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. There is also the well-known shoe polish :manutac-
~.. turer who has shown. interest and hag ordered al
â\200\234*"~-model,â\200\235 Mr Maseka continued.
â\200\234. He has only one regret. â\200\234I onthe work a lot!
Â«and achieve yhuch. But now my house is so small.
And of course there is the problem of the children.
You know/that type of situation. where when you
_ Want to do serious work the ren will ne want
nd,â\200\235 he said. ; aake.

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~ By Z B MOLEFE
MR JAN BUTI MASEKA, is not called â\200\234The

"Mechanical Genius 0) eyâ\200\235 for nothing.
-For years-he has been saydived in building
â\200\224 tractor models as a hobby.

â\200\230But you have to visit him in gedest to appre-
ciate his skill which has seen his tractor models fi-
nishing among the prizewinners during the annual
Springbok. Radio â\200\234Toys for Joyâ\200\235 competition.

~ THE WORLD visited : this soft-spoken 40-year-
â\200\234old father of two. children at. the. Vaal Reefs Mine .
- â\200\234married quarters. â\200\235 a

â\200\230Sn fact â\200\230my hobby started \$hen I was a boy
â\200\230working as a farm labourer at Koster in the Cape,â\200\235
said a beaming â\200\230Mr Maseka, who had just put finish-
â\200\230ing touches to his latest model. â\200\224.a front-end loader, -
which has taken him more than. six months â\200\230to build. ~ :
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the: â\200\234model ~

_ which had â\202¬ ything | built: into it including | intficate_
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-with. the model I had: entered; 3 have also- sold:

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friend, Mr Buti . Ma-
seka, who has won
fame as the mechanic-
al genius of Orkney
for the tractor models
he builds during his
spare time. eet

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