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*THE HONOURABLE THE MINISTER OF BANTU ADMINISTRATION
AND DEVELOPMENT.*

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Natives Resettlement Board for the year ended 31st March, 1959.

It can rightly be said that good progress was made with the Board's work during the financial year. This progress took place in spite of the fact that certain technical posts on the Establishment of the Board could not be filled. A good spirit of co-operation exists between the Board and its staff and I would like to avail myself of this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to all who contributed towards the smooth execution of the Board's work.

On the 31st March, 1959, there were 11,447 houses completed in connection with the scheme. Of these 3,311 were constructed during the year under review. On the date of this report (9th October, 1959) 12,252 houses had been completed while a further 1,050 were in various stages of construction.

During the year under review good progress was made in regard to the purchase and registration of properties in the Sophiatown and Martindale areas. At the close of the year, 1,073 out of about 2,000 properties had already been registered in the Board's name, while a further 188 properties had been purchased but not registered. The replanning of the Sophiatown and Martindale areas is receiving attention and to expedite the development, the areas are being cleared from the eastern side as expeditiously as possible.

Since February, 1959, Natives residing in Alexandra township and who are employed in the Municipal area of Johannesburg have been resettled. Resettlement takes place on a voluntary basis. From the 16th February to the 9th October, 1959, 2,063 families have been removed from Alexandra to Meadowlands and Diepkloof. The work is greatly facilitated by the fact that removals are carried out on a voluntary basis. When all the volunteers have been disposed of, notices in terms of the Resettlement Act to compel the Natives to move will be served.

The new locations have a great attraction for the Natives and the residents are happy and contented.

W. H. L. HECKROODT,
*Chairman : Natives
Resettlement Board.*

P.O. Box 9848,

Johannesburg.

26th January, 1960.

NATIVES RESETTLEMENT BOARD.

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(1) CONSTITUTION AND MEETINGS OF THE NATIVES RESETTLEMENT BOARD.

(a) CONSTITUTION OF THE BOARD.

Under Government Notices Nos. 1576, and 1577, dated 30th June, 1954, the Natives Resettlement Board was constituted in terms of Act No. 19 of 1954. At the beginning of the year the Board was constituted as follows:—

Chairman.

MR. W. H. L. HECKROODT.

Members.

The Honourable the Deputy Minister of Bantu Administration and Development.

Mr. F. E. Mentz, M.P.

Mr. C. A. Heald.

Mr. W. Bührmann.

Mr. L. Botha.

Mr. I. Steyn.

Mr. A. Immink.

Mr. P. Z. J. van Vuuren,
M.E.C.

Mr. J. Klipin.

Alternate members.

The Honourable the Minister of Bantu Education.

Mr. W. A. Maree, M.P.

Mr. G. White.

Mr. J. H. van der Walt.

Mr. J. F. de Wit.

Mr. J. C. B. Schoeman.

Mrs. J. B. Waring.

Mr. E. Cuyler.

Vacant.

Secretary.

MR. I. P. VAN ONSELEN.

The following changes in the constitution of the Board took place during the year:—

- (a) Mr. G. J. van der Merwe was appointed as alternate member of the Board *vice* Mr. J. J. O'Connor who resigned (G.N. No. 887, dated 27th June, 1958).
- (b) Mr. P. Z. J. van Vuuren resigned in consequence of his appointment as *M.E.C.*
- (c) Mr. E. Cuyler was appointed as member of the Board *vice* Mr. P. Z. J. van Vuuren who resigned (G.N. No. 1725, dated 21st November, 1958).
- (d) Mr. H. C. Pieterse was appointed as alternate member *vice* Mr. E. Cuyler (G.N. No. 1724, dated 21st November, 1958).
- (e) Mr. E. Cuyler was appointed as a member of the Executive Committee and Chairman of various sub-committees.

(b) MEETINGS.

As provided in the Act the Natives Resettlement Board met regularly once a month during the year. Members take an active interest in the work of the Board and attend meetings regularly.

The Executive Committee held 19 meetings during the year. The following meetings were held by the sub-committees:—

- (a) Finance sub-committee—twenty-six meetings.
- (b) Sub-committee dealing with the allocation of business and church sites—nine meetings.
- (c) Sub-committee dealing with the allocation of stands and the sale of houses at Diepkloof—four meetings.

(d) Sub-committee dealing with the ethnic grouping in locations under the control of the Board—nil.

(e) Sub-committee dealing with applications for resettlement—twenty meetings.

(f) Sub-committee dealing with the rezoning of Sophiatown and Martindale—two discussions.

Minutes of all meetings were kept and confirmed by the Board.

(2) CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL OF JOHANNESBURG AND THE NATIVES RESETTLEMENT BOARD.

The Natives Resettlement Act provides that the City Council of Johannesburg may be obliged to do certain work. The Board has, however, at all times endeavoured to co-operate with other bodies. The City Council of Johannesburg was requested to provide essential services in the areas under development by the Board. The co-operation between the Board and the City Engineer's Department and the Electricity Department of the City Council is cordial and conducive to the work.

To ensure that the buildings are erected according to the standards of the City Council, the Council was requested to appoint a liaison officer. A senior officer of the City Council serves in this capacity. Plans for public buildings are also referred to the City Engineer. This arrangement works well. Notwithstanding comments of minor importance made from time to time, a standard acceptable to the City Engineer is maintained.

Co-operation with the Health Department of the City Council resulted in the removal of the occupants from slum declared properties and the demolition of the buildings. This co-operation is continuing and there is every reason to believe that it will bear fruit and result in the provision of improved housing conditions for Coloured persons in Newclare.

It has been arranged with the Non-European Affairs Department of the City Council to rehouse those Natives in the Western Areas who do not qualify for resettlement by the Board but who are lawfully within the Johannesburg urban area. The co-operation of the Natives in this respect was disappointing. This arrangement is, however, being continued in an endeavour to remove the Natives from the Western Areas as soon as possible.

(3) DESIGNATION OF THE BOARD AS AN URBAN LOCAL AUTHORITY.

Under Proclamation No. 243 of 1954 the Board was designated as an urban Local Authority for the application of certain provisions of the Natives (Urban Areas) Consolidation Act, 1945 (Act No. 25 of 1945) in the Meadowlands East location and at Diepkloof. Under Proclamation No. 85, dated 29th March, 1957, and Proclamation No. 69, dated 31st March, 1958, the Board was designated as an urban local authority for the application of further provisions of the Natives (Urban Areas) Consolidation Act, 1945 (Act No. 25 of 1945).

Under Proclamation No. 86, dated 29th March, 1957, and under Proclamation No. 87, dated 29th March, 1957, the Board was designated as an urban Local Authority for the application of certain provisions of the Natives (Urban Areas) Consolidation Act at the hostel site and

Meadowlands West location respectively. Both Proclamations have been amended by Proclamation No. 69, dated 21st March, 1958.

Under Proclamation No. 244 of 1954 the Board was designated as an urban local authority for the application of certain provisions of the Natives (Urban Areas) Consolidation Act in the specified areas of Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare. This Proclamation was amended by Proclamation No. 84, dated 29th March, 1957, Proclamation No. 69, dated 21st March, 1958, and Proclamation No. 285, dated 5th December, 1958.

Regulations in connection with the expropriation of property were published under Government Notice No. 61, dated 11th January, 1957.

(4) STAFF OF THE BOARD.

The Board's work is carried out under its direction and control by—

- (1) officers in the Public Service seconded temporarily to the service of the Board;
- (2) officers in the service of the City Council who may, by arrangement with the Council, be seconded temporarily to the service of the Board;
- (3) other persons appointed by the Board on such terms and conditions as may be approved by the Minister of Bantu Administration and Development in consultation with the Minister of Finance.

Up to the 31st March, 1959, no officers in the service of the City Council of Johannesburg had been seconded to the service of the Resettlement Board.

The following posts had been approved up to the 31st March, 1959:—

(a) ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL.

- (i) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (a) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Administrative Control Officer.....	1
Senior Administrative Officer.....	1
Accountant, Grade II.....	1
Administrative Officer.....	3
Assistant Accountant.....	2
Clerical Assistant, Grade I (1 vacant)	2
Clerical Assistant, Grade II (1 vacant)	2
Native Messenger.....	1
Native Constable.....	1

- (ii) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (c) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Senior Administrative Officer.....	1
Clerical Assistant, Grade I (1 vacant)	11
Clerical Assistant, Grade II.....	4
European Census Enumerators (20 vacant).....	30
Typist (1 vacant).....	2
Woman Assistant.....	1
Native Location Constable.....	1

(b) PROFESSIONAL AND GENERAL: MEADOWLANDS.

- (i) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (a) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Engineer, Grade I.....	1
Engineer, Grade II (vacant).....	1
Senior Professional Officer (surveyor)	1
Engineer, Grade III (vacant).....	1
Engineer, Grade IV (vacant).....	1
First Engineer's Assistant.....	1
Works Overseer.....	1
Senior Mechanic.....	1
Assistant Cost Accountant.....	2

- (ii) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (c) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Part-time Engineer, Grade II.....	1
Architect, Grade III.....	1
Clerical Assistant, Grade I.....	16
Senior Inspector of Works.....	2
Technical Assistant.....	1
Senior Inspector of Works (1 vacant)	1
Works Overseer.....	14
Works Foreman (4 vacant).....	8
Senior Storekeeper.....	1
Mechanic.....	1
Native Clerk.....	1
General Handyman (1 vacant).....	2
Native Bricklayer, Carpenter, Painter, Glazer, Pipelayer, Plumber, Time-keeper, Truck Driver.....	400
Native Watchmen and Labourers...	900

(c) CONTROL OF LOCATIONS.

- (i) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (a) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Senior Superintendent of Locations..	1
Superintendent of Locations (1 vacant)	8

- (ii) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (c) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Assistant Superintendent of Locations (6 vacant).....	9
Clerical Assistant, Grade I.....	6
Bookkeeper-cashier (2 vacant).....	9
Works Overseer (Maintenance).....	2
Native Location Clerk (7 vacant)...	28
Native Location Sergeant (15 vacant)	32
Native Location Constable (27 vacant)	81

(d) CONTROL OF NATIVE HOSTELS.

- (i) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (a) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Superintendent of Native Hostels....	1

- (ii) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (c) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Assistant Superintendent of Native Hostels (2 vacant).....	3
Native Location Clerk (5 vacant)...	6
Native Location Sergeant (3 vacant).	6
Native Location Constable (28 vacant)	40
Native Labourer (cleaner) (38 vacant)	50

(e) CONTROL OF BEERHALL.

- Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (c) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Beerhall Overseer.....	1
Native Cashier (2 vacant).....	2
Native Server (1 vacant).....	2
Native Sergeant.....	2
Native Constable.....	10
Native Labourer.....	5

(f) INFLUX CONTROL.

(i) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (a) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Influx Control Officer.....	1
Assistant Influx Control Officer.....	1
Native Location Clerk.....	1

(ii) *Appointments in terms of section 9 (1) (c) of Act No. 19 of 1954.*

Rank.	Number of Posts.
Clerical Assistant, Grade I.....	1
Native Location Constable (1 vacant)	4

The appointment of staff in terms of section 9 (1) (c) at a salary up to and including the maximum salary of £1,080 per annum enables the Board to recruit suitable staff.

Difficulty is still being experienced in recruiting permanent technical staff and in spite of efforts by the Secretary for Bantu Administration and Development and the Board, the vacant posts of Engineer, Grade II, Engineer Grade III and Engineer, Grade IV, could not be filled.

Other vacant posts will be filled when justified by circumstances and suitable persons for appointment are recruited.

Approval was also obtained during the financial year for the adjustment of the salaries of the Board's 9 (1) (c) European and Non-European personnel in accordance with the new Public Service salary scales.

(5) THE SPECIFIED AREAS.

(1) *Influx Control.*—In terms of Proclamation No. 24 of 1959, dated 16th February, 1959, the area known as Alexandra Township was added to the schedule to Act No. 19 of 1954 as a specified area. The Board has not been designated as an urban local authority for the

purpose of the application of the provisions of the Natives (Urban Areas) Consolidated Act, No. 25 of 1945, in Alexandra Township. The Peri-Urban Areas Health Board therefore, enforces influx control prior to the removal of Natives. When the Natives have been removed to those areas controlled by the Board, influx control is enforced by the Board's Influx Control Officer.

In respect of the areas Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare the Board has been designated as an urban local authority for the purpose of the application of section 10 of Act No. 25 of 1945.

As there were no records of the persons who resided in the specified areas of Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare, the Board decided to take a census of the areas. The Influx Control Officer compiled records of all Natives who reported for influx control purposes. These records are progressively supplemented as Natives from Alexandra and other specified areas are resettled. The records are useful and facilitate the consideration of cases of Natives who are required to report from time to time for influx control purposes.

In view of the fact that all Native tenants lawfully resident in Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare are already resettled, comparatively few cases from the areas referred to report to the Influx Control Officer. Only a small number of Native owners who are negotiating with the Board for the purchase of their properties are lawfully in the three townships. The Influx Control Officer now mainly deals with applications from Natives resident in Meadowlands and Diepkloof, for the renewal of their permission to reside in the areas referred to and compiles records in respect of Natives resettled from Alexandra.

During the financial year the Influx Control Officer dealt with 41,181 cases. Of these 37,158 were approved and 4,023 refused.

In Pageview influx is controlled by the City Council of Johannesburg. Only a small number of Natives still have to be resettled from this area.



House in Newclare being renovated for occupation by Coloureds after removal of Natives.

(2) *Purchase of Property.*—To effect the removal of all non-Europeans from Sophiatown and Martindale and to replan the area, the Board decided to purchase all the properties which do not belong to Europeans. Buildings on properties belonging to the Board where removals have been effected may be demolished to avoid unauthorised occupation. Unauthorised occupation, however, still takes place on properties which are not owned by the Board. In Newclare, an area set aside for occupation by Coloureds, properties are mainly purchased from Natives.

By Proclamation No. 153 of 1956, dated 3rd August, 1956, the areas east of Good and west of Best Streets in Sophiatown were proclaimed areas for European occupation with effect from the 3rd August, 1957, and for European ownership with effect from the 3rd August, 1956. By Proclamation No. 233 of 1958, dated 9th October, 1958, the area west of Good and east of Gibson Streets in Sophiatown was proclaimed as an area for European occupation and ownership with effect from 9th October, 1958. As a result of the above-mentioned Proclamations the Board concentrated on purchasing the properties in the areas concerned as soon as possible. There were, however, owners who were not prepared to co-operate with the Board for the purchase of their property by negotiation. The Board was therefore compelled to expropriate the properties of Natives in terms of the Natives Resettlement Act and those of non-Natives under delegated powers in terms of the Group Areas Development Act. During the financial year 29 Native owned and 20 non-Native owned properties were expropriated. As a result of the expropriation large numbers of other owners negotiated with the Board for the sale of their properties.

During the financial year 412 properties in the specified areas of Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare were purchased by the Board and registered in its name. The properties purchased since the inception of the scheme up to the 31st March, 1959, are reflected below:—

Township.	Registered in name of Board.	Purchased but not yet Registered.	Total.
Sophiatown.....	928	148	1,076
Martindale.....	145	40	185
Newclare.....	42	11	53
	1,115	199	1,314

As Alexandra Township will continue to exist as a Native residential area under the control of the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board and only those Natives who are employed in Johannesburg and are resident in Alexandra will be resettled, no property in Alexandra is being purchased by the Board.

The Resettlement Board has also agreed to resettle the Natives resident at Kensington "B". Properties will be purchased here. This area has, however, not yet been proclaimed a specified area.

(3) *Leases.*—Where property is registered in the name of the Board, it is the policy of the Board to demolish the buildings on the stands east of Gibson and west of Best Streets, as soon as possible after registration. If Natives who qualify for resettlement are found there they are removed to either Meadowlands or Diepkloof. Non-Natives are moved to alternative accommodation belonging to the Board deeper into Sophiatown. Where possible, Coloured persons are removed direct to Newclare.

At the beginning of the financial year there were 1,007 tenants on properties belonging to the Board. Contracts were entered into with new tenants during the year. Some tenants were removed to Meadowlands. The

contracts of others were terminated due to failure to pay rent or voluntary vacation. At the close of the financial year there were 536 tenants on properties belonging to the Board.

(4) *Removals.*—The first removal of Natives from Sophiatown and Martindale took place on the 9th February, 1955. By the end of March, 1958, 7,559 families numbering 35,560 persons were resettled at Meadowlands Location. On the same date there were 20 families resettled at Diepkloof (house-owner scheme) and 846 single men in the hostels.

During the financial year the routine removals of all Native tenants lawfully resident in Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare was completed. On the 16th February, 1959, the removal of Natives from Alexandra Township commenced.

Including the Natives from Alexandra (473 families), 2,983 families were removed to Meadowlands and 80 families to Diepkloof (house-owner scheme) during the financial year. During the year 205 families left the Meadowlands Location. On the 31st March, 1959, there were thus 10,337 families numbering 49,473 persons resettled in Meadowlands. There were 100 families numbering 538 persons resettled in Diepkloof.

In regard to the resettlement of single women the Board decided to house them in groups of two and more in houses. At the end of the financial year there were 58 women in 29 houses.

With regard to single men, the experience is that a comparatively small percentage of the Natives who originally appeared on the census moved to the hostels. This is attributed to the fact that they normally do not stay for any length of time at one place and that many of them had already left the areas. At the end of the financial year there were 1,595 residents in the hostels. This total includes 80 Vlakfontein students and a number of the Boards' employees.

At the request of the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board, the Board decided provisionally to remove Natives from Alexandra on a voluntary basis. When the necessity arises, notices in terms of the provisions of the Natives Resettlement Act will be served on those Natives who have to be resettled.

(5) *Demolition of Buildings.*—Most of the buildings in Sophiatown and Martindale are old and inferior. It was accordingly resolved to demolish buildings on stands purchased and registered in the name of the Board as soon as they are vacated by the occupants. The better type of buildings are provisionally used for the housing of non-Natives until accommodation for Coloureds and Indians becomes available. A contract was entered into with a demolition contractor. A contract was entered into with a demolition contractor. He demolishes the buildings and removes the rubble. The Board receives £18. 10s. 0d. per stand and the contractor takes the serviceable material. During the year buildings on 369 stands belonging to the Board were demolished. Together with the 562 demolished during the previous financial years, there were 931 stands belonging to the Board on the 31st March, 1959, on which the buildings had been demolished. Owing to the large number of properties given to the contractor for demolition he has not been able to keep abreast with the removal of the rubble. Pressure is, however, being brought to bear on him to make up the backlog. In co-operation with the Health Department of the City Council of Johannesburg the residents of 77 slum-declared properties were removed and the buildings demolished. The Health Department is now taking active steps in Newclare in terms of the Slums Act.

As Newclare will not be replanned as a whole, the buildings on stands purchased by the Board in this area are not demolished. The buildings are renovated and let to Coloureds for whom the area has been proclaimed.



Eastern portion of Sophiatown ready for redevelopment.

(6) CONTROL OF LOCATIONS.

(1) *Reservation of Locations in terms of section 2 of Act No. 25 of 1945.*—The following publications have been made:—

- (a) *Meadowlands East Location.*—Government Notice No. 2603, dated 24th December, 1954.
- (b) *Diepkloof Location.*—Government Notice No. 2614, dated 24th December, 1954.
- (c) *Meadowlands Hostel for Native Men.*—Government Notice No. 860, dated 12th June, 1957, and Government Notice No. 1496, dated 27th September, 1957.
- (d) *Meadowlands West Location.*—Government Notice No. 1875, dated 6th December, 1957.

(2) *Regulations for the control of Locations.*—In this connection the following publications have been made:—

- (a) Government Notice No. 217, dated 9th February, 1955: Location regulations and regulations for the control of properties belonging to the Board in Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare.
- (b) Government Notice No. 214, dated 4th February, 1955: Trading Regulations.

(c) Government Notice No. 1924, dated 26th October, 1956: Regulations governing public meetings and assemblies of Natives.

(d) Government Notice No. 1932, dated 13th December, 1957: Regulations in connection with the keeping of livestock.

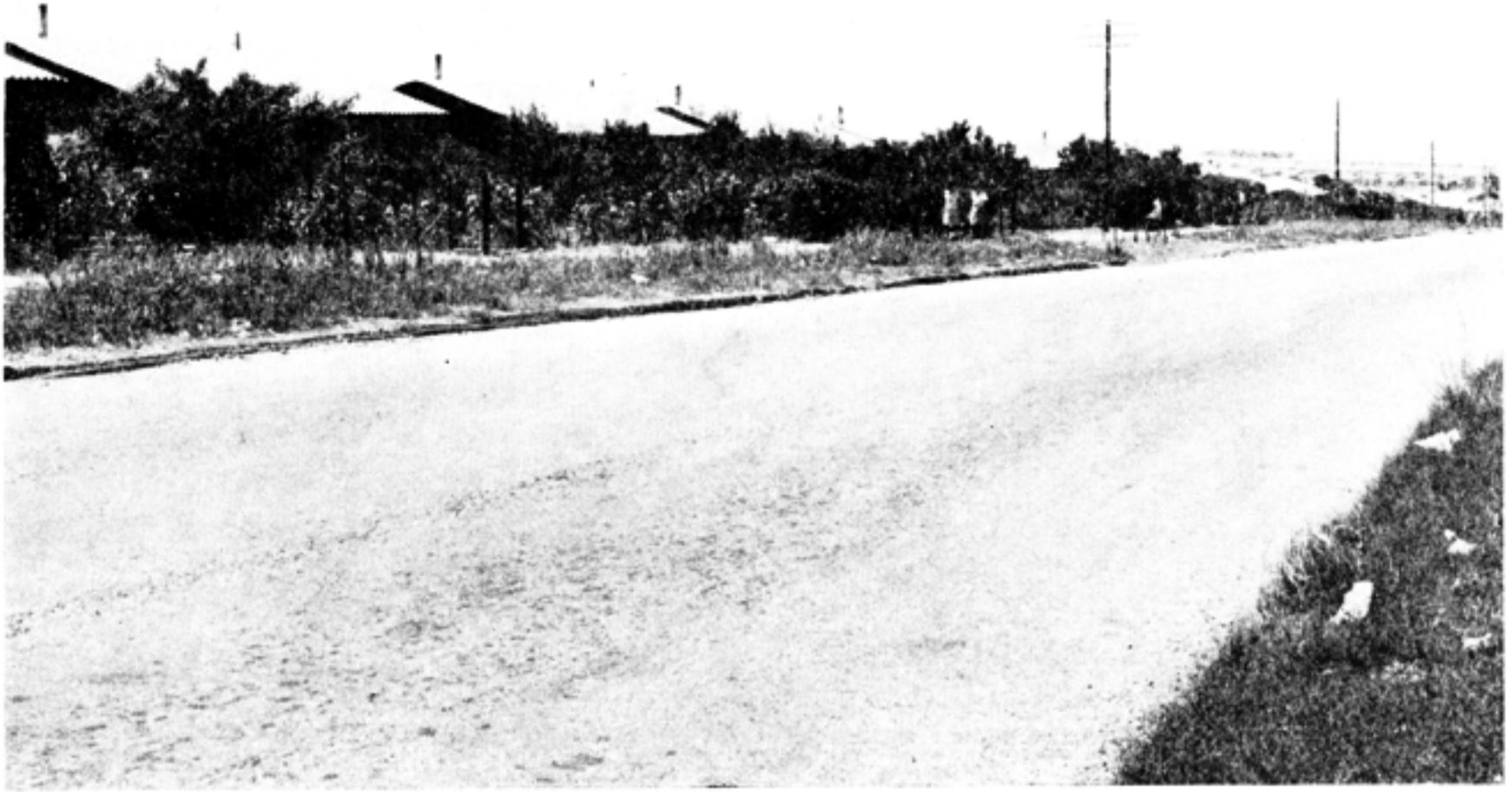
(e) Government Notice No. 417, dated 22nd March, 1957: Native Hostel regulations.

With regard to the house rental in Meadowlands only the economic rental has been promulgated. A sub-economic rental is, however, collected from those Natives with a monthly income of £15 and less. The difference between the economic rental as promulgated and the sub-economic rental is remitted by the Board. The house rental of each tenant is revised annually and if his income has changed to such an extent that he falls within a different income group, his rental is re-assessed and he pays the re-assessed rental for a year.

After revision on 30th June, 1958, it was found that 55 per cent of the tenants pay an economic rental and 45 per cent a sub-economic rental.

The following table reflects the type and size of house, number in family, economic and sub-economic rental:—

Type.	Number of Rooms.	Number of Persons Housed.	Economic Rental.	Sub-economic Rental.
A. Rowhouse.....	Two, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	2-3	£ s. d. 2 14 6	£ s. d. 2 0 0
B. Rowhouse.....	Three, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	4-5	3 3 3	2 7 9
C. Rowhouse.....	Four, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	6-7	3 6 9	2 12 6
D. Rowhouse.....	Five, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	8-9	3 17 3	2 18 6
F. Rowhouse.....	Three, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	4	3 0 6	2 6 0
4. Semi-detached house.....	Three, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	5	3 1 3	2 7 3
6. Single house.....	Four, plus outdoor latrine.....	6-7	3 10 6	2 13 3
7. Semi-detached house.....	Four, plus outdoor latrine.....	6-7	3 9 0	2 12 0
9. Single house.....	Five, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	6-7	3 18 6	2 15 3
10. Semi-detached house.....	Four, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	6-7	3 11 9	2 14 0
13. Semi-detached house.....	Five, plus outdoor latrine.....	8-9	3 13 9	2 16 6
14. Single house.....	Five, plus outdoor latrine.....	8-9	4 4 6	—
15. Single house.....	Five, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	10+	4 4 6	—
16. Semi-detached house.....	Five, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	8-9	4 3 3	2 19 9
22. Semi-detached house.....	Three, plus bathroom and indoor latrine.....	6-7	3 9 0	2 12 0
30. Semi-detached house.....	Three, plus outdoor latrine.....	3-5	2 19 3	2 5 9



Houses in Meadowlands begin to disappear behind trees planted by first residents.

With regard to Diepkloof the stand rental applicable to Native house owners has also been promulgated. The tendency is that Natives prefer to buy completed houses from the Board and not to build themselves. Stand rental which includes such services as water supply, sewerage and rubbish removal have been promulgated as follows:—

Type D—(Stand with frontage not exceeding 40 feet, by 70 feet deep).....	£	s.	d.
Type E—(Stand with frontage not exceeding 45 feet, by 70 feet deep).....	2	2	9
Type F—(Stand with frontage not exceeding 50 feet, by 80 feet deep).....	2	7	3
Type G—(Stand with frontage not exceeding 50 feet, by more than 80 feet deep).....	2	12	3

Owing to the lack of interest displayed by Natives to purchase or to build their own houses at Diepkloof, the Board has decided to reserve a number of stands in each ethnic group for house-owners and to build on the remaining stands for letting purposes. Similar rentals to those applicable to houses let at Meadowlands will also be charged at Diepkloof.

(3) *Increase in Population: (a) Meadowlands East and West Locations.*—The first Natives were resettled in Meadowlands on the 9th February, 1955. Resettlement is effected on an ethnic basis.

On the 31st March, 1959, the population, according to ethnic grouping, was as follows:—

Group.	As at 31st March, 1958.		As at 31st March, 1959.		Increase.	
	Fami- lies.	Per- sons.	Fami- lies.	Per- sons.	Fami- lies.	Per- sons.
Sotho.....	3,693	18,441	5,158	26,262	1,465	7,821
Nguni.....	2,410	10,825	3,118	14,259	708	3,434
Shangaan, Venda, Others.....	1,456	6,294	2,061	8,952	605	2,658
	<u>7,559</u>	<u>35,560</u>	<u>10,337</u>	<u>49,473</u>	<u>2,778</u>	<u>13,913</u>

Besides the above-mentioned, 58 single women were resettled in 29 houses.

For administration purposes Meadowlands East and West has been divided into seven superintendencies. Each zone has its own superintendent and staff. A Senior Superintendent of Locations has also been appointed to co-ordinate the administration of the different residential areas.

(b) *Diepkloof.*—The first Natives were resettled at Diepkloof during the financial year 1957–58. On the 31st March, 1958, there were 20 families resettled. During the financial year 1958–59 a further 80 families were resettled in this area where Natives purchase or build their own houses. The residents here are also resettled in ethnic groups. On the 31st March, 1959, the position was as follows:—

Group.	As at 31st March, 1958.		As at 31st March, 1959.		Increase.	
	Fami- lies.	Per- sons.	Fami- lies.	Per- sons.	Fami- lies.	Per- sons.
Sotho.....	12	62	64	332	52	270
Nguni.....	6	32	32	173	26	141
Shangaan, Venda, Others.....	2	9	4	23	2	14
	<u>20</u>	<u>103</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>528</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>425</u>

A post of Superintendent of Locations has been created and representations have been made in connection with the appointment of a suitable incumbent.

(c) *Meadowlands Hostels.*—During April, 1957, the first single Native men were resettled in the hostels. A feature of the resettlement is the small number of single Natives that are removed. It is found that a large number of the Natives no longer reside in the rooms

where they resided when the census was taken. The residents are also housed on an ethnic basis. On the 31st March, 1959, the position was as follows:—

Group.	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Increase.
Sotho.....	468	970	502
Nguni.....	201	281	80
Others.....	177	264	87
Vlakfontein students..	76	80	4
	922	1,595	673

The above number includes employees of the Board who are allowed to occupy accommodation in the hostels while in the employment of the Board.

The hostels are controlled by a Superintendent of Hostels and his staff.

(4) *Schools and Education.*—On the 31st March, 1959, there were 11 primary schools and one post primary school in use at Meadowlands for Bantu Education. The schools are provided on an ethnic basis. On the 31st March, 1959, the number of children attending school was as follows:—

Sotho.....	4,071
Nguni.....	2,017
Shangaan.....	671
Venda.....	461
	<u>7,220</u>

In Diepkloof one eight-classroom school has been completed and was occupied during April, 1959.

(5) *Recreational Facilities.*—The erection of a central community hall was considered and the most suitable type of building investigated. The Board decided, however, that it would first erect a smaller community hall in one of the residential areas by way of experiment. If the smaller type of community hall meets the requirements of the community more satisfactorily, then the erection of several smaller halls will be given preference over one central community hall. On the 31st March, 55 per cent of the work on the hall being erected on Stand No. 219, Area 3, was completed.

The Board also decided to erect a bioscope hall. The plan for this building has been compiled by an architect and approved by the Board. The Board's Engineer has been instructed to erect the building.

Soccer and netball fields have been laid out at several schools by the teachers with the assistance of the children. The provision of a central sports field is under investigation. The terrain is, however, of such a nature that extensive excavations and filling up is necessary. The ash that is removed is used for filling purposes and the excavations will follow.

(6) *Transport.*—Transport to the city is direct by rail via Dube, Phefeni, Phomolong and Mzimhlope stations. The transport facilities serving Meadowlands and the Native residential areas to the west of Meadowlands has been considerably extended by the South African Railways. The P.U.T.C.O. also operates a bus service from Meadowlands to Orlando, Phomolong, Phefeni and Dube stations.

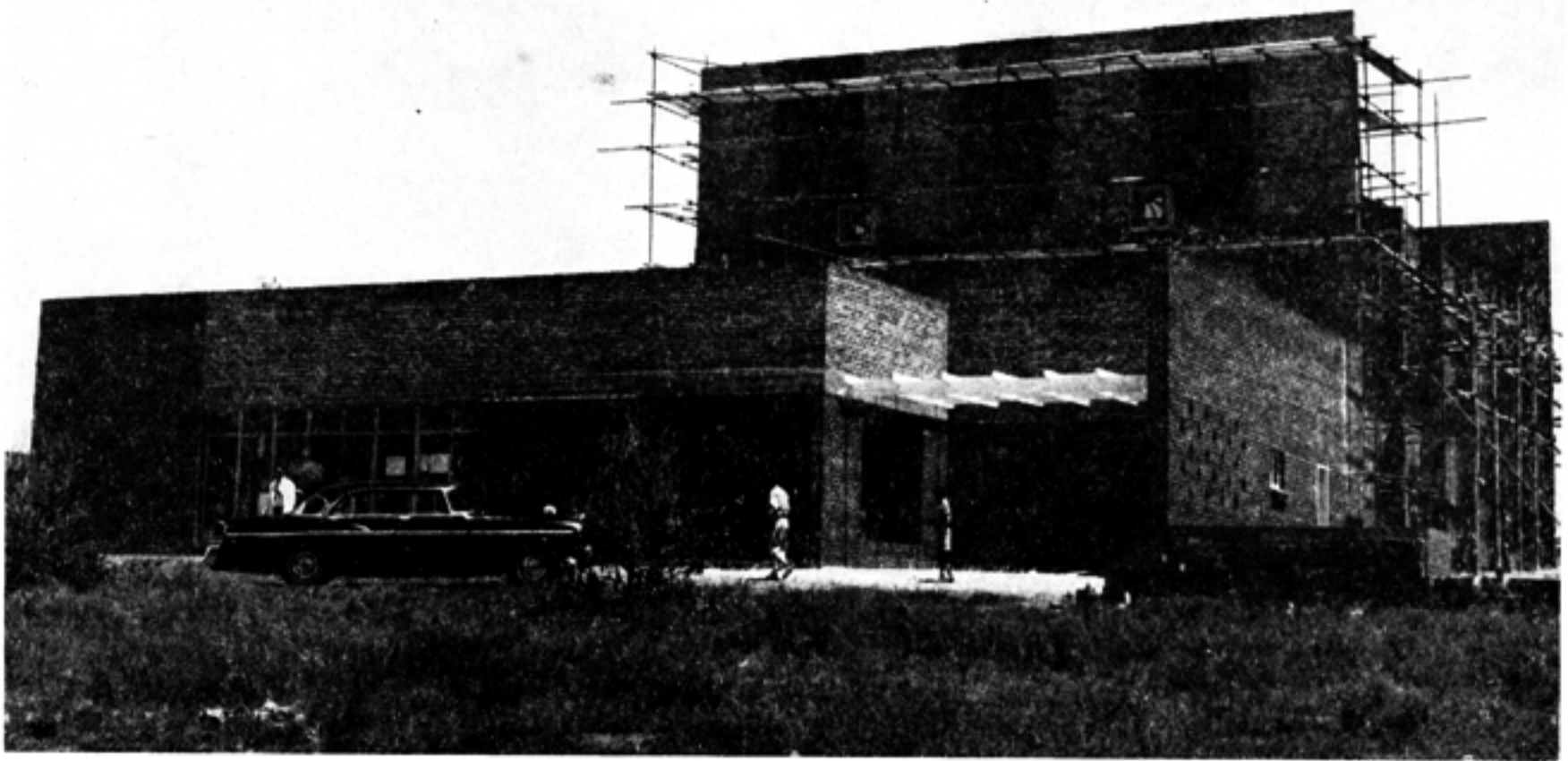
(7) *Health Services.*—A clinic controlled by the Peri-Urban Areas Health Board to treat cases of tuberculosis and other infectious diseases is available. During the financial year the Board decided to place an amount of £1,000 at the disposal of the Health Board to cover portion of the expenses of a mass X-ray examination of the inhabitants of Meadowlands. The polyclinic built by the Board at Meadowlands is under the control of the Provincial Administration of the Transvaal, and serves as a screening centre for the Baragwanath Hospital. The Board also decided to allow two Native doctors to practice provisionally in houses leased to them.

(8) *Trade.*—Only Natives are allowed to trade in the locations controlled by the Board. Shops are built in blocks of seven shops. The shops provide for general dealers, butchers, dairies, restaurants, etc. All the shops are provided with electricity. Besides this type of shop there are facilities for artisans, greengrocers and dealers in wood and coal. In the case of artisans and greengrocers a house with a shop attached is provided. In the case of dealers in wood and coal, sites are fenced and provided with sanitary conveniences.

A building which is let to a blacksmith has also been erected.



Group of houses purchased by Natives in Diepkloof.



Cinema in Meadowlands under construction: Restaurant in foreground.

On the 31st March, 1959, trading rights were granted to the following:—

(a) *In blocks of shops—*

General dealers.....	15
Butcheries.....	8
Restaurants.....	8
Fresh produce dealers.....	4
Tailors.....	3
Carpenters.....	3
Barbers.....	3
Dairies.....	3
Drycleaner and tailor.....	1
Photographer.....	1
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(b) *“On Site” trading sites—*

Fresh produce dealers.....	6
Drycleaner and tailors.....	3
Dealer in softgoods.....	1
Dealers in wood and coal.....	25
Tailor.....	1
Carpenter.....	1
Shoemaker.....	1
Blacksmith.....	1
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(9) *Services.*—All streets have electric lighting. Rubbish is removed thrice per week, this being undertaken by the Board's own organisation.

Each house has its own sewer connection point, its own water tap and slop drainage system.

All main roads in the location are tarred. Storm-water is controlled.

(10) *Kaffir Beer.*—The Board erected a beerhall at the hostel site where kaffir beer is sold to Natives. In the locations domestic brewing of kaffir beer is allowed.

(11) *Behaviour and spirit of Residents.*—Except for crime in general over which the location administration has no control, an attitude of respect and obedience is evinced towards the location administration. There is a marked lack of interest in political activity.

(7) LAND REQUIRED FOR THE SCHEME.

(1) *Meadowlands and Portion 21 of Diepkloof No. 9.*—All the plots in Meadowlands East and Meadowlands West were purchased for the scheme during the previous financial years. Meadowlands East, Meadowlands West and Diepkloof have already been set aside as locations. The area to be developed in Meadowlands (East and West) is 656 morgen in extent. Together with the 250 morgen at Diepkloof, there are 906 morgen available for the construction of houses and amenities for families. This land is more than sufficient for the resettlement of the Natives from Sophiatown, Martindale, Newclare and Pageview.

(2) *Diepkloof No. 319.*—After it had been decided that the Natives residing in Alexandra but working in Johannesburg had to be resettled, it became apparent that the Board did not have sufficient land to carry out its second mandate. After negotiations with Crown Mines, Ltd., an agreement was reached whereby the Board would buy a portion of Diepkloof No. 319, approximately 523 morgen in extent, from Crown Mines, Ltd. The purchase price for this land was fixed at £134,100. The planning of this land will be proceeded with immediately authority has been obtained to take possession thereof.

(3) *Klipspruit.*—It is the policy of the Board to provide separate accommodation for single Natives away from that provided for families. For this purpose portions 23 and 27 of the farm Klipspruit No. 8 were purchased during previous financial years from the Consolidated Main Reef Mines and Estates, Ltd., and the City Council of Johannesburg respectively. The area of the land is 61 morgen.

(8) DEVELOPMENT.

(1) *Organisation.*—The City Council of Johannesburg agreed to its City Engineer assisting with the provision of essential services, provided its own programme received priority. The co-operation with the City Engineer's Department is cordial and conducive to the work. With regard to the construction of houses and public buildings, the Board built up its own organisation. The work is carried out by Natives under the supervision of European supervisors and engineers. The basic wages

of Natives vary from 5s. 10½d. to 18s. per shift. A cost-of-living allowance is paid in each instance. The wages of a Native workman are determined according to his training efficiency and output. The work is done in tasks on which the Natives work as a team. A stipulated amount of work is required for each shift. Incentive bonuses are paid under which a team which applies itself can earn an extra shift or part of a shift during the week. Wages are paid weekly.

The materials required for the scheme are purchased by the Board under contracts arranged by the Union Tender Board. To economise as much as possible, the Board erected its own workshops. Motor-vehicles are obtained from the Department of Transport and the vehicles and concrete mixers are repaired in the Board's workshops.

(2) *Meadowlands East: (a) Water and sewer reticulation.*—The water and sewer reticulation was completed during previous financial years.

(b) *Construction of roads.*—The main roads in the location are tarred. The construction of roads in the location is completed with the exception of portions of streets still to be constructed in connection with drainage of stormwater.

(c) *Stormwater drainage.*—The City Engineer was requested to undertake the construction of stormwater drainage in Meadowlands East. A portion of the work was undertaken departmentally by the City Engineer's Department and a portion given out on contract by him. In the south-western portion of Meadowlands East there is, however, still work to be done, which in conjunction with the drainage of floodwater from Meadowlands West, is receiving attention.

(d) *Erection of buildings: (i) Houses.*—At the end of March, 1959, the position with regard to the construction of houses, was as follows:—

Number of houses completed as at the 31st March, 1955.....	734
Number of houses completed during the 1955-56 financial year.....	2,275
Number of houses completed during the 1956-57 financial year.....	2,738
Number of houses completed during the 1957-58 financial year.....	2,369
Number of houses completed during the 1958-59 financial year.....	78
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	8,194
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Number of houses planned for Meadowlands East: 8,194. The programme for the construction of houses at Meadowlands East has thus been completed.

(ii) *Other buildings—*

Schools.

On the 31st March, 1958, the following schools had been completed:—

Schools Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 4A, 5, 12 and 14 consisting of eight classrooms each.

School No. 6 with 10 classrooms.

In addition to these, additional classrooms were also completed during the previous financial years at the European school on Plot No. 53 which was retained in the planning and is being used as offices by the Board's staff.

The building operations commenced during the financial year at School No. 9 (eight classrooms) were completed on the 31st March, 1959.

Of the abovementioned schools, seven are situated in the Sotho ethnic group, two in the Nguni group and two in the Shangaan-, Venda- Other group.

Shops.

(a) *Sotho group.*—Block of six shops; block of seven shops; 11 buildings for "On Site" traders were completed and let during the previous financial years and four sites were allocated to dealers in wood and coal. One block of seven shops in residential area No. 1 of which 25 per cent of the work had been completed, was completed during the financial year and let.

(b) *Nguni group.*—Block of seven shops; buildings on four "On Site" trading sites were completed during the previous financial years and let. Four trading sites were also allocated to dealers in wood and coal during the previous financial years.

(c) *"Other" group.*—Two blocks of seven shops and buildings for four "on site" traders were completed during the previous financial years. The buildings on three "on site" trading sites on which 80 per cent of the work had been completed, were completed during the financial year and let.

Administration buildings.

During the previous financial years the administration buildings in residential areas 1 to 5 were completed and occupied.

Polyclinic.

The polyclinic was completed and occupied during the 1957-58 financial year.



An occupied portion of Meadowlands East.

Police station.

The construction of the Police station at an estimated cost of £88,600 was commenced during the previous financial year. The progress during the financial year was as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Garages.....	Com- pleted	Com- pleted	—
Charge office.....	70%	100%	30%
Parade room.....	90%	100%	10%
Administration block:—			
Ground floor.....	85%	100%	15%
First floor.....	80%	100%	20%
Dormitories:—			
Ground floor (south wing).....	85%	100%	15%
First floor (south wing).....	80%	100%	20%
Ground floor (north wing).....	42%	100%	58%
First floor (north wing).....	41%	100%	59%
Ablution blocks.....	72%	100%	28%
Dining-hall.....	85%	100%	15%
Cell block.....	7%	100%	93%

The Police station was thus completed during the financial year and it was officially opened by the Honourable the Minister of Bantu Administration and Development on the 4th December, 1958.

Post Office.

The Board decided to erect a post office at an estimated cost of £7,000. On the 31st March, 1958, 1 per cent of the construction had been completed. During the financial year the building was completed and occupied with effect from the 2nd January, 1959. On the suggestion of the residents the post office is named IKETLO.

Stables.

To prevent horses and other draught animals from roaming around the location uncontrolled, the Board decided to erect stables for 30 horses and to let them to owners of draught animals. The building was completed during the previous financial year. The demand is such that all the stables are not regularly let.

Community Centre.

The Board decided for the time being against building one central community hall. It was decided to substitute a smaller type of community hall instead of one central building. It is considered that a smaller hall in each of the ethnic group areas will better serve the requirements of the community.

The estimated cost of erecting the smaller type of hall is £4,000. On the 31st March, 1959, one hall was in the course of construction and 55 per cent of the work had been completed.

(e) *Fencing.*—The progress made during the financial year in regard to the fencing of houses and other buildings was as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Houses.....	5,420	8,194	2,774
Schools.....	10	11	1
Polyclinic.....	1	1	—
Police station.....	1	1	—
Post office.....	—	1	1
"On Site" trading sites.....	8	8	—
Administration buildings.....	—	5	5
Stables.....	—	1	1

The fencing of all the houses in Meadowlands East is thus completed.

(f) *Supply of electricity.*—The laying of the main cables from the Orlando power station and the street lighting for the whole of Meadowlands East was completed during the previous financial years. Electricity is also being sold to shops and churches.

(g) *Planting of trees.*—During the financial year 300 ornamental trees were planted in different parts of the location. The Board intends planting more trees during the next financial year.

(3) *Meadowlands West: (a) Water reticulation.*—The City Engineer undertook the construction of the water reticulation departmentally. The progress made with this work during the financial year was as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Residential area No. 6.....	Com- pleted	Com- pleted	—
Residential area No. 7.....	Com- pleted	Com- pleted	—
Residential area No. 8.....	7%	100%	93%

The water reticulation for the whole of Meadowlands West is therefore completed.

(b) *Sewer reticulation.*—The City Engineer decided also to construct the sewer reticulation for Meadowlands West departmentally. The progress made during the financial year was as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Residential area No. 6.....	92%	100%	8%
Residential area No. 7.....	—	100%	100%
Residential area No. 8.....	—	100%	100%

The sewer reticulation for the whole of Meadowlands West has therefore been completed.

(c) *Construction of roads.*—A request was made to the City Council of Johannesburg for the City Engineer to undertake the construction of the roads in Meadowlands West. At the end of March, 1959, three of the four main roads had been completed.

(d) *Supply of electricity.*—On the 31st March, 1958, a commencement was made with the planting of poles and the laying of overhead cables in residential area No. 6. The progress made during the financial year was as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Residential area No. 6—			
Poles planted.....	60%	100%	40%
Overhead cables.....	15%	100%	85%
Residential areas Nos. 7 and 8—			
Poles planted.....	—	100%	100%
Overhead cables.....	—	100%	100%

Electricity is also available for shops and churches.

(e) *Houses.*—Meadowlands West has been planned for 3,775 dwelling units. On the 31st March, 1958, a commencement had been made with the construction of 1,459 houses. The progress for the financial year was as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Set out.....	1,459	3,767	2,308
Concrete footings.....	1,405	3,767	2,362
Brick foundations.....	1,327	3,767	2,440
Floors filled.....	1,167	3,767	2,600
Floors completed.....	737	3,767	3,030
Brickwork to sills.....	326	3,752	3,426
Brickwork to wallplate and gables.	195	3,723	3,528
Ashcrete to gables.....	169	3,720	3,551
Doors hung and roofed.....	144	3,357	3,213
Bagging and finishing off of window sills.....	14	3,279	3,265
W.C. suites installed and plumbing completed.....	101	3,153	3,052
Painted, whitewashed and glazed..	—	3,153	3,153

In Meadowlands West 3,153 houses were completed during the financial year.

(f) *Other buildings: Administration buildings.*—On the 31st March, 1958, a commencement had been made with the construction of the administration building in administration area No. 6 and 5 per cent of the work had been completed. The progress made during the financial year was as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Administration area No. 6.....	5%	100%	95%
Administration area No. 7.....	—	100%	100%

Shops.—The progress made during the financial year with the erection of shops is as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Block of 7, administration area No. 6	—	100%	100%
Block of 7, administration area No. 7	—	45%	45%

Schools.—The following progress was made with regard to the building of schools during the financial year:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
School No. 22 (eight classrooms)..	—	100%	100%
School No. 20 (eight classrooms)..	—	100%	100%

(g) *Fencing.*—A contract for the fencing of 1,459 houses and one school was entered into. On the 31st March, 1959, 6 per cent of the work was completed.

(4) *Portion 21 of Diepkloof No. 9.*—(a) Portion 21 of Diepkloof No. 9, 250 morgen in extent, was originally purchased and planned to enable Natives from the specified areas who desired to have their own homes, to build for themselves or to purchase completed houses from the Board. The ground was planned for 3,244 houses. The interest displayed in the scheme was, however, disappointing and it appeared that a relatively small percentage of the stands would be required for the house-ownership scheme. The Board consequently decided to reserve 495 stands for Natives who desired to acquire their own homes and to build houses on the remaining stands for letting purposes.



Church in Meadowlands.



House-owner in Diepkloof erecting approved outbuilding.

To ensure that the land was utilised more economically it was decided to replan portion thereof. After replanning it was found that 3,739 houses could be built on the 250 morgen.

After the Board decided to build houses in Diepkloof for letting purposes it was also decided that it would be more economical to remove the stores from Meadowlands to Diepkloof. The engineer was instructed to erect temporary buildings at Diepkloof and to transfer the stores depot by degrees to ensure that tasks, when finished at Meadowlands, could be transferred to Diepkloof with as little dislocation of production as possible. At the end of March, 1959, the teams undertaking the first seven tasks had already been transferred to Diepkloof.

(b) *Water reticulation.*—During the previous financial years water mains had been installed on 1,717 stands. After the Board decided to build houses for letting purposes, the City Engineer was requested to complete the water reticulation. The progress made during the financial year was as follows:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Stands served.....	1,717	3,739	2,022

The installation of water mains has thus been completed.

(c) *Sewer reticulation.*—In the northern section, 1,665 stands were served with sewer reticulation during the previous financial years. The City Engineer has been requested to complete this project now.

(d) *Road construction.*—The roads in the northern section have been completed. The construction of more roads and the control of stormwater is receiving attention.

(e) *Electricity supply.*—The City Engineer has been requested to undertake the reticulation of electricity in this area. As the more well-to-do Natives in the specified areas have electricity in their homes, the Board decided, in addition to providing streetlighting, to lay the necessary cables in a portion of each residential area to enable Natives who desire to install electricity in their houses,

to do so. The reticulation of electricity in that section which has been provided with watermains and sewer reticulation had been completed during the previous financial years.

(f) *Construction of houses.*—At the end of March, 1959, the Board was busy constructing houses for letting purposes and for sale. The progress made was as follows:—

(i) *Letting scheme:*

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Planned: 3,244.			
Set out.....	—	388	388
Concrete footings.....	—	283	283
Brick foundations.....	—	182	182
Floors filled.....	—	176	176
Floors completed.....	—	107	107
Brick to sills.....	—	51	51
Steps and brickwork above sills...	—	32	32

In addition to these, 11 houses have been constructed at the stores depot. These houses will be used for office accommodation.

(ii) *House-ownership scheme:*

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Houses planned.....	195	195	—
Houses begun.....	98	139	41
Houses completed.....	57	127	70
Houses occupied.....	20	100	80

(g) *Other buildings: Schools.*—School No. 1 (eight classrooms) was completed during the previous financial years and is ready for occupation. School No. 2 (eight classrooms) was commenced and completed during the financial year. This school will be used as offices by the Board's staff.

Administration buildings.—A works order for the erection of an administration building has been issued.

Shops.—A commencement has been made with the erection of a block of seven shops. On the 31st March, 1959, 12 per cent of the work had been completed.

(h) *Fencing.*—The completed houses and one school were fenced during the financial year.

(5) *Portion of Diepkloof No. 319.*—After the Board had been authorised to resettle Natives residing in Alexandra Township and employed in Johannesburg, it became apparent that land would have to be purchased for this purpose. The Board succeeded in acquiring approximately 523 morgen of land adjoining Portion 21 of Diepkloof No. 9. The City Engineer has been requested to plan this property and to provide services. The planning is still in the initial stages.

(6) *Native hostel site.*—(a) The Board decided to erect hostels to accommodate single Native males from the specified areas. For this purpose it purchased Portion 23 and 27 (portions of Portion S. 2) of the farm Klipspruit No. 8, 61 morgen in extent.

Upon the Board's request the City Engineer undertook the water and sewer reticulation of areas No. 1 and 2 of the hostel site during the previous financial years. Sufficient accommodation to house 4,448 Natives can be erected on the served area.

The following progress had been made with the erection of accommodation as on the 31st March, 1959:—

	As at 31st March, 1958.	As at 31st March, 1959.	Pro- gress.
Dormitories:—			
Planned.....	278	278	—
Begun.....	278	278	—
Completed.....	93	133	40

The necessary ablution and sanitary conveniences have also been provided.

Accommodation is available for 2,128 residents and as the single Natives do not move as anticipated, the erection of further accommodation has been suspended.

Certain Natives of standing enquired whether they could be provided with separate rooms in the hostels. By way of an experiment the Board decided to convert one dormitory which normally accommodates 16 Natives, into 12 separate rooms. The monthly rental for such a room will be £1. 10s. Cd. instead of £1 paid by Natives occupying the dormitories. The rooms had not yet been completed by the 31st March, 1959.

(b) *Other buildings: Shops.*—A block of seven shops has been erected at the hostel site and let.

Beerhall.—The Board erected a beerhall at the hostel site and sells kaffir beer to the residents and visitors from the adjoining locations. The Board does not brew kaffir beer, but purchases the beer from the City Council, Johannesburg.

Electricity.—Street lighting and electricity in the dormitories, ablution blocks and latrines have been provided.

(9) BOARD FUNDS.

The funds of the Board consist of—

- any loans granted to the Board on such conditions as the Minister of Finance may determine, out of moneys voted by Parliament for this purpose;
- moneys derived from the sale or lease of land or premises by the Board;
- any amounts payable to the Board under the provisions of the Natives Resettlement Act, 1954, or under any regulations made in terms of the said Act;
- any amounts obtained from any other source.

Since the financial year 1951–52 moneys have been voted for the scheme in the estimates of the Department of Bantu Administration and Development under its loan vote. The Board was established with effect from the 1st August, 1954, and has been responsible for its own accounts since the 1st December, 1954. The books and accounts and balance sheet of the Board for the financial year 1958–59, details of which appear in the annexures to this report, were audited by the Controller and Auditor-General.

(10) CONCLUSIONS.

(1) It may rightly be said that good progress has been made with the scheme during the year. The co-operation with other bodies and departments with whom the Board has dealings is good and contributes towards efficiency. Mention must be made of the following departments in particular:—

- The Department of Bantu Administration and Development.
- The Union Treasury.
- The Department of Transport.
- The Department of Lands.
- The Department of Public Works.
- The Department of Police.
- The Department of Forestry.
- The Union Tender and Supply Board.
- The City Engineers' Department of the City Council of Johannesburg.
- The Department of Health of the City Council of Johannesburg.
- The Electricity Department of the City Council of Johannesburg.

(2) Members of the Board, Executive Committee and sub-committees were most conscientious in attending meetings and carrying out their duties. Co-operation is a feature of all meetings and a good spirit exists between the Board members and its staff.

(3) The Board wishes to express its appreciation to its staff who often work under pressure and to senior officials of the Department of Bantu Administration and Development who fulfilled their duties with devotion often accompanied with sacrifices.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st MARCH, 1959.

Statement No. 1.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.				
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
Loans—					Cash in bank—			
Contributions from Loan Votes P. 2 and N. 2 up to 31st March, 1958	4,038,479	1 3			S.A. Reserve Bank, Johannesburg.....	86,010	10 11	
Contribution from Loan Vote No. 1 for the year ended 31st March, 1959.....	950,000	0 0			Plus: Outstanding deposits.....	2,356	14 10	
			4,988,479	1 3				
Income since 1st December, 1954—					Less: Outstanding cheques.....	88,367	5 9	
Meadowlands and Diepkloof locations.....	814,475	2 3				87,233	17 2	1,133 8 7
Less: Transfer to irrecoverable rents account....	6,830	13 8			Office furniture and equipment—Land: Purchase and control.....			510 2 8
					Office, furniture and equipment—Development.....	3,422	4 8	
	807,644	8 7			Less: Depreciation.....	1,015	18 5	2,406 6 3
Less: Administration expenses and interest.....	457,311	1 8			Equipment and plant—Development.....	48,386	2 5	
					Less: Depreciation.....	38,682	9 3	9,703 13 2
	350,333	6 11	344,119	5 3	Refuse bins.....			20,126 13 8
Less: Office furniture and equipment.....	6,214	1 8			Stock in store.....			60,707 17 3
Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare.....	171,230	9 1			Purchase of properties—			
Less: Irrecoverable demolition moneys and rents written off.....	4,056	15 7			For resettlement of Bantus.....	412,563	10 1	
					For rezoning and replanning.....	1,091,231	13 5	
	167,173	13 6						
Less: Administration expenses.....	66,918	1 8			Plus: Incidental expenses, maintenance and demolition.....	1,503,795	3 6	
						14,594	11 10	
	100,255	11 10	100,001	16 1	Less: Office furniture and equipment.....	1,518,389	15 4	1,517,879 12 8
Meadowlands West small holdings.....	8,343	3 10				510	2 8	47,420 11 7
Less: Irrecoverable demolition moneys and rents written off.....	596	15 6			Census and influx.....			
					Removal of Bantus—Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare.....	51,712	13 3	
	7,746	8 4			Alexandra.....	2,102	6 2	53,814 19 5
Less: Administration expenses.....	1,282	16 2			Development such as houses, administration offices, roads, street-lights, sewerage, etc.....			3,700,940 0 7
			6,463	12 2	Houses for sale—Diepkloof.....	58,677	4 4	
Miscellaneous income.....			531	14 10	Less: Deposits and redemption.....	29,933	16 0	28,743 8 4
Interest on investments.....			1,528	5 11	Suspense Accounts—			
					Advances.....	453	13 3	
Income prior to 1st December, 1954—			452,644	14 3	Disallowances.....	5,164	17 2	
Sophiatown, Martindale, Newclare and Meadowlands West. Small holdings.....	19,161	6 2			Services levy fund.....	1,193	10 7	
Less: Administration expenses.....	1,531	6 10			Bantu Education Schools Advance.....	4,406	4 9	11,218 5 9
			17,629	19 4				
Less: Payments to Consolidated Revenue Fund.			9,963	1 6				
			7,666	17 10				

Suspense Accounts—

Unclaimed wages.....	501 6 8	
Transport.....	52 16 0	
Group Areas Development Board.....	1,219 13 9	
Manufacturing.....	1,949 7 10	
Miscellaneous.....	1,255 8 8	
Loan recoveries.....	505 16 8	
Assessment rates on behalf of City Council.....	326 6 2	
Miscellaneous income—Development.....	3 10 10	
		5,814 6 7
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1959

Statement No. 2.

PAYMENTS.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	RECEIPTS.			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
A.—Development—																
1.	Salaries and allowances.....	53,591	1	3				4.	Contribution from Loan Vote N 1.....				950,000	0	0	
2.	Subsistence.....	68	12	4				37.	Office furniture and equipment in credit.....	136	6	3				
3.	Transport.....	1,019	3	1				48a.	Erection of administration buildings in credit—Klipspruit No. 8	2	12	5				
5.	Office rent, stationery, telephone, telegrams, printing and advertisements.....	2,674	13	1					Removal of trees and stumps in credit—Meadowlands East..	0	10	0				
6.	Incidental expenses (refreshments, newspapers and all unforeseen expenses).....	555	11	1									139	8	8	
	Planning and survey—								Interest on investments.....				1,528	5	11	
7.	Meadowlands East.....	11	9	11					Rents, etc., Meadowlands and Diepkloof locations.....	370,633	17	0				
8.	Diepkloof.....	498	6	2					Less: Transfer to irrecoverable rents account.....	4,943	13	11				
10.	Meadowlands West.....	27	5	3						365,690	3	1				
	Water reticulation—								Less: Administration expenses and interest.....	223,941	6	11				
11.	Meadowlands East.....	39	15	9									141,748	16	2	
12.	Diepkloof.....	19,216	3	11					Rents, etc., Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare.....	41,822	8	1				
13.	Klipspruit No. 8.....	65	12	7					Less: Irrecoverable demolition moneys and rents written off	1,461	7	1				
14.	Meadowlands West.....	32,755	9	11						40,361	1	0				
	Sewer reticulation—								Less: Administration expenses.....	9,619	16	8				
15.	Meadowlands East.....	235	8	5									30,741	4	4	
16.	Diepkloof.....	505	10	5					Rents, etc., smallholdings Meadowlands West.....	950	13	1				
18.	Meadowlands West.....	43,255	17	10					Less: Irrecoverable demolition moneys written off.....	2	0	0				
	Traffic signs—									948	13	1				
19a.	Meadowlands East.....	17	15	11					Less: Maintenance of properties.....	46	3	11				
	Roads and stormwater control—												902	9	2	
19.	Meadowlands East.....	47,183	10	5					Excess of payments over receipts.....				250,667	15	5	
20.	Diepkloof.....	1,046	3	9												
21.	Klipspruit No. 8.....	30	16	0												
22.	Meadowlands West.....	21,912	11	2												
	Streetlights—															
23.	Meadowlands East.....	1,847	12	3												
24.	Diepkloof.....	5,466	2	7												
25.	Klipspruit No. 8.....	1	19	7												
26.	Meadowlands West.....	14,247	17	9												
	Erection of buildings—															
27.	Meadowlands East.....	36,815	12	5												
28a.	Diepkloof.....	25,184	15	6												
29.	Meadowlands West.....	542,799	8	6												
30.	Hostels—Klipspruit No. 8.....	7,429	17	7												
31.	Shops—Meadowlands East.....	4,342	12	9												
31a.	Stable—Meadowlands East.....	147	11	0												
32.	Shops—Diepkloof.....	562	19	3												
33.	Shops—Klipspruit No. 8.....	31	2	6												
34.	Shops—Meadowlands West.....	7,993	12	7												
35.	Administration offices—Meadowlands East.....	5	13	0												
36.	Administration offices—Diepkloof.....	0	19	8												
38.	Administration offices—Meadowlands West.....	3,674	11	5												
39.	Schools—Meadowlands East.....	4,807	18	7												
40.	Schools—Diepkloof.....	4,763	11	11												
41.	Schools—Meadowlands West.....	4,152	15	2												
42.	Police station—Meadowlands East.....	24,047	0	9												
43.	Post office—Meadowlands East.....	7,810	14	2												

44.	Polyclinic—Meadowlands East.....	23	18	10			
44a.	Liroscope hall—Meadowlands East.....	1,759	8	1			
44b.	Recreational facilities—Meadowlands East.....	1,083	13	9			
45.	Beerhaal—Klipspruit No. 8.....	7,429	18	6			
48.	Removal of trees and stumps—Meadowlands West...	474	12	8			
48a.	Tree planting—Meadowlands East.....	857	17	0			
49.	Purchase of equipment.....	6,675	9	5			
50.	Maintenance of equipment.....	4,846	4	10			
51.	Purchase of first refuse bins.....	4,934	16	1			
52.	Temporary stores—Meadowlands East and West.....	1,038	9	0			
52a.	Temporary stores—Diepkloof.....	1,458	7	3			
53.	Physical removal of Bantus from Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare.....	10,948	15	3			
53a.	Physical removal of Bantus from Alexandra.....	2,102	6	2			
					964,479	3	6
B.—Land: purchases, control and influx—							
54.	Salaries and allowances.....	15,164	3	2			
55.	Subsistence.....	9	2	3			
56.	Transport.....	629	4	2			
57.	Office furniture and equipment.....	77	10	5			
58.	Office rent, stationery, telephone, telegrams, printing and advertisements.....	592	19	8			
59.	Incidental expenses (refreshments, newspapers and all unforeseen expenses).....	115	14	8			
60.	Purchase of land for resettlement of Bantus.....	8,042	9	0			
61.	Purchase of properties for rezoning and replanning.....	386,468	1	9			
63.	Demolition of buildings—Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare.....	17	9	0			
64.	Demolition of buildings—Meadowlands West.....	150	0	0			
		411,266	14	1			
	Less: Miscellaneous revenue.....	17	17	11			
					411,248	16	2
					<u>£1,375,727</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>8</u>
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