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THE PAPER FOR THE PEOPLE

Transkei moves

PARAMOUNT CHIEF KAISER

MATANZIMA announced this week that the Transkei has decided to take the plunge into independence. The ruling National Independence Party has approved a motion to this effect, and Paramount Chief Matanzima will introduce the motion himself at the Legislative Assembly. The Transkei thus will become the first of the eight Bantustans to take this momentous step.

The announcement has had less public impact than one would have expected. There are two possible reasons for this. One is that the public have become increasingly accus-

tomed to the idea of independent

Bantustans. The other is that the Transkei is not seeking its indepen-

ence immediately - it wants it

within the next five years, and then only, apparently, if the vexed land issue can be settled.

There is also the question of the opinion of Transkei Africans, which is to be tested in a referendum. It is still to be seen how many of them want independence - for it will en-

To the rescue

THE BRUTAL KILLING of four South African policemen. on the Yambesi and the still unsolved disappearance of another have shocked the country and brought home once in the very real menace of terror-

of all races will go out to the
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IT IS RIDICULOUS that it should
take the whole apparatus of an ap-
plication to the Supreme Court, with

0 hearings, to validate a perform- - the board, which in turn decides
ance of â\200\234Godspellâ\200\235 It has been

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_ about the play, word would certain-
ly have got around. But the Publi-
cations Control Board has to con-
demn it unseen on the recommen-
dation of some people whose names
â\200\234the public will never know and on
a viewing of the film, also banned.

Mr. Justice Snyman, who rightly
requested a special performance so
that he could judge for himself, de-
cided that the play, with slight
changes, could give offence to the

â\200\230Schlebusch burden

THE SCHLEBUSCH COMMISSION

continues on its torrid way. The Su-
preme Courtâ\200\231s finding this week that
the Commission, in effect, did not
know how to go about its business
in a legal manner is just about the
. last straw.

It has been preceded by the harsh,
arbitrary banning: of eight Nusas
leaders; the Wilgespruit confusion;
and Mr. Lionel Murrayâ\200\231s parliamen-
tary revelations of a secret report
which Mr. Vorster promised to table
but didnâ\200\231t. : ;

The Nationalists, of course, must

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- long-term defence from attack is the

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~THE SUNDAY 7IMES

tail surrendering any
by the Transkei on Sou ric
land, material wealth and political
institutions.

Nevertheless, the first step has
been taken, and South Africaâ\200\231s four
million Whites, will have to take
cognisance of the logic of events.
This will impose a special respon-
sibility on the White political par-
ties. They will have to think care-
fully how they are going to handle
the situation. If in fact the tide of
African opinion is moving towards
independence, they will have to con-
sider whether they can afford to
meet it head-on. :

The Government will hold the
initiative and much will depend on
how it acts. So far, the indications
are not promising. The Deputy Min-
ister of Bantu Administration, Mr.
â\200\230Punt Janson, was distinctly evasive
when he was questioned at a poli-
tical meeting this week about the
Transkeiâ\200\231s - independence. This is
disturbing. If the Government itself
is not clear in its own mind what it
wants, then what must others think?

Prime Minister, although obviously
angered by the killings, has on this
occasion n far more restrg.med
in his comment than he was in at
least one instance in the past. He
has set a good example. Even ;1â\200\2301;
cautioned the public against hasty
and impulsive reaction. .
There is good reason for this.
Whatever the immediate political or

â\200\230military considerations. may be in

this war against terrorism, it is now
generally recognised that our only

â\200\230creation of a more just and equable
society here. '

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-reactionary people which dictates to

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ricans can still be prevented fro

seeing â\200\234Godspell.â\200\235 Another weapon
in the Governmentâ\200\231s armoury of re-
pressive measures, the Group Areas
Act, can be used to stop public per-
formances because the cast is ra-
cially mixed. Anyone who doubts
the power of this piece of legisla-
tion should consider the humiliating
restrictions imposed on the Coloured
performer, Richard Jon Smith, be-
fore he is allowed to be seen by
White audiences. ; :

take the major blame for this dis-
tasteful investigative procedure; but
the UPâ\200\231s persistent involvement is
hardly less disastrous.. How much
enthusiasm does one expect the
average voter to show when a UP
member of the commission defends
his membership of that body?

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It is not surprising that the Editor

of The Star has disclosed that the
Schlebusch affair is one of the main
reasons which decided him to aban-
don giving unqualified support to
the United Party â\200\224 a remarkable
change for a paper that has support-
ed the UP for 40 years. ;

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Scope for error

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and radio try to avoid mistakes it
is â\200\230inevitable that they will go on
making them. This is one of the
hazards of-the business â\200\224 and one
can only hope to keep the mistakes
down to a'minimum.

The SABCâ\200\231s catalogue of errors
in reporting Dr. Lukas Vischer, of
the World Council of Churches,
could therefore happen to anyone â\200\224
but not entirely. The SABCâ\200\231s errors,
which were no doubt genuine-

_enough, can be ascribed to the > is, scarce ,amangm
slanted approach it takes to-affairs ~that has not often bÃ©en sai openly

in general. In short, when reporting
Dr.. Vischer, the SABCâ\200\231s scope or
capacity . for error was probably
greater than anyone elseâ\200\231s. -

We hope the SABC will learn its

Foundationâ\200\231s

THE SA FOUNDATION should
benefit from the leadership of Dr.
Jan Marais, its new president. This
organisation, a difficult conception
from the start, should now get fresh
impetus. B e e s
As Dr. Marais points out, the
Foundation represents about 80 per .
cent of business life in South Africa.
In that case it can have great in-
fluence on the thinking of business
men and industrialists. So what
about helping to raise the wages and
living conditions of the poorest sec-

lessop. As long as it remains a ten-
dentious, partial, capricious organi-
sation, it will keep on digging pit-
falls for itself. The hash it made of
_Dr. Vischerâ\200\231s talk is a perfect
example of how the possibility of
error can be magnified. =
~_As for Dr. Connie Mulder, he
ought to know better than rely on
SABC news reports for taking harsh
administrative action. The Minister
persists in saying that Dr. Vischerâ\200\231s
remarks were inflammatory. Yet
there is scarcely i L (5ai

in South Africa before.

Dr. Mulder may be a hero to the
backwoodsmen, but he is making a
fool of himself in the eyes of the
world.

tion of the population? That would
be a change both logical and es-
sential. And it would do more for
the reputation of the country than
all the lecturers and brochures the
â\200\230Foundation can send abroad. = |

The truth is that the educational
work of the Foundation would be
better directed to this country,
where there are still many who have
so much need of it. South Africans,
introducing reforms right here, are
the only people who can really im-
prove the countryâ\200\231s image.

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sation. Â»

- The Foundation from now on will play a more active role in South Africa in a bid to prepare public opinion for the important political and racial changes needed to improve the country's precarious international image.

~ At the foundation's annual conference, members indicated that its internal task was as important as its international role. .

Dr. Marais has been largely responsible for moves to give the Foundation a more active role inside the coun-

try. Black, Coloured and Indian leaders attended the conference after last year's decision to open membership to all races.

Men like Dr. M. G. H. Mayat and Mr. J. N. Reddy, of 'Natal, stressed that the Foundation had an important task in improving race relations. : :

rikaans universities, two English universities and a Black university also attended the meeting. it

. Dr. Marais intends to ' broaden membership and, to build up a wider group of informed people who realise the international - repercussions of internal incidents and policies.

The Foundation's newsletter-

_ Representatives of two Af- African

ter will be ded and sent to people key positions throughout South Africa.

Mr. Peter Sorour, director of the Foundation, stressed in his annual report the need to inform South Africans 5 national posi-

on.

He said: 'South Africans

generally are not sufficiently
well informed about the com-
plexities of our situation in-

ternationally. They some-
times disregard this import-

ant factor in their approach
and reaction to domestic
issues. 235 :

Dr. P. E. Rousseau, the
outgoing president, said in
his address: 234If the Founda-
tion were to become 230a forum
for the expression of all
points of view, of all parties
and all races; if the collec-
tive experience of the Foun-
dation's members, trustees
and officials at home and
abroad could be utilised;
could this not lead to the
evolution of a broad South
African and a common
dedication to the interests
and welfare of all the peo-
ples of this land? :

234South Africa needs the
co-operation of members of
all races who are prepared to
put - the national interest
above party politics. . . The

Foundation is well equipped

to act as the necessary cata-
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News by J.
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By J. H. P. SERFONTEIN 231 "AR N

THE ELECTION this week of Dr. Jan S.
Marais, chairman of Trust Bank, as president
of the South Africa Foundation heralds a
new era for this potentially powerful organi-

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ONE OF the three United

Party members of the

Schlebusch Commission,

Mr. Bill Sutton, has been

returned unopposed in the

Mooi River constituency,

but the two other commis-

sioners, Mr. Etienne Ma-

lan and Mr. Lionel Mur-
ray, look like having a

tuencies. ;

Mr. Malan is being op-
posed by the Progressive
Partyâ\200\231s Transvaal chair-
man, Mr, Rupert Lorimer,
who changed from Bryan-
ston to Orange Grove in
order to tackle Mr. Malan.
Mr. Lorimer claims that
many United Party sup-
l porters are helping him in

is campaign. ;

- Mr, Murray is being
opposed in Green Point by
another Progressive Party
candidate, Mrs. Marcelle
Kooy, a lecturer in eco-
nomics at the University
of Cape Town. In a state-
ment to the SUNDAY
TIMES yesterday, Mrs.
Kooy said: â\200\234Having colla-
borated with the Schie-
busch Commission, Mr.
Murray is getting ready
now to collaborate with
the Government in trying
to curb Press freedom. He
says it is becoming ex-
ceedingly difficult to op-
pose legislation to control
the Press.

â\200\234Y believe . him. It is
becoming excessively dif-

difficulty for the United Party
to oppose anything, ex-
cept, . of course, each

other.

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Political Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG NORTH is providing one of the
keenest fights between the United and Progressive
parties â\200\224 particularly because both candidates are

" As the challenger, Mr. Gor-

~don Waddell has launched

perhaps the most intensive
onslaught of any candidate in
his bid to unseat' Mr. Dave
Marais, the MP for Johannes-
burg North since 1966,

The constituency, which
Mr. Marais won by 3055
votes in 1970, has always
been regarded a safe United
Party seat.

A team of 120 canvassers,
under the campaign manage-
ment of Mr. Tony Bloom are
backing Mr. Waddell,

By contrast, Mr, Marais
told me he is relying on only
about 10 canvassers,

Both candidates, of course,
have other helpers besides
canvassers.

Mr. Waddell is optimistic
that he has an even chance
of winning. He has addressed

dozens of house meetings of about 25 people, and he has personally canvassed hundreds of veterans.

However, canvassing figures are notoriously unreliable, and the figures of the two parties do not tally.

The United Party, for example, claim an eight-to-one lead in Parkhurst, their stronghold; but the Progressive Party state that they are no more than two-to-one behind,

In Illovo, the Progressives claim a two-to-one lead, but Mr. Marais says that the United Party are ahead.

According to the Progressives, more than 20 per cent of the voters are regarded as doubtful. Progressives are launching a massive campaign among these 3 500 voters in the last three weeks of the campaign,

Confident

However, Mr. Marais is confident that he will retain his majority of 3000 although the delimitation might have marginally assisted the Progressives

Mr. Waddell is a senior executive of Anglo American, and holds several important positions in that and other companies.

Mr. Marais, as president of the South African Football Association, has done a lot to promote multi-racial sport and is the United Party's expert in Parliament on urban Africans.

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The game of the name

SUNDAY TIMES

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THE NATIONALIST PARTY
failed with their secret plan
to secure the disqualification
of Mr. Dick Enthoven as
United Party candidate for

Randburg.

Mr. Enthoven solved his
problem, and defeated the
Nats, by being nominated
on Monday as Richard Ed-
ward Enthoven t'Hooft,

Mr. Enthoven's mother re-
married when he was two
years old. He was brought up
by his stepfather, Since then
he has used the name En-
thoven.

He was married by that
name, it appears on his
identity card, and in all
business and personal mat-
ters it was the name by
which he was known.

He fought several elections
under the name and was
elected in 1970 as the MPC
for Westdene without any
objections being raised.

I understand that, under
most mysterious circum-

stances, certain parties re-
cently discovered this fact
significantly, only after it
had been confidentially dis-
cussed between Mr, Enthov-
en and two other senior peo-
ple in the United Party.
Mr. Enthoven said he was
warned soon afterwards that
an attempt would be made
on nomination day to dis-
qualify him on a technicality, }
namely, being nominated, as .
Mr. Enthoven put -it, under
the name by which I have
since the age of two, been
honoured to be referred to,
After obtaining legal ad-
vice, Mr. Enthoven decided
to be nominated as t'Hooft,
to ensure that no possible
objection could be lodged
against his nomination.

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ZAMBIAN PUZZLE
'BOSS SPY
DAVID KNOWLES'

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By NEIL HOOPER

THE SUNDAY TIMES

17/MAR

THE MYSTERY of David Knowles â\200\224 the man whom the Zambian authorities have charged with spying for the South African Bureau for State Security

(BOSS) â\200\224 deepened this week when | was #old that he was car ing the l.ri'l'isll.passport issued to Bradford-born David Knowles, who is ';! izil in

TOria,.

% The man who appeare'dÂ» in court in liusaka on Friday does not resemble photo-graphs of the man in Pretoria.

. The South African De-
partment of Prisons stated
this week that the passport
of the David Knowles in
Pretoria Central Prison
(the was jailed for four
years for theft in 1972)
was given to his wife,
Janet, after his conviction.
sHowever, this has been
disputed by his mother, Mrs
Eileen Knowles, of Black-
ool;; Lancashire, who said
er daughter-inlaw left
uth rica for Britain
after his conviction, and her
ton would have needed the
passport to return to Britain
after his release.
â\200\230Unfortunately, Mrs.
owles has lost touch with
er daughter-in-law, so this
could not be confirmed.
(.The Zambian authorities
said this week that the pass-
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nowlesâ\200\235 they have detained
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933951. The British For-
gign Office later confirmed
hat it had been issued to
Bradford-born Mr. David
Knowles, a television engi-
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e of the same name and

place of birth.

prison sentences of up to 3(years, with hard labour ii found guilty.

Our representative said
â\200\234Knowlesâ\200\231sâ\200\235 nervous manner,
stubbly beard and torn clo-
thing contrasted sharply with
the relaxed attitude of Bui-
tendag, who was neatly
turned out, clean-shaven, and
smiled and chatted with his
lawyer. He was represented
by Mr. H. A. Hamir, of the
Lusaka law firm of Peter
Cobbett, Tribe and Company.
â\200\234Knowlesâ\200\235 was not represent-
ed.

Three others
The charges against Bui-
tendag named three other

men â\200\224 a Roy Stranger, a

Dave Clark and a Colin Jack-
son â\200\224 as sources of the
information he is alleged to
have passed on to BOSS.
Later the British High
Commission said that it did
not have any knowledge of
anyone in Zambia named

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Earlier this week the High
Commission said it did not
believe that the â\200\234Knowlesâ\200\235
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resemblance whatever to a

hotograph of David
&nowluinPretomPrison."â\200\230

He spoke little and his
accent could not he con-
firmed as Brlt!_sh or other-

on four counts of espionage.
Both men were remanded in
custody and committed for
trial at the next session of
the High Court of Zambia in

Lusaka on April 4.
- â\200\234Knowlesâ\200\235 nor
Buitendag was asked to.
They could face

When he left he too!â\200\231anotn_w
Police arrested him at Jan

Smuts Airport shortly before

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or . He was Â¢
with theft, convicted and
Jailed for four years.

In jail

! â\200\230Prison,
and was told that he was
still there.

She also approached the
office of the British Consul-
General in Johannesburg,
who confirmed, after investi-
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audit showed