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The Bantu Affairs Administration Act of 1971 provides for combining several prescribed areas under the administration of one Bantu Affairs Administration Board (a prescribed area is one which has been declared prescribed in the Government Gazette: in practice it is any area which is considered to be a "white" area but where a large number of Africans live and work). As the Boards are established they take over all responsibility for African affairs, including labour and township administration from local authorities.

Each Board (more than 22 have so far been established) is a self-supporting body and is not financially assisted by the State or any other institution. The Board's finances accrue from levies and fees (registration, transport etc.) paid by employers for their African workers: from rentals, levies, licences etc. paid by Africans living in the prescribed areas; and from "Bantu" beer profits.

The rate of development of facilities for Africans will depend on the amount of revenue collected by the Boards. The following advertisement appeared in a Natal newspaper in April 1974.

DRAKENSBERG BANTU AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATION BOARD WHITE STAFF VACANCIES

1. Plant Technician

(Estcourt)
R5 700 x 300—R6 300
Qualified Electro/mechanical Millwright. Previous experience in maintenance of brewery-type plant and equipment will be a recommendation.

2. Technical Assistant

(Wembezi, Estcourt)
R4 800 x R300—R5 700

Experience in general municipal engineering work, road survey; water supply and buildings. Preference will be given to applicants holding the National Technical Diploma and having a working knowledge of Zulu.

3. Brewer Grade 1

(Estcourt)
R4 200 x R150—R4 800
Matriculation, bilingual, working knowledge of Zulu, and previous brewing experience. Preference will be given to applicants holding the Brewer's Certificate.

4. Beer Overseer

Grade 11
(1 in Howick)
(1 in Pietermaritzburg)
R3 450 x R150—R4 050
Std. VII, bilingual and a working knowledge of Zulu. To supervise liquor and Bantu Beer Sales.

GENERAL

- (a) Commencing salary will be according to qualifications and experience.
- (b) Generous annual and sick leave privileges.
- (c) Annual leave bonus R260 per annum for married and R130 per annum for single employees.
- (d) Medical Aid and Pension Funds, 50 per cent of contributions paid by the Board.
- (e) 100 per cent Housing and housing subsidy.
- (f) Removal costs paid by the Board.
- (g) Five Day Week.

Footnote.

A clerk in the breweries of the Drakensberg Bantu Affairs Board starts on the same salary as a qualified doctor or dentist in the Natal Provincial service. A brewery manager employed by the board earns R6 000 a year; a physicist with a four year university degree starts at R4 200 in the provincial service. Women typists working for the Board are on a scale of R1 680 a year to R3 450. A provincial traffic officers' scale is R1 320 to R2 400.

The salaries in "Footnote" are quoted from The Natal Daily News.□

EDITORIAL BOARD:

Chairman: Mr A. Paton
Board: Mr H. J. Bhengu, Prof. E. H. Brookes,
Mrs M. Corrigan, Mrs M. Dyer, Prof. C. O. Gardner,
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