

"Our leadership collective should remain close to the people and be accountable to them. At the same time we have to fight against all tendencies to develop contempt for the masses of the people and therefore to think that the decisions must be taken on their behalf.....We must build unity within our organisation on the basis of a common programme of action."

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### Editorial

In the talks centered around achieving peace in South Western Africa, progress is visible with South Africa reportedly ratifying the agreement reached in Geneva. Amongst other developments of this so-called 'change of heart' is the recent release of Cde Harry Gwala, a leader of our organisation together with PAC's Zephthania Mothopeng. The deceptive tactic of the regime to grant the Sharpville Six reprieve. While not undermining these moves it should be asked whether all this necessitate the observation that Botha is improving his image. This is a serious question especially because added to Botha's traditional allies there are those in our continent who would like to ram down our throats that Botha is a man willing to change. Now, any yardstick which is used to measure the pace of change in our country must of necessity be based on the real position of the oppressed. First, about the motive behind the release, the reprieve and the breakthrough in the talks. South Africa owes vast amounts of money and anxiety has already been expressed about the payment of these debts. Namibia has become a drain to the South African economy. To quote Anton Lubowski a member of SWAPO and financial Secretary for National Union of Mineworkers, "They (South Africa) have a R50 billion foreign debt. They don't have the money to repay this. This crisis shows that the international sanctions and disinvestment campaign had an effect. The cherry on top was South Africa's inability to win the war in Angola."

Here and only here lies the explanation to the about-turn which racist PW Botha is reported to be making. The execution of the Six a case which even Botha's friends considered a travesty of justice, would definitely have pushed the question of increased sanctions in the foreground. In South Africa itself the wanton injustice against our people continues unabated. Where else can an affair of such brutality and inhumanity as the murder of a black labourer by a white farmer for accidentally killing his dogs (See article in this issue, N&V) be regarded as normal. Reading such things and hearing that the man behind it all is changing, one can't help envying him. With such enemies who needs friends.

### Peace Talks In Congo Brazzaville

The racist foreign Minister Roelof Botha accompanied by defence racist Minister Magnus Malan arrives in Congo Brazzaville this Friday to sign the Namibian independence and Cuban internationalists troops withdrawal agreement, to be known as the the Brazzaville Protocol. Present at the signing ceremony will be the Soviet deputy foreign minister, Anatoly Adomishin.

Meanwhile in Boksburg it is reported that a boycott of white owned businesses and other cities administered by by Conservative Party has been called. This follows the reintroduction by Conservative Councils of such practices of petty apartheid as separate bathing facilities, discrimination in public parks, transport and curfews against blacks. Louis Stofberg Conservative MP dismissed as nonsense Pik Botha's condemnation of the move and pointed out that the Nationalist Party itself has never abolished apartheid. He further pointed out that Botha himself admitted at a press conference on Tuesday that the moves were legal.

### INSIDE NEWS

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### 7000 Workers Dismissed

The entire workforce of the Natal Provincial administration is on strike for wages. The strike started on Monday and has so far seen 7000 workers being dismissed. A Pietermaritzburg court has ruled in favour of the dismissed workers pointing out that:

- 1) they have been illegally dismissed
- 2) they should be reinstated
- 3) they should not be evicted from the hostels.

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THE WORLD  
IN BRIEF

Harare: In a statement issued in Harare by the Cuban Foreign Ministry, Cuba denied reports that its internationalists troops held talks with UNITA and reached an informal cease-fire.

The statement said that information "is totally untrue and only within the context of propaganda manipulation can they speak of any informal agreement between the Cuban troops and UNITA."

Maputo: It is reported that the SA backed MNR bandits killed at least 40 civilians in their terrorist attacks and a ambushes against villages and highways.

Meanwhile the Mozambican government forces killed 150 MNR bandits and captured 12 others in operations through nine of the ten provinces in the country from November 1 to 20 according to Radio Mozambique.

## FARMER WHO KILLED BLACK IS FREE

A white farmer who beat a black labourer to death walked free from court after a district judge suspended a five year prison sentence for culpable homicide.

Jacobus Vorster was ordered to pay the dead man's widow £30 a month for the next five years. The apparent ease with which a killer escaped more serious punishment is certain to intensify criticism of racial bias in South African courts.

The attack on Eric Sambo was provoked by the death of two of Vorster's dogs on 12 December last year. According to sources close to the dead man's family, Mr Sambo climbed on to a farm tractor and drove it off without realising that the pet dogs were lying in the shade of the wheel.

Algiers: President Chadli Bendjedid was nominated at the Sixth Congress of his ruling National Liberation Front (FLN)

Bendjedid who is also Secretary General of the FLN, promised political reforms in response to youths who rioted in Algiers last month.

Buenos Aires: Former Nazi army Lieutenant Franz Joseph Leo Schwammberger, 76, will be extradited to Federal Germany, according to a decision by the federal judge of La Plata, Vincete Luis Bretal.

Schwammberger has been living in Argentine since 1946 without hiding his identity. He worked here 40 years before his retirement and obtained Argentine citizenship in 1968 which was recently withdrawn when being detained in Cordoba.

Cairo: PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat sent messages to leaders of West European countries, urging them to support the Palestinian cause.

The messages called on the European leaders to support the Palestinians in a way that would help end Israel's policy of aggression against the Palestinians in the occupied territories, Egypt's Middle East News Agency said quoting a Palestinian Source.

The sources said that the dogs' death provoked an explosion of anger by Vorster, the 21 year old son of the farm owner. Vorster and a white friend, Johannes Leonard, were alleged to have tied Mr Sambo to a tree, beaten him, left him tied up overnight, and beaten him again the next day.

This version of events was disputed by Vorster's lawyer, Andre Naude, who said his client believed Mr Sambo had killed the two dogs deliberately. However, the circuit court in Louis Trichardt, Northern Transvaal, did not hear argument on the point because Vorster had admitted slapping and kicking Mr Sambo and hitting him "lightly" with sticks.

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US Newspaper International Herald Tribune published in its issue '88.11.04. The story is reproduced in an abridged form.

New York: The United States has rejected The UN appeal to reconsider its decision of refusing an entry visa to PLO leader Yasser Arafat to address the UN General Assembly on Palestine. The US has been criticised by virtually all UN members and the Assembly venue has been changed to Geneva.



## AROUND U &amp; ME

NAFCOC IN TANZANIA

A 16 man delegation of the National African Federated Chamber of Commerce and Industry (NAFCOC) led by its President Sam Moutsoen-yane visited Tanzania as guests of the Tanzanian National Chamber of Commerce. This was the last leg of an 18 day tour which took the delegation to countries such as Zambia, Kenya, Egypt and Ethiopia.

In Zambia they held talks with the leadership of the ANC and later visited ANC projects like the Chongela farm.

The significance of the tour lies in the fact that they were allowed to travel through Africa in a venture which would have been impossible without the influence and sponsorship of the ANC.

In Tanzania the delegation was specially interested in seeing for themselves the conditions in SOMAFCO. This interest as we have reliably told has been prompted by the South African propaganda about alleged bad conditions in Mazimbu. The delegation also visited the ANC Development Centre, Dakawa.

NEW AAI ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME

During recent discussions between the Programme Director of the Afro-American Institute Ms Charlotte McPherson from New York and NSC members, new assistance programmes for members of our movement to be sponsored by AAI, were unveiled.

These programmes are in the fields of internship, academic degrees, basic and lower secondary education preferably in Africa and advanced courses in the USA. These offers will be processed by the NSC and the DMD both at Headquarters and here in East Africa.

Interested young women (including those at the Kate Molale Centre and elsewhere) should contact the NSC and the DMD for details. The same applies to our graduates in need of internship or job attachment opportunities.

The NSC wishes to draw the attention of interested comrades to the fact that these are promises of offers made to us not ready made scholarships. This of necessity means that both the NSC and the DMD would take a while to process these offers. Finding out more about them can however be done as soon as possible. As the NSC promised, we will publish in N & V any details of offers.

What's On ScreenPolitical Videos

- 1) Inside South Africa
- 2) Striking back at the empires

Monday 5 December 1988

Library Multi-Purpose Hall

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Sports Day At The Primary School

This year the primary school set aside two days for athletics sports. Monday 28 November, the children of the lower primary had much fun and enjoyed themselves with many co-operative games in which the emphasis was on participation rather than winning. There were mostly novelty events such as sack races, three legged races, potato races, egg and spoon races (without eggs) late for work races and many relay races.

On Tuesday November 29, the upper primary children engaged in more competitive kinds of events. These included the usual track events such as sprints and distance runs. The field events included long jump, high jump and ball throwing for distance.

At the end of the day the Blue house captured the Mabooe Shield with an overall score of 101½ points. They were followed by the Red house with 92½ points and trailing in third was the Green colours with a score of 62 points. All first place winners received the traditional Red Ribbons; second places were handed the Blue Ribbons and the third-placed competitors were awarded White Ribbons.

Athletes of the day were Bahati and Pedro who both had two Red Ribbons giving them ten points each. Star athletes of the day were Pinny Dichaba who scored a total of fifteen points out of a possible 25 in the girls over 15 division & Gideon Sithole who amassed a total of 16 out of a possible 25.

It was unfortunate that at the end of the day the athletes could not find enough runners to compete in the shuttle relays, nor in the tug-of-war events. These are the events that always give rise to much excitement and close competition. However the children agreed that the day was one of fun and much pleasure.

The full results are as follows:

(See last page)

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## Swedish Assistance For Frontline States And Liberation Movements

The new SIDA representative responsible for cooperation with the ANC, Ms Eva Belfrage visited Mazimbu for the first time last week accompanied by a staff member of the Swedish Embassy in Dar es Salaam.

Ms Belfrage who was formerly based in Mozambique expressed in a discussion with News & Views her favourable impression of Mazimbu. The Swedish support for the Frontline States, the ANC and SWAPO was reiterated. It was revealed that the Swedish government renders all frontline states bilateral support. This support as Ms Belfrage revealed is aimed at reducing dependence on South Africa especially for the landlocked countries.

Tanzania, also receives assistance for the rehabilitation of the Dar es Salaam port and help with TAZARA.

Sida is involved in a big programme with the ANC amounting to 71 million Swedish crowns this year. This covers support for ANC projects like the farms in Mazimbu and Zambia, training centres, a research programme on a post apartheid South Africa and the cultural project in Dakawa. Ms Belfrage also aired her views about the complications of administering a settlement like Mazimbu.  
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### Letter to the Editor

Dear Cde Editor

This is one more letter to the Editor. Yet mine is not just another letter to the Editor. Indeed, there would be no point in writing just another one. Mine is a letter to the Editor about letters to the Editor. Hope every one has now seen the difference! What happens to the letters to the Editor? You just publish them in "News & Views"?... and that is all.....I mean thereafter it is business as usual? I want to know and mean business. If the afore-said sums up the fate of letters to the Editor, then they are, I am afraid, an exercise in futility. But save my harsh judgement if they meet a different fate....in which case I beg yours.

Let me right away confess before the Editor and the readers of News Views that I seen published very serious letters to

Editor. I say this much to the credit of the authors like Thohoyandou Ramabulana, Mohlolo Keona and others. In the letters from the above-mentioned authors and all others vitally important issues were raised. One would therefore have expected those letters to prompt some investigative journalism on the part of News & Views staff. Thus far, unfortunately no evidence of this! In fact no other follow up is made and/or published. For any self respecting Newspaper to receive letters raising important issues and never investigate further and reply should be regarded as not only irresponsible, but also a crime. Actually, this is to understate the case!

Justice should be seen and heard to be done. Against this background, I suggest simple, loud and clear: Let News & Views correspondents and staff members not pursue any issues raised in all the letters to the editor. All departments and structures involved or implicated in problems raised by authors must be approached for comments. It is intolerable (actually treasonable) for our people to be made to complain of serious shortcomings in vain. Comrade editor, staff members of "News & Views" compatriots, remember, any journalist who evades issues is not worth his salt. AS I warned, mine cannot be just another letter to the Editor.

Thohoyandau Mudau. (Mazimbu 88.11.27)

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Dear Cde Thohoyandau,

We regret to inform you that in trying to establish the real identity of Thohoyandau in Mazimbu we failed. It is our common practise to identify authors of contentious letters so as to first and foremost discuss his/her observations. Issues raised in the letter by Mohlolo Keona are in fact factual and the Tabora residents had been alerting responsible structures on the nature of the roads, the unfinished plan of the circle and the reckless driving that takes place around Tabora. On the issue of the telephones, we talked to Cde Vusi who is responsible for the installation and were informed that we can get all the necessary details from Cde Khaya who is presently out of the zone. Therefore we shall still inform the community on any information related to telephone sets installation.

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## P O E T R Y

Remembrances

Kaya Somngqeza.

If flowers were ours  
 i could have given  
 you some bouqtietes  
 for they do not exist  
 in the mist of our cultures

I owe you some beads  
 since mountains and rivers  
 are jealous of me and you  
 i cannot now nete you with beads  
 so moisture my dry lips  
 which are cracked by tear-smoke  
 water my lips on this picture  
 to swagger among sour thoughts  
 amid these crooked paths  
 where our bondages are chased to death  
 now remember and remember  
 remember these deep thoughts  
 endlessly they will peer  
 through the window of our world  
 like the sun peeping to the days.  
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Haufinyane

Flaxman Qoopane

Haufinyane  
 naha eso etla ipusa  
 dinokwane bo Botha le bo Malan  
 ba tla fediswa

Re tla phela setho  
 naheng ya roia  
 dillo tsa sechaba  
 etla ba dinyakallo

Re tla be re rotse  
 morwalo o boima wa kगतello  
 re tla qala ho phela setho

Haufinyane  
 boipuso bo tla kokota monyako  
 folaga ya setjha  
 e botsho-botala-bosehla  
 e tla hlongwa Afrika Borwa  
 lehaeng la kgora  
 naheng ya monono  
 Ntate Oliver Tambo etla ba  
 moetapele wa bohle.  
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The community is hereby informed that  
 1 December has been declared 'World' Aids  
 Day' by the World Health Organisation.

The Health Team invites you all to attend  
 the commemoration of the day tonight,  
 Friday 2 December 1988, Unit Four Hall  
 at 8.00pm.

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Karibu Welcome Karibu

A delegation of the Commonwealth Secre-  
 tariat led by Mr Mohammad Jasimudelin is  
 currently on a working visit of our  
 complex.

The delegation will hold discussions with  
 members of the NSC and conduct interviews  
 for the 1989 school year with prospective  
 candidates. The Commonwealth is helping  
 the ANC in sponsoring our students.  
 The delegation which arrived on the 2nd  
 of December will end its visit on the  
 7th of December 1988. News & Views on  
 behalf of our community warmly welcome  
 the delegation and wishing them success  
 in their work.

"What the Cuban and Angolans did at Cuito  
 Cuanavale was of historic significance  
 for the future of our people and stru-  
 ggle. When the history of our anti-col-  
 onial struggle is written Cuito Cuanav-  
 ale will be regarded as a milestone.

After 13 years, 13 long years, apaerth-  
 eid has been forced to the negotiating  
 table-with, of all people, communists!"

(Sechaba Ed. Sept. 88)

"If the ruling class or group in South  
 Africa ever reaches a stage where it is  
 hopelessly divided and is forced to  
 negotiate, it will only be in the cir-  
 cumstances of a major crisis from which  
 there is no other escape, and because  
 of the presence of a revolutionary army!"



Below are the results of the Primary School athletics:

EVENT	AGE GROUP	GENDER	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
Sprint	12 + U	Girls	Rose	Dimakatso	Dulce
Sprint	15 + U	Girls	Tsholofelo	Mary	Daina
Sprint	0 - 15	Girls	Monica	Marita	Maria + Pinny
Sprint	12 + U	Boys	Khang	Bongani	Joseph A
Sprint	U - 15 Boy	Boys	Sidwell	Oupa	Rantao
Sprint	0 - 15	Boys	Bahati	Samuel	Steven
Distance Run	12 + U	Girls	Phili	Azam	Sthembile
Distance Run	U - 15	Girls	Nonkululeko	Sarah	Mary
Distance Run	0 - 15	Girls	Monica	Pinny	Thembi
Distance Run	12 + U	Boys	Gideon S.	Welton	Antonio
Distance Run	15 - U	Boys	Pedro	Zwandile	Sefiso
Distance Run	0 - 15	Boys	Bahati	Patrick	Nkosana
High Jump	U 12	Girls	Pili	Mizeria	Rose
High Jump	U 15	Girls	Khethiwe	Cornelia	Nonkululeko
High Jump	0 15	Girls	Lindiwe	Pinny	Marita
High Jump	12 + U	Boys	Gideon	Lawrence	Khang
High Jump	U 15	Boys	Thomas	Oupa	Castro
High Jump	0 15	Boys	Sam	Mohale	Vusi
Long Jump	12 + U	Girls	Amelda	Sasa	Sithembile
Long Jump	0 15	Girls	Pinny	Thembeka	Mabatho
Long Jump	U 15	Girls	Mary	Sizakele	Thembi M.
Long Jump	12 + U	Boys	Welton	Gideon	Khang
Long Jump	U 15	Boys	Pedro	Gideon	Sidwell
Long Jump	0 15	Boys	Samuel	Steven	Leeford
Ball Throw	12 + U	Boys	Welton	Siboniso	Mbaraka
Ball Throw	U 15	Boys	Emmanuel	Thomas	Xolani
Ball Throw	0 15	Boys	Rodrick	Samuel	John N.
Ball Throw	12 + U	Girls	Pholoho	Amieda	Oscelina
Ball Throw	U 15	Girls	Nokululeko	Cecilia	Alica
Ball Throw	0 15	Girls	Pinny	Happy	Ruth

#### Adult Education Divison

The Adult Education Division would like to congratulate the comrades who wrote the elementary Typing exam in July. 9 out of 11 passed the exam. There will be a ceremony to hand over the certificates on Sunday 4 December. This will include those comrades who wrote the 'O' level exams in June and it will also be a farewell occasion for the Garment factory and cobblery comrades who will be working from Dakawa next year.

#### Primary School Prize Giving

December 2nd, the closing day at the Primary was a special day especially for the pupils. On reaching the primary shortly before noon, we found a bustling activity with the boys in all sorts of attire and the girls mainly in green and white and the faded bluish tunic which is really suitable for a Guy Fawkes Day ceremony. On the agenda was a cultural performance, and

prize giving to out-standing pupils both the classroom and in sports and social activities. Cde Mabongo from the Youth and Pioneer Committee disclosed that on behalf of the National Youth Committee, a committee was going to present to the primary, uniforms for girls and boys from 6 to 16 years. The new uniforms will be navy blue skirts and trousers, white shirts and black shoes. Having seen the sorry state of the faded tunics worn by our girls one can justifiably say "it was time!"

As from the 6th December the primary school pupils will embark on journeys that will take them to different countries for their vacation.

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