

NEWS FROM THE REGIONS

TRANSVAAL



Ms. Marcia Haak (above) recently appointed to the Idasa staff in the Transvaal region as a consultant.

NATAL



Mr. Paul Graham

IDASA opens Natal office

MR. Paul Graham has recently been appointed to the Idasa staff as regional director for Natal and can be reached at tel. (031) 701-6394.

Paul Graham was born in Durban, grew up in Moçambique and the Orange Free State, and returned to Natal to complete his education as a teacher. He worked for the Methodist Church's Christian Education and Youth Department as deputy and then general secretary responsible for South Africa and the front-line states. For the last 2 years he has been a tutor at the University of Natal Centre for Adult Education specialising in community organisation.

He is married to Marjorie, a community health nurse and has two young children, Emma and Benjamin.

NELSON ROLIHLAHLA MANDELA – a birthday greeting

IDASA deplores the fact that Nelson Mandela was not released from prison on his 70th birthday. However Idasa did, co-incidentally, celebrate his birthday with a historic Freedom Charter conference (see report in this issue)! The Institute wishes a speedy release and many more years of good health – to both him and his family. We reassure him that “your freedom and ours cannot be separated.”

Cry Freedom seized – “An Obscene Action”

THE Governments handling of this film will go down in history as mind-boggling, totalitarian and shameful! Mr. Michael Williams-Jones, the UK managing director of United International Pictures who are responsible for the distribution of the film, summed it up well when he described the seizure as “an obscene action”.

I had the privilege of seeing the film at the recent Berlin Film Festival. It was an excellent production. It was *not* inflammatory and would not incite racial hatred (reasons given for confiscating all copies of the film.). If anything, it is clear that the police action has done just that – infuriating thousands and exacerbating racial tensions. The film moved my wife and myself to tears!

**James Polley,
Media Consultant**

Freedom Charter Conference publication

THE twenty papers which make up the official proceedings at the recent Freedom Charter Conference are in the process of being published in paperback book form. Publication date is set for Monday 5 September, and enquiries regarding orders for the book can be directed to the National Office after that date (tel. 021-473127).

IDASA: OCCASIONAL PAPERS

- 1. Democracy and Government: A Post-Leninist Perspective**
Dr. Charles Simkins, Associate Professor of Economics, University of Cape Town.
- 2. Democracy and Law**
Advocate Arthur Chaskalson, National Director, Legal Resources Centre.
- 3. Democracy and Government: Towards a People's Struggle**
Presented by Mr. Andrew Boraine on behalf of the United Democratic Front.
- 4. Democracy and Business**
Mr Leon Louw, Director, Free Market Foundation.
- 5. Democracy and the Church**
Prof. J.W. de Gruchy, Professor of Christian Studies, University of Cape Town.
- 6. Democracy and the Media**
Mr. J. Latakgoma, Editor, *The Sowetan*.
Democracy and Education
Mr. M. Ralawe, Chairman, NEUSA (Eastern Cape Region).
Democracy and Labour
The late Mr Eric Mntonga, Regional Co-Ordinator, IDASA (Border Region).
- 7. The Dynamics of Reform & Revolt in Current South Africa**
Dr. F. van Zyl Slabbert – A Three Part Talk as Tanner Lecturer, Brasenose College, Oxford, October/November 1987. **Lecture 1: From Apartheid to Reform: The Ideological Preparation for the Total Onslaught.**
- 8. The Dynamics of Reform & Revolt in Current South Africa**
Dr. F. van Zyl Slabbert. **Lecture 2: The Dynamics of Reform: Co-optive Domination – Sharing Power without Losing Any.**
- 9. The Dynamics of Reform & Revolt in Current South Africa**
Dr. F. van Zyl Slabbert. **Lecture 3: The Dynamics of Reform: Patterns of Resistance and Revolt.**
- 10. Dakar Report Back**
Dr. Alex Boraine, Executive Director, IDASA, Cape Town (4.8.87).
- 11. The Dakar Reports: Responses from Sixteen Delegates.**

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