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Mr. Barney Hendricks addressing the large crowd of garment workers who attended the protest meeting on the Grand Parade, Cape Town,

WORKERS CALL FOR **PROTEST** STRIKE

United Action Needed To Halt Job Reservation

A CALL for strike action to halt the application of job reservation in the clothing industry was made by a mass meeting attended by about 1,500 people on the Grand Parade, Cape Town, on Sunday.

Called by the South African Coloured People's Organisation, the meeting gave the first direct lead to an industry which has been thrown into confusion by the Government's proclamation. The bulk of the audience consisted of Non-European garment workers.

The only other suggestion to emerge from a week of anxious discussion in all parts of the country has been for a conference agreement of the country has been stored to the discussion of the workers to mobilise opposition to the finister's threat to thorw thousands of Non-Europeans out of jobs which are in future to be reserved for Europeans only.

This suggestion has been advanced by the South African Congress of Trade Unions in Johannesburg, and endorsed by the Transvaal branch of S.A.C.P.O

Up to the time of going to Press, not one of the various garmen workers' unions in any centre had issued any call to their members to act in defence of their jobs. Many workers have expressed to New Age their criticism of their union leaders who, they feel, have left them in the dark in their hour of greatest crisis.

In Cape Town the union secretary, Mr. L. A. Petersen, has refused even to meet S.A.C.P.O. officials to discuss possible joint action.

"LET US GO FORWARD TOGETHER TO VICTORY"

Cape Town:

Mr. Henry Naude, chairman of Sunday's meeting, said S.A.C.P.O. Sunday's meeting, said S.A.C.P.O. had taken the initiative because there had been complete silence from the garment workers' leaders, although nine days had elapsed since the first news of the determination had been published.

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"But it will rest upon the workers to resist this vicious legisation," he said. "Now is a time for united action."

Mr. N. Hassens said: "If this law comes into force, we will have to do what Gandhi did in 1916. There is a future generation to think about which must not starve.

"We believe that all can live and the single the said by side irrespective with the said of the said of

Mr. Barney Hendricks said the determination was unfair, outdetermination was unfair, out-rageous, cruel and an insult to the

rageous, cruel and an insult to the Coloured people.
"It is like a gun pointed at our heads. For years we have fought for the right to earn a decent living in this industry. Now Mr. De Klerk comes along and takes the bread out of our mouths.
"It is time we had our fair and east stare. If we non-Europeans east the people of the colour of

Nationalists wouldn't remain in power a single day.

"I say to you now—if you strike, you may lose your job. But if you don't strike, you will still lose your job. So strike! We must bring the industry to a standstill if necessary until De Klerk withdraws this pro-closmation." (Anplause) amation." (Applause.)
Mrs. Louise Kellerman said the

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P[‡] POLICE BEAT WHIPS AND BATONS

Nelspruit Shaken By **Anti-Pass Protest**

NELSPRUIT.

PASS books for African women, ferocious police attacks on African women and firing on a crowd in the location brought Nelspruit, in the citrus empire of the Transvaal, to sizzling point last

strike of the town's African workers in protest against the treat-ment of their women brought business to a standstill and even business to a standstill and even the railways managed to keep going only by recruiting labour from nearby stations. Eight Africans were injured in police attacks, two of those shot being in a serious condition. Seven African women are under

arrest on charges of public vio-lence, and bail has been refused them.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

On October 21 women who had asked to meet the Native Commissioner to express their opposition to pass books were addressed by the Magistrate who explained the "advantages" of the books.

The women chanted in unison, "We don't want reference books."

CARS STONED

At the close of this meeting a section of the crowd attacked and stoned the cars of the Magistrate and the location superintendent, according to reports.

The following day four women were called to the office of the superintendent and asked if they knew of the trouble of the previous

day. They were then arrested.

A large crowd of residents, mostly women, marched to the charge office to ask why the women had been arrested and to demand their release. A police charge on this crowd resulted in savage attacks on the women. European witnesses of the

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THE TORCH AND AFRICAN CULTURE

It is amazing how easily and quickly the self-styled non-racialists of the Torch expose themselves at every turn. Their anti-Africanism is becoming more anti-Africanism is becoming more evident every time there is something about the Africans in that paper. The Torch of the 15th October, 1957, carries an article on the "Objective Aims of Bantu Theatre Company", of course seen through the squint eyes of racialistic anti-African Torch.

This clique of Cape Coloured intellectuals and drawing-room politicians simply sees red whenever they see or hear of any ven-ture by the African people. Their latest stunt is to accuse as agents of Verwoerd all those African arists who write in the vernacular— the only medium through which —the only medium through which they can express themselves freely and fully, those artists who stage plays depicting African life in town and country. One supposes that the Pembas and Myusis who use as models African madonnas and children, depict scenes from rural African life, life in location sums will soon come under fire

slums, will soon come under fire by these Cape Coloured gentry. The Bantu Theatre Company which they misrepresent in this article is an attempt at drama and opera by a group of Africans in Cape Town who naturally draw from their vast heritage of African folk stories, legend, music and dance. But as far as the BT.C. is concerned this cannot be acceptable, these Colouredists must see them as agents of Verwoord and as helping the N.A.D. in its attempts to revive tribalism. To

prove their case they mention the fact (if fact it is) that the sponsors are "Liberals"—the U.C.T. Dept. of Speech and Drama—the producer is a "Liberal" and therefore by their strange logic the B.T.C. is an agent of Verwoerd.

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In their wish that the N.A.D. does take over the B.T.C. the Torch concludes: "If the N.A.D. does not help to develop it into a Bantu National Theatre' it will be because it knows how the oppressed regard it." One does wish that the Torch intellectuals and drawing-room politicians, many of whom have never even seen Windermere, Cook's Bush, the inside of the Q.T. Flast and the Nyanga Emergency Camp, really knew these oppressed they speak of so glibly and knew them not only from newspaper accounts read in their drawing-rooms.

Their attitude to the African and culture is the same as that of the missionary-colonists who saw in the Blacks a horde of savages who had nothing to give to world culture and whose language, music, dance and art of story-telling had to be wiped from the face of the world is not the face of the same and world, so that the missionary-coloniser could transcribe the "cul-ture of the West" on a slate wiped clean of all traces of barbarism. Like the 19th century missionary, the Torch Colouredists still see in the African, the savage and bar-barian who must be left out in the process of developing an indigenous culture in this country

PHILLIP MADLOKWANA

LAUNCH YOUR OWN SPUTNIK!

NOT even the most rabid and of oppressed people in South bind followers of Dulles, Africa, then not even the sky is Franco and Striden can every the presence of "Sputnik" as it belazes its way over all boundaries in its working class glory. There can be no controversy slunching of such a "sputnik" about this Russian achievement. Hundreds of plattelanders standing at night on the little koppies deduced about the Karoo will first stage, then we are already offered to the standing at night on the little koppies held to the standing at night on the little koppies have been standing to the standing the standing at the standing helpless to arrest its progress. There is absolute consternation in the reactionary camp at the

In spite of their poor living same conditions and great personal going, problems our readers are asking us how "Sputnik" got there and by what means. They are anxious to know how the conquest of outer space was achieved. They ask how it is possible to accomplish plish such wonders in the skies above the earth while so many problems remain unsolved here on terra firma itself.

New Age has always contended that there are no prob-lems here in South Africa which cannot also be solved as long as people are willing and able to work them out in an organised and determined fashion. If this was done by the vast majority

It took a lot of hard work and plenty of money to send "Sputnik" into outer space and keep it going there. It takes the same effort to keep New Age

WE NEED MONEY VERY URGENTLY. SEND IN YOUR DONATIONS NOW.

Last Week's Donations

Johannesburg—Intellectual £4, Overtime £1 2s. 6d., Mr. Angel £3, Krugersdorp 12s. Total £8 14s. 6d.

Port Elizabeth — Friend 5s., Doc. £1, E.D.R. £2. Total £3 5s. Cape Town — Herbert H. Hoffman 7s., Anon. £40 19s. 3d., T.S. £5, M. Gluckman 15s., J.Z. £3 18s. K. 10s. Total £51 9s. 3d.

Grand Total £63 8s, 9,

We Can Vote With Our Money Against the Nats.

I hate the colour bar and all forms of racial discrimination and it is for this reason that I hate the Nationalist Govern-ment. I will therefore not buy goods which I know are manu-factured by firms which in any way have anything to do with the Nationalists.

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Our rulers must be made to realise that while they continue with their present policies those who are suffering as a result of these policies will continue to hit them in their pockets. The Non-White people pockets. The Non-White people of our country have not got the vote but they can vote with their pounds, shillings and pence.

and pence.

I buy from any firm, whether
Afrikaans, English, Jewish,
African, Coloured or Indian
because I am not a racialist,
but I most certainly will boycott the Nationalist capitalists coft the Nationalist capitalists until such time that our country reverts back to the road of sanity and decency,

ARNOLD SELBY,

Johannesburg.

- Death of Robert Genve

I wish to publish in New Age the death of Mr. Robert Genye a prominent reader of New Age. He was a railway worker before

He was a railway worker before he got a pension and fought hard for the rights of the workers for more than 35 years.

He died on Sunday, October, 1957. Railway representatives and the location superintendent spoke at his funeral. More than 1,000 people were present. I say "Lala ngoxolo Bawo, umzamo omhle." Bawo, umzamo omhle. E. LULAMILE VARA

Cradock.

The Crime Problem

Crime is a source of income for Guard movement was banned. During the Civic Guard movement was banned. During the Civic Guard movement there were no crimes, and as a result there were no fines, and the State suffered financially. and the State suffered financially. It is as simple as pie to realise that for the State to prosper, there must be crime. The State profits from the fines, while the victims suffer loss of life and property. More police is not and never will be a solution to crime. Even with the state of th

if everybody were to become a policeman that would not solve the crime problem

JOHN MORUTOS. Sophiatown.

EDITORIAL

STRIJDOM HAS TAUGHT US A LESSON

IN an attack on the "Sap" Press, the Prime Minister, Mr. Strijdom, last week said "the Government would have to take strong action to maintain peace and order and to ensure that Natives were not taught to hate the White man.

"Instead, they should be taught that the apartheid policy was not just beneficial to the White man. They should be taught that it would also bring peace to all the country's peoples. White and Non-White

The Nationalist Government have been in power for 10 years now. How long must the people wait to be taught the "benefits of apartheid"?

On all sides are the evident signs of the miserable failure of the apartheid policy to bring peace to the people.

• In all main centres this week Non-European workers were threatened with mass unemployment as a result of De Klerk's iniquitous determination reserving the best jobs in the clothing industry for Europeans only.

• In Nelspruit last week there was yet another clash between the police and the people as a result of Verwoerd's determination to ram passes down the throats of the African women.

• In Bloemfontein location last week-end there was yet another "faction fight" due to the policy of ethnic grouping.

• Almost daily in our papers we read about the crime wave a payroll robbery here, a housebreaking and theft there, the shebeens, teddy boys and ducktails which are the signs of growing unrest and uncertainty among all sections of our population.

• A few weeks ago a survey showed that 70,000 people in Port Elizabeth live below the breadline. In Cape Town the City Council reports that tens of thousands of Non-Europeans have no proper housing; at Cook's Bush thousands more are told to knock down their pondoks and get out.

The list of evils which apartheid has brought to the people is endless. But where, please tell us Mr. Strijdom, are the benefits? In 10 years what single measure have the Nationalists passed in the interests of the Non-Europeans? What is it that the Non-Europeans have to be grateful for?

Yes, we read about record profits for the gold mines, the big farmers and the industrialists. We can see with our own eyes the big, black shiny cars which Mr. Strijdom and his supporters run about in. We read all about the graft in high places, the truck and liquor scandals, which show that some people have been doing very nicely, thank you, since the Nationalists came to power.

But the beneficiaries of apartheid are not Non-Europeans, who are worse off than they have ever been before. It will take more than Strijdom's teaching (Bantu Education?) and his "strong action" to make the people believe White is Black and that what strikes them as hell on earth is actually heaven.

Perhaps when De Klerk issues a proclamation reserving the best jobs in industry for Non-Europeans and explains to the Europeans that he is not doing them an injustice people will sit up and take notice.

Not that we ask for that. For any form of apartheid means oppression and discrimination and must be fought with the utmost vigour and determination if peace is ever to be brought to our ravaged land.

Coloureds Should Take Part In **Elections**

MUCH has been said and written about the highly controversial issue of the Coloured franchise and separate representation. The SACPO decided at its last conference to boycott the coming elections under the Separate Representation Act.

rate Representation Act.

Now let us be honest with ourselves. The SACPO has no mandate from the Coloured people, especially down in the Cape, to take such an important, far-reaching decision. This was a decision taken without prior consultation with the people really affected—the voters.

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the voters.

I have made it my business to consult various Coloured people from all walks of life on whether we should vote in the elections or not. And without exception the answer was "Yes."

Their reasons? A certain United-

Party M.P., Mr. Starke, has decided to stand as a Coloured representative, claiming to "know the Coloured people." We know that Mr. Starke believes in segregation. And he wants to represent us in Parliament?

Or take the North West Cape.
There some Coloured people, especially the teachers, still believe that the Nationalist policy is
the ideal solution to our problems.
Suppose some Nationalist fanatic
offers himself to these people as a
candidate? A Nat M.P. representing the Coloured people does not
sound very nice. sound very nice.

Why not put Congress candidates in the field to take the message of the Freedom Charter to Parliament, and by so doing, let the world know just where we stand?

There is no time to kill ourselves with big theoretical questions. This is the time for practical poli-tics. Let us propagate the Freedom tics. Let us propagate the Freedom Charter throughout the length and breadth of South Africa. We will see who will win . . . we or theory; the Congresses or the Nats and U.P.

SACPO would be wise to re-consider this whole issue in this light. Let us examine all the facts before us. Let us bear our African, Indian and European countrymen in mind when we deliberate and let us come to an honest and sincere decision that will strengthen the liberatory movement, so that the wheel of freedom may roll faster on the road to our ultimate goal—the Freedom Charter.

ARTHUR J. GORDON

Athlone

RUSSIANS' REACTION TO FROGMEN INCIDENT

"We Would Prefer People To Come To Us Openly In Daytime"

FROM BRIAN BUNTING

CAPE TOWN.

"WE would like people to come to us openly, in the daytime, and not out of the water in the middle of the night," one of the officers of the Soviet sailing ship Tovarisch said to me last week.



RRUCE ROBERTS an unexpected gue

He was commenting on the mid- Dock on Tuesday night of last week night attempt of two frogmen to sail round the ship as she was berthed at the Eastern Mole in the Duncan

in the narrow space between the ship and the mole. Clad from head to foot in a tight-fitting rubber suit, and with goggles and frog feet, he was brought on board the ship and interrogated.

was trembling," the officer "He was trembling," the officer said. "We thought it might be from the cold, so we offered him some brandy, but after that he was still embling. We told him not to be

ALL FOR A BET

"He said he was a student of the University of Cape Town, and that he and his friend had made a bet with two other students that they would sail round the ship. While their two friends waited for them in a car, they had entered the water on the sea side of the Western mole, swum through the dock opening and approached the Tovarisch from the port side.

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"We sent out a search party and found his friend outside on the mole. We brought him on board too. He was no longer in his diving clothes, which we found on the breakwater at the end of the Eastern Mole. He was also trembling, so we offered him some brandy too."

The two students gave their na as Bruce Roberts and Gary McMig-ott. The two waiting for them in the car were Freddy Mills and Dave

Since the Tovarisch was berthed in a prohibited zone of the docks, the captain decided he had better hand over the students to the police, three of whom, plus a Special Branch man in an overcoat, were on the scene summoned. within minutes of being

NO OFFENCE

The first reaction of the police was that the men had committed no offence, since anybody could swim in the basin if he wanted to Later, however, the Russians were told the students had been fined for being in a prohibited zone without a permit.

Before they left the Tovarisch, both students signed statements. Bruce Roberts wrote: "Thank you Bruce Roberts wrote: "Inank you very much for your kind hospitality shown to an unexpected guest. It was very nice meeting genuine Rus-sian folk and I'll never forget this

stan fork and in never loger this experience. I wish you every success in your voyages and ventures."

Gary McMigott wrote: "Your hospitality has been wonderful. I'll never forget it. May your voyages have every success.

OPEN SHIP

Asked what the crew felt about Asked what the crew left about the whole incident, the officer shrugged. "It is not we who have made it difficult for people to visit the Tovarisch," he pointed out. "We keep open ship for anybody who wants to come here. It is your South African authorities who have put us here and prevented anybody from visiting us.

"But at least these two students will know that the Devil is not as bad as he is painted.

"We see in your newspapers that you have had an exhibition of flowers. We have flowers of friendship in our hearts. All the peoples of the world must live together in peace and harmony like the flowers at the exhibition. Those who make trouble and hostility must be pulled up and thrown away like weeds."

ISOLATION

Until the day she sailed the Tovarisch was isolated from the general public by the port authorities. Last Saturday morning, however, when she was moved to the Victoria Basin to take on diesel oil

Victoria Basin to take on diesel oil for her engine, she was open for inspection for a few hours and hundreds took advantage of the opportunity to look her over.

Among the visitors were the two students. Roberts and McMigott, who returned to the ship to apologise for the inconvenience to which

gise for the inconvenience to which they had put the crew of the Tovarisch on Tuesday night. Even then the Special Branch men were there, grim-faced and unsmil-ing, pacing up and down on the dockside, waiting and watching— for what?

Chaplin's New Film

LONDON

According to Charles Chaplin, his new film, A King in New York, is "not anti-American nor would it offend Americans. It is only against McCarthyism." McCarthyism."
Chaplin was answering critics of

Chaplin was answering crutes of this film in an open letter to the press, published abroad. He said he was confident that if the movie were shown in the U.S. it would be liked. However, he said he would not care to be present at a showing in the States "for fear of being scalped."

African Woman at T.U. Conference



Strong condemnation of racialist legislation and police terror in South Africa, and maximum support for the Treason Trial Defence Fund, were unanimously voted by the delegates from 80 countries representing 105 million workers at the Fourth World Trade Union Congress which met in Leipzig in the middle of October.

This conference called on the world trade union movement "to take united action to demonstrate clearly to the South African Government that workers throughout the world want to put an end to race discrimination and the persecution of their fellow workers of South Africa."

Our picture shows a woman delegate from French West Africa.

RENT BOYCOTT MOVEMENT SPREADS IN PROTEST **AGAINST INCREASES**

JOHANNESBURG.

A S November 1st, deadline day, for the increase of rents in African municipal locations, approaches, tension is rising to fever pitch in these townships. The increases in certain areas amount to as much as £1 5s and £1 7s. 6d. per month.

At several well-attended meetings the residents resolved to take drastic steps to fight the increases.

A mass deputation to the Mayor of Johannesburg to register their opposition to the increases has been

In at least four townships, Jabavu Orlando, Western Native Township and George Goch, the residents

have decided to boycott payment of

The people are furious. They contend that it is admitted all round that Africans cannot afford to pay more for rent, transport or any other services.

other services.

At a crowded meeting in Jabavu last week speakers stated that Africans live below the bread line. The Mayor, Mr. Max Goodman, had himself said during the bus boycott that their wages were low and he would do his best to assist them to get higher wages. Instead, said the speakers, not only has he done nothing to fulfil his promise but the Civr Council has decided to increase City Council has decided to increase

Amidst cries of 'Asinamali' the Amost cries of Asinanan the people spontaneously started to throw towards the chairman the forms which they had been given in connection with the new rentals. "Take them back to the City Council", they chanted.

Job Reservation

At another meeting it was pointed out that the decision of the Governout that the decision of the Govern-ment to reserve jobs for certain racial groups would further lower the standard of living of the African and this was another reason why no additional burdens should be placed on their already overstrained costs of living.

A factor which is affecting the boycott issue is that if rents are not paid the people can neither vote nor stand in the advisory board elections. But the people's attitude is: 'To hell with the elections. The boardsmen will also have to make up their minds sooner or later.

Nelspruit Shaken by Anti-Pass Protest

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events were sickened by what they saw and in particular by the use of batons and long whips on women and young girls.

On Wednesday, the 23rd, the men, incensed by the previous day's events, took a hand in the protest and only about 100 of the town's labour force of 2,000 went to work, according to official reports.

OPENED FIRE

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Africans who assembled in the location were ordered to disporte, and here the police opened fire on the crowd. That night terror raids in the location took place, and about 130 Africans were arrested on pass and permit charges and for being in possession of dangerous weapons. weapons.

The four women held in custody by the police were joined by three others arrested towards the end of the week.

Those held on the public violence charges are Rosie Motza, Flora Mtimkulu, Muriel Sedibe, Kathe-rine Mokoena, Lena Mlambo, Sarah Bembe and Lena Masinga. Katherine Mokoena is suffering from serious head injuries.

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no additional burdens should be placed on their already overstrained costs of living.

In the meantime Springs, which set the pace fr the rent boycott movement is still holding out and the spirit of the people remains high.

ANOTHER AFRICAN ATTORNEY ORDERED OUT OF FREE STATE COURT

From Our Correspondent

MRS. Roselinah Nzimande and her son Mr. Edmund Nzimand Were convicted in the magistrate's court here for selling goods without a licence. They were fined £8, with the alternative of four weeks' imprisonment. An appeal has been noted.

When the case was first heard, I place on record and that the Bench when the case was first nearth, the accused were defended by Mr. H. Nzimande, the son of Mrs. Nzimande. On the first day of the hearing the prosecutor challenged Mr. Nzimande's right to appear in court. The magistrate adjourned the court while the matter was investi-gated, and later allowed the case to continue with Mr. Nzimande acting

A CONSPIRACY

for the defence.

Mr. Nzimande alleged that the Mr. Nzimande alieged that the case was a conspiracy against the accused by the Crown and said he would lead evidence to prove his allegation. During the day there were several heated exchanges between Mr. Nzimande and the

when the magistrate had dis-allowed a question put by the de-fence to one of the Crown witnesses, Mr. Nzimande argued that the ques-Mr. Nzimande argued that the ques-tion was essential to prove that the authorities were engaged in a con-spiracy against the whole Nziman-de family in Bethlehem.

Magistrate: Do not shout at me like that or else I will throw you

place on record and that the Bench elects to answer questions put by the defence to the witness?

At the opening of the second day of the hearing the magistrate ruled that Mr. Nzimande was not entitled to appear in court in the Free State and told the accused to go and look for another attorney. Mr. Nzimande immediately submitted an appeal against the ruling, and the case was adjourned.

UNDEFENDED

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On the resumption some weeks later, the accused were undefended. They asked that the case be adjourned so that they could obtain legal representation, but the magistrate ordered that the case proceed. The accused then said that although they had witnesses to call for their defence, since they were without legal representation they would not lead evidence.

The Crown then proceeded with the accused were convicted and sentenced.

Majsirater. Do not shout at me like that or ole I will throw you cutside the court.

Mr. Nzimande: With respect, sir, may the question be registered with e objection of the prosecutor and the Bench upholding it?

Mgsirater: You are not soing to the white the converse of the property of the convicted in the majsirate's convicted in th Mrs. Nzimande has been charged

THE astrologer's claim that the movement of heavenly bodies determines the fortunes of men is not so preposterous after all. True, the moon known as Sputnik is not to be found in any but the very latest editions of the astrologer's almanac, but who would deny that its journey through space has had a profound effect on the destiny of us mortals below?

One of its immediate consequences has been to make the Prime Minister of Britain, Mr. Harold MacMillan, go on a long journey across the sea.

Unfortunately for him, he was not fated to meet a beau-tiful blonde or even a tall dark stranger. Instead he had to be satisfied with the me-dium-sized, bald-headed President of the [ISA. General Dwight Eisenhower.



seven months ago in Ber-muda, when they tried to smooth over some of the strains that had developed as a result of the mad British actions over Suez They were not actually due to meet again till

February next year, but then Sputnik intervened, and the date was suddenly advanced. At Bermuda they had met with scowls and parted with smiles. At Washington they met with long faces—and parted with long faces.

MAC PROPOSES

Mac started off, we may assume, by telling Ike a few home truths. "Until recently," he said, "we were few home truins. "Until recently," he said, "we weiter prepared to accept that the U.S.A. was top dog in the world. Now you are being left behind by the Russians. You can't go it alone any more, you'll just have to accept us as full partners.

"Why should we duplicate all our work? We've got the brains, you have the money and the technicians. If we share our secrets, we will be able to meet the challenge from the East. Also, I must admit, it is getting increasingly difficult for us in Britain to foot the bill for all the research and armaments too.

IKE DISPOSES

Ike was in a spot. It was true that America was no longer able to meet the Russian challenge on its

On the other hand, he thought to himself, you can never trust any of the other Western powers. First, they will use the secrets we give them to further their own economic interests in competition with our own.

Secondly, there are so many Pinks around in Britain, that one never knows what they might do

WORLD STAGE

By Spectator

with the knowledge. As for the other NATO partners like France and Italy, why, the people there are likely to return a Commie government any day.

Come to think of it, though, the greater part of America's contribution in weapons development dur-ing World War II had lain in the fields of technical knowledge, materials and mass production. In pure science it was the foreigners who led the field, men like Italy's Enrico Fermi, Denmark's Nils Bohr, and German-born Albert Einstein.

THOSE RUSSIANS!

Then there is the terrific speed at which the Russians are going ahead, thought Ike. On November 7th this year they will be celebrating with a bang the 40th anniversary of the Revolution which has caused us all so much trouble. And there is so much they will have to boast about.

From being one of the world's most backward countries, Ike admitted to himself, they have shot out to the front. They can tell everybody how they have increased the output of industry 33 times in those 40 years, despite the devastation of the last war.

They can also boast about how they have changed a 90% illiterate population into the world's most highly educated, with more science students than the whole of the rest of the world put together, and a universal matriculation just around the corner.

Now they are even talking about producing more meat, milk and butter than we do in the next three years. In Latvia, Lithuania and Esthonia the per capita production of these products is already higher than in the U.S.A., while next year they will have achieved the same in the Ukraine

What is even worse, their leaders promise that in 15 to 20 years they will have outstripped us in per capita industrial production, which means that they will be living better than we do. And these days you can no longer afford to scoff at their claims as we used to you need only look at that damned Sputnik

A MAN CALLED LENIN

Yet the worst of the lot is the way their political influence is growing, lke's thoughts continued. What started off as a revolt by a collection of barefooted illiterate workers and peasants led by a party who called themselves Bolsheviks under a man whom no one had ever heard of named Lenin, has now spread to include a third of humanity.

Who knows where it is going to stop? Russia Eastern Europe, China, Indo-China. . . Strong munist parties everywhere in the West. And the whole of Asia, the Middle East and Africa falling

Who would have imagined it a few years ago? Huge crowds for Nehru in Moscow, even bigger crowds for Khruschov and Bulganin in New Delhi and Calcutta; Indonesian President Sukarno visit America, where we lay everything on, then goes to China, and says that he likes China better. And he is not even a Communist.

It is this combination of the Communists and th Afro-Asian countries that is such a threat to the present American way of life. Every day these two groups move closer together, and whatever we try to do, they stop. Just look at Nasser getting away with nationalising the Suez Canal, and now they are interfering with us in Syria.

The Russians even have the cheek to tell us that our own grandsons in America will live under Social-

At this stage of his thinking, it would be fair to assume, Ike called for tranquilisers all round, and decided that Mac was right after all.

"CENTINE PARTNERSHIP"

A joint declaration was issued in due course, in which Ike promised to ask the U.S. Congress to amend the MacMahon law of 1946 whereby Americans were forbidden to share atomic and other secrets with other nations.

The progress and safety of the "free world" could only be achieved, the declaration stated, "in genuine" partnership, by combining resources and sharing tasks in many fields."

The significance of the declaration should not be underestimated. It signals the realisation by the Americans that they are no longer the undisp leaders of the world.

Ever since the end of the last war, the U.S.A has acted as the pillar for the nations of the West. Now she finds that she is in need of support herself.

MEETING REJECTED

It is amazing, though, how the British and American leaders continue to take for granted that the world must be divided into two hostile blocs, and that the arms race must inevitably continue.



The Russians have recently repeated their frequent offers to have another "summit meeting" with the Western leaders in order to arrive at agreement on disarmament and a peaceful settlement of the problems of the Middle

MacMillan made it clear when he returned to London from Washington that he was opposed to any further meet

ing with the Russians until the West was in a position to "speak from strength."

This is a dangerous policy for the West. Two can play at that game, and the signs are that it is the Russians who are steadily forging ahead. But the West is apparently determined to continue the deadly

Meanwhile Sputnik continues to circle the globe Meanwhite sputnik continues to circle the gione.
And one does not have to be an exceptionally capable
political astrologer to predict that this little moon
will see to it that on November 7 there will be
mighty celebrations in the Soviet Union and various other parts of the world.

Spectator's own forecast, by the way, is that a lot of the cheering will be for a new fellow-traveller for Coloured and Indian garment workers in a

factory.

DE KLERK DEFIES EVERYB DY EXCEPT HIS OWN SUPPO TERS

In issuing his edict reserving ing the best jobs in the clothing industry for Europeans only, the Minister has gone over the of the overwhelming majority of those whose evidence

was placed before his Industrial Tribunal.

This emerges from the report of the Tribunal which was made available to the public last week.

The employers and the unions

in the industry were unanimous in opposing job reservation. So were the industrial councils for the clothing industry in all cenres. So were the five assessors who sat with the Tribunal in an advisory capacity. So was the chairman of the Tribunal himself, Dr. S. P. du Toit Viljoen, who dissociated himself from the recommendation of the other

four members of the Tribunal. The Tribunal's report says that the only support for job reservation came from a section of the workers at Germiston. Who are these workers for whose sake De Klerk is prepared to ruin the country's third largest

industry? They are a tiny handful of Nationalist Party supporting garment workers from the Germiston branch of the Garment Workers' Union

Workers' Union.

Back in June, 1955, the
Minister of Labour met a sixmember delegation from the
Germiston branch of the union
(all White workers) who pleaded
for the "protection of White
workers"

workers".

"The Natives are forcing the Europeans and Coloureds out of the industry", said spokesman C. Meyer. "The delegates are approaching the Minister as ordinary workers and for no politinary workers and for no poilu-cal reason or for the purpose of putting a poser to him, and that the Minister must explain to the delegates very clearly in which way and by what means he could protect them".

The Minister, says the union's

unofficial record of this meeting.
"was very friendly and made the delegates feel at ease. He gave the impression that it was a leasure to disouss with the ordi-nary workers the problems affect-

The Minister did not want to discuss details of the Industrial Conciliation Bill (which was then in its early stages), but he pro-mised the delegation "the Bill will provide protection" and "He would not permit Europeans to

dismissed and replaced by atives". The Minister has defied the

country—but he has car-out his promise to the dele-tion of his buddies from the

NURSES' C NFERENCE THIS WEEK

Formation of Non-c lour-bar Body to be of workers) must undermine the Disc ssed

CAPE TOWN.

NURSES from all over South nesburg this week-end, to a conference of nurses to

Nursing Act.

will be gathering in Johanthe first national multi-racial the implementation of the

One of items on the conference agenda will be discussion of the possibility of forming "a non-discriminatory multi-racial nurses' on the elegants to the conference, told roganisation with direct affiliation and are looking forward to an organisation with direct affiliation to the International Nursing Counstitus and dignity of the profession. "The nurses are up in arms against mittee of the conference said." "It and dignity of the profession." "The nurses are up in arms against mittee of the conference said." "It and dignity of the profession and disastrous effects on a place and disastrous effects on the nurses services in this country and consequently on the people whom the nurses serve." "We expect all democratic mention of the profession to stand with bers of the profession to the surface of the substitute of the many continuation of the nurses and of the subset of the substitute to proceed the substitute to review a deputation. The decree the submit a joint and the many continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses and dignity of the profession of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation of the nurses are up in arms against continuation

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Bantu Education

Other items on the conference of the past of the colour-base of the past of the colour-base of the past of the p

WORKERS CALL FOR PROTEST STRIKE

his apartheid nonsense."
Mr. J. A. la Guma seid: 'This is not only a struggle of the garment workers but of all workers, for this or the struggle of the garment workers but of all workers, for this or the struggle of the garment give a lead.

crowded out and the workers are grave. In recommendation to used to close them down to used to close them down the properties of the properties of the struggle of the garment give a lead.

in this industry. They have lar made it what it is today in industry is covered by an agreement [Eastern and Western Cape.] not only a struggle of the garment workers but of all workers, for this law threatens all industries.
"The Garment Workers' Union

was born in a very militant mood and if I know the garment workers they are ready for militant action today as well.

Other speakers were Mr. Leslie Dunnett, Mr. Z. Malindi (A.N.C.) and Mr. Bernard Gosschalk (Congress of Democrats).

A resolution calling for strike

action and urging the Garment Workers' Union to support such action was passed unanimously on show of hands

Johanneshura:

In a hard-hitting statement, the

upporters, the wealthy farm owners.
This will mean not only the end of the unions, but also of the hardwon wages, hours of work and other gains won in the clothing industry. The European workers will not

escape these effects.

Placing the power of life and death in the hands of one man, the death in the hands of one man, use fields of employment, me normy man, Minister of Labour (who is vested with the powers of granting exemptions, dismissals and engagements and coloured forelady: "Only prostitutions, dismissals and engagements and coloured forelady: "Only prostitutions, and the foreign and the foreign

We believe in such circumstances, and faced with possible unemploy-ment and starvation, the workers are entitled to defend themselves by all means at their disposal. We have no hesitation in calling on all workers in all industries to prepare themselves to resist this unjust proposal.

Durban:

At least 20,000 non-European men, women and children look to the leadership of the Durban Garment Workers' Union to save them from the economic strangulation that application of the recommenda-

Mr. Bolton said that he would fight the matter in the highest court of the land, but every Non-European worker knows that this fight must be to prepare the workers for a will not be effective carried out in jossible strike and a campaign of factory and area meetings has been prepared.

Most of the clothing workers here

BRUTAL BLOW

To the thousands of Indian South African Congress of Trade Workers in the industry as well as Unions says: This step of the Government is a threat to the stan facturers who are suffering the

unust be resisted by all workers.

European and non-European alile,
The Government is prepared to sacrifice and ruin the clothing industry in the hope that the workers. will be driven to work for the miserable low wages and conditions offered by the Government's main list threat to eject them from indus-

> They feel themselves face to face ployment.

As for the large number of Col-oured women in the clothing indus-try for whom there are no other fields of employment, the horrifying tution will be left for our girls, for the recommendation means that or starvation is the only alternative the

WORKERS STUNNED The workers were stunned by the

ecommendation, said Mrs. Bower an organiser of the Garment

(Continued from page 1)

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industry is covered by an agreement which expires at the end of two years. After that, if White labour is not available, the employers will mouths of our children. be compelled to ask for a "blanket

"The farmers are short of labour Romption:

However, the agreement offers held roman and the Nationalists plan to meet their demand for low-paid, cheap little hope to the workers who feel about by throwing non-Whites that no industrial agreement is safe under a Nationalist Government.

Thousands of workers in the clothing industry, continues the leaf-let, are affected. Thousands more will be affected in the footwear in-"Defend your bread, defend your driver soon. "Thousands of others right to live," says a stirring call issued by the S.A.C.P.O. (Eastern Cape) over the weekend.

Cape) over the weekend.

Smoke and Enjoy

Famous Tobaccos.

Mine Captain

Chapman's Special **

Silver Cloud

Greyhound Mixture

Wayside Mixture

Champion Plain

Champion Mixture

Vryburger Mixture

Iris Mixture.



CHAPMAN'S BULK TOBACCOS:-

DARK FINE No. 17 MMR

MINE CAPTAIN.

SOVIET TECHNOLOGY IS TOPS

THE technical journal Metalworking Production has been running a series of articles on the Soviet machine tool and metal-working industries. Reading them has been an exciting experience.

The authors, Norman Stubbs and Peter Trippe (Editor and Associate Editor, respectively), spent between them many weeks in the U.S.S.R. in the autumn and winter of 1956 gathering firsthand information. They are technical journalists well requipped to report on the subject.

To begin with they have the following to say about the development of automation in the U.S.S.R.:

"Soviet preoccupation with auto-mation can, of course, be traced back to historical necessity; it is back to historical necessity; it is a natural development in building up a powerful industrial potential, starting from a population which was almost wholly unskilled technically to begin with. Such conditions, we believe, make first mechanization; secondly, automation in various forms; and finally, highly complex integrated lines, an entirely inevitable development. The trend has been consistent and has roown nosistent and has roown complex integrated lines, an entirely inevitable development. The trend has been consistent and has grown progressively from the early days of the Soviet's industrial programmer right up to the present time; forced by an inescapable necessity to deskill the work and put all the skills into the work of the control of the

level of industrial output now apparent.

"Automation is simply one more aspect of a fundamental principle which has been energetically pursued ever since the Soviet came into being. Throughout the history of the U.S.S.R., it has been emphasized that the development of the U.S.S.R., it has been emphasized that the development of the U.S.R. is a superior of the U.S.R. in the country's production forces and for transforming it into a conomically nowerful state.

an economically powerful state.

"To quote Marshal Bulganin in
his report to the 20th Congress:
"As hitherto, the leading rôle in the development of the Socialist eco-



nomy will be played by industry,—primarily by heavy industry, the production of means of production," The latter phrase: The protion." The latter phrase: The production of the means of production, might well be taken as a slogan for the present Five-Year Plan—and, indeed, for those that preceded it. It is certainly evident in the figures for the Plan itself.
"As far as implementation is concerned, it is also evident in the

organizations, not only in factories themselves, but in the remarkable bodies set up for research and development in machine tools, cutdevelopment in machine tools, cutting tools, instruments and so on,
of which we shall say more later.
At this stage it is sufficient to say
that, in our experience, these organizations are on a fantsistic scale
and are quite unlike anything we
know in this country. It is also,
of course, evident in the technooficial training programmed, and stry
is less than eventy-five years old,
indeed one can more seriously date
it from about 1940, for until then
it did little more than produce a

fit did little more than produce a few models that were fairly close copies of Western lines. Yet it can now bear comparision with that of

DR. S. LILLEY

the British authority on automation, here summarises a series of articles on Soviet engineering which were printed recently in the British technical journal "Metalworking Production."

New Age reprints this article because it gives some idea of recent technological developments in the Soviet Union which made possible the development of the earth satellite Snutnik.

any other country. It is well ahead in ade, at the beginning of the line, in some respects. In others, as the authors are not afraid to point out, labelled cartons" at the end. authors are not afraid to point out, it is still quite a bit behind—their jig-borers are "immature, and one would expect that they have some way to go before equalling the best in the West"; in the field of gagging "they have not yet reached our ing "they have not yet reache standards."

No Secrets

The authors went to Russia well The authors went to Russia well prepared to find that a combination of bureaucracy and secreey would prevent them from seeing the really important things. They did have a little trouble with bureaucracy, though only on minor points. But secrecy never stood in their way, Mr. Trippe, who did not consider the secret of the se took his camera. He brought back over 200 photographs taken inside Soviet machine-tool plants."

When he visited the Moscow auto-

Soviet machine-tool plants,"
When he visited the Moscow automatic ball-bearing factory, which he described as "the most advanced described as "the most advanced world," he "was given the complete run of the factory, allowed to see everything I wanted to see, to use my camera without restriction, and shoot any questions I wanted at the Director, the Chief Designer and others responsible for the line. It is doubtful whether any journalist ever had equivalent facilities before." And he tells us that he careful to the control of the control of

only recently set up such an advanced unit would certainly be trying to keep the know-how out of the hands of its rivals. One of the the hands of its its ivals. One of the things that struck the authors most was the complete absence of such competitive secrecy—"We were, in fact, shown development work in progress... which would certainly be under lock and key in this country, but which we were allowed to try, but which we were allowed to photograph in detail, and which were fully described to us."

Science Fiction Factory

The Moscow ball-bearing factors The Moscow ball-beating lactor, is the nearest approach that any-body has yet achieved to the automatic factory of science fiction. It matic factory of science fiction. It makes both ball- and roller-bearing. Completely automatically it does makes both ball- and roller-bearing. Completely automatically it does all the machining processes on the races and subjects them to a complicated heat treatment (including deep freeze, a very advanced technique). Then—still automatically it assembles the races together with balls and cages (which come from other shops) to make the complete other snops) to make the complete bearings, subjects these to anti-cor-rosion treatment, wraps them in paraffin paper, packs them in boxes (which it makes itself out of card-board), seals them and labels them. It does automatically all the inspecit does automatically all the inspection processes necessary to ensure that the work is up to standard, so that, as Mr. Trippe plus it, "no human intervention is required from the receipt of the rough tube to ro blanks from which the rings are he is in hospital. They visit him!

labelled cartons" at the end.

It turns out 900,000 ball-bearings and 600,000 roller-bearings a
year. The total staff is 178 people
divided between two shifts, and
this figure includes everybody from
Director down to cleaner. Compared with previous processes at the
same establishment (which were already highly automated, though not ready nighty automatic) it cuts labour requirements to half. The authors were not prepared to accept these figures without checking, but their investigations "have clearly indicated that, if anything, the figures guited are on the modest." figures quoted are on the modest side, and that the scheduled production figures for the lines can in fact be exceeded without difficulty."

The plant is flexible in the sense that it can accommodate work up

that it can accommodate work up to 15 per cent. Larger or smaller than that for which it was specifically designed, only re-setting time being involved in the change-over. Soviet automation has already gone through two phases and some entering a third. The emphasis at first was on the now familiar transfer mainter and the most familiar transfer mainter and the supplies of the control of the co lines, like that at the ball-bearing significance of these figures appears factory. But the latest development when we remember that total Brit-marker really took our eye.—

"what really took our eye is production of centre lathes of the beginnings of a potential range all types was 14,047 in 1951—just 47 of general-purpose type machines, more than the output of two Russis it were, which would be readily is an inner. And the Soviet output is adaptable for inter-linking by auto-based on one-shift production at match annuling gear to form a "flex- that, and with the lines working in the second of th

ible' automatic machining unit."
They are creating, as it were, a set
of standard pleces that can be built
up to make almost any automatic
line in the way that one builds up
a model railway from standard
parts, already, say our authors:

they have come very close
they have come they close
they have come they close
that are regional line for machine

unis latest manifestation in practice, with an original line for machining armature shafts, and assembling and balancing the rotor. In this line, individual nucleus production machines, including lathes and centreless grinders, are linked by automation mits automation units.

"In short, it seems fair to say that automation in Russia, today, is generally more broadly based than in the West. In some respects it is further advanced. In others it is in the West. In some respects it is further advanced. In others it is behind and notably so in those promising numerical controls of the punched card or tape type. Even so, development of those devices, too, is undoubtedly in train—and there could come quickly." they could come quickly.

Mass-Produced Machine Tools

There was something that I think Mr. Stubbs and Mr. Trippe found even more exciting than Soviet automation. And that was the manufacture of machine tools on a manufacture of machine tools on a mass-production basis, on a conveyor belt system. This is in essence the mass-production technique of the car industry applied to machine tool manufacture with its far higher demands on accuracy. They describe, for example, the line at the Krasny Proletarii works in Moseow, which turns out small universal lathes at the rate of 12,000 a wear. 4 her hour!—using only about

sal lathes at the rate of 12,000 a year, 4 per hourl—using only about 1,000 workers for the job.

Then there is the plant just starting work at Riazan, also conveyorized, making 2,000 medium screw-cutting lathes a year. The real significance of these figures appears when we remember that total British production of centre lathes of all types was 14,047 in 1951—just 47 more than the output of two Rus-



well inside their capacity. Inci-dentally the savings obtainable by these highly rationalized production methods are enormous. The Krasny Proletarii lathe costs less than half the equivalent American model.

Mr. Stubbs and Mr. Trippe con-MI. Stubbs and Mr. Imppe con-tinually express their admiration for these achievements (while not omitting to criticize inadequacies where they found them). But what completely took their breath away was the speed at which these new plants have been constructed. The automatic heal-bearing factors took automatic ball-bearing factory took automatic ball-bearing factory took six-months to design and another eighteen months to build the special machinery. The Krasny Proletarii lathe line took only eighteen months, including the designing.

The Director of the latter plant put the point dramatically: "The last time he wanted a British machine—quite a straightforward one—he was quoted three years delivery. In the time he would have had to wait for this single machine, he has had time to design a big-production line, build the machine, too-up and get mins production—and turn out 18,000."

What's the secret? There isn't one. "All this," say our authors, "is being done by methods with which being done by methods with which we are thoroughly familiar, and which we could apply if we wanted to. There is no world-startling technical secret behind it—simply foresight, drive, good production planning, organization, and engenish, and cooperation. Similarly, and cooperation of the property of the cooperation of the property of the cooperation of the property of the cooperation of the cooperation of the property of the cooperation of the coo known principles. . . . It is primarily a tribute to brilliant production planning and engineering."

(Continued next week.)

MR. ERIC LOUW has set himself
up as a guardian of the Press.
(??) "South Africa is proud of her
free Press, and it would be a sad
day for the country if the freedom
of the Press should in any way be
tampered with..." (Hurrah!)
But I seem to remember certain newspapers, The Guardian, Advance, People's World, who were executed and buried by the Nats. No doubt

Eric has a short memory.

So short that practically within the next breath during the same speech he is ready to jump on people interviewed for the BBC telepeople interviewed for the BBC television programme on South Africa.
"They would have needed protection had the film ever been shown

And while little Eric was p And while little Eric was per-forming as their champion, big noise Strydom was accusing "the SAP Press" of inciting Africans against whites, and threatened "strong action to maintain order. An interesting feature about any Nationalist orator is that every time he opens his mouth he puts his own foot in it.

MR. ERIC LOUW has set himself up as a guardian of the Press. make him sign in, bed-number and (??) "South Africa is proud of her all.



Bv ALEX LA GUMA

Cape Town harbour, they were offered tinned Crab(be) by the Rus-

AS far as I know there is no Act on the statute books introducing apartheid into counting, but at a law court last week I heard a magis-

trate addressing an African witness:
"Oh," he said, "you don't count
the European way. You use your
fingers and the moons."

A TUNE, an adaptation of one of the old coon songs, is starting to circulate around District Six, and Year's Day, if it isn't banned by then. Some of it goes something HEAR that when the two Irog men were hauled aboard the men were hauled aboard the then. Some of it good then to a some of it good the then the two the then the two transfers th

AND, speaking of predikants, I am told that gospel grinders who attended the synod of the DRC in Cape Town recently have been avid buyers of one of our contemfeaturing goings on in poraries fe Barkly East.

No doubt they enjoyed themselves.

THE pictures in the Press of the muscle-bound cop who entered the "Mr. Universe" contest in London drew the attention of some of the boys on Hanover Street. They examined the pictures, looked at the muscles.

muscles.
"So that's what hit me," said one of the boys, fingering a scar on his shaven poll.
"Hell," said another, "the — law don't need so much muscles. All they need is a good trigger finger."

WORLD CALL TO FIGHT APARTHEID

Dec. 10 Urged As Human Rights Day

DECLARATION calling for a "day of protest against South Africa's apartheid policy" was signed recently by leading international figures in New York.

Among the signatories was the former Secretary General of the United Nations, Mr. Trygvie Lie, and Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, widow of the former President of the United States of America

The declaration appealed to peoples of the free world to observe on food problems; December 10 as a human rights day. It was signed by 123 representatives of 38 nations.

was issued from United Nations headquarters by the American Committee on Africa.

The signatories said that their goal was "to persuade the South African Government, before it reaches the point of no return, that only in democratic equality is there lasting peace and security

Amongst the other signatories

Earl Russell (Bertrand Russell), the well-known English mathematician, philosopher and writer:

Ceylon Sugar Factory

The Ceylon Government has accepted a tender worth about £2,500,000 from the Czech Techno-Export Corporation to build a sugar factory at Kantalai, on the east coast.

CHIANG'S FUNK-HOLE

SAN FRANCISCO.

The Chiang Kai-sheks who were alarmed by the rising demands of Formosan Chinese for liberation from the Americans and re-union with China, have taken the precaution of buying a luxurious estate at Lynchburg, Virginia, U.S.A.

The Dispatcher, organ of West Coast waterside workers said the American estate bought by the Chiangs should "become a national shrine to the greatest wrong bet ever laid. At least the U.S. taxpayers paid for it."

TURKS WANT TO ATTACK SYRIA-

LONDON. CONFIRMATION of Khru-

schov's warning that the Turkish Government has been Turkish Government has been preparing an all-out attack on Syria for some time now, comes from the bitterly anti-Soviet magazine printed in the U.S.A., Newsweek.

In its October 28th edition it contained the following short report from its reporter in Automa.

report from its reporter in Ankara:
"This indicates what Tur-key's high command thinks of Khruschov's threats: They want to call his bluff, are urging the U.S. to let them slap down Syria now. The Turks want to ston Communist expansion he-ston Communist expansion hestop Communist expansion be-fore Syria becomes a really serious threat."

Meanwhile in New Delhi Indian Prime Minister Nehru stated recently at a Press con-ference that the prospects of war in the Middle East had faded.

fadded.

The Syrian situation had proved, he added, that Arab nationalism was stronger than the Baghdad Pact. To call Syria—or any other Arab country—Communist was an exaggeration of fact, he stated.

Professor Arnold Toynbee, one of ne world's best-known historians; Mr. John Gunther, famous Ameri-an journalist, author of "Inside friem".

Lord Boyd-Orr, leading authority French writer

Bruno Walter, outstanding musi-ian and conductor;

Pablo Casals, "the greatest cello player who ever lived"; Alan Paton, well-known South

M. Andre Maurois, well-known

BRITONS ATTACK COLOUR BAR

MEANWHILE in Britain leading actors, writers, musicians and sportsmen have signed a manifesto deploring discrimination on grounds of race, colour or religion.

by the Africa Bureau, reads:
"We, the undersigned, drawn from

We, the undersigned, unwil from the fields of art and sport, are dismayed by the danger that is arising in Africa from the theory and practice of apartheid. We believe that the theory is inhuman, and that the practice restricts arbitrarily, even prohibits, the enjoyment and the use of human talent.

"FREEDOM HUNGER"

"Sport and the arts are concerned with those things mankind has in common. Today, when men in-creasingly hunger for freedom and unity, we believe that we have a special responsibility to cherish and advance the liberties which have been so hardly won through the

"To impose any form of discrimination on grounds of race, colour

Spanish Students Turn Against Franco

THE Spanish authorities are seriously worried at the rising anti-Franco feeling amongst the Spanish student population.

Spanns student population.

When the new academic year started at the beginning of the month, students were told to toe the line. The head of the Spanish Student's Union (SEU), Senor Aparicio Bernal, warned students to co-operate loyally with the SEU movement. movement

Speaking in the great hall of the Old Madrid University, the rector of the University said that "only in an atmosphere of order could man enjoy the liberty to study."

These warnings are evidence of the fear with which the authorities

the fear with which the authorities regard the growing ferment amongst the students, as well as amongst growing sections of the staff.

Dissatisfaction amongst students culminated in strong protest actions in Madrid early in 1956, and later at Barcelona University, which were followed by followed by many arrests in both

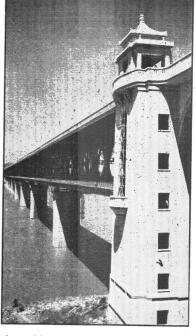
The students claimed that the The students ciaimed unat use SEU, which is subordinate to the ruling Falange (Fascist) Party and to which all students must belong, should be replaced by an organisation truly representative of student

is one of the many examples of growing opposition to the Govern-ment which have led observers to state that the end of the Franco re-

The manifesto, which was drafted ${}_{\mid}$ or religion is contrary to all we believe and work for

> "We are determined nowhere to condone it, but to oppose it by every means in our power, and we invite anyone who shares our view to join us in this declaration.

- Well-known figures of the stage and screen were represente stage and screen were represented amongst the signatories. They include Alastair Sim, Dame Peggy Asheroft, Sir Hugh and Lady Casson, Peter Brook, Peter Ustinov, Sir John Gielgud, Miles Malleson, Wolf Mankowitz, Michael Redgrave, Paul Scolield, Flora Robson, Emeric Eurger, Anton Walbrook and Emlyn Williams.
- From the world of ballet were the names of Frederick Ashton, Robert Helpmann and Michael
- Scientists included Dr. Julian Huxley and Dr. J. Bronowski.
- Musicians were well repre-Musicians were well represented by, amongst others, Benjamin Britten, Alan Bush, Louis Kentner, Harriet Cohen, Gerald Moore and Humphrey Lyttelton.
- There were also a large num-There were also a large number of well-known writers, including such names as Graham Greene, Christopher Fry, Stella Gibbons, Eric Ambler, H. E. Bates, Arthur Koestler, Jack Lindsay, Ethel Mannin, Stephen Potter, Stephen Spender and A. J. P. Taylor.



China Celebrates Bridge Over Mighty Yangtze River

THERE were celebrations and festivities throughout China THERE were celebrations and festivities throughout China when the old Chinese dream of bridging the mighty Yangtze River became a reality towards the end of last month. On October 15 the bridge was officially opened to traffic. The 50,000 people who lined the approaches to the bridge to mark the occasion, heard the music of bands, the crackle of sirens and the roar of aircraft as the ribbon across the bridge was cut by Chinese vice-Premier Li Fu-chun. Gaily decorated balloons floated in the air.

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The opening of the bridge two years ahead of schedule was a triumph for the builders. Chinese engineers had made plans for such a bridge four times during the Chiang Kai-shek regime, but each time their plans were shelved. Now the Chinese bridge-builders had constructed the mile-long bridge in the amazing time of 25 months, two years ahead of schedule. A new method of laying tubular column foundations in the pier building was used for the first time in the world. the world.

The manpower, material (including all the steel girders) and

Chinese speakers at the opening ceremony paid special tribute to the 20 Soviet experts who had worked with the Chinese builders day and night, giving the Chinese the benefit of their

advanced experience.

The Russians reciprocated by complimenting the Chinese on the remarkable manner in which they had learnt to cope with the new techniques which were necessitated by the deep and torrential river.

The bridge is a double-decker, with a highway for six lanes of traffic on top, and a double-tracked railway below. Both decks are flanked with footpaths.

VICTORY **FOR** KERALA GOVT

THE new Government of the Indian State of Kerala has won its first | ing the Bill and bringing down the major test since the election earlier this year, by securing the passage Government. through Parliament of its Education Bill.

The new law provides for free! compulsory primary education. It has special provisions aimed at protecting the rights of teachers and all religious groupings.

This is the first time that any Indian State has passed such a law.

A powerful campaign had been organised against the Bill when it was first announced. The centre of this campaign was the Catholic hierarchy in Kerala, who tried to rally support from all the anti-Communist forces in India.

The Catholic community is one of the largest religious groups in Kerala.

The Education Bill took education from the control of the Church and placed it under the authority of the Government. Relignous instruction in the schools was, however, allowed to continue.

RIOT PLANNED

If a riot had taken place, the Central Government could have in-terfered and taken over control of the State from its communist government

The police, on Government instructions, refrained from interfering with the demonstration, and the population remained calm. The hoped-for riot did not take place.

The Bill finally passed its third reading without a division. Only 32 of the 61 members of the Oppo-The campaign against the Bill stitle were present. The other culminated in a "storm the capital" stayed away, presumably because demonstration at Trivandrum. This their electors were strongly in fawmeasure was openly aimed at smash- our of the Bill.



the ANC conference last week At the ANC contenence ass week; while the delegates are closeted in the conference hall for a closed session, Congress members and supporters, holding Congress flags aloft, dance and sing spiritedly outside the hall.

Racing At Milnerton

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SHOULD ELECTIONS BE BOYCOTTED?

2 COLOURED COUNCILLORS **GIVE THEIR VIEWS**

CAPE TOWN

CONTINUING its interviews with Coloured leaders on the coming general and separate Coloured representative elections, New Age this week approached two City Councillors, one of them a trade union secretary and the vice-president of a teachers' organisation, and asked them the following two questions:

● Should the Coloured people be concerned over the outcome of the general elections in which only European voters will participate?

● What should be the attitude of the Coloured people towards the elections under the Separate Representation of Voters Act?

■ Complement of the Coloured people towards the elections under the Separate Representation of Voters Act?

Replying to these questions, Coun-cillior Mrs. Z. Gool said: "I can't see "After having just been deprived how the outcome of an election of their fragmentary democratic which is a travesty of democracy rights, the Coloured people can and justice should interest us. I feel lardly be expected to show any enthan ever that the future of the Non-Europeans lies in their own hands. It is for them to hammer out their own techniques of attaining their rights.

"As for the separate elections for

"As for the separate ejections for four Europeans to represent the Coloured people, I don't see what we can gain from them. The franchise right of the Non-Europeans is a hollow mockery. To give four European representatives to the Coloured people and three to the Africans, seven to represent twelve million people, while two million whites have 150 representatives, seems to me an outrage of democ-

thusiasm or interest in the forththustasm or interest in the forth-coming elections. The people are smarting with indignation and bitter-ness, and I can't see how they can pin any hope on a few isolated representatives, no matter how great their promises to serve our interests might be."

DYNAMIC FORCES

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Mrs. Gool continued: "Elections
or no elections, the dynamic forces
are not detections, the dynamic forces
for the people for freedom together
with the great generating forces
which are taking shape throughout
the world, are bound to defeat the
safeguards of apartheid and discrimination which the government are
creeting around themselves."

Mr. E. L. Maurice, vice-president
of the Teachers' League of South
Africa, told New Ages. "The Coloured people should have no interest
at all in either the general or the
separate representative elections."

CONTRARY VIEW

Councillor Edgar Deane, who is also secretary of the Cape Furni-ture Workers' Union, held the con-

trary opinion.
"I think that everybody is interested in elections. We are interested in elections overseas, so why should-

They're Boycotting

Again CAPE TOWN

The Unity Movement newspaper, the Torch, in its last issue made the following editorial comment on the multi-racial conference to be held in Johannesburg from Decem-

held in Johannesburg from December 3 to 5:
"As need hardly be emphasised, those Non-Whites who claim and who struggle for nothing less than full and equal citizenship will not be present or represented at this conference of oppressor and oppressed seeking to work out a peaceful co-existence on the basis of a colour bar system; that is, on the hasis of Herrenvolkism. But the the basis of Herrenvolkism. But the collaborators and the Quislings will be there. And whatever soft goods they offer for sale or barter the Herrenvolk may have for what comfort they can extract from them.

Support For Indonesia DJAKARTA

TWENTY-ONE countries in Asia and Africa had indicated willingness to support Indonesia's recovery of West Irian, the Indonesian Foreign Minister declared in a re-

Foreign Minister declared in a recent sement and thought of the recent sement in the many of Indonesia which the Dut has part of Indonesia which the Dut has been recent to the retunder its rule after the rest of that country achieved independence.

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Mr. Subandio. explained that his country had been striving to gain support for its struggle for the recovery of West Irian in the United Nations General Assembly. Mr. Sudomo, Chief of the Asian Pacific Department of the Indonesian Forteign Ministry, will soon visit Laos and Cambodia with the sim of winling the support of these two states.

testing them, but for my part I will be interested in the elections." With regard to the elections for

With regard to the elections for four representatives for the Coloured people, Mr. Deane was in favour of participation in them.

"We should not boycott the elections," he said. "A boycott of the elections will prove dangerous, because there will always be people who will vote and the candidates who get in may be sympathetic to our enemies. We should put up candidates who represent our views, even if they will have a difficult time.

"We must not allow the Nationalists to get four additional seats. Let us put up progressive candidates." New Age will continue to approach other leading Coloured people and workers and their views on this issue will be published.

Sentenced For Selling A Newspaper

JOHANNESBURG.

A sentence of six months' im-prisonment on a 19-year-old Afri-can for stealing a newspaper from a parked car with an open window was set aside in the Supreme Court recently when this case went on ap-

The conviction was confirmed, but the judge commented: "If the unfortunate accused had to be proof the case, a sentence of a caution and discharge would have been adequate." He altered the sentence ac-

cordingly.

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