreements. Negotiations at the Bronkhorst-spruit forum, the Weston forum and the forums in Cullinan, Greater Devon, Greater Nigel

and Carletonville have stalled completely.

Mofokeng said November 30 had been identified as the deadline for proclaiming all TMCs and transitional local councils, and all agreements would have to reach him by November 11 at the latest.

Tvl municipal body appeals

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THE Transvaal Municipal Association yesterday appealed to the parliamentary standing committee on constitutional development not to tamper with the Local Government Transition Act (266)

Professor Ben van den Berg of the TMA said the terms of the act were part of an agreement brokered between the TMA and the ANC at the World Trade Centre

The ANC and other government parties say the Kempton Park agreement no longer applies and that a new one must be negotiated — Sapa

Feud threatens R3bn job

By JACOB DIAMINI

A VIOLENT power struggle between the Thokoza Civic Association and ANC self-defence units is threatening to scupper the government's R3-billion reconstruction scheme on the East Rand.

Launched amid much fanfare last month, the Kathorus Project was hailed by Minister Without Portfolio Jay Naidoo and PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale as the first step to implement the Reconstruction and Development Programme.

The RDP scheme is aimed at clearing roads and rebuilding houses in the three Kathorus (Kathlehong, Thokoza and Vosloorus) townships.

But Mr Naidoo, the minister responsible for the RDP, has repeatedly warned that the programme would fail unless local government started delivering the goods and collecting rents and service payments.

All executive members of the civic association were in hiding this week after 13 of their members were attacked during a meeting at the Thokoza Old Age Home last Thursday.

The attack followed a meeting during which allegations of corruption and misconduct were levelled at the civic association by SDU members. Riffs, stamboks and knives were used and two civic association mem-



BACK TO THE BARRICADES . . . unless order is restored, youths may return to the streets to show their anger

bers, including chairman Peter Skonde, were admitted to hospital.

Work in Thokoza has been halted. Only about 30 of the damaged houses have been repaired and displaced families have not yet returned to their homes.

The Thokoza town council informed residents that money to repair and rebuild the houses had run out and they were still awaiting the allocation of

Stimmes

funds from the government. The assault appeared to have been the result of a feud over the handling of RDP resources and projects.

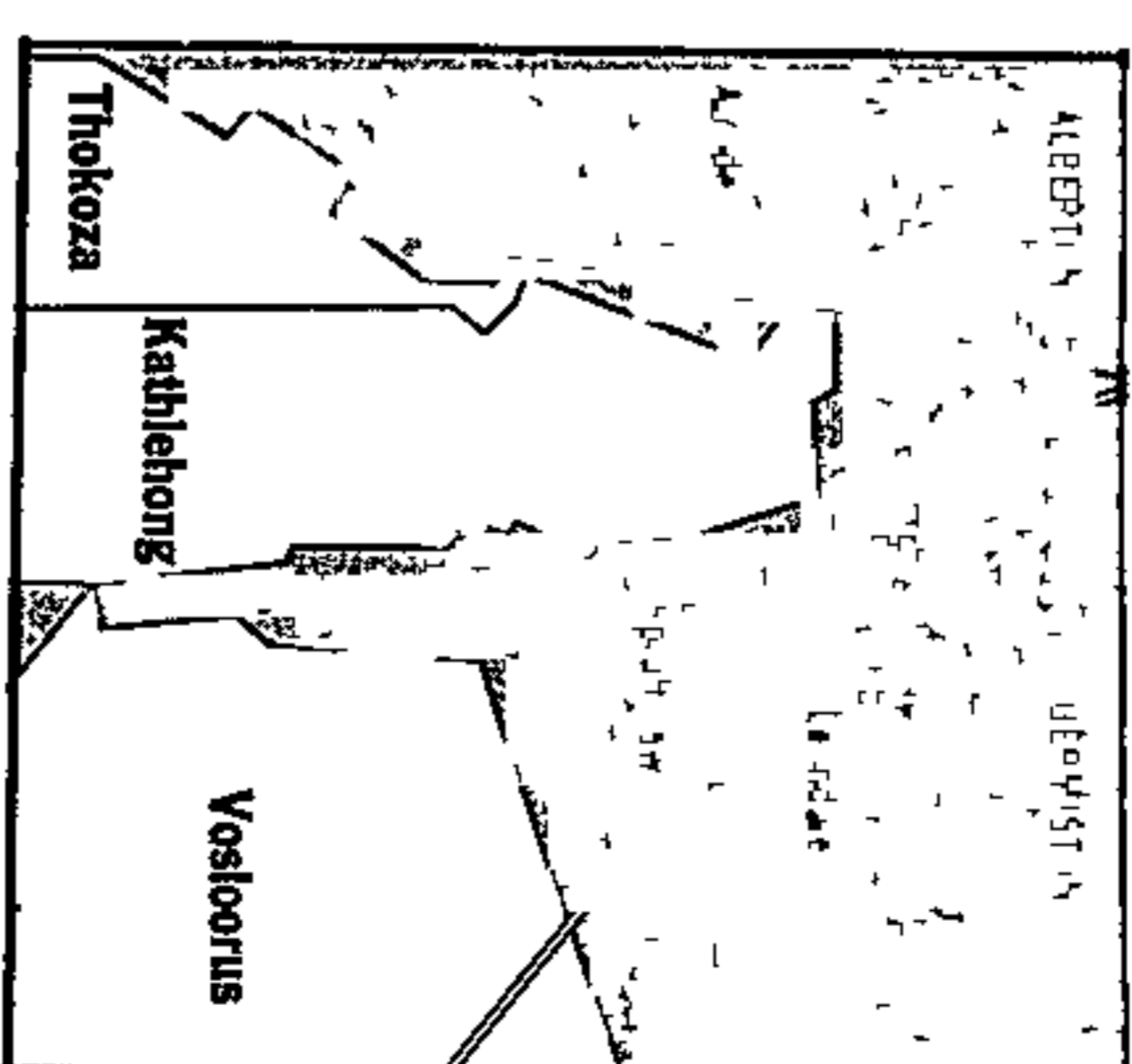
SDU chief commander Bonga Nkosi said "Most of our comrades lost their lives defending the residents of Thokoza."

"Now people who never fought want to be in the forefront of the RDP so that they can benefit from it. That's not fair."

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Thokoza ANC chairman Duma Nkosi said his organisation had accepted responsibility for the attack but blamed "individuals who were trying to ride on the back of the civic association for their own benefit."

Mr Nkosi said "There is no credible civic association in Thokoza" and all those who were assaulted were members of a defunct executive committee which "does not enjoy support". "Unless a proper structure is set up,



this conflict will have an adverse effect on the delivery of the RDP in the area. "We need to work together to create a proper and credible structure."

Mr Nkosi denied that the attack on the civic association members had been premeditated.

"For far too long these people insulted us, called us names and opposed every decision we took. "But we tolerated all that until we ran out of patience.

"We have apologised to the community and we hope it won't happen again," Mr Nkosi said.

Members of the association are, in hiding, and could not be reached for comment.

'Begin voter registration programmes'

■ BY CHARMEELA BHAGOWAT
CITY REPORTER

The PWV government has recommended that established transitional local councils begin voter registration programmes in preparation for local government elections next October

Urging all councils to reach agreement before November 30 — the deadline for the formation of transitional local councils (TLCs) and transitional metro-

politan councils — the provincial government warned it would appoint administrators if the deadline was not met

Midrand faces having an imposed administrator After failing to agree on whether the town should be part of the Pretoria, Johannesburg or North East Rand forum, the negotiating forum disintegrated.

Midrand town clerk Henry Lubbe said last-ditch efforts were being made to revive the

forum, which would meet tonight

■ The Randfontein and Krugersdorp TLCs have been proclaimed. (2bb)

■ Brakpan already has a TLC while Germiston, Alberton, Boksburg, Springs, Benoni and Nigel are awaiting proclamation.

■ Agreement has been reached at the North East Rand, Pretoria and Central Witwatersrand forums, but they are awaiting Cabinet approval

Zambian Defence Minister Ben Mwila, left, addresses a seminar on defence equipment co-
is new Defence Secretary Gen Pierre Steyn.

Right-wingers prepare for local govt elections

22/11/94
Wilson Zwane

THE right-wing Transvaal Municipal Association is setting up an organisation to contest the local government elections and is canvassing political parties to join it.

The TMA does not want political parties forming part of the statutory component — those involved in local government in the past — to take part in next year's elections separately from the organisation. These include parties such as the CP, NP, DP and Freedom Front. Local authorities also form part of the statutory component.

The new organisation, tentatively called Organisation for Self-determination in Municipalities (Osmu), was bound to have wider acceptance among voters than political parties such as the Freedom Front, the CP and the NP, it said. (2bb)

TMA president Paul Fouche said yesterday the CP would back the proposed organisation if it agreed with its constitution, which would be finalised on Thursday.

Fouche said it was a pity the Freedom Front had "jumped the gun" and announced its participation in the elections without considering whether the interests of statutory organisations could be best served by the new organisation.

According to reports, Freedom Front leader Gen Constand Viljoen has said his

party would — with or without the CP's participation — prepare for the poll

CP chief secretary Lem Theron said the party's participation depended on the outcome of negotiations between itself and government on the concept of volkstaat as well as those between itself and the TMA.

Sapa reports, meanwhile, that last week's passing of the Local Government Transition Amendment Act by Parliament has come under fire from United Municipal Executive president Frans Lourens.

Lourens said the Act empowered the President to scrap local government rights

Lourens, also president of the Transvaal Local Government Association, said in Pretoria the legislation ignored the principle of consultation.

"We have negotiated for months in the Local Government Forum with the government and other parties about the rights of local government.

He objected to a stipulation that local governments would have to be licensed to distribute electricity. Local government would decline if the distribution of electricity was taken from it, Lourens said.

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Transitional councils to write off (266) rent arrears

JOHANNESBURG Rent and service-charge arrears accumulated to January 31 this year will be written off, but arrears since then must be paid by residents, MECs and Minister of Provincial Affairs Roelf Meyer said in a joint statement yesterday.

They said debt accrued during rent and service-charge boycotts in townships country-wide was hindering the implementation of new local government bodies.

In terms of an agreement on finance and domestic services, they said, transitional local councils would be advised to write off arrears incurred by local authorities in predominantly white, coloured and Indian areas to January 31.

Central and provincial governments would help to settle "external debts" incurred to January 31 by local authorities in predominantly black areas, they said.

Regarding arrears accumulated since February 1, they said transitional local councils would be responsible for collecting these debts. Central and provincial governments would help in settling "external debts" incurred since this date.

Central government would ensure transitional local councils did not inherit debts incurred by black local authorities — Sapa

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140 000 houses to be handed to PWV tenants

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Banks vie to handle R14 billion

JOHANNESBURG. — Several banks attended a briefing by PWV Finance and Economic Affairs Minister Mr Jabu Moleketi on Friday on the regional government's commercial banking requirements (266)

Mr Moleketi said the intention was to award the tender for a period of three years from February 1, with a view to accounts being operational from April 1.

As the province's budget was estimated to be more than R14 billion a year, this would give the bank or banks that were chosen to hold accounts a significant boost, he said. The province's banking, investment, savings and loan accounts would all be awarded Under the recently passed PWV Exchequer Act, the provincial legislature could appoint its own bankers and create a provincial treasury. The main proviso for awarding the tender was that all accounts should be consolidated and closed off daily to minimise interest charges, Mr Moleketi said. CT 28/11/94

Reconstruction and Development Programme criteria would be used in choosing banks

'250 families have to use one toilet'

Soweto

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By Joshua Raboroko

THE Soweto Civic Association is to investigate claims that 250 families are using a single portable toilet at the Khptown squatter camp

The Soweto City Council hired 85 toilets for use by more than 22 000 squatters. SCA president Mr Isaac Mogase said they were concerned about the deteriorating standards of living at the camp. The council was contracted to pay more than R5 million to a privately owned company for the supply and servicing of mobile toilets.

However, certain people in the camp alleged that the toilets had been "sold"

to individuals who did not allow other residents to use them. Most residents said they used shallow pits or the veld.

A Soweto businessman said "certain elements" in the civic association were trying to "sabotage my portable toilet business by using squatters".

Mr Sam Matona, the first black to operate a toilet hire company in Soweto, said he was contracted to the council to supply and service portable toilets at the camp.

Soweto town clerk Mr Louis Geldenhuys confirmed the five-year contract with the company. He said he had received reports that the toilets were insufficient. No funds were available to buy more toilets, he added.

Launch of council (2bb) postponed 21 30 11 94

JOHANNESBURG. —

The launch of the Greater Johannesburg Transitional Metropolitan Council tomorrow has hit snags and its inaugural meeting has been postponed indefinitely.

The City Council in a statement yesterday said it was impossible to launch the TMC because of "administrative problems".

"The provincial administration of the PWV is experiencing administrative problems in getting the proclamation of the Greater Johannesburg Transitional Metropolitan Council ready in time for the launch date of December 1".

The statement added the event as well as a planned media briefing was being postponed. — Sapa

Optimism in spite of hitches

Nonracial local govt delayed once more

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■ BY PAULA FRAY
CITY EDITOR

The launch of nonracial local government in Greater Johannesburg has been delayed once more, but there is growing optimism that the move to transitional structures around the PWV will start gaining momentum again next week.

The process ground to a halt this week amid fears that the new structures, which merge previously racially separated areas, would be saddled with the debts and liabilities of the former black local authorities.

This culminated in a Pretoria court action in which the city council sought to restrain the promulgation of the Greater Pretoria Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) pending reassurances regarding these debts

After lengthy negotiations with the PWV government, the council withdrew its court application after a decision to insert a new clause in the agreement to cover this issue, Chris Vick, the PWV premier's communications director, said last night.

If accepted by the full Pretoria forum, the PWV Cabinet will request the provincial committee on local government to approve this and the agreements of Alberton, Benoni, Carletonville, Germiston, Springs and Westonaria in order for them to be promulgated.

Proclamation of the Greater Johannesburg TMC will only be discussed at a PWV Cabinet meeting on Wednesday.

The issue is further complicated by the granting yesterday of an urgent interdict brought by the Northern Areas Group

(NAG) restraining Premier Tokyo Sexwale from proclaiming any enactment which brings the TMC's metropolitan sub-structures (MSSs) into being.

NAG chairman Geoff Klass said last-minute court action had been taken only after Sexwale's refusal to mediate in their dispute. NAG members are unhappy they have been given only one seat on the MSS. (2/6)

Yesterday the Cabinet set up a subcommittee — consisting of Sexwale and MECs Dan Mofokeng and Olaus van Zyl — to look at progress in Heidelberg, Cullinan, Devon, Bronkhorstspuit, Vaal and Nigel, where agreements on the establishment of transitional structures have not been reached.

Only Randfontein, Krugersdorp and Greater Brakpan have transitional structures set up in the PWV, Vick said.

Creation of PWV local govts stopped

ET 1/12/94

JOHANNESBURG — The Rand Supreme Court yesterday granted an interdict to the Northern Areas Group (NAG) of residents and ratepayers, restraining the PWV government from proclaiming any more transitional, local government bodies. (266)

NAG said it had been excluded from new municipal bodies for Sandton and Roodepoort because of disagreement in negotiating forums. It said premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale had been unwilling to intervene and NAG felt obliged to take the matter to court.

Johannesburg City Council spokesman Mr Mojalefa Mokiso said it was up to the PWV legislature to sort out objections to the creation of the greater Johannesburg transitional metropolitan council.

● The PWV legislature said yesterday it had reached agreement with the Pretoria City Council on issues delaying a transitional local government structure for the greater Pretoria area — Sapa

New administration for Johannesburg gets nod

(266) NRC 3/12/94
JOHANNESBURG. — Sandton civic officials in the Northern Areas Group (NAG) have lost a court bid to prevent the promulgation of a new administration for this city.

The group asked the Rand Supreme Court to rule the Central Witwatersrand Transitional Metropolitan Council could not be established until it was granted time to gain more than one representative on the forum's municipal sub-structures.

But the court ruled that the group had failed to give the council enough time to answer the case and ordered it to pay the costs of the application.

Mr Justice Rex van Schalkwyk said. "It is incumbent on any party wishing to serve an order on a governing body to give such a body 72 hours' notice."

Judge Van Shalkwyk said the order had been served late on Tuesday for the following day.

New leader for Jo'burg

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — Civic leader Mr Isaac Mogase was elected chairman yesterday of the Greater Johannesburg Transitional Metropolitan Council — SA's first metropolitan government

Mr Mogase, an ANC official and Soweto Civic Association president, defeated the PAC's Mr Bonga Majola by 62 votes to 32

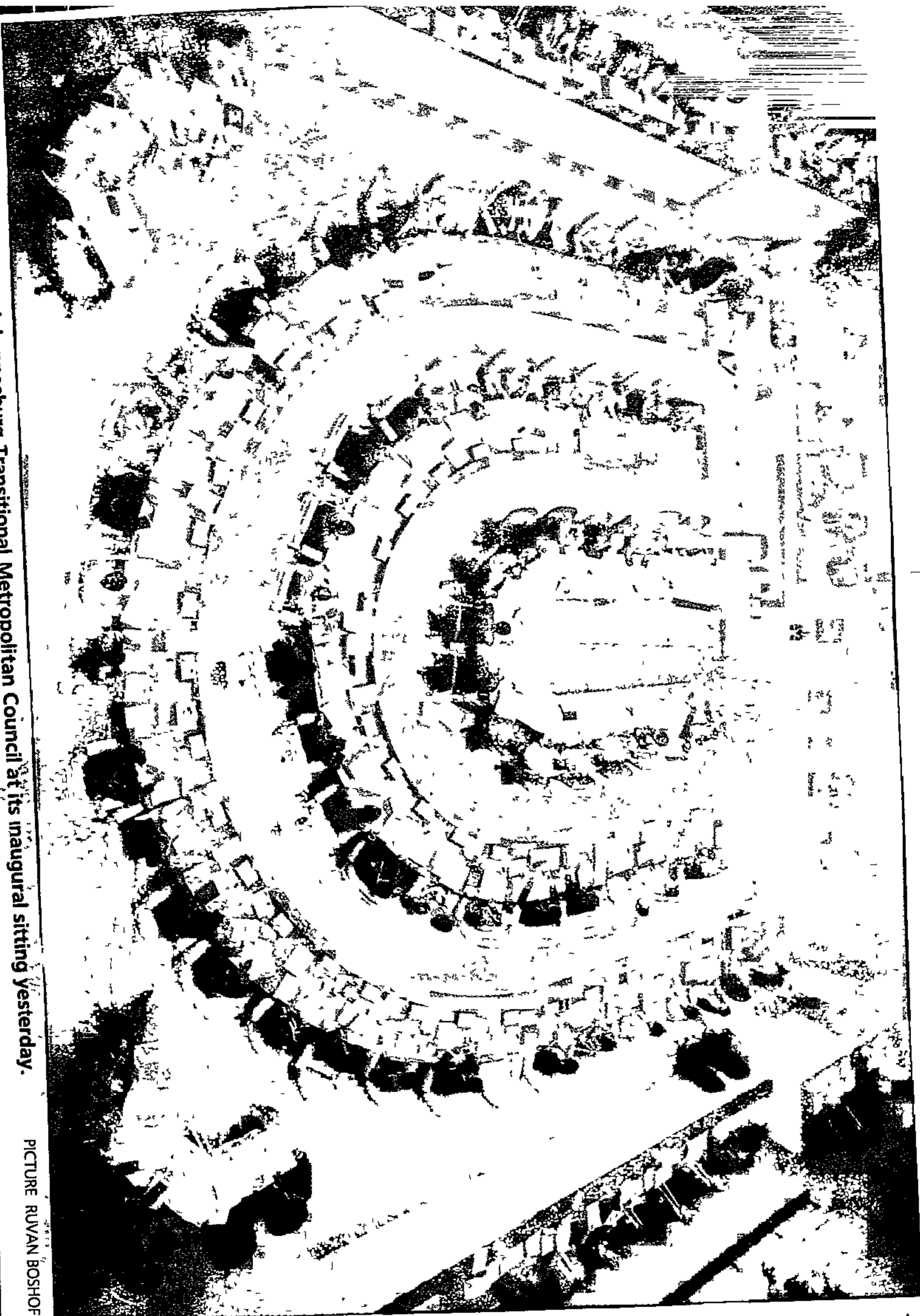
ANC negotiator Mr Colin Matjila was elected chairman of the council's 16-member executive committee.

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(266) He was elected unopposed after Mr Majola declined to stand against him.

Mr Sam Moss and Mr Jacobus Roets were elected as Mr Mogase's deputies.

Former Johannesburg town clerk Mr Nicky Padayachee was elected unopposed as the council's acting chief executive officer.

The council replaces the Central Witwatersrand Regional Services Council and several other municipalities, including Johannesburg, Roodepoort, Sandton and Randburg.



Historic day . . . the Greater Johannesburg Transitional Metropolitan Council at its inaugural sitting yesterday.

PICTURE RUVAN BOSHOFF

3 parties Share top TMC jobs

BY PAULA FRAY
CITY EDITOR

Severe labour pains gave birth to a "government of local unity" last night, with the top positions in the Greater Johannesburg Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) being shared by the ANC, NP and the Liberal Democratic Alliance.

ANC representative Isaac Mogase was voted as chairman of the TMC and local ANC



leader Colin Matjila was voted chairman of the executive committee

NP representative Koois Roets and the Liberal Democratic Alliance's Sam

Moss were voted deputy chairmen of the TMC. The

DP's Ian Davidson and the NP's Yakoob Makda were voted as deputy chairmen of the executive committee.

But the Metropolitan Com-

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munities Alliance (MCA) — consisting of eight ratepayers' federations and the Federal Party — has dismissed the executive committee elections as "an illegal sham", claiming the "pre-arranged committee was bulldozed through by an alliance of convenience between the ANC, DP and NP".

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As a system of proportional representation had not been not used, the MCA has formally registered protest and gave notice that legal action would be taken to have the executive committee election set aside.

New executive committee chairman Matjila said negotiators from the three main parties had decided that for the process to succeed it needed to be inclusive. However, the Act promulgated by PWV Premier Tokyo Sexwale at the weekend did not provide for two deputies and this vote needs to be taken back to the legislature for approval.

Matjila, elected unopposed as executive committee chairman, said the preparations for next year's local elections would be among the tasks facing the committee. Another priority was the provision and upgrading of services as well as the promotion of payment for these

Missing from the meeting, which was chaotic at times, was a previous frontrunner for the executive committee chairmanship, Cas Coovadia.

Coovadia resigned yesterday after months of what insiders described as a acrimonious power struggle within the non-statutory side of the TMC

"Cas Coovadia was sacrificed for the short-term interests of political parties," said Federal Party representative Frances Kendall "Also sacrificed was the best chance we had for rapid advances within this metropolitan council."

Coovadia yesterday declined to discuss the matter

The appointment of two deputies met fierce resistance from the PAC. "This is not about job creation," said PAC leader Bonga Majola, whose party joined the Community Alliance and the IFP in voting against two deputies

Johannesburg town clerk Professor Nicky Padayachee was appointed acting chief executive officer for the TMC.

He described his new role as "creating an administration of metropolitan unity".

A controversial proposal on the payment to TMC members was passed on to Exco after the forum was unable to reach agreement.

■ The 16-member executive committee, chaired by Matjila, consists of: Sizakele Nkosi (ANC), Eugene Robson (ANC), Ivor Isaacs (ANC), Lindsay Bremner (ANC), Patrick Flusk (ANC), Ronald Dubazane (ANC), Bonga Majola (PAC), Gorda Bekker (IFP), Sias Reyneke (DP), Yakoob Makda (NP), Ian Davidson (DP), Frans Lourens (NP), Tians Oosthuizen (NP), Pieter de Wet (NP), Frederick Ehlers (Ind) and Wilhe van Jaarsveld (CP)

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Gauteng adopted as name for PWV

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JOHANNESBURG — The PWV region has been renamed Gauteng, Sotho for "Place of Gold".

The new name for the Pretoria-Witwatersrand-Vereeniging province was adopted by the regional legislature yesterday.

However, it will become official only after it is changed by Parliament and promulgated by President Nelson Mandela, as late as March next year.

The ANC, PAC, IFP and African Christian Democratic Party supported the new name but the National Party voted for "Gauteng-Transvaal", the Freedom Front for Transvaal and the Democratic Party for "eGoli".

Light-hearted but often heated debate on the renaming included the FF's Mr Basie Smit asking with reference to the Afrikaans song "Sarie Marais": "How can we sing 'Bring my terug na die ou Gauteng'?"

"We don't want to sit at Ellis Park and shout for Gauteng," he added.

Premier Mr Tokyo Sexwale said Gauteng was a name of reconciliation because it was derived from the Dutch word for gold and added "We have to break with the past."

The IFP's Mr Humphrey Ndlovu said they supported it because the original inhabitants of the area were Sotho.

The meaning of Transvaal, however, was problematic. "beyond the Vaal, depending on which side of the Vaal you are... from where we are now, kwaZulu is trans of the Vaal."

The Johannesburg Chamber of Commerce and Industry last night said it was "relieved" the issue had been resolved and that the authorities could now concentrate on more important issues.

United Cricket Board of SA president Dr Ali Bacher said it was up to the Transvaal and Northern Transvaal cricket bodies to change their names, but he believed a name change would be "an appropriate gesture to the new SA and to the new Gauteng."

Sexwale moves to end Midrand crisis

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■ BY CHARMEELA BHAGOWAT
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The crisis blighting Midrand's negotiations for a transitional authority could draw to a bitter close this week, following the appointment of an arbitration committee by Gauteng Premier Tokyo Sexwale

The committee is expected to finalise the nomination of statutory and non-statutory councillors for the North East Rand Transitional Metropolitan Council (TMC) and its Greater Midrand metropolitan sub-structure (MSS) (206)

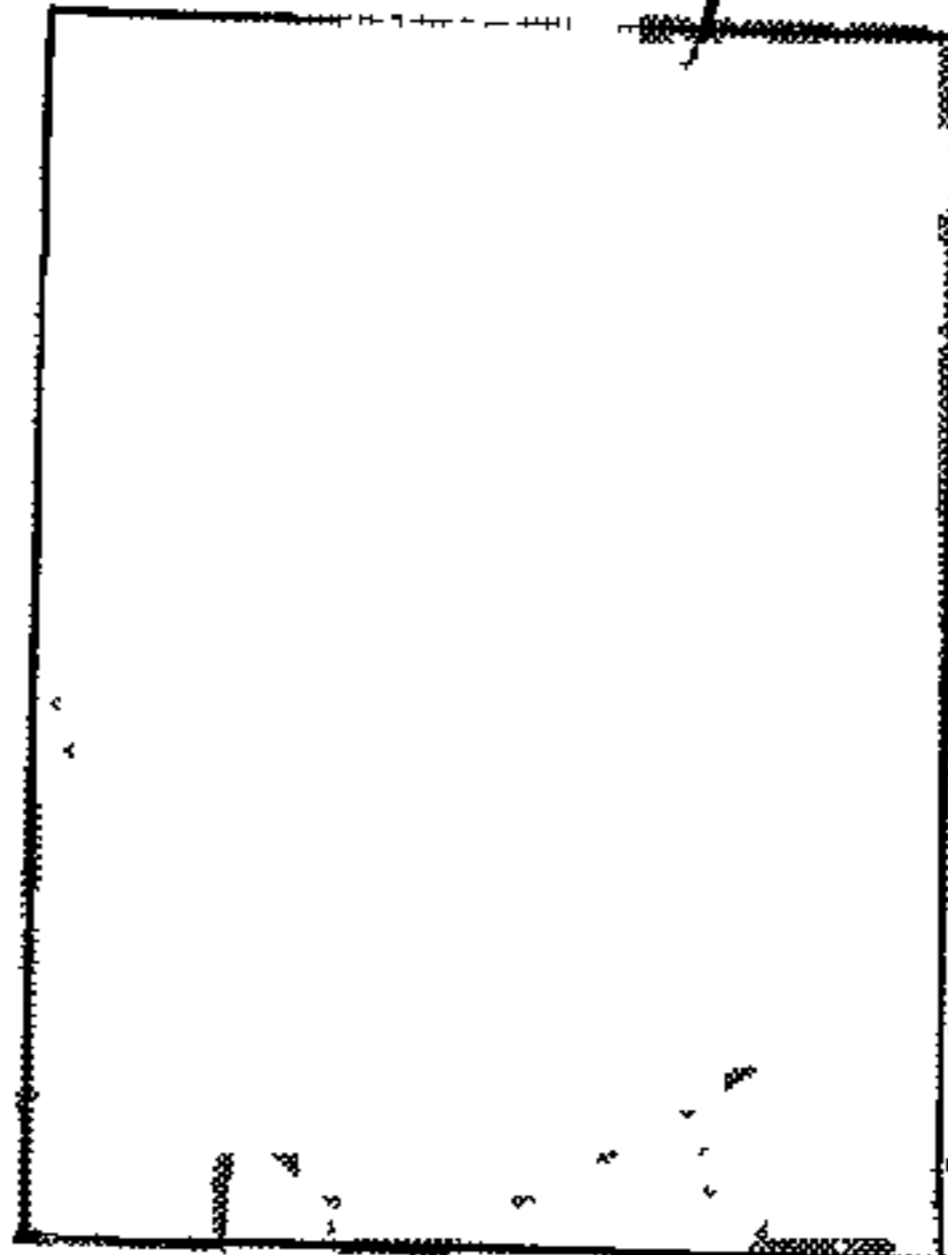
The committee's appointment comes soon after the Gauteng Cabinet, on recommendation from the Demarcation Board, decided to incorporate Midrand in the North East Rand TMC

The Cabinet had to intervene after negotiations in Midrand deadlocked and its decision to include Midrand in the North East Rand received strong opposition from Midrand's statutory component, which wanted Midrand incorporated into the Greater Pretoria TMC

In a statement issued on behalf of Midrand's statutory component, Midrand management committee chairman Gavin Heughan said the Demarcation Board's report to the Cabinet was based on "assumptions and incorrect criteria"

"The claim that the decision has been made on economic grounds is unacceptable as several reports and replies submitted proved the North East Rand option was not viable," he said

The ANC alliance, however, is happy with the decision and its



Sexwale has appointed arbitration committee

spokesman David Maphumulo said the incorporation into the North East Rand TMC would facilitate economic upliftment of the whole metropolitan region

The TMC can only be promulgated after the statutory side submits its list of representatives for the TMC and the MSS to the arbitration committee

According to the Gauteng government, the non-statutory side has already submitted its list of nominees to the committee

But the Midrand Town Council is still angry about its inclusion in the North East Rand forum, and the manner in which provincial government has treated its problems, and says it has not been given enough time to compile its list of nominees

"It does not seem to me to be a very democratic, transparent or inclusive decision. It seems as though they have ignored us and will continue to ignore us," said Heughan

Pretoria's metropolitan council inaugurated

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FORMER Pretoria mayor Cor Uys has been voted co-chairman of the Greater Pretoria Transitional Metropolitan Council's executive committee, a parallel post which eluded former Johannesburg mayor Piet Pretorius

The metropolitan council was launched yesterday and, unlike the Greater Johannesburg Transitional Metropolitan Council whose launch dragged on for hours, the proceedings were over in 45 minutes.

Uys (NP) will co-chair the executive committee with Donsie Khumalo (ANC), NJ van der M Stofberg (NP) and Peter Maluleka (ANC) were elected as the council's speakers.

Meanwhile, a source close to the Gauteng government said all interim structures, including two metropolitan councils — Vaal and Northeast Rand — would be promulgated by the end of next week.

The province would ask the Independent Mediation Services of SA to arbitrate over the Vaal council. It is understood that the establishment of this forum is being held up by a disagreement about how seats should be allocated.

The source said it was hoped that the Vaal arbitration would begin today.

Transitional local councils proclaimed in the province so far are Krugersdorp, Brakpan, Randfontein and Germiston.

In another development, the Greater Johannesburg Transitional Metropolitan Council's executive committee will ap-

point a task team to look into the remuneration of councillors on the council and its local authorities.

Sources say the team will, among other things, look into a proposal that ordinary council members be paid 25% of an ordinary national MP's salary, executive committee members 75% and council and executive committee chairmen 100%.

The sources say pending the team's recommendations and their adoption by the executive committee, those on the metropolitan council will, as an interim measure, be paid the same allowances as former Johannesburg councillors.

Metropolitan council and executive committee chairmen will get about R10 400, executive committee members R7 800 and ordinary councillors R2 600.

It is understood that the non-statutory component of the executive committee is set to oppose "dual remuneration" of councillors. Sources say there is consensus among the non-statutory organisations that councillors on the council and any of its substructures should be remunerated for only one of their positions.

Non-statutory organisations are those who — until the new Constitution — were not involved in local government. They include political parties such as the ANC, PAC, Inkatha Freedom Party as well as civic organisations.

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Gauteng to tackle inner city crisis

THE Gauteng Housing Board has set up a four-member task team to tackle the housing crisis in Johannesburg's inner city

Members of the team are board deputy chairman Moses Molefi and board members Linda Mngomezulu, James Ngobeni and Monty Narsoo (2b6)

An informed source said emphasis would be put on a request for subsidies by the Seven Buildings Project.

The source said the project needed urgent attention as an owner of the flats was seeking to evict people from three of them

The Seven Buildings Project is a scheme whereby families buy their flats through the acquisition of shareblocks

The Johannesburg Inner-City Alliance,

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which includes the ANC and community organisation Actstop, has called on the provincial government to convene a summit meeting by February to "address development and housing issues in the inner city in a holistic way".

It has also been learnt that the housing board is expected to discuss the Housing White Paper at its meeting on January 12. According to the source, the board would be required to come up with a position on the White Paper. BD 20/12/94

This position would be communicated to Gauteng housing and local government minister Dan Mofokeng

NEWS FEATURE 'The time for apartheid is over, let's operate in a democratic way'

Blacks move into the hot seats

NEW ROLES

Chairmen of newly

mixed councils:

By Joshua Raboroko

BLACKS ARE TAKING OVER leadership roles in the newly established Transitional Metropolitan Councils in Gauteng

Four transitional councils have elected blacks into positions of chairmen against fierce competition from their white counterparts

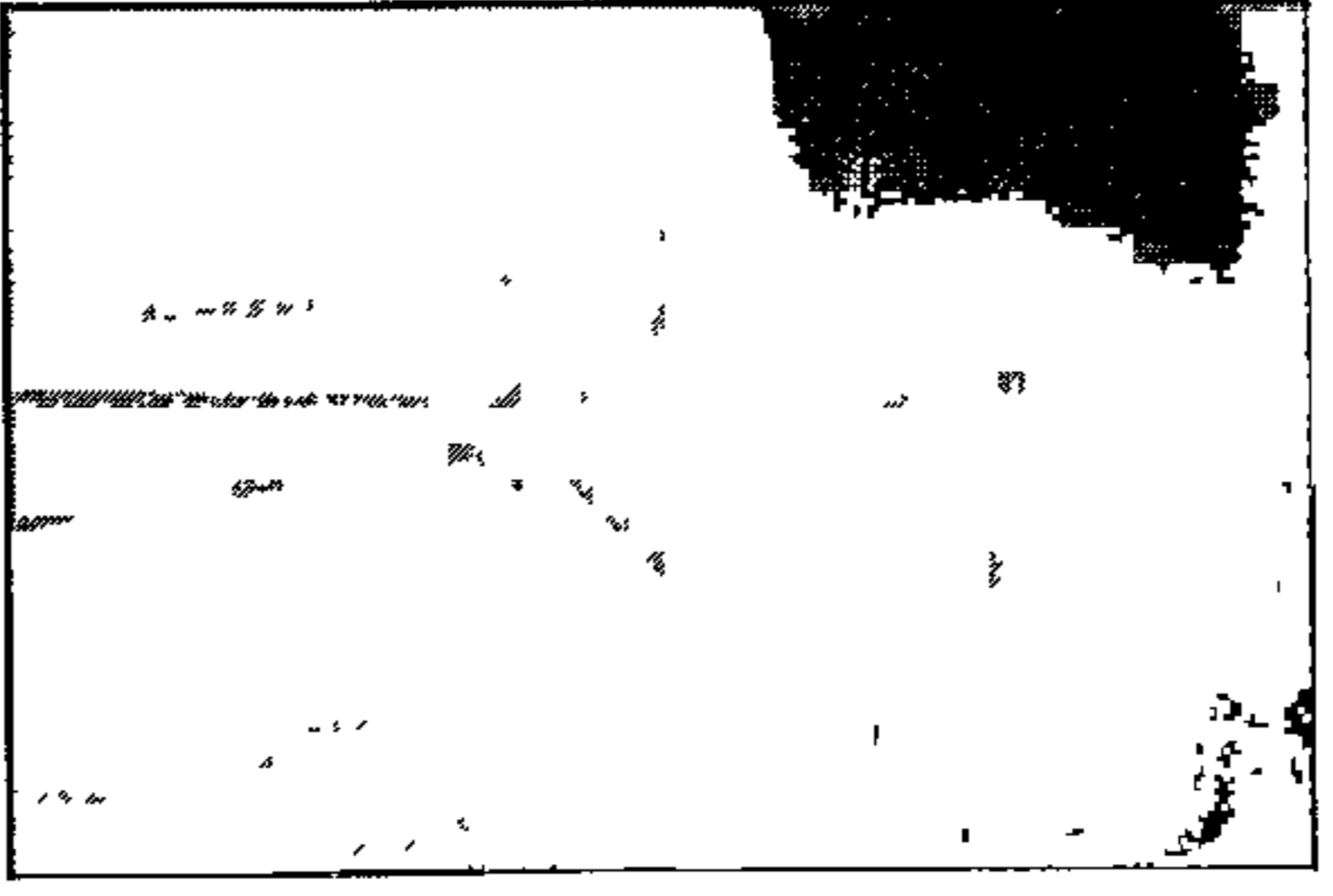
The black men in the hot seats are

● Veteran civic leader and ANC stalwart Mr Isaac Mogase who was elected chairman of the Greater Johannesburg Metropolitan Transitional Council,

● West Rand ANC Youth League branch member and Mohlakeng Civic Association leader Mr Thomas Seshoka who was elected chairman of the Randfontein Transitional Local Council

● Kagiso trade unionist Mr Stephen Motingoa who was elected chairman of the Krugersdorp Transitional Local Council on the West Rand, and

● Mr Martin Mthumunye, new chairman of the Benoni Local Transitional Council who was a member of the Daveyton Town Council until that body was dissolved



Isaac Mogase

civic politics, trade unions and they are all members of the ANC

As Mogase puts it "The time for apartheid is over. We must now run our towns and cities in a democratic way"

From the days of the old Advisory Boards, Urban Bantu Councils, Community Councils and Black Local Authorities, blacks who were involved in these structures were variously termed as "stooges, puppets, sell-outs" and other derogatory names

The UBCs crumbled after the 1976 uprisings

The community councils were introduced in 1977 after the collapse of the UBCs

The National Party government then enacted Black Local Authorities

Pressure groups were still not satis-



Thomas Seshoka

fed and demanded that blacks serving in those bodies resign

The 1984 protests by political and community-based organisations, trade unions and church leaders drove the last nail into the coffin of such black authorities

One of the main aims of the policy of apartheid was to channel the political aspirations of blacks away from the urban areas into the homelands

The establishment of the new interim councils means city and town councils in Gauteng will cede powers, assets and functions to the metro chambers until municipal elections are held next year

Mogase said the Reconstruction and Development Programme had the following objectives

● Meeting basic needs,



Martin Mthumunye

● Developing human resources,

● Building the economy, and

● Democratising the state and society

He said the lack of adequate housing and basic services in urban townships and informal settlements had reached crisis proportions

"We have to provide shelter for our people. The mushrooming of squatter camps and the invasion of flats is testimony to the need for more homes," he said

His council would explore all avenues, including talking to the Gauteng and central governments to make funds available to build homes

Seshoka—who controls Mohlakeng, Toekomsrus and the previously Conservative areas of Randfontein,

Dwarskloof and Hillside — says his main task will be to investigate alleged misuse of funds by his predecessors

He said no financial records had been kept by the Mohlakeng Town Council

He urged people to end the non-payment of tariffs "We must work together — black and white — to improve the standard of living of our people"

Motingoa's area covers Krugersdorp, Munsieville, Azadville and Kagiso. He plans to make the area a model for other towns through the implementation of RDP policies

With the need for housing in mind, the council is presently developing new townships

One of the cornerstones of the RDP is that low-cost housing should be situated close to work opportunities so that breadwinners do not have to travel long distances to work

Mthumunye, whose area covers Benoni, Daveyton and Wattville, said he would seek greater co-operation from black and white councillors

He believed in the principle of reconciliation as stated by President Mandela

One of his major tasks is to prepare a voter's roll in the informal settlements

"The next 10 months will be hectic for the transitional councils

"We have to prepare ourselves for fully fledged representative bodies," he said

The functions, duties and powers of the new councils include,

● Responsibility for the implementation of the RDP,

● Ensuring maximum direct participation in government at grassroots level in respect of planning, decision-making and service delivery

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