

Leading THE STAR scorers 11 NOV. 1986 clash

By Phil Nyamane

Two of the country's leading goal poachers will have a personal battle when their teams meet in a Castle League match at George Goch Stadium this afternoon.

Moroka Swallows's Thomas "Who" Hlongwane and Grinaker Rangers's Shane MacGregor, leading contenders for the R1000 cash prize Richleigh Shoes top goal scorer award, have vowed to make today's match memorable.

And to add further interest to the game — Swallows eliminated Rangers from the JPS Knockout and Mainstay Cup but have not beaten them in the league in the past two years, losing 2-3 to the champions at the Rand Stadium in the first half of the this season.

The promises of the two players to score a hat-tricks today have added interest to the game even though Rangers wrapped up the championship in great style last Friday night when they beat Amandhla AmaZulu 4-0.

"It is disappointing to find myself two goals behind Hlongwane after leading for most of the season. But I am not giving up. I intend scoring a hat-trick to be ahead of him because this is our final league match," said MacGregor, who has scored 20 goals.

Hlongwane, who scored twice in his team's 4-2 midweek league victory against Hellenic at Orlando to overtake MacGregor, said he was so concerned about moving ahead that he played despite a slight foot injury.

"I am not going to give up my lead easily and, with Joel 'Ace' Mnini and Mike Mangena supporting me, I really pity the Rangers defence."

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Thomas Hlongwane

State and big business join hands

Bold link-up



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to revitalise SA's econ- omy

By Colleen Ryan,
Political Reporter

The Government and business leaders yesterday committed themselves to a bold new economic policy of financial growth and job creation — with a reduction of dependence on foreign capital and exports.

Delegates to State President P W Botha's "Forward with Confidence" conference were in optimistic mood after day-long talks with the Government.

Speculation that some businessmen would use the conference to call for urgent political change proved unfounded. Delegates said politics did not dominate the talks, but views on important political issues were aired.

Addressing the third summit with businessmen since 1979, President Botha emphasised the importance of solving the country's economic problems and of improving cooperation between the private and public sectors.

The summit centred on a report by the Economic Advisory Council on an economic policy for South Africa for the next five to 10 years. Proposals for

the privatisation of certain Government-controlled industries were also discussed.

Mr Botha, addressing a Press conference after the summit at the Presidential Guest House in Pretoria, said it was a conference of "good will", where the country's problems were discussed in a "civilised manner".

Minister of Finance Mr Barend du Plessis said discussions and recommendations made by the 10 working groups at the conference would be documented and considered by the Government as soon as possible.

"What is of significance is that those who occupy themselves with the economy of the country got together because they are concerned about the rate of economic development in South Africa, and are worried about employment opportunities," he said.

Mr du Plessis, referring to the question of whether politics should have been discussed, said the State President made it clear the summit "was not a party political conference".

However, "political statements that were made were taken cognisance of and received with understanding".

He said private sector and Government delegates reached consensus on many important economic issues.



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At the Press conference, Barlow Rand chief executive Mr Warren Clewlow said the economic plan was based on a long-term strategy of improving the quality of life of all South Africans by promoting the principle of economic equality.

Proud

South African Breweries chief executive Mr Meyer Kahn said he was proud to be part of the new initiative. He placed emphasis on the need to increase economic growth, provide more jobs and build more houses.

Commenting on the summit, Federated Chamber of Industries (FCI) president Dr Hugo Snyckers and the president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce, Mr Harold Groom, said:

"Assocom and the FCI believe that the discussions were necessary and will help to promote business confidence in South Africa — provided the positive recommendations on the economic as well as the political front are actively pursued."

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President Botha faced a phalanx of microphones yesterday after his business summit. With him are the Minister of Transport-elect, Mr. Eli Louw (left); Minister of Finance Mr. Barend du Plessis and conference chairman Dr. Cornelis Human (right). ● Photograph: Etienne Rothbart.

Boycotting mobs cost Putco over R480 000

Mob violence surrounding the 11-day old Putco bus boycott has already cost the company more than R481 360 in damages to property.

The boycott was triggered by fare increases of up to 17,5 percent. Today Putco said its buses were running 70 percent full, but many township commuters were still using taxis and trains instead.

Putco says it is sympathetic to commuters but had no alternative to putting up the fares.

A spokesman said the company had made the "fullest representation" to the Government for subsidies, but they have contributed "the maximum they consider possible". The subsidy is now 35 cents to a rand.

A freeze on increases, demanded by the Azanian People's Organization (Azapo), was economically out of question, the spokesman said.

The boycott became more serious yesterday when two bombs exploded at two Soweto depots.

Residents accused Putco of "giving the police a bus to ride and shoot at us" and thereby declaring itself their enemy.

By yesterday 856 windows had been broken, 14 buses hijacked, five buses petrol-bombed and partially burnt, two buses completely destroyed, seven drivers robbed, and 18 tyres slashed.

Man abducts Katlehong girl

By Abel Mabelane

A four-year-old Katlehong girl was abducted from the Skosana Section shopping complex on Friday afternoon, her mother said today.

Mrs Mabel Skosana said her daughter Nelisiwe was with three other children. They said a man who claimed he knew Nelisiwe took her away.

"I appeal to anybody who may have information about my child to contact me at work by phoning 51-4589 or at home at 543 Skosana Section," Mrs Skosana said.

Police are investigating.

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Beira line may not be ready

By Robin Drew,
The Star's Africa News Service

HARARE — Zimbabwe is a long way from being ready to cope with likely economic retaliation from South Africa should it go ahead with the limited measures, including a ban on air links, agreed to by six Commonwealth countries at the August mini-summit in London.

After that meeting, Prime Minister Mr Robert Mugabe said his country and Zambia were definitely going to impose the limited sanctions and that this might come about in the last quarter of this year.

Subsequently, he said the Commonwealth Secretary-General, Sir Shridath Ramphal,

had mooted November as "perhaps the month" when sanctions would be imposed.

Because of the likelihood of South Africa impeding the flow of traffic on its transport system in the event of sanctions, an urgent programme was started to increase the carrying capacity of the railway line to Beira and to improve facilities at the port.

Zimbabwe relies on the South African transport system for 90 percent of its import and export traffic, and the use of Beira is an essential component of the contingency plan to get round South African retaliation.

The railway line from the Zimbabwe border to the port is being relaid at the rate of about one kilometre a day and it had been hoped it would be completed by the end of December.

But Mr Denis Norman, chairman of the Beira Corridor Group, a company associated with the rehabilitation of the route, said last week a more realistic date for the upgrading of the railway line was now the end of March.

The channel at Beira is being deepened to seven metres and this should be complete by the end of the year.

The port currently handles about 1 million tons of traffic a year, but of this 600 000 tons is fuel for Zimbabwe which is pumped through the pipeline to Mutare.

Mr Norman said in theory the port should be able to handle 3 million tons annually by early next year, but a good deal of work had to be done in the harbour and more locomotives would have to be obtained.



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Policeman says *STAR 11 Nov 1986* terror accused dug up weapons in bags

MARITZBURG — A man accused of terrorism took police to bushes next to a footpath in Lamontville and dug up two black plastic bags containing weapons, the Maritzburg Supreme Court heard yesterday.

A security policeman, Lieutenant A P Robertshaw, was giving evidence against Mr Ordway Qonda Msomi (20) of Lamontville. He and 11 other Durban residents are charged with terrorism following a series of bomb blasts in Durban last year.

Some of the 12 accused are also charged on a variety of alternate counts.

Lieutenant Robertshaw told the court he arrested Mr Msomi on December 24 last year. On December 26, he said, Mr Msomi took him and other policemen to a footpath in Lamontville and started digging next to some bushes.

The policeman said Mr Msomi uncovered a black plastic bag containing a rifle, three magazines and cartridges and a battery charger.

Mr Msomi then unearthed another black bag, containing what looked like a landmine.

Lieutenant Robertshaw said that on Christmas Day last year, police arrested Dr Sibongiseni Maxwell Dhlomo (26) of Doctors' Residence, Umbilo.

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He said Dr Dhlomo took them to a storeroom in a university residence, where they found ANC literature and a box containing chemicals.

The court heard that on January 2 this year, Dr Dhlomo took police to open ground opposite an Umlazi hotel and pointed to a bushy area. Police searched the area and found a black bag containing an AK47 rifle in a hole.

The hearing continues.

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Schools: start talking

THE STATE of black education is deteriorating. The National Education Crisis Committee is particularly angry because of the Department of Education and Training's decision last week that 40 Eastern Cape schools would stay closed next year. It also blames DET for the deadlock in negotiations on the future of black education.

Mr Sam de Beer, Deputy Minister of Education, says the 40 schools will not be reopened until pupils show their willingness to return to school and individual parents accept responsibility for their children's discipline. This is not an unreasonable requirement. However, he has also questioned the legitimacy and sin-

cerity of the NECC in seeking to improve black education.

The Crisis Committee, for its part, has slated the DET decision to close schools as a cruel act of victimisation. It has also demanded the removal of certain obstacles before talks can continue, the most important being the detention of key NECC members.

The mutual vituperation is counter-productive. Setting preconditions doesn't help either. The NECC remains the best available link and Mr de Beer has the best chance of getting the talks going. He has to persuade the Cabinet that detentions, particularly those of key negotiators, are complicating, not helping to solve, this country's problems.