Moves to secure Zulu monarch's position

Cape Town: Further amendments to the Constitution. which had already been drafted by the Minister of Home Affairs, Danie Schutte, could secure the position of the Zulu King and the Zulu monarchy, the Minister of Mineral and Energy Affairs, George Bartlett, has said.

Speaking during the debate in Parliament on the constitutional amendments yesterday, he appealed to "my colleagues" in the Inkatha Freedom Party, its leader, Mangosuthu Buthelezi, to support the amendments and take part in the election.

Mr Bartlett said the future stability of South Africa had been put at risk by the fact that the April election was not all-inclusive.

It was a tragedy that a key political player such as the IFP was not taking part in the election.

The IFP's exclusion from the election would result in widespread intimidation and violence in Natal, with a resulting low percentage poll in that province.

Cehill Pienaar (IFP Heilbron) said the constitutional amendments were no more than a publicity stunt by the National Party and the African National Congress to appease the international community.

Ken Andrew (DP Gardens) said the arrogance of the NP and ANC had prevented them from introducing the amendments at an earlier stage.

Power hungry' ANC IFP leaders condemned

Cape Town: Both the African National Congress and the Inkatha Freedom Party in Natal were guilty of killing more than 18 000 innocent people during the past five years, Roger Burrows (DP Pinetown) said today.

"They are deeds of retribution and vigilante activities carried out without the control of the leaders, both of whom are power hungry and who should be roundly condemned for not looking after their members," he said during debate on the Constitution of South Africa Amendment Bill.

He said the Zulus had been a divided nation for more than 150 years, and it should be understood that those living in Natal did not all belong to one

particular political party.

The best way to test Zulu opinion was in an election or referendum.

The DP would support a constitutional monarchy in Natal with an elected legislature, but would oppose an absolute monarchy.

IFP Member Koos van der Merwe said the amendments were obviously due to the National Party grovelling in front of, and capitulating to, the

"The NP has let South Africa down by being satisfied with too little. They are the spoilers because there will now be less devolution of power instead of the promised maximum devolution of power."

Jeopardy

The NHF warned last night that the announcement could place in jeopardy months of painstaking negotiation on how to break the low-income housing logiam.

Ramaphosa charged that Shill's move had been designed to ensure the Government and the National Party were given the credit for the plan.

According to Shill the plan. which he said was based on "agreements" with the NHF. would dramaticaly improve the delivery of housing in South Africa in the short, medium and long term.

He claimed it would eliminate the country's housing shortage and "kickstart" the economy by providing one million jobs.

The first stage of the plan would be to implement a capital grant scheme on May 15. This allowed for the payment of lump sum grants so even the poorest of families could at least buy a stand and a modest house. It would be implemented on a sliding scale for house buyers earning less than R3 500 a month.

(Press Gallery, Parliament)

THE ambitious plan
— to run for a decade
— could provide
about one million
permanent jobs

BY CHRIS WHITFIELD and NORMAN CHANDLER

Cape Town — The ANC has called for the resignation of Housing Minister Louis Shill for what it describes as his "unilateral" unveiling of a 10-year, R90 billion housing plan.

ANC secretary-general Cyril Ramaphosa today called on the Transitional Executive Council to order Shill to suspend the plan and account for his actions, which he charged were "abusing his position as a Cabinet Minister... to try to boost the fortunes of the National Party".

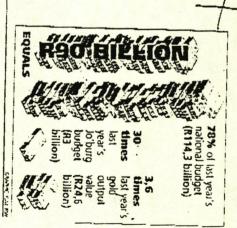
In a sharp attack during the TEC's meeting here, Ramaphosa said the action could even upset the "tenuous balance" of the transition.

"The Minister has done us a disservice and he must go."

But Public Enterprises Minister Dawie de Villiers — representing the Government in the TEC — responded by saying it was evident that Ramaphosa himself was "fresh from the campaign trail" and that Shill should be given an opportunity to put his case before the plan was suspended.

Ramaphosa said Shill had effectively jumped the gun by announcing a plan being negotiated on a multiparty level in the National Housing Forum (NHF). He added that when it became known that Shill was poised to make yesterday's announcement, the NHF had "sent messages that the announcement should not be made at this stage (and that it) should be made by the NHF".

accused of 'jumping the gun



Clinton, Major press for SA deal

M BY PETER FABRICIUS CHRIS WHITFIELD and JOHN SODERLUND

Washington — US President Bill Clinton and British Prime Minister John Major yesterday sent a joint message to ANC president Nelson Mandela and IFP leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi to urge a successful outcome to their "crucial" meeting today.

Major, who is visiting Clinton in Washington, said in announcing the sending of the joint message that the meeting "might have great importance to South Africans as they move towards their first multiracial elections".

Mandela and Buthelezi began their discussions today as Government makes a fresh bid to get approval from the Zulu king, Goodwill Zwelithini, for the country's political transformation.

Buthelezi has bluntly dismissed suggestions that today's talks in Durban may bring him into a settlement.

He insists he will only discuss peace with Mandela.

Meanwhile, Government negotiators were preparing another amendment to the constitution which would see the Zulu monarchy being constitutionally protected.

But by this morning there was no indication whether the king had risen to the bait.

The joint appeal from Clinton and Major came shortly after Mandela telephoned the US president to seek assistance in getting all parties into the elections.

In another initiative designed to bring dissenting parties into a political settlement, President FW de Klerk is ex-

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pected to meet Afrikaner Volksfront leader General Constand Viljoen today.

The talks designed to get the Zulu king's nod for the election could see Parliament sitting longer than expected this week.

In terms of the deal being sought, another constitutional principle — which cannot be amended by a new parliament — would be added to the Interim Constitution. It would effectively guarantee the continued existence of the Zulu monarchy.

A major concern in Government circles is that Buthelezi will reject the deal, reports Sapa.

"There is no question of me being persuaded by him (Mandela) or anyone to ensure the IFP's participation in the elections." Buthelezi said in a memorandum prepared for delivery to National Peace Secretariat ch)airman Dr Antonie Gildenhuys.

Today's Buthelezi-Mandela meeting in Durban will be their first in nine months.

Mandela said yesterday he was making a last-ditch effort "to persuade Buthelezi to get on board".

However, he flatly ruled out the possibility of delaying the election in Natal for a referendum on a provincial constitution — and De Klerk and Mandela both bluntly rejected calls for the election to be postponed.

De Klerk, addressing yesterday's opening of the special session of Parliament, issued his most direct warning yet to any organisation planning to disrupt the election, saying the Government would use "all means at its disposal" to deal with any threat.

De Klerk went out of his way yesterday to woo King Zwelith ini, saying the NP supported the view that the Zulu kingdom should be given constitutional recognition in the new South Africa.

(47 Sauer Street, Johannesburg)

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UN ends aid for ANC and PAC

STAR BUREAU

New York — The United Nations, in a show of impartiality in the upcoming election, has terminated financial aid for the ANC and PAC.

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Foreign Minister Pik Botha reminded UN chief Boutros Boutros-Ghall of the resolution in a letter dated February 11.

In fact, Nigerian ambassador Ibrahim Gambari, chairman of the Special Committee on Apartheid, had already advised the ANC and PAC representatives in New York that February would be the last month during which payments would be made.

The action did not affect their status as observers, he emphasised and the committee would

continue to be helpful.

I won't compromise on united SA, says Mandela

Although ANC leader Nelson Mandela will do everything in his power to get the Freedom Alliance into the April election, he will not compromise on a change in the poll date or on the establishment of a united country.

Speaking at the opening of the ANC's media centre in Johannesburg's Carlton Hotel last night, Mandela said he would meet IFP leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi today.

"I am meeting one of the leaders who has stood outside of the election process all along and it is my duty to persuade him to join in.

"I will do everything in my power to persuade him, but there are two aspects that I must make clear that there can be no compromise on.

"The one is that there can be no change to the election date and the other is that South Africa is to remain a united country and cannot countenance any demands that would lead to secession," he told about 200 people.

"It is to this end to which I will spend the rest of my life working."

He said one of the pillars of a true democracy was a free press which could draw leaders' attention to their shortcomings. He hoped this would happen in SA

ANC information head Dr Pallo Jordan said the election would not be an easy story for the media to cover.

"This is not a conventional assignment. It will be one full of challenges and dangers to which you are unaccustomed."

He said he hoped the facilities at the media centre would allow the world's media to cover the election "as competently and as completely as possible".

The premises, in the plush Carlton Hotel in the city centre, were donated by the hotel. Communications equipment such as computers, facsimile and photocopying machines were donated by SA Philips. Sharp Electronics and Nashua SA.—Sapa.

(Report by & Elias, 14" Commissioner St. Jhb)

Election indeed like no other

Ballot papers prove that poll is unique

BY JACQUELINE MYBURGH

Open up the newspaper you're busy reading and measure it from top to bottom. That, plus another two centimetres, is what a ballot paper for the National Assembly election will measure.

With 60 cm ballot papers, 10 different kinds of ballot papers and marking fluid all over our knuckles, the April election is going to be like no other.

Our 80 million ballot papers will fill 10 jumbo jets when they wing their way to South Africa from London where they are being printed.

According to the Independent Electoral Commission, no South African firm could handle the printing order and the London



firm De La Rue, of Basingstoke, has expertise in printing banknotes, ballot papers and official documents.

Printing will be completed by April 17. The ballot papers will be flown to South Africa under stringent security and be transported to warehouses under surveillance and in the presence of political party officials. Three days before the election they will be transported to secure locations near the voting stations.

Ten different types of ballot papers will be used — one for the National Assembly (the 60 cm one giving details og each political party) and nine for each of the provinces for the provincial legislature elections indicating only the parties contesting the election in each province.

On election day, voters will have both hands dipped into marking fluid which is invisible but shows up under UV lights. That means no one who has been "dipped" can vote again. The dye washes off after about seven days.

(47 Saver St. Johannesburg)

ANC delegation meets the SADF

Expect violence to continue – Mandela

BY NORMAN CHANDLER DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

The ANC and the South African Defence Force believe the violence racking the country is likely to continue for a number of years after the change of government next month because of the "inability of any government to fulfil all expectations".

Defence Minister Koble Coetsee, the SADF's Defence Command Council and an ANC delegation led by its president Nelson Mandela, held talks in Pretoria to discuss the role of the defence force.

Mandela told the meeting to expect violence to continue as long as there was a "huge socioeconomic backlog".

He said members of the SADF

— to be called the National Defence Force (NDF) from April 28
— had "performed valuable work in the interest of peace" and although he had earlier called for the removal of troops from the townships, this was now no longer the case.

He urged SADF members not to overreact to "wild statements made by some individuals" and concentrate on official policy points of the ANC. These included an apolitical, professional and effective defence force — an NDF loyal to the government and the people, which would contribute to nation-building.

He gave an assurance that the ANC would not tamper with salaries, pensions and existing benefits of serving members but added that while the ANC accepted the NDF had to be based on the SADF, some changes would have to take place.

"Such adaptations will be made in consultation with the command structure of the SADF. The ANC, however, does not want the standards of the force to be lowered," said Mandela.

One important aspect of his speech was that the ANC was "very sensitive to the position of the commandos" and did not wish to alienate this sector as it had an important role in the future of the country.

General Georg Meiring, chief of the SADF, briefed the ANC delegation on the organisation, functions and budget of the force and answered questions.

NPKF morale high, says top observer

WOODGATE

Morale and enthusiasm is high among the Peace-keeping Assistance Group and the National Peacekeeping Force, says Russell Marshall, chairman of the Commonwealth Observer Mission to South Africa.

Speaking after his return from the De Brug military base near Bloemfontein yesterday, Marshall said members of the NPKF now undergoing training at the installation were learning a new style of policing, which included a "less combative" response to demonstrations.

The new methods being taught by Commonwealth police and military officers were aimed not only at the election but constituted a longterm approach to their task. "Clearly, the members of the NPKF face a major challenge to live up to the expectations for its role in providing security for the coming election," said Marshall.

There was a strong sense of commitment among NPKF soldiers, and although the two teams now training at De Brug and Cape Town would not be adequate to cover the whole of South Africa, he believed the teams would play a "small but significant" part in securing free and fair elections.

Commenting on claims of dissent within the NPKF, Marshall said tension was inevitable when 13 disparate groups were brought together.

The various groupings were now being melded with skill and care by a highly experienced team as a disciplined, committed force, he said.

■ Political Correspondent Chris Whitfleid reports that the NPKF budget will be put before the Transitional Executive Council for approval today and the amount could be much less than expected.

it had been estimated that the NPKF's budget would be R400 million or more, but a source said the TEC would today be asked to approve a figure of less than R180 million.

The estimate was reduced as a result of a thorough review of the original proposals, the source said.

The TEC is not expected to finalise during today's meeting the thorny issue of the retention of section 29 of the Internal Security Act, which provides for detention without trial.

However, one source indicated this issue was "nearing finality".

CP and IFP voice objections in Parliament

Lively constitution debate

Cape Town - The first day's rowdy debate on the amendments to the Interim Constitution vesterday saw much the same public arguments and accusations between parties being voiced in Parliament.

The CP and IFP maintained that the amendments did not meet their demands for either proper federalism or attaining a

volkstaat. The DP accused the NP of being tardy, seven months ago, in accepting its proposals which were now embodied in the amendments.

The NP was upset since the DP was taking credit for the amendments, insisting that CP and IFP demands had been met.

President de Klerk opened the proceedings by saying the fact that the most crucial election campaign in the country's history was being interrupted for the special sitting indicated the

THERE can now no longer be any reasonable excuse for non-participation in election. De Klerk tells special sitting

importance attached to ensuring the election was as inclusive as possible.

Stalemate

There could now no longer be any reasonable excuse for nonparticipation, he said.

Constitutional Development Minister Roelf Meyer said the political process had reached an uncomfortable stalemate before

the amendments. "What South Africa requires now is an equal, reciprocal act - more than a political act, an act of statesmanship."

CP leader Dr Ferdi Hartzenberg said the fact that Parliament was sitting showed that the constitution was weak and proved that a constitutional guarantee was worth nothing. The basic flaws remained.

Senior DP negotiator Colin Eglin said that if people wanted to obtain a volkstaat, constitutional rather than revolutionary mechanisms should be used.

"We are not wild about these amendments, but will go along. It is an opportunity to evolve a new volkstaat concept free of racism. It is a challenge.

ANC representative Dave Dalling said the amendments met all the Freedom Alliance's require-

"It is only the right to dominate everyone that the right wing will lose."

The IFP's Jurie Mentz sald the party was not looking for war, but for lasting peace.

The Zulu king and his sublects would take part in the election only if the constitution provided for proper federalism.

"The double ballot is not a concession, but is rectifying a flaw." Mentz said.

Threats

Section 29 of the Internal Security Act was necessary to uphold the democratic process during the run-up to the election to act against threats from extremist left-wing and right-wing elements, the Government admitted

vesterday. Law and Order Minister Hernus Kriel told a press briefing: "A number of political parties apparently supported the need to keep the section, which allows detention without trial for 10 days, to reach democracy in this country." - Sapa, Political Staff. (Press Gallery, Parliament)

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Freedom Alliance boycott might help NP and ANC

The fundamental political divide is now between those who have the guts to face the future and those who pine for the past. The unhappily named Freedom Alliance falls heavily into the latter category by effectively demanding three bantustans in which the ruling classes will be either political and/or racial minorities.

Although the FA has no intention of holding referenda in the territories it claims, it seems determined to turn the April election into a referendum on the Interim Constitution, and a violent one at that.

Those who have the courage to vote (and in some parts of Natal and the Platteland this will require high courage indeed), will be indicating their assent to the future, while those who boycott will register their preference for a version of the

status quo before February 1990. Unfortunately for the FA the past has been demonstrated to be unworkable, unpopular and immoral.

A boycott is the democratic right of the FA. However, it is the democratic right of the taxpayers to prevent the use of public revenues for their protest.

It is therefore the Transitional Executive Council's responsibility to ensure that they do not use their police forces or commandos to "shore up" the boycott. A very sharp and heavy financial sword of Damocles needs to be suspended over their heads between now and the election.

Perhaps it has not occurred to the FA but the boycott could be a blessing in disguise for the National Party and the ANC. To boycott is not in the nature of the white voter, as current polls of Conservative Party supporters show. To whom then, will white supporters of the Conservative Party and Ikatha turn if not the National Party? The Right's boycott could cast a nice little electoral windfall into the National Party's grateful lap.

There are signs that many Inkatha people, particularly civil servants, are unhappy with the boycott.

This means Inkatha's support could be even further eroded when KwaZulu starts to feel the economic pinch.

Perhaps the Right has shot itself in both feet this time by excluding itself from the only show in town, alienating its own supporters who want to take part, and at the same time antagonising the show's bouncers.

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Last chance for alliance

Mandela's plea for peace may be a prelude to a cry for action.

WO major initiatives are under way to persuade the Freedom Alliance to abandon its threat to boycott the April election: a special parliamentary session, where proposed amendments to the Interim Constitution and the Electoral Act will be debated, and a high-level meeting in Durban between Nelson Mandela and Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

The first initiative emanates from the ANC and the National Party. It represents a joint attempt to meet the FA's objections to the Interim Constitution and avert the risk of civil war between election participators and boycotters. The second comes from Mandela himself, who has said: "I will go down on my knees to beg those who want to drag our country into bloodshed... not to do so."

The ANC-NP initiative — which includes a move to extend the election registration deadline — offers the FA an opportunity to reappraise its foolish and dangerous boycott tactic. If the FA parties do not register by March 4, they will have embarked on a course which can lead only to political defeat, at the risk of igniting large-scale but futile violence.

Mandela's willingness to adopt the position of supplicant begging for peace should not deceive his political opponents. It is not a sign of weakness, but a move by a strong man to prepare for tough action by showing that he has done his best to reach a compromise and avoid violence.

Like the threat to restore the pre-colonial Zulu monarchy, Buthelezi's latest ploy — of seeking a postponement of the April election in Natal and preserving the status quo there for the immediate future — has no chance of success. By introducing yet another demand, he risks demonstrating beyond doubt that he will do anything to avoid the verdict of the people at the polls. Unless he changes tack, his political epitaph will be that of a spoiler.



Rush to join Bop strikers

BY JUSTICE MALALA

The civil service and commercial workers strike that began in parts of Bophuthatswana yesterday has intensified as workers join in large numbers.

There was chaos at bus terminuses in the evening when commuters who had used buses in the morning returned to find drivers had decided to join the strikers.

A driver who did not participate was slightly injured near Mabopane station when he was set upon by a number of strikers.

The strike is expected to intensify further today as the Bophuthatswana aworkers' Co-ordinating Committee goes ahead with its rally at Soshanguve's Giant Stadium in preparation for a march on the administrator's office in Ga-Rankuwa to-inorrow.

: Hospitals, clinics and post offices remained abandoned this morning asthe strike entered its second week.

Leaders of the striking workers said it was possible that the security forces could also join in, but this cannot be confirmed. Police and army are guarding installations.

The workers are manding that the gove ment:

Pay them their pensi and provident fur money "due to uncertaty over what would ha pen to the money aftthe April election";

Stop all deduction made by the Sefalan Employee Benefits Oganisation (Sebo) otheir salaries;

Institute parity in sa laries between homeland and South African work ers; and

Free political and trade union activity.

They are also demanding the allegedly government-aligned Bophuthatswana Teachers' Association be disbanded.

The workers committee's Freddie Mathibe said the organisation was being swamped with inquiries about how to join the strike.

"If Mangope remains intransigent we shall take the strike beyond this week. We will definitely continue until he meets our demands." Mathibe said.

The Information Service of Bophuthatswana said internal problems, and not politics or the pensions question, were the real reason behind go-slow actions.

Subsidies for ANC, PAC cut in 'show of impartiality' and News 1/03/94 UN ends aid for parties

The UN is no longer providing the ANC and PAC with money. This report from a **Daily News Correspondent** in New York.

HE United Nations, in a show of impartiality in the forthcoming elections, has terminated financial aid for the ANC and PAC.

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Foreign Minister Pik Botha, reminded Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali of the resolution in a letter dated February 11.

In fact, Nigerian Ambassador Ibrahim Gambari, chairman of the special committee on apartheid, had already advised the ANC and PAC representatives in New York that February would be the last month during which payments would be made.

The action did not affect their status as observers, he emphasised, and the committee would continue to be helpful. Thus they will be able to continue to have UN missions, but not at the UN - and international taxpayers' - expense.

Meanwhile, it is reported from Washington that the South African Embassy is to launch a major publicity campaign to inform the estimated 100 000 or more eligible South African voters in the US about the April elec tions.

Ambassador Harry Schwarz said yesterday there were sizeable concentrations of South Africans in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Miami, Texas, Chicago, San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco. The aim of the non-partisan campaign would be to make people aware of their voting rights and where to exercise them.

The ANC's missions in the US are co-operating with the embassy in arranging voting for South Africans.

Mr Schwarz said voting in the US would be on one day only - April 26 between 7am and 7pm. There would be no postal votes and so voters in the US would have to cast their votes in person at polling booths in locations still to be announced by the Independent Electoral Commission.

South Africans in the US, including permanent residents, would be eligible to vote if they had retained South African citizenship and their South African passports or other identity documents were still valid.

Five MPs from the HoD have joined IFP

Cape Town: Five more Members of Parliament in the House of Delegates had joined the Inkatha Freedom Party, says the leader of the Opposition in the HoD, Farouk Cassim.

They are Rashida Ebrahim (Lenasia East), Narend Singh (Umzinto), Pubal Govender (Isipingo), Perumal Nadasen (Allandale) and Hemanhkumar Neerahoo (Newholme).

Mr Govender and Mr Nadasen were previously members of the National Party, Mr Singh of Solidarity, Mr Neerhoo of the Democratic Party and Mrs Ebrahim of the Merit Peoples Party.—Sapa

Uproar over housing plan

Shill's 'cheap trick'

Not everyone is happy about the way the Government has announced a huge housing programme, writes Daily News Reporter **Susan Miller**.

LOCAL African National Congress leader has slammed Housing Minister Louis Shill for unilaterally announcing a 10-year, R90-billion housing plan yesterday and described the announcement as a "cheap political trick".

Mike Sutcliffe, ANC regional executive member, said the announcement should have come from the National Housing Forum, which is made up of various political parties.

"I am very concerned that this announcement did not come from the National Housing Forum.

"Some of the parties in the forum are not even participating in the forthcoming elections, but they should all be given credit as part of the National Housing Forum."

Dr Sutcliffe said it seemed the credit for the plan would now go to one political party instead of all the participants.

Announcing the plan, Mr Schill said that it would eliminate the housing shortage and create one million jobs. The implemenation of the new capital grant scheme would begin on March 15.

Sums of up to R12 500 would be paid to new owners who have a total household monthly income of not more than R1 500.

Households earning between R1 501 and R2 500 will be eligible for grants of up to R9 599, and households earning between R2 500 and R3 500 a month will be eligible for grants of R5 000.

The Government will contribute about R2 billion this year to the scheme and an average of R4

billion a year over the next decade.

Dr Sutcliffe said he expected a more detailed comment on the unilateral announcement to come from the ANC head office later today.

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World leaders are urging Nelson Mandela and Mangosuthu Buthelezi to reach an agreement at their meeting in Durban today. Political Staff report.

HORTLY before the Mandela/Buthelezi summit in Durban today, President F.W. de Klerk threatened in Parliament to deploy the SADF and the SAP to counter any attempts by King Goodwill Zwelithini to declare an independent and sovereign monarchy in KwaZulu/Natal.

However, the Government will make one last-ditch effort to bring the Inkatha Freedom Party into the election by tabling more amendments to the constitution specifically to accommodate the Zulu monarchy.

In its efforts to bring political stability and peace to this region, ANC president Nelson Mandela met IFP president Mangosuthu Buthelezi today at the Royal Hotel in Durban. The two teams were still locked in talks at mid-afternoon.

They left their delegations at the talks this morning for a private onehour tea break.

They both returned smiling but would not comment or respond to questions about their private meeting.

ANC southern Natal secretary Sbu Ndebele said today's meeting was a serious attempt to find a common meeting point between the two organisations. "If it fails, then God help us." he said.

US President Bill Clinton and British Prime Minister John Major sent a joint message to Mr Mandela and Dr Buthelezi yesterday to urge a successful outcome to today's meeting.

The joint appeal from the two leaders came just after Mr Mandela phoned President Clinton to appeal to him to do what he could to get all parties into the elections.

But there seemed little likelihood that the IFP will be drawn into the electoral process. Before today's meeting Dr Buthelezi told reporters: "I don't expect concessions from Mr Mandela and he shouldn't expect concessions from me."

On violence, he said: "The matter concerns us very deeply ... we haven't come here solely to discuss the elections."

On his arrival several minutes later, Mr Mandela said he was hoping for a breakthrough.

"We'll keep trying, (for a constitutional breakthrough)," he told journalists.

He described the talks as "sensitive".

Efforts to draw in the IFP culminated in a six-hour meeting of the IFP's central committee in Ulundi last night. The IFP issued a threeparagraph statement saying the 1994 constitution still did not satisfy "the basic requirements of a properly federal form of state, nor does it adequately address the constitutional position of the kingdom of KwaZulu".

The Government is expected to table another constitutional amendment today specifically setting out the role of the Zulu monarchy in a democratic South Africa.

Mr de Klerk told Parliament yesterday that the Government would use all means at its disposal, including security forces, to deal with any party that might try to achieve its objectives through violence or unconstitutional, illegal or undemocratic

"Parties which contemplate secession or the illegal seizure of states or municipal powers should have no illusions concerning their position or the consequences of their action."

Report by R.M. Challenor, 18 Osborne Street, Durban

gh-speed convo

By David Tucker

YOU need a very fast car and strong nerves to keep up with Nelson election Mandela's roadshows.

Drive at South Africa's national speed limit of 120 km/h and you will be left far behind on the open road by Mandela in chauffeur-driven, his armoured Mercedes and his bodyguards in sleek

Toyotas.
"We have to drive fast . . . for safety," said one of the drivers, worried about attacks by Right-wingers on a votecatching tour by the African National Congress leader.

But are speeds of between 160 and 180 km/h the safest way to whisk 75-year-old Mr Mandela to rallies and campaign meetings for South Africa's first all-race election in April?

3 abreast

At times cars, and any minibuses able to keep up, race three and four abreast behind the lead vehicles. Wheels spinning, engines roaring,

they overtake on the hard shoulder. They seem oblivious to traffic police not normally known for their reticence in applying the

Traffic lights are largely ignored, although one reporter found himself behind a motorist who didn't know that red lights were no longer to be obeyed when the Mandela convoy was on the road.

The motorist stopped; the reporter did not.

ANC officials in the convoys keep in touch through walkie-talkies.

During a Mandela swing through the Orange Free State, an ANC official in a minibus wanted a megaphone from another vehicle. Fearful of losing the convoy if they stopped, the two minibuses drove side-by-side at 160 km/h. The megaphone passed from one to the other after more than a few hair-raising brushes.

Convoys normally start out with 20 or so vehicles, with most journalists not content to use the "slow" ANC-provided minibus. Many believe, with some

justification, they will arrive late.

Midway through the tours, the convoys have collected at least as many hangers-on as journalists and officials. This makes driving even more difficult. "Intruders" are not content to sit at the back - they weave in and out of the "official" cars to get closer to their leader.

Better run

"(President FW) De Klerk's roadshows are much better organised. Cars travel at no more than 120 and journalists are bused to venues before he gets there. This is chaos," said Reuter photographer Juda Ngwenya during a Mandela tour.

When Mr Mandela left a township after a rally, the media convoy tucked in behind as usual.

What the journalists didn't know was that the ANC leader planned to fly to the next venue. This only became apparent when his white Mercedes turned off the main road to an airstrip.

The end result, despite frantic pumping of accel-

erator pedals, was the "hack pack" failed to make the next appointment 100 km away and the ANC lost an opportunity to show Mr Mandela inspecting Congress offices bombed by Rightwingers.

If the open road convoys are dangerous, those in the Black townships can only be described as serious health risks — for pedestrians as well.

Excited people mill around the cars, eager for glimpse of Madiba (Mandela).

In a township near Bloemfontein at least two children were "bumped" by cars as ANC officials, reporters, television camera crews and residents, in an assortment of battered cars, tried to penetrate walls of people to rejoin the convoy.

Neither child was badly

Cars unable to link up with the convoy line were driven towards oncoming traffic on the other side of the road, forcing other motorists to take hasty and evasive action. -Sapa-Reuter.

Contrast in styles of De Klerk, Mandela

By Pierre Claassen

TO compare the African National Congress and the National Party is like comparing an elephant to a mouse, ANC leader Nelson Mandela insisted last week while touring the northern Cape in the wake of NP rival F W de Klerk.

For journalists, who trailed both men for the four days of their back-toback election road shows, the contrast was certainly as sharp, even if the scale was not quite as unequal.

It is too early to tell what effect, if any, their week of campaigning had. But a not inconsiderable number of voters, particularly Coloured, were able to see and listen to both sides and experience the differences.

If one compared the larger rally-style events. discounting particular visits which had unique features, the pattern was superficially the same prearranged venues and times with full poster and organisational back-up to draw the best possible crowd.

Personal style

It was in the personal style of the leaders and the structure of their appearance that the contrasts sharpened.

Whether flying in by chopper or driving in his armoured motorcade to cheering, flag-waving supporters, Mr De Klerk emerged from the vehicle only to be lost in a huddle of waiting officials.

No greeting, no acknowledgement of the often hysterical welcome of the crowd, just serious talk and frowns - an almost conspiratorial briefing session as they all move him towards the microphones or a "blaster

wagon" laden with loudspeakers.

Then, as if reaching the spot marked 'X', out comes the FW smile, up goes the hand in greeting. As the cheers finally die down, the standard election speech follows, sometimes with a shift of

appearance short, the departure swift after the 'Thank you'. It is all so quick, he often leaves behind a crowd milling with half fulfilled expecta-

Mr Mandela does not like to arrive in his armoured limousine if he can help it. He stops his crazily racing entourage some distance from the rally site — in Galeshewe more than 5 km away - and takes up a highly exposed stand on top of his own blaster wagon.

Stature

He fully exploits his tall distinctive stature, approaching the rally at walking pace, waving, smiling with joy and addressing bystanders with whom he makes contact directly as he moves

When he gets to the same hysterical crowd welcome, he often overrides arrangements of his security men, directing the truck to a specific corner of the crowd where he stretches out to shake hands in greetings.

All the time, his greetings sweep the crowd, far



ANC president NELSON MANDELA smiles at the crowd after he was presented with traditional Xhosa chief's robes in Bisho, Ciskei, on Sunday.

and near, waving and smiling in obvious pleasure. No official intrudes, it is only Mr Mandela and his supporters.

Indeed, it is unfair to compare the two men. Their worlds are so different, as the week proved once more.

Mr De Klerk is facing the impossible task of convincing voters that there is more to him (and the NP) than the brilliantly wise and courageous White leader who knowingly proclaimed and managed his own inevitable political doom.

He refuses to take on his opponent in this strangest of elections in which one man, in a certain sense a newcomer, is already the acknowledged victor — the martyr saint hero of the oppressed ma-

And so they speak in disparate tongues as they travel through the harsh heat of a wonderously lush and green Karoo.

Mr De Klerk comes to his new electorate, the people his old party had discarded as unworthy of sharing the wealth of the White world, protesting a thorough change of heart.

Input

support the "new" NP hecause in that way they will ensure he can make an input, and a difference, in the new government of national unity.

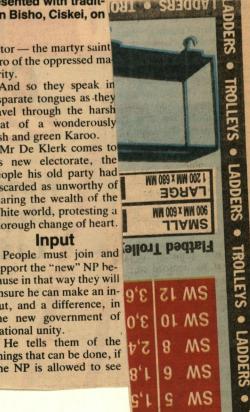
He tells them of the things that can be done, if the NP is allowed to see

the economy run the way it used to. They must strengthen his hand, give him the maximum lever-

A difficult, defensive message made no easier by the constant harrying squad of toyi-toying ANC supporters trying to drown it out with sheer noise.

But Mr De Klerk is still awkward in this role. His new audiences are just out of his reach because he has not yet had time to become one with them. Their idiom of the heart and emotions is not an easy target for his intellectualising tongue although he does occasionally hit home.

When he tries reason-



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Zulu monarchy must be secured, says FW

THE status and position of the Zulu King had to be elevated above party politics, and the monarchy secured through effective constitutional safeguards, State President De Klerk said yesterday.

Addressing a special session of Parliament, he said he understood the concerns of King Goodwill Zwelithini and his people on the

future of the Zulu monarchy.

The government and the National Party supported the view that the Zulu kingdom should be given constitutional recognition.

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"The Zulu kingdom is recognised by us as a unique reality. It has a proud history and plays an important role in the life of the Zulu nation."

Pres De Klerk said

the monarchy could be secured either in a constitution for KwaZulu/ Natal or in the national constitution, or both.

The government had been involved in serious and in-depth discussions on the issue of the Zulu monarchy but no specific agreement had yet been reached. However, negotiation would continue until agreement was reached.

CP wants guarantees of Afrikaner state

THE CP wanted constitutional principles that guaranteed an Afrikaner state, not measures that forced them into taking part in the elections, Mr Fanie Jacobs (CP Losberg) said yesterday.

Speaking in the second reading debate on the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Amendment Bill, he said there was talk in the Department of Home Affairs that the elections could be postponed.

Calling on the government to hold off the poll, he said: "If you do not postpone the elections, you and the ANC/SACP will carry the consequences on your own consciences. You'll not be able to say you did not know."

The latest constitutional amendments were nothing else but a ploy to get the CP to the polling booths.

An issue such as the proposed Volks Council, which was subservient to

Parliament, was being used to attract the CP into participation.

participation.
"You cannot treat us as children and try and entice us with sweets."

The ANC and NP had declared that the Afrikaners would not get a "volkstaat", but this dispensation had to be in place before April 26.

Bophuthatswana did not have racial discrimination, featured a bill of basic human rights and was a demarcated region.

But if Bophuthatswana had no chance of being recognised, the CP could simply not trust the government.

"We know why this is the case — because the Constitution must cater for a single sovereign state."

The issue of ballots was not about one paper or two, but which powers went with the vote.

Constitutional delay has prejudiced IFP'

THE delay in introducing constitutional amendments had seriously prejudiced the Inkatha Freedom Party because it now had less time to prepare for elections, Mr Farouk Cassim (IFP Nom) said yesterday.

Speaking during the second reading debate on the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Amendment Bill, he said he welcomed the amendments, but wished they went further.

Mr Cassim said the Minister of Constitutional Development, Mr Roelf Meyer, had consistently resisted constitutional amendments proposed by the Inkatha Freedom Particles

"Why were the amendments not made earlier? The Minister has been the problem all the time."

He said the battle of the double ballot had been fought and won because the IFP had been principled and had refused to buckle. The Minister of Public Enterprises, Dr Dawie de Villiers, said the Freedom Alliance had never intended becoming part of the democratic process through the amendments to the constitution.

"Negotiations on the amendments to certain clauses of the constitution were but a smokescreen. The real agenda of the Conservative Party is still to bring about separation partition and a volk staat."

IFP seeks 'lasting peace' Inkatha Freedom Bill, he said the IFP when the constitution

THE Inkatha Freedom Party was not looking for war but wanted lasting peace, Mr Jurie Mentz (IFP Vryheid) said yesterday.

Speaking during debate on the Constitution of South Africa Amendment Bill, he said the IFP wanted to take part in the election "after our problems are solved".

The present constitution was not a federal one and the Zulu king and his subjects would only participate in the election

when the constitution provided for federalism.

"The double ballot is not a concession, but is rectifying a flaw. Parliament had forsaken its duty by not taking the interests of minorities into account."

DP amendments proved correct, says Eglin

THE Government had first to wait for a crisis before stumbling on to the truth that the DP's constitutional amendments had been correct all along, Mr Eglin (DP Sea Point) said

yesterday.

Speaking in the second reading debate on the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Amendment Bill, he said the amendments should be accepted on their merits, and not as a means to woo the Freedom Alliance back into negotiations.

It was tragic that the NP's earlier rejection of the DP's proposals had caused the Freedom Alliance and its allies to abandon the constitutional process, leaving it to be dominated by the ANC

"It has taken the ANC and NP months to accept

the merits of the proposals.'

This had been a tragedy for South Africa. How different would the scene not have been if the IFP and its allies had stayed in the process, and if the ANC and NP had not been so self-satisfied with their deals.

Turning to the Freedom Alliance, he said: "Come into the political process; if this was the final constitution I would also be dissatisfied, but it is not, it is a process of constitution-making.

"They owe it to South Africa, the people of South Africa, to find a political solution peaceful, not violent, revolutionary means.'

The State President, Mr F W de Klerk, had made a chilling revelation when he used the phrase that the present govern-

ment had saved the country at the brink of catastrophe.

By implication, he was saying it was the NP government which had taken the country to the brink of catastrophe.

The amendments being debated had been submitted by the DP at negotiations seven months ago, and the DP would support the Bill.

"Not just because it is an attempt to woo the Freedom Alliance, but we will support the clauses on their merit. Every clause in this Bill is an improvement on the Constitution."

They further enshrined the federal aspects of the Constitution and made it impossible for the next Constitution to reverse its federal content.

Five MPs in HoD

Join Inkatha

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TWE more Members of Parliament in the House of Delegates had joined the Inkatha Freedom Party, the Leader of the Opposition in the HoD, Mr Farouk Cassim, said yesterday.

They were Mrs Rashida Ebrahim (Lenasia East), Mr Narend Singh (Umzinto), Mr Pubal Govender (Isipingo), Mr Perumal Nadasen (Allandale) and Mr Hemanhkumar Neerahoo (Newholme).

Mr Govender and Mr Nadasen were previously members of the National Party, Mr Singh of Solidarity, Mr Neerahoo of the Democratic Party and Mrs Ebrahim of the Merit Peoples Party.

IT'S time political organisations made a point of inculcating in their followers the message, taken for granted elsewhere, that media reople are not fair game for extremists and should never be attacked or threatened for

carrying out their duty.

On the contrary, they are people who are performing an essential function, keeping the public informed of what is going on, and any attack on them is not only contemptuous and uncalled for but a denial of freedom of expression and of the Press (now broadened to include the electronic media).

We cannot, therefore, condemn too strongly the call at the funeral of APLA commander, Sabelo Phama, in Transkei on Saturday that APLA cadres should shoot White journal-

ists.

Immediately after the funeral, in the village of Baziya, near Umtata, a group of uniformed APLA soldiers gathered a short distance from the grave, fired shots in the air and chanted, "One bullet, one settler. Bullet, bullet, settler, settler.

Some of the crowd of PAC supporters around them pointed out a SAPA reporter nearby and called out: "There is the first settler. Why are you pointing your rifles up in the air

and not at his head?'

Referring to other White journalists, other PAC supporters called out: "Hit them, hit

them.'

This contrasts with the funeral rally at the Umtata Independence Stadium where PAC officials offered to provide marshals for White journalists who wanted to move in and out of the stadium or out of the VIP area and into the crowd.

Media officer, Mr Bosman Mukupula, said television cameramen among the crowd in the stands had been given permanent guards. "We want people to be safe," he said. "We

don't want people to intimidate journalists.' He should see to it that this message gets through to the PAC's rank-and-file memUnfortunately, reporting the violent events in this country has become hazardous for newsmen and women.

On occasion, they are victims of criminal thugs, like two overseas television crews who were robbed of their equipment and cars in separate incidents.

However, journalists, particularly on Black newspapers, have been threatened because what they write is not acceptable to the organisations about whom they are writing.

That is not only dangerous but a sign of political intolerance and is intimidation of the

worst kind.

You either write favourably about us, or else. Or you report events as we see them, or else.

What freedom of the Press or expression is there when journalists can be threatened in

this manner?

Some journalists have sadly lost their lives in incidents like the shooting dead of a photographer during the visit to Katlehong of ANC secretary-general Cyril Ramaphosa and SACP chairman Joe Slovo at the height of unrest in that area.

Since he had his cameras with him, we can accept that his murderers knew that he was a

journalist.

On the other hand, he might have been killed by a Self-Defence Unit member firing wildly at hostel dwellers who had allegedly fired on

the touring party.

Whoever was responsible, the fact is that a cameraman was killed - and he shouldn't have been in any circumstances, since he was there to record events not to take part in

Previously an SABC journalist was killed in Sharpeville when on assignment to examine the desecration of graves by Right-wingers.

And there have been dozens of other incidents involving journalists.

In truth, no journalists will be safe unless they are accepted as people who have a duty to report events without fear or favour.

Our appeal then is: Do not attack them and do not threaten them, but respect them and help them to carry out their task fairly and accurately.

Cape Town: Between 500 and 1 000 people are being trained and armed in Umfolozi every fortnight, ANC secretary-general Cyril Ramaphosa, told the Transitional Executive Committee today.

He said people in the

He said people in the Umfolozi area were being armed by white conservative farmers who were assisting in training them.

The only objective could be to serve the stated goal by certain parties that there would be no election allowed in the territory, he said.



Time for immigrants to shake off complacency, writes Helen Grange

All residents must vote in April poll

t has come as a surprise to many permanent residents in South Africa that they can vote for the first time in

this country's history.

The extension of the franchise to legal immigrants in the pending April election was announced by the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) without any fanfare, but for the thousands who have made this country their home, it's as significant as the first-time voting rights of black South Africans.

Many immigrants have contributed substantially to the South African economy but have had no say in the governance of its development.

Some would argue that the bulk of white immigrants came to South Africa as scavengers of the lopsided privileges of apartheid and don't deserve the same rights as citizens.

However, it has become increasingly apparent that thousands of immigrants, while they may have avoided becoming naturalised citizens, have grown to love South Africa and committed their futures to it.

Those who decided to flee have mostly flown already, as reflected in emigration graphs over recent years. It would be safe to assume that the immigrants left are here because they have embraced the impending transition and not because they missed the boat.

Political analysts predict that, in any case, these votes will have very little if any impact on the final election result. This is because, for as many white immigrants who may vote conservatively, there is likely to be many more black permanent residents who veer left.

In addition, there are about 15 000 illegal migrants, mostly from neighbouring African countries, who are trying to get identity documents, and since the procedure involved in getting citizenship cannot be watertight. many of these applicants will be suc-

As Theo Bekker of the University of Pretoria's political science department points out, there are thousands living in South Africa who do not have birth certificates, making it difficult if not impossible for Home Affairs department officials to determine their birthplace.

Most of these migrants are concentrated in Venda and Gazankulu, so if the poll is influenced by their votes, it will impact largely on the provincial legislature for that region rather than in the national assembly.

Tom Lodge, senior politics lecturer at Wits University, doubts that there will be any significant input by immigrants in the election, however.

"My guess is that, even with the right to vote, many immigrants won't: use it. Traditionally, foreigners have been very detached from politics in this country, though they are justing; influenced by the actions of the Government as the citizens."

Perhaps this complacency has been created to an extent by the draconian style of apartheid's keepers. In South Africa past, most foreigners felt it best to keep a low profile rather than risk deportation.

It must be hastily added, however. that mitigating factors do not inthemselves excuse a crime - and those immigrants whose silence was rooted in self-interest cannot now proclaim innocence for what amounted to tacit approval. It is time now to stand up and be counted.

In the 1992 referendum to endorse the transition process, white permanent residents were required to become naturalised before being able to vote. Many refused for fear of losing their dual citizenship (which was not the case, although dual citizenship was prohibited during the dark 1980s).

Not having to be naturalised to vote in this election should effectively wipe away any remaining reservations.

But this extension of the voting franchise is a liberal policy which may be reversed by the new government.

One of the obvious problems with such a policy is that it affords equal privilege to all foreigners with permanent residence, notwithstanding the widely varying degrees of their commitment to the country.

But then, a democracy is never perfect, and there's a good lesson to be learnt from the Boston tea merchants who coined the phrase: "No taxation without representation

Conversely, it is the duty of immigrants to fill in not only their tax forms but their ballot papers too.

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The UN tallyman who will watch over us all

ald Austin has been when aver an election has comever an election has commissioned his expertise. Cur-rendy, it is South Africa.

As the director of the electoral division of the United Nations Mission to SA (Chomsa), he heads a team of roughly 3 000 election monitors from the UN. Commonwealth, European Union and Organisation for African

Unity Their brief: to observe the election process, report back to the international community on their findings and assist in logistical preparations on request by local electoral authorities.

Austin comes well prepared for the job.

He was involved, to varying degrees, in the Cambodian election in May last year, the 1980 transitional election in Zimbabwe and its subsequent elec-tion in 1985, the 1991 Zambian election, the 1990 Nambian election and last year's Angolan

The success or failure of these elections is history, but each of them has left a strong impression on Austin and equipped him with a sound understanding of the term "free and fair"

The Cambodian election was a good example of democracy win-

UN electoral division head, Professor Reginald Austin, is here to co-ordinate the thousands of international poll monitors. Helen Grange spoke to him

ning against the odds. Austin

There was intimidation and violence, but ultimately, people were convinced that their vote was secret and they had a will to get to the polls. There was a 90 percent poll in that election."

Austin had a daunting man-date in the Cambodian election because of the UN's interventionist rather than passive role

The UN was tasked to organise the entire electoral process. aside from its deployment of some 22 000 peacekeeping troops to help bring about a ceasefire.

'Creating and running the election was only one aspect of the UN's mission there.

The UN in Cambodia was entirely responsible for educating voters and building up their con-

fidence to vote, but it's up to the people themselves to have the

guts to do it." he says.
Although Austin feels loathe
to drawing parallels between
election experiences, he accepts there are some worthwhile comparisons to draw between the Cambodian and South African

pre-election landscapes.
"Violence prevailed in Cambo dia as it does here. A backcrop of violence creates great difficulties because political differences are expressed in militaristic

"In Cambodia, the election was the result of a compromise reached after 14 years of Typi-ing but they couldn't cust one another to run the election. South Africa's election is also

the fruit of compromise.

This country, though has been able to trust itself enough

to run an election, and for that it deserves to be complimented. says Austin

An unpredictable variable w the behaviour in the weeks ahead of parties refusing to participate in the April election. In Cambodia, the Khmer Rouge pary - although it did not take part in the election - decided against disrupting the election

One just hopes that if there is disruption, the peacekeeping mechanisms are strong enough to control it," he adds.

There is no "magic formula" in running an election, he says. "It needs participation of the political leaders and mechanisms to ensure that people know the rules of the electoral process.

"The IEC has only a short time to organise the election, but there are a lot of talented people in it. My sense is that South Afri-cans have been concerned with the idea of democracy for a long time and there are an enormous number of civic organisations working to that end.

There is a good deal of voter education. The priority now is getting voters registered and educating them on the various party policies so they make an informed vote. I'm quite optimistic. There is enormous voter enthusiasm." Austin concludes.

Austin was born in South Afri-

ca but moved soon afterwards to then Rhodesia.

He studied law and practised it in Zimbabwe before moving to London to teach it. He returned to Zimbahwe for the 1980 election and again in 1982 to live.

However, he has since spent two years in Cambodia and two mouths in Australia. He returned for one month to London - where he is working on legal constitution issues for the Commonwealth - before arriving in South Africa this month. He will return to London after the elec-

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The postponement of elections is a recipe for bloodshed and disaster."

AND spokesman Carl Niehaus commented privately

Addressing a news conference after meeting visiting Dutch Prime Minister Rund Lubbers, and a day before crucial talks with Inkatha Freedom Partly leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, Mr Mandela repeated he would press ahead with efforts to bring boycotters into the effection process.

But he made it clear that his crusade would rest on two main considerations.

"That the date set for the elections will under no circumstances be postpened, and secondly that ... the sovereignity of South Africa as a united nation must under no circumstances be violated."

Mr Mandela was apparently referring to demands for self-determination and for a volkstaat by the IFP and Right-wing political groups. The IFP is also reported to have started moves for the election to be postponed in KwaZulu/Natal.

"Within that framework I am prepared to spend the rest of my days in an attempt to persuade every South African leader to join us," Mr Mandela said.

Asked whether he was optimistic about his meeting with Chief Buthelezi today. Mr Mandela said

dialogue was the ANC's weapon, which it would employ to sway groups bent on shunning the process.

"I approach every problem with optimism, because dialogue is one of the most important weapons that we command," he said after meeting Mr Lubbers.

Touching on political violence. Mr Mandela said it was a duty of all South Africans to address the issue of violence to create a proper environment for investment.

He said violence was creating conditions where it was difficult to predict the economic or political

The ANC leader also said his organisation was making progress in talks with Right-wing organisations. He did not elaborate, but has repeatedly said in the past that the ANC would not cave in to demands for a volkstaat.

Mr Lubbers said he hoped ties between South Africa and his country, which gave the ANC substantial financial and moral support during its 30 years of anti-apartheid struggle, would be closer in the future.

Mr Mandela said Holland was one of the countries to throw their weight behind the ANC campaign "in the most difficult time in our struggle."

The meeting between Mr Mandela and Chief Buthelezi, comes amid spiralling violence in Natal, and followed a weekend of apparently inconclusive talks between the government. Chief Buthelezi and King Goodwill Zwelithini, aimed at securing an acceptable constitutional deal for the Zulu monarch and the IFP president.

(Report by Craig Doonan, 130 West Street, Durban, and R Banda, 141 Commissioner Street, Jub.)

Section 29 stays: Kriel +

CAPE TOWN - AL though laws of its type Act, Law and Order Minister Hernus Kriel said

vesterday "We believe that normal society, the success rate of arrests and prosecutions against Right-wing violence could be largely attributed to Section 20 of the Criminal Procedure

"We believe that under the circumstances, with threats from the Left and far-Right, it is in the interests of democracy to keep the level of the l tion, and keep this provision in place, "he said. Both the South Afri-

can Police and the government believed that a big round-up of "dissidents" before the election would serve no pur-

"We will arrest anyone who breaks the law,"—Sapa.

By Lorraine Braid. Press Gallery, Parlia-

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Govt is determined to proceed with the April election: FW

determined to proceed with the April elections and any attempt to return to apartheid would have the most dire consequences, the State President, Mr F W de Klerk, said yesterday.

Opening the special session of Parliament called to amend the transitional constitution, he summarised much of the constitutional negotiations with the Freedom Alliance — particularly the Afrikaner Volksfront, IFP and the Zulu King—and acknowledged their right not to participate in the election.

But there should be no illusions about their support base. "They constitute a minority of the total South African population in each province. If they disagree with this contention, participation in the election would be the best way of proving their real

support."
The Afrikaner Volksfront had no right to speak on behalf of Afrikaners. They represented only a faction — and that a divided faction — of the Afrikaners.

Most Afrikaners sought a peaceful and workable accommodation with their fellow citizens and had no wish to get involved in a futile and senseless war with their fel-

low Afrikaners.

He warned there should be no illusions over the parts the international community or the security forces would play.

The international community would not give them any support. Any attempt to restore minority domination or race discrimination would lead to conflict, total isolation and total economic destruction.

"The parties concerned must also have no illusion about the role of the security forces. The SADF and SAP are highly professional and motivated forces," he said.

"They have a long and proud tradition of loyal service to the government of the day," he said.

He deeply appreciated the concerns of the Zulu king and his people, but this issue had to be taken out of the political arena and negotiated until agreement was reached.

He also understood the concerns of South Airr-cans regarding the possible circumvention of the constitution after the elections, over the role of the SA Communist Party and the provocative rhetoric coming from some voices within the ANC.

"I understand these concerns, but I am not overawed by them. I am confident that we will be able to resist and overcome the threat of any unconstitutional action."

South Africa's new democracy would have the support of the international community.

"Any attempt by any party to breach the constitution would have immediate international repercussions," he said.

Any such attempt would also precipitate a serious and unpredictable national crisis.

The first priority of the future government to promote rapid and sustained economic growth would place severe limitations on any move to try and implement unacceptable socialist policies.

"I am confident of the basic goodwill and good sense of the vast majority of South African citizens. I have great confidence in the Transitional Constitution which we and our fellow South Africans have negotiated," Mr De Klerk said

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Return to sanity path, Dalling's plea to FA

WERE violence to escalate into insurrection in would curse Freedom Alliance leaders of today who had led them selfishly into the abyss of certain destruction. Mr Dave Dailing (ANC Sandton) said yesterday.

Speaking during debate on the constitutional amendments, he said: There is still time to change course, however, and to return to a path of sanity. I ask them, in the name of God, to do it."

Sufficient constitutional measures had been tabled to persuade any reasonable person that a platform had been created for the democratic furtherance of the ideals of regional autonomy, of self-determination, and of the pursuit of a Volkstaat.

"But the question now is. Is there any integrity in the negotiating strategy of the IFP leadership in particular, and the FA in

publicly again, as he did when he denied knowledge of the secret funding of Inkatha by the Nat-

There was substantial evidence before both the government and the ANC

pleading piously peace, it was dishonestly South Africa, future gen-erations of Afrikaners preparations, and that preparations, and that para-military organising on the Right had reached dangerous levels.

The NP Government

appeared to be unwilling to, or incapable of, taking decisive action against the "treasonous" Right-wing. which was plotting with Inkatha to disrupt the electoral process and the ANC-led alliance.

New draft 'secures' Zulu king, monarchy

FURTHER amendments to the Constitution, which had already been drafted by the Minister of Home Affairs. Mr Danie Schutte, could secure the position of the Zulu king and the Zulu monarchy, the Minister of Mineral and Energy Affairs, Mr George Bartlett, said yesterday

Speaking during the debate on the constitutional amendments, he appealed to "my colleagues" in the Inkatha Freedom Party and its leader Chief Mangosutho Buthelezi to support the amendments and take part in the election.

Mr Bartlett said the fu-

ture stability of South Africa had been put at risk by the fact that the April election was not allinclusive.

It was a tragedy that a key political player such as the II P was not taking part in the election

The IFP's exclusion from the election would result in wiclespread in

timidation and violence in Natal, with a resulting low percentage poll in that province.

Mr Cehill Picnaar (IFP Heibron) said the constitutional amendments were no more than a publicity stunt by the National Party and the African National Congress to

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Mr Ken Andrew (DP Gardens) said the arrogance of the NP and ANC had prevented them from introducing the amendments at an earlier stage.

The amendments had been proposed due to expediency not their inhorient merits.

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THE CITIZEN COMMENT

Press threats

IT'S time political organisations made a point of inculcating in their followers the message, taken for granted elsewhere, that media people are not fair game for extremists and should never be attacked or threatened for carrying out their duty.

On the contrary, they are people who are performing an essential function, keeping the public informed of what is going on, and any attack on them is not only contemptuous and uncalled for but a denial of freedom of expression and of the Press (now broadened to include the electronic media)

We cannot, therefore, condemn too strongly the call at the funeral of APLA commander, Sabelo Phama, in Transkei on Saturday that APLA cadres should shoot White journalists

Immediately after the funeral, in the village of Baziya, near Umtata, a group of uniformed APLA soldiers gathered a short distance from the grave, fired shots in the air and chanted. "One bullet, one settler. Bullet, bullet, settler, settler."

Some of the crowd of PAC supporters around them pointed out a SAPA reporter nearby and called out. "There is the first settler. Why are you pointing your niles up in the air and not at his head?"

Referring to other White journalists, other PAC supporters called out: "Hit them, hit them."

This contrasts with the tuneral rally at the Umtata Independence Stadium where PAC officials offered to provide marshals for White journalists who wanted to move in and out of the stadium or out of the VIP area and into the crowd.

Media officer. Mr Bosman Mukupula, said television cameramen among the crowd in the stands had been given permanent guards.

"We want people to be safe," he said. "We don't want people to intimidate journalists."

He should see to it that this message gets through to the PAC's rank-and-file members. Unfortunately, reporting the violent events in this country has become hazardous for newsmen and women.

On occasion, they are victims of criminal thugs, like two overseas television crews who were robbed of their equipment in separate incidents and in one case of their car as well.

However, journalists, particularly on Black newspapers, have been threatened because what they write is not acceptable to the organisations about whom they are writing.

That is not only dangerous but a sign of political intolerance and is intimidation of the worst kind.

You either write favourably about us, or else. Or you report events as we see them, or else.

What freedom of the Press or expression is there when journalists can be threatened in this manner?

Some journalists have sadly lost their lives in incidents like the shooting dead of a photographer during the visit to Katlehong of ANC secretary-general Cyril Ramaphosa and SACP chairman Joe Slovo at the height of unrest in that area.

Since he had his cameras with him, we can accept that his murderers knew that he was a

On the other hand, he might have been killed by a Self-Defence Unit member firing wildly at hostel dwellers who had allegedly fired on

the touring party

Whoever was responsible, the fact is that a cameraman was killed — and he shouldn't have been in any circumstances, since he was there to record events not to take part in them.

Previously an SABC journalist was killed in Sharpeville when on assignment to examine the desecration of graves by Right-wingers.

And there have been dozens of other incidents involving journalists.

In truth, no journalists will be safe unless they are accepted as people who have a duty to report events without fear or favour.

Our appeal then is: Do not attack them and do not threaten them, but respect them and help them to carry out their task fairly and accurately.

OFS man dies as his bicycle hits bomb

BLOEMFONTEIN. —
A 56-year-old school caretaker died of shrap-nel wounds early yester-day when he rode his bicycle over a home-made bomb buried at a taxi rank in Bultfontein in the Orange Free State, police said.

Police spokesman Major Johlene van der Merwe said the device, which was buried at the entrance to the main taxi rank used by Blacks in the conservative White town, had exploded on impact, instantly killing the caretaker, Kleinboy Ramoolla.

Maj Van der Merwe said police were investigating a possible link between the blast and more than 30 other explosions in recent months in the Free State and Transvaal which have targeted railway lines, electricity pylons and the homes and offices of Black activists.

White Right-wingers, who are boycotting the country's election in April, were arrested earlier this month in connection with some of the blasts.

Meanwhile, police yesterday defused a home-made bomb placed next to a car parked in the centre of Durban, police spokesman Major Bala Naidoo said.

He could not immediately say why the particular car was targeted or indicate the motive for the attack.

According to the Free State region of the African National Congress, witnesses in the vicinity of the blast claimed that a known White extremist had boasted before the explosion that "many kaffirs will die today".

Regional media officer Moss Mogamise said the bomb was clearly targeted at Black commuters.

"Three to four hundred people use the (ax) rank at peak hour," Mr Mogamise said.

"If Mr Ramoolla had not inggered the explosion, many more people would have died."— Sapa-AFP

Police disarm bomb in Durban street

DURBAN. — The SA Police's Bomb Disposal Unit deactivated a bomb placed next to a car parked in the city yesterday.

Spokesman Major Bala Naidoo said police had initially received a report of theft in Durban's Albany Grove.

Police who arrived on the scene were shown a device next to a blue Opel Monza by a member of the public.

Using "disruptive tech-

niques" experis deactivated the bomb, which had a timer and two batteries attached.

Maj Naidoo said commercial explosives were used.

He added: "We don't know why this place was chosen."

Earlier Durban City Police cordoned off the street, denying access to reporters. Curious onlookers lined Smith Street as news of the bomb spread.

The Inkatha Freedom Party earlier claimed that police had deactivated an explosive device in their offices nearby, and another one in a parking for.

Mai Naidoo said the IFP claim was not true. He insisted that only one bomb was deactivated? — Sapa.

Cash-for-housing plan for low-income families

THE government vesterday announced a new strategy to provide housing which includes a housing subsidy for low-income families which would see this group get immediate cash payments of as high as R12 500 to assist them in buying a house.

The scheme, which will be introduced on March 15, will make grants avail able to low income families on a sliding scale depending on their income

Families who want to buy a house and who have a monthly household income of not more than R1 500 will receive a

grant or subsidy of R12 500, while those with an income not exceeding R2 500 will receive R9 500 and those with an income not exceeding will receive R5 (NN)

The Minister of National Housing, Mr Louis Shill, said in Pretoria yesterday the scheme would replace all existing subsidy schemes and specifically targeted low income bouseholds.

It was designed in such a way that people could also receive further subsipossible for shack elselfers and squatters to replace existing structures with permanenet housing.

Details of the addit ional subsidy will be made known by March 31.

Mr Shill said it was expected that beneficiaries would be able to use these. grants or subsidies to help secure housing loans.

The Association of Morigage lenders have also been approached to facilitate in this process and negotiations were nearing finality

Among the proposals to assist banks to make dies for serviced sites loans available to low inwhich would make it come families include a mortgage indemnity insurance scheme to ensure that banks did not lose money in the process.

This scheme would be set up with the assistance of the National Housing Forum

It was envisaged that with these grants families with an income of R2 000 a month would be able to get loans of as high as R22 000 if the R9 500 gram was taken into ac-Count

The figure for a family with an income of R3 000 would be R45 000.

Mr Shill said the new scheme would provide an impetus for employers to assist their workers in ac-

quiring housing with security of tenure and would stimulate activity throughout the economy.

The housing subsidy is part of a complete new government housing package which includes:

· Higher priority in housing

· Emphasis on regenerating the economy and encouraging the creation of jobs through housing delivery.

• A R7 500 capital discount scheme under the National Sales campaign which would make it possible for more than a million families to buy their homes and in many cases get their existing homes free of charge.

· Major steps to resolve hostel issues in conjunction with community based organisations.

· A single Ministry for National Housing has been established and the Department of National Housing had been restructured to accept overall responsibility for housing.

. The restructuring of statutory housing bodies to improve co ordination. monitoring and reporting within the housing sector.

ANC strongest party, Marike tells elderly

EAST LONDON — The African National Congress was the strongest political party in South Africa, the State President's wife, Mrs Marike de Klerk, said in East London yesterday.

She was speaking to about 250 people at an old-age home at the start of a one-day electioneering visit to the city.

She told her White au-

dience an abstention on April 27 would be a vote for the ANC.

"You must remember that to do so, for whatever reason we abstain, we vote for the ANC. Because they are the strongest party numerically."

The ANC threatened to dominate everything, as it had already dominated the SABC board.

"That is why the news

is so negative at the moment and so slanted," she

"We must come out strongly for the moderate option, for our value system, for a Christian, civilised society, for whatever we believe in for religious freedom."

She told her audience they could avert the threat of farmers losing their land, the nationalisation of mineral rights and a wealth tax.

"The National Party needs the strength, that you the voters can give them, to have a strong voice in government."

"We cannot wish away the Communists and radicals. They are there. We kept them under blankets so long, but they are still there."

Earlier Mrs De Klerk visited another old-age home to see Mr Harry Harris, who turned 100 on February 9

Mr Harris, who has been in the home for 18 years, gave halting replies to Mrs De Klerk's questions on whether he had children and what his profession had been.

Afterwards he told reporters he did not think he would be able to vote on April 27

Asked why he said he would be "too old for one thing."

Would be like to vote. Being old, oo. — Sapa.

(News by Ben MucLengin, Press Gallery, Parliament)

Bekkersdal attack: + IFP is to withdraw

THE Inkatha Freedom working in the area. Party is to withdraw from On Saturday the comthe Bekkersdal Peace mittee - comprising rep-Committee following a hand-grenade attack on

IFP West Rand chairman. Mr Humphrey Ndlovu, said the committee.
a structure of the Wits/Vaal Peace Secretariat, was a toothless body and had been used in at-Bekkersdal.

resentatives of the IFP, the African National Congress and foreign observer missions - agreed on measures to curb viol-

ence in the area.

On Sunday three people were killed and several injured when a hand-grenade was thrown tacks against the IFP in among a group of mourn.

Three policemen were

In reaction, Wits Vaul Peace Secretariat spokesman Mr Con Roux said it was crucial for all political parties to remain involved in the Bokkersdal peace structures if violence was to be curbed.

Mr Roux said his organisation would take immediate steps if Mr Ndlovu could substantiate alleers attending the funeral gations that peace moni-, . He said, ANC support . , of Mr. Mthakathi Maseko, , stors were, being wed by ers were openly using cars, ', an IFP member killed in ... ANC pleather of difficults given to peace monitors in the Bukkerich violence in against the IFP - sopa.

Volkstaat illusion — FW

Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN -Neither the Conservative Party nor Inkatha Freedom Party intends to register by the new deadline on Friday to participate in the April general election, party sources confirmed vesterday.

State President De Klerk warned them in Parliament that, whatever their decision was, the April general election would take place and the constitution intenm would come into opera-

He described an Afrikaner volkstaat as "a hopeless illusion". It was not supported by the majority of Afrikaners, nor would the international community accept a state based on apartheid.

The government would use every means at its disposal, including the security forces, to prevent any party from hindering any person in his democratic

right to vote, or from hampering the elections.

Responding to Mr De Klerk, Conservative Party leader Dr Ferdi Hartzenberg said Mr De Klerk was threatening the Afrikaner Volksfront with the full powers of the state.

A constitutional settlement was still possible. But for it to be achieved. the April election had to be postponed, said Dr Hartzenberg.

Mr De Klerk said the amendments before this week's sitting of Parliament were designed to meet the concerns of the Freedom Alliance by providing stronger guarantees of provincial powers and changing the name of the province of Natal to KwaZulu/Natal.

Referring to the Afri kaner Volkshont, Mr De Klerk said Parliament could amend the constifution, but not the realities in South Africa. It was a reality that Afrikaners were in the minority nationally and within any province.

Rejecting the proposed amendments, Dr Hartzenberg said it was claimed they satisfied the demands of the Freedom Alliance, but nobody had asked the FA whether this was so.

When negotiations between the FA, ANC and government broke down. the government and ANC held a bosberaad and decided on what they regarded as "good enough" for the FA.

"You must postpone the election. In the first place, it will not be free and fair, and in the second place this is not a solution.

"If you truly want to seek a solution, then you must postpone this election," said Dr Hartzen-

The Swazi people had hament on the measures self-government. - The Afrikaner, too, wanted its own land, its own constitution and its own government, he added.

ANC spokesman Mr Dave Dalling and Democratic Party spokesman Mr Colin Eglin both endorsed the constitutional amendments.

Mr Eglin accused the Freedom Alliance parties of abandoning the negonating process and leaving the ANC and National Party to dominate the process.

The senior II-P spokesman in Parliament, Mr Farouk Cassim, also rejected the amendments.

He told The Citizen in an interview he was awaiting a decision by last night's meeting of the IFP central committee on the final attitude IFP memhers would adopt in Par-

However, the IFP had proposed to Parliament's joint committee on the constitution last Friday that the election should be held in other parts of the country, but postponed in Natal

Mr Cassim said the proposal to postpone election in Natal was aimed at preventing spiralling political conflict and avoiding a intal constitutional deadlock

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Mandela: I'll try to persuade him

AFRICAN National Congress leader, Mr Nelson Mandela, said yesterday he would do everything in his power to get the Freedom Alliance into the April elections, he would not compromise on a change in the date of the poll or of the establishment of South Africa as a united country.

Speaking yesterday evening at the opening of the ANC's Press centre in Johannesburg's Carlton Hotel, Mr Mandela said he would meet Inkatha Freedom Party leader, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, today.

"I am meeting one of the leaders who has stood outside of the election process all along and it is my duty to persuade him to join in.

"I will do everything in my power to persuade him, but there are two aspects that I must make clear that there can be no compromise on

"The one is that there can be no change to the election date and the other is that South Africa is to remain a muted

country and cannot countenance any demands that would lead to secession, he told about 200 people at the event.

"It is to this end to which I will spend the rest of my life working."

One of the pillars of a true democracy was a free Press which could draw

the attention of the country's leaders to their own shortcoming so they could be acted on and, he hoped, this would be the case in South Africa.—Sapa

• See Page 10 (Report by L Elias, 141 Commissioner Street, Johannesburg.)

Consternation as Barnard slams Beyers

CAPE TOWN. — Consternation reigned in Parliament last night when a senior Conservative Party member called a former party colleague, now a National Party Member, a "Communist" and a "traitor"

When Mr Andries Beyers (NP Potche(stroom) rose to speak shortly after the supper break during the debate on the constitutional amendments, the Conservative Party caucus walked out, leaving only two whips, Mr Daan van der Merwe and Mr Carel Schoeman, to hold the fort.

Mr Beyers, who joined the NP last year after leaving the Conservative Party and sitting for a while as leader of the Afrikaner Volksunic and then as an Independent, said the amendments met

the "reasonable aspirations of all the reasonable people of South Africa".

An NP member, referring to the CP members who had walked out, interjected: "They have gone to shift the goal-posts".

Mr Boyers said the CP

was idealising a past which South Africans had rejected.

Mr S P Barnard (CP Hercules) had meanwhile returned to the Chamber and, standing in a CP frontbench, shouted that

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Beyers slammed

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Mr Beyers was a "traitor" and a "Communist".

When Mr Barnard refused to withdraw his unparliamentary language, he was ordered out by the Speaker. Mr Eli Louw.

Mr Barnard stalked towards the far exit nearest Mr Beyers's bench, repeating that Mr Beyers was a "traitor" and a "Communist"

Mr Koos van der Merwe (IFP Overvaal) took him by the arm and led him out

Mr Beyers, a former CP general secretary, precipitated the 1992 referendum by winning the Potchefstroom by-election for the CP.

He left the CP to form the Afrikaner Volksunie, and last year further inceused his former colleagues by joining the NP.—Sapa

(Nows by O van Zyl. Press Gallery, Parliament).

'I'll talk peace'

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summit in June last year when they agreed, among other things, to address rallies together.

But this had not happened, he said, in spite of meeting ANC chairman and deputy secretary-general Thabo Mbeki and Jacob Zuma in September, 1993, when they discussed possible dates for the joint public addresses.

"I gave them October 16 and 17 as being possible dates I have heard nothing further from them until last week when Mr Zuma contacted me about tomorrow's (Tuesday's) meeting."

Chief Buthelen criticised Mr Mandela for what he described as an offensive statement that he, Mr Mandela, was prepared to

go on his knees to the IFP president to prevent bloodshed.

"The insinuation that I am responsible for the bloodshed, I throw at him with the contempt that it deserves."

Mr Mandela was also reported as saying he wanted to persuade Chief Buthelezi to participate in the April poll.

"I am prepared to cooperate with Mr Mandela in any efforts that we agree can end or reduce the levels of violence." Chief Buthelezi said.

On the election, the IFP leader said his party would not participate because of the interim constitution which did not allow regions to have exclusive powers.

Mr Mandela had also told him during their June

meeting the ANC was opposed to a federal system.

"We do not accept the constitution. We do not intend entering the elections. And indeed we oppose the constitution and the election with every democratic means at our disposal."

But, Mr Buthelezi said, he alone could not make a decision to participate in the elections.

"It is an IFP matter as much as it is a Freedom Alliance issue. I want there to be no illusions about this, and understanding this before our meeting tomorrow will contribute a lot to making our meeting fruitful and meaningful."—Sapa (Report by D Isaacson.

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Chief Buthelezi said "There is no question of me being persuaded by him or anyone to ensure ter the April elections the IFP's participation in the elections," Chief Buthelezi declared in a memorandum prepared osuthu Buthelezi, said for delivery to National Peace Secretariat chairman, Dr Antonie Gilden-

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"I have nothing further to talk about on this issue, particularly with Mr Mandela . . I hope he does not waste his time by trying "> persuade me to ac-

cept this. Chief Buthelezi said today's meeting was a follow-up to their peace

A waste of time - Inkatha leader

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peace with Mandela.

"There is no question of me being persuaded by him to ensure the IFP's participation in the elections." Buthelezi said in a memorandum to national peace secretariat chairman Antonie Gildenhuys yesterday.

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Record by D (seaceon, Sape, 141 Commissioner St. Jhb.

Political parties spell out policies on workers' rights

POLITICAL parties have outlined their official positions on workers' rights in the first survey of its kind in the latest issue of the Shopsteward.

On the right to strike, the ANC said it saw this as an integral part of any system of labour law and collective bargaining, while the NP limited it to the purposes of collective bargaining. The Inkatha Freedom Party agreed on the right to strike but said it should be balanced against others' rights and welfare.

On the employment of temporary labour during strikes, the ANC said this led to violence and was unacceptable. Inkatha supported using such labour, adding that it was the right of employers to ensure the continued viability of a business. The NP also supported the employment of temporary labour but cautioned against increased conflict.

The right to lockouts was rejected by all parties except the NP and DP. The NP believed it was fundamental in preserving the balance of power between management and labour.

Parties differed on the rights of those

working in essential services.
The ANC said all employees restricted from striking because of service classification should have avenues of compulsory arbitration

The NP said workers in essential services should enjoy full trade union rights, JACQUIE GOLDING

except the right to strike, but this should be accompanied by compulsory arbitration.

There was consensus among the various parties that access of unions to private property for organising members was an essential prorequisite to ensuring the balance of power between employers and workers

Closed-shop policies were accepted by the NP and ANC.

The ANC viewed closed shops as capable of stabilising collective bargaining and "offering effective protection to exploited

The NP favoured the implementation of closed shors where more than 50% of workers belonged to a specific union but believed the arrangement should be negotiated by employers and unions and not be embedied in legislation.

The PAC and Inkatha rejected closed shops, calling them undemocratic. The NP said trade unions should play a

role in public policy-making and should be represented on statutory bodies such as the National Manpower Commission.

Inkatha did not see a role for trade unions in lobbying government.

The ANC, however, saw such lobbying as

an important step towards tackling SA's economic problems.

Report by J Golding "MC, 11 Disports St. unb

New measures drafted to appease Zulu king

CAPE TOWN - Natal NP leader George Bartlett said government had further amendments already drafted to protect the security of Zulu King Goodwill Zwe lithini, which "it could table before the end of the session

He said during debate in Parliament that the changes had been drawn up by Home Affairs Minister Danie Schutte, who met the king at the weekend, "to protect the sovereignty of the king"

Bartlett called on the Inkatha Freedom Party, which he said had always stood resolutely in favour of federalism, to accept the amendments already tabled and take part in the election. "These (tabled) amendments strengthen the federal aspects of the interim constitution," he said.

TIM COHEN reports CP leader Ferdi Hartzenberg said yesterday the constitutional amendments tabled in Parliament were "not nearly enough"

Hartzenberg said during debate that the constitutional amendments were simply the proposals suggested by government and the ANC, and thus had nothing to do with the Freedom Alliance.

Government and the ANC had gone to the bush and had come back with an atti-

tude of "take it or leave it"

In terms of the amendments provinces could levy their own taxes only on casinos Political Staff

and gambling, but it was exactly those activities the CP did not want in a volkstaat. The amendments did not guarantee a volkstaat, said Hartzenberg.

ANC-aligned MP Dave Dalling said if the present violence escalated into insurrection, future generations of Afrikaners would curse Freedom Alliance leaders who led them into "the abyos of certain destruction". The ANC had evidence that Inkatha and paramilitary right-wing organisations were pursuing the path of war, he said.

Government appeared unwilling or incapable of taking action against the "trea-

sonous right wing

Dalling asked whether Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi was pretending to negotiate when he had, in fact, turned his back on democracy.

DP MP Colin Eglin said government had had to wait for a crisis before stumbling on the truth that the DP's constitutional amendments had been correct all along.

Inkatha MP Farouk Cassim said the delay in introducing constitutional amendments had seriously prejudiced Inkatha because it now had less time to prepare for the elections.

Report by T Cohen, TML, Preas Gallery, Parliament, and O Preasitive, Natal Newspapers, Prices Gallery, Parliament.

Mandela vows to win Buthelezi

ANC president Nelson Mandela vowed yesterday to do everything in his power at their meeting today to persuade Inkatha Freedom Party leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi to join the negotiations process and take part in the elections.

Opening the ANC elections media office at the Carlton Hotel last night, Mandela said: "It will be my duty to

persuade him.

But he added that as keen as he was for an inclusive settlement, there were 'absolutely no concessions possible on two issues. The elections cannot be postponed, and SA has to be a united country and, therefore, there can be no secession of any part".

He said he would work within this framework for the "rest of my life" to ensure that Inkatha participated in a

full democracy

The Carlton Hotel management donated the hotel's Cape Town Room and surrounding facilities to the ANC for the centre. Philips, Sharp Business Systems and Nashua donated the tele-phones, faxes and photocopiers for use by journalists and the ANC's information team.

Hopes yesterday were riding on today's meeting between the two leaders. However, ANC insiders said there was no chance of any further substantial concessions being made to the inkatha leader

One source said last night: "Essen-

tially, Mandela will appeal to their long-standing friendship and Buthelezi's humanity and strong battle over the years for democracy.
"He will stress the importance of the

security and stability of the country and hopefully appease him by trying to persuade him he has nothing to fear from an ANC government."

The source said that there was a strong bellef within the ANC that Inkatha was prepared to join the election campaign, because KwaZulu's public service was making plans to be rationalised within the new SA and voter education was continuing apace in KwaZulu/Natal. This was also being conducted by Inkatha members

Meanwhile, it is understood Buthelezi and King Goodwill Zwelithini were prepared to take part if the constitution was changed to ensure it stated that Natal was a special case and made clear provision for a Zulu monarchy.

A source privy to the meeting between the two and Foreign Minister Pik Botha on Sunday night said Buthelezi had said that if provision was made for the king as monarch of a Zulu kingdom within a united SA, the demands of Inkatha would also be met.

"The clear indications are that they would then take part in the elections. as this was the response to Botha's direct inquiry," he said.

Asport by W Paddock, TML, 11 Dispose St. Jhb.

BUSINESS DAY, Tuesday

Stayaway starts in homeland

JACQUIE GOLDING

BOPHUTHATSWANA'S public servants and private sector retailers began a week-long stayaway yesterday. demanding that the Labour Relations Act be extended to cover all homeland workers.

Cosatu public co-ordinator Leps Mobole said yesterday: "We support workers who have resorted to strike action."

Bophutbatswana workers' demands include the investigation of pension funds and the transfer of money into a trust, the scrapping of money into a trust, the scrapping of all legislation prohibiting workers from organising into trade unions; an end to security legislation; and that the 50% pay increase for senior public and the security legislation.

the 50% pay increase for senior pub-lic servants be applied to all. Cosatu blamed "Mangope's intran-sigence" for the industrial action. A union spokesman said: "The use of security forces will succeed in suppressing the protest but will worsen

the aiready explosive situation."

The ANC yesterday also threatened mass action if Bophuthatswana did not allow free political activity

The decision was taken at a weekend meeting of the organisation's national and provincial candidates

for the northwest region.

The TEC's finance subcouncil is expected to come under pressure to withhold finances until political activity in the area has been guaran

Report by J. Golding, TML, 11 Disponel St. JAC



Dutch Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers, left, met Beyers Naude end other church leeders in Johannesburg yesterday. Acure ROSERT BOTHA

Violence scares foreigners —. Mandela

ANC president Nelson Mandela said yesterday that violence and unpredictability were making it difficult to attract foreign investment to SA.

"It is vital for us to get investment from outside the country," Mandela said after meeting Dutch Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers.

Lubbers said he hoped strong traditional ties between the ANC and the Netherlands would enhance links with the new SA.

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Mboweni warns on election talk

ANC deputy director of economic planning Tito Mboweni yesterday appealed to politicians not to risk damaging the economy in their campaigning for the April election.

Speaking in Johannesburg at the Syfrets awards for consistent excellence in business journalism, he said political opponents would obviously attack each other during the general election.

Finance Minister Derek Keys was campaigning as a Nationalist, so he was a fair target for the ANC.

It was nevertheless important that economic issues should be carefully handled.

Mboweni noted that the TEC finance subcommittee was investigating whether government Ministers were using their cars and other public resources in their political campaigns.

He said he had difficulty understanding why the ANC was being singled out for questioning on its economic policy while other parties, including the NP, produced no more than free market slogans.

"What is it that is so unreasonable about ANC policy? I think the answer lies in where we come from, rather than the policy itself."

Business Day Reporter

Mboweni said there were four main issues the ANC had to tackle in correcting the wrongs of apartheid—a system which had not simply ended in 1990.

They were:

U Lack of justice for blacks in the economy, which was dominated by whites;

☐ The effects of forced removals, which would be central to the ANC's land policy;

Income inequalities; and

☐ Homelessness and deprivation.

Mboweni said human resources and skills would have to be developed to meet these needs through a strong economy.

The ANC also intended to democratise the state, which was very powerful and had historically been "used against the black people".

He said that there were differences of opinion in the TEC on the public service.

"Some people want to continue as if nothing has happened," Mboweni said, but noted that demographics had to be taken into account.

Some progress was now being made concerning the public service, he added.

Report by T Bhasker, TML, 11 Disgonal St. Jhb

COMMENT

The meeting

HEN Inkatha Freedom Party leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi and ANC president Nelson Mandela meet today, it will not mark the end of the road as far as the search for a constitutional settlement is concerned. That could continue for years. But it may help clarify whether there is any prospect of Inkatha participating in the April election, and hence limiting the potential for the destabilisation that must accompany the marginalisation (even if self-imposed) of a significant party.

imposed) of a significant party.
It took a great deal of humility for Mandela, hardly a humble man, to say at an election rally on Sunday that he would be willing to "go down on my knees" before Buthelezi to plead with him to join the process this while ANC Natal Midlands leader Harry Gwala, at a separate event, was denouncing compromises already made by the organisation's leaders towards black and white right-wing interests. Whether Mandela's public gesture on Sunday, and powers of persuasion today, can make a sufficient impression on Buthelezi remains doubtful. If the will is there, however, it permits Buthelezi the opportunity to re-enter the political mainstream with dignity, perhaps even with the aura of a statesman.

Doing so would not require Buthelezi to accept the constitutional amendments being considered this week by Parliament. Those amendments are flawed, and there is a great deal of scope for substantially strengthening the powers of regions. Both the ANC and NP have indicated a reluctant willingness to contemplate further changes. These would have the support of the DP and other smaller negotiating partners.

What is required of Buthelezi at this stage, however, if he desires a reasonable deal, is that he adopt a more conciliatory attitude towards the process even if he remains dissatisfied with the offer on the table. There is a world of difference between haughtily rejecting a minor ANC/NP concession as utterly useless, and welcoming it as a basis for further discussion. Failing to do the latter strengthens the position, of the Gwalas of this world and makes it impossible for the wiser elements in the ANC leadership to offer further concessions.

Given the political realities of South Africa and the fiscal realities of KwaZulu, this would appear to be the rational course for Buthelezi as his counterpart in Cisker recognised recently and that in Bophu-thatswana is likely to do soon. The chances of Buthelezi adopting that approach seem doubtful, though, given the new obstacles he has identified. First he said Inkatha would be unprepared for an April election even if all its constitutional demands were met. He then noted that the king's demands for an autonomous realm were paramount. The portents are not good.

Jamaican statesman to lead Commonwealth

FORMER Jamaican prime minister Michael Manley will lead the Commonwealth election observer team due in SA at the beginning of April.

The 120-strong Commonwealth Observer Mission to SA includes New Zealand's former governor-general, Sir Paul Reeves, Institute of Commonwealth Studies director Peter Lyon and former Canadian minister Walter McLean.

Mission chairman Russell Marshall told a news conference in Johannesburg yesterday observers were expected to stay in SA for about four weeks and draft a report after the election.

The mission intended to cover all egions, but would concentrate on the PWV and Natal, he said.

Commenting on the progress made by the national peacekeeping force, Marshall said he had been impressed during a brief visit to the camp at De Brug near Bloemfontein yesterday.

The 27 Commonwealth military and police advisers already at the camp were "complimentary about the morale and strong commitment" of the soldiers on the ground.

Marshall said some tension had been expected as some of the groups in the force had been vigorously opMARIANNE MERTEN

posed in the past. He believed the force would benefit from the wide-ranging experience of the Commonwealth advisers and develop a new style of policing.

The 13 police and 14 military officers from seven Commonwealth countries would be joined by a further four military officers from Pakistan and Ghana later this week, Marshall said

LINDA ENSOR reports from London that Commonwealth secretarygeneral Chief Emeka Anyaoku told a news conference yesterday that the group, the largest election observer team assembled by the Commonwealth, would arrive in SA early in April to monitor all aspects of the elections and would be active on the ground visiting polling booths.

Anyaoku will visit SA in the first week of April for a four-day visit to meet political leaders and to brief the observer team. He said the Commonwealth was committed not only to assisting with the transition, but also to consolidating democracy in SA.

Anyaoku noted that there was concern over the physical safety of the observer group and said constant

consultations with the SA authorities in this regard had taken place, "The SA authorities are liaising with the observer groups to ensure that the best possible arrangements are made for their security.

After the elections the group would submit its report to the Commonwealth heads of government

He pointed out that the Commonwealth observer group would be part of a wider international election monitoring effort being co-ordinated by the UN which included teams from the EC and the OAU.

The activities of all groups were being co-ordinated and regular meetings between the leaders of the different groups were taking place.

While Anyaoku envisaged that each group would present its own final report on whether the elections had been free and fair, the bigh level of co-ordination achieved meant that they would find a way to reach shared, general conclusions.

He appealed to leaders of the Freedom Alliance to accept the "far-reaching concessions" made by government and the ANC and to consider joining the electoral process. "SA has had enough bloodshed," he said.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Inkatha opts out

THE Inkatha Freedom Party is to withdraw from the Bekkersdal peace committee after a handgrenade attack on its members.

Inkatha's West Rand chairman Humphrey Ndlovu said the committee, a structure of the Wits/Vaal peace secretariat, had been used in attacks on Inkatha in Bekkersdal.

In reaction, Wits-Vaal peace secretariat spokesman Con Roux said it was crucial for all political parties to remain involved in the Bekkersdal peace structures if violence was to be curbed.

Detention without trial necessary — Kriel >

CAPE TOWN — The retention of the Internal Security Act's Section 29 provisions for detention without trial was necessary in the interests of democracy, but a round-up of snti-election dissidents would serve no purpose, Law and Order Minister Hernus Kriel said vesterday.

"Government will use its full power during the pre-election phase to combat all forms of violence," he told an NP news conference on SA's security situation.

The SAP's track record on right-wing, violence could be aftributed largely to the existence of Section 29.

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"It is amazing how talkative people can get after a few days with no one to talk to."

Considering the right-wing threats, and those from the left wing, it was necessary to maintain Section 29 in the interests of democracy. Kriel said.

He said other TEC parties also supported the retention of Section 29.

Political intolerance and violence from the ANC, the Inkatha Freedom Party and the far right threatened to create a bloodstained election. The ANC had to be singled out as the main threat to the democratic process, although Inkatha and the far right seemed to be vying for this position.

Major threats to democracy had emerged during the run-up to the elections with the ANC, Inkatha and the far right playing prominent roles.

These threats included:

[Political Intolerance. The ANC paid lip service to political tolerance but really wanted total power and would not tolerate opposition:

Uncontrolled supporters. Both the ANC

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Kriel

and inkatha apparently allowed their supporters to kill, destroy and intimidate opponents without taking credible steps to control them;

☐ No-go areas. The ANC and Inkatha had created no-go areas for their political opponents, especially on the East Rand;

Olliegal weapons. The power struggle unleashed by the ANC had created an increased demand for AK-47 rifles. The ANC had resisted all attempts to place their arms under impartial control, while inkatha and the far right were also arming their supporters on a large scale;

War talk. Inflammatory statements by

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right-wing leaders such as the CP's Ferdi Hartzenberg and the AWB's Eugene Terre-'Blanche, as well as ANC president Nelson Mandela; and

The demonisation of the SAP. The ANC had created a climate of hate and suspiction against the SAP which had contributed to the murder of hundreds of policemen.

The question therefore arose, if these organisations used violence to win the elections, how would they act after gaining victory against political opponents and when in control of the state's security organisations?

Report by T Cohen, TML, Prose Gatery, Parkement.

Talks will continue, says FW

CAPE TOWN — President FW de Klerk told Parliament yesterday that negotiations should continue until a solution was found but the elections would go ahead, signalling that government was resigned to the Freedom Alliance's non-participation in the election and was now pinning its hopes on post-election negotiations.

De Klerk said it should be remembered that the process of constitutional development would not end with the election.

He implored all South Africans to take note of the safeguards contained in the transitional constitution.

"The fact is that the transitional constitution will provide all South Africans, including all those who have always had the vote, with much greater individual and communal rights than they ever had."

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Talking to journalists before the short session began. De Klerk said it was possible to lead a horse to water, but not to make it drink.

"This is only the end of one chapter of negotiations," he said, adding the next and more important phase would begin soon. "We have more to give, but we also want more," he said.

He conceded that negotiations were "at a bit of a standstill at the moment" although he expressed the hope that today's meeting between Inkatha Freedom Party leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi and ANC president Nelson Mandela would go well. Turning to the constitutional amend-

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De Klerk

ments under debate, De Klerk said government believed that it and the other negotiating parties had done everything within reason to accommodate the main concerns of the Freedom Alliance.

"There can now no longer be any excuse for non-participation in the elections and in the continuing national constitution process. I have for some time had a suspicion that the Freedom Alliance's main difficulty had not been so much with the text of the constitution, but with the broader reality of our time."

Whether the alliance parties decided to take part in the process or not, government was determined to proceed with the elections on April 26-28 and with the implementation of the transitional constitution.

Parties contemplating secession or the illegal serzure of power should have no

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illusions about their position or the consequences of their actions.

He attested to a "deep understanding for the concerns of Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini and his people, but unfortunately it had been impossible at this stage to reach specific agreements about these".

Government and the NP recognised the Zulu kingdom as a "unique reality" which had to have constitutional recognition.

De Klerk said he was also aware of concerns that the SACP, which was in alliance with the ANC, had "undemocratic and subversive intentions", while its ally the ANC threatened property rights.

"I understand these concerns but I am not overawed by them. I am confident that we will be able to resist and overcome the threat of any unconstitutional action."

Report by T Cohen, TML, Press Gallery, Performent, Cape Town

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World leaders are urging Nelson Mandela and Mangosuthu Buthelezi to reach an agreement at their meeting in Durban today, Political Staff report

DAILY NEWS HELDA

HORTLY before the Mandela/Buthelezi summit in Durban today, President F.W. de Klerk threatened in Parliament to deploy the SADF and the SAP to counter any attempts by King Goodwill Zwelithini to declare an independent and sovereign monarchy in KwaZulu/Natal.

However, the Government will make one last ditch effort to bring the Inkatha Freedom Party into the election by tabling more amendments to the constitution specifically to accommodate the Zulu monarchy.

In its efforts to bring political stability and peace to this region, ANC president Nelson Mandela met IFP president Mangosuthu Bathelezi loday at the Royal Hotel in Durban. The two teams were still locked in talks at mid-afternoon.

They left their delegations at the talks this morning for a private onehour tea break

They both retained smiling but would not comment or respond to questions about their private meet-

ANC southern Natal secretary Shu Ndebele said today's meeting was a serious attempt to find a common meeting point between the two organisations "If it falls, then God help us," he sald.

US President Bill Clinton and British Prime Mindster John Major sent a

joint message to Mr Mandela and Dr Buthelex yesterday to urge a successful outcome to loday's meeting.

The joint appeal from the two leaders came just after Mr Mandela phoned President Clinion to appeal to him to do what he could to get all parties into the elections.

But there seemed little likelihood that the IFP will be drawn into the electoral process. Before today's meeting Dr Buthelezi told reporters "I don't expect concessions from Mr Mandela and he shouldn't expect concessions from me."

On violence, he said: "The matter concerns us very dceply we haven't come here solely to discuss the elections.

On his arrival several minutes later. Mr Mandela said be was hoping for a breakthrough.

"We'll keep trying, (for a constitutional breakthrough)," he told four-

He described the talks as "sensilive

Efforts to draw in the IFP culminated in a six-hour meeting of the IFP's central committee in Ulundi last night. The IFP issued a threeparagraph statement saying the 1994 constitution still did not satisfy "the basic requirements of a properly federal form of state, nor does it adequately address the constitutional position of the kingdom of RwaZulu

The Government is expected to table another constitutional amendment today specifically setting out the role of the Zulu monarchy in a democratic South Africa.

Mr de Klerk told Parliament yesterday that the Government would use all means at its disposal, including security forces, to deal with any party that might try to achieve its objectives through violence or unconstitutional, illegal or undemocratic

"Parties which contemplate secession or the illegal seizure of states or municipal powers should have no illusions concerning their position or the consequences of their action."
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20 killed in Natal

AT LEAST 20 people, including ANC regional leader Solomon Mzolo, were killed in weekend violence in Natal, police said yesterday. Most had been stabbed or shot.

NEWS

Zulu miners moved out of colliery hostel

ZULU-speaking workers at New Denmark Colliery, near Standerton, were moved out of its hostel after two men were killed and three injured on Sunday. The violence broke out

The violence broke out during a confrontation between two groups after mine worker Prince Mazibuko was killed at nearby Thuthukani township, allegedly by a hostel resident.

An Amcoal spokesman said last night workers had agreed to return to work at 11pm after a work stoppage yesterday. Mine management and NUM representatives would continue talks to restore calm. Police were investigating the incident.

60 000 Soldiers of God' ready to TOWN African AWB Eugene Terniche said yester fight — ET

CAPE TOWN — South African AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche said yesterday he had 60 000 "Soldiers of God" trained and ready to fight for a White homeland.

"I have 60 000 trained men and women who have chosen the path of conflict if necessary. They are soldiers of God. They are God's army," he said at a rally in Cape Town's City Hall.

Mr Terre Blanche said his Wen Kommando would defeat any force of Blacks and Whites in defence of their right to selfdetermination.

Armed Rightists dressed in camouflage uniforms manhandled four Black photographers including British freelancer John Christopher out of the Cape Town Ciry Hall before Mr Terre Blanche arrived to address about 1 000 supporters.

Cape Town photographer Fanie Jason said he was roughly handled, but not hurt by a man who called him "Kaffir"

An AWB spokesman said Blacks were banned "for their own safety".

Mr Terre Blanche said he had been asked by retired Dutch Reformed Church leader Johan Heyns last week to talk to African National Congress leader Neison Mandela about a White homeland or Volkstaat in a post-apartheid South Africa

He said former army

chief General Constand Viljoen had asked Mr Mandela for 14 percent of South Africa as a White homeland and had been turned down.

"I say no, I won't make war for 14 percent. It's too expensive. If the war comes, then we will fight for all of it. And if the White man fights, there is not a force on earth that will stop us," he said.

"When the day comes that I talk about my land, then I will talk through the barrel of a gun," he said to wild applause. Mr Terre Blanche said more than two thirds of the existing security forces would support the Rightwing in a showdown with a future Black government.

A burly man wearing

the black uniform of the AWB's "Iron Guard" told a photographer he would rip his camera "from his face", while another in camouflage said: "Only White, religious landsburgers' are allowed inside."

Outside, a young AWB trooper with two side arms, a sheathed shorgun and a black combat vest festooned with shotgun shells later said Black journalists "must go to Freedom Alliance meetings".

Just before being silenced by a superior, he added, "If the leader (Mr Terre Blanche) is there, Blacks must get out."

AWB "general" Mr Nico Prinsloo told reporters: "It is a different case with Press conferences". which Black journalists could attend.

Most journalists stayed outside after their colleagues had been ejected.

The British freelancer who said he had arrived in South Africa seven days ago, said: "If I could get in for the job, I would go. I'm not here to make the news. I'm here to report it."

Foreign Correspondents Association Cape Town representative Miss Sahm Venter said she would see if the "shocking" incident could be taken up with the Independent Electoral Commission — Sapa.

(Report by C C de Villiers. Press Gallery. Parliament and by B Boyle, 141 Commissioner St. Johannesburg.)

Former fighter: retiring Maj-Gen. David McLachlan in his office yesterday with his wife Louise. Picture: JACK ATLEY

Troops salute senior soldier

By MICHELLE EDMUNDS

A MARCH-PAST by 160 soldiers yesterday honored the retirement of Victoria's topranking officer.

ranking officer.
Soldiers from all over
Australia attended the
South Melbourne parade for Maj-Gen. David
McLachlan, who
served in Borneo,
Malaysia and Vietnam,
and was awarded the
Order of Australia in
1993.

During 35 years in the Australian Army, Maj-Gen. McLachlan said there was never a day he did not want to go to work.

In his farewell speech, he thanked those with whom he served and those who supported him.

"I thank my wife and my family, in front of all, for the support they've provided me," he said.

And his wife, Louise, said: "We're not just leaving the army — we're changing our whole lives."

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Maj-Gen. McLachlan
said he was sad to
leave but, at 57, he had
no plans to retire from
working life.
"I just hope that
whatever I do after this
is as demanding and

"I just hope that whatever I do after this is as demanding and exciting as the army, because I still have a lot to offer."

Mandela willing to beg for peace with Zulus



Mr Mandela, in traditional garb, waves to an ANC rally — AFP picture

By correspondents in Bisho and Johannesburg

AFRICAN National Congress leader Mr Nelson Mandela set dignity aside yesterday and begged for peace ahead of talks with his chief political rival, Zulu leader Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, who remains opposed to South Africa's first all-race elections.

"I will not stand on dignity," Mr Mandela told 10,000 people vesterday at Bisho stadium in the Ciskei black homeland where, on September 7, 1992, soldiers gunned down 27 ANC supporters.

"I will go down on my knees to beg those who want to drag our country into bloodshed not to do so," he said.

Chief Buthelezi has sparked fears of more political fighting with a call to supporters of his Inkatha Freedom Party to resist the election.

He says the April 26-28 election will result in an ANC-led communist dictatorship. He refuses to participate unless he is guaranteed autonomy in his stronghold, the KwaZulu homeland.

The South African Parliament convenes today to offi-

cially adopt ANC concessions into a draft Constitution. The ANC has offered greater regional powers in an effort to persuade blacks and whites to call off their planned boycotts of the elections.

Talks at the weekend with the Government failed to convince Chief Buthelezi and Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini to back down on their boycott. .

The IFP, the Bophuthatswana black homeland and the white far-right Afrikaner Volksfront are joined in the Freedom Alliance which says it will boycott the election and threatens civil war unless its demands for stronger federalism and a separate white homeland are met.

The ANC yesterday held a mass funeral in Natal for 15 of its election workers, 12 of them teenagers, who were murdered in their sleep on February 19 in a pre-dawn attack in Creighton.

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Mandela ready to beg for peace By ROSS DUNN, THE AGE site of the 1992 massacre of 21 ANC

Johannesburg, Monday 1.3 - 9 supporters by troops

The president of the African National Congress, Mr Nelson Mandela, has offered to fall on his knees and beg Inkatha's Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi and other leaders if it would help bring peace to South

Mr Mandela was speaking in advance of tomorrow's summit with Chief Buthelezi that is being billed by some sections of the media as the last hope for persuading In-katha to take part in the first multiracial elections in April.

Inkatha's latest official position is that it wants elections for the new province of KwaZulu-Natal after the national poll. But it is uncertain if this would be acceptable to the ANC or Mr Mandela.

Mr Mandela made his offer while addressing about 12,000 people at an ANC rally at the Bisho stadium,

With fighting still common between ANC and Inkatha supporters, Mr Mandela said: "It is not easy to talk of peace ... In spite of that, we want to heal the wounds of the past, we want reconciliation, because without reconciliation, we will not be able to give our people a better life."

Mr Mandela said he wanted to put a halt to the bloodshed, the capital flight and the political and economic uncertainty in South Africa.
"That is why with all humility I

am talking to every leader in this country," he said.

In Cape Town today, the President, Mr F. W. de Klerk, will open a special sitting of Parliament to make changes to the present Constitution aimed at bringing Inkatha and other parties into the democratic process.

Let reason triumph

HE GENERAL public in South Africa is tired of the brinkman-ship that has gone with deciding terms for elections in April, but no one should under-estimate the great opportunity — perhaps the last — to reach a deal today when ANC leader Nelson Mandela meets IFP leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi in Durban.

Efforts by the IFP to stall elections in Natal/KwaZulu while a provincial constitution is drawn up are very unlikely to find favour with other parties, especially in the light of the rising tide of violence accompanying electioneering. The nation wants the elections over so life can go on.

The way the constitutional battle has developed has the potential to turn KwaZulu/Natal into another Northern Ireland. There are substantial groups of people on each side of the political/ethnic divide whose interests will be damaged if victory goes to the other side. We do not need another Northern Ireland.

Mr Mandela says he is prepared to go down on his knees before Dr Buthelezi if this would prevent bloodshed. It is the language of a man who understands the implications of failing to reach a settlement. Dr Buthelezi needs to show he understands equally well.

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Priority: Suburbs 'sadly lacking facilities'

Post offices 1994 helps to be set up in black areas

SEVENTEEN additional post offices are to be established in the majidy black suburbs of Natal in an attempt towards addressing these once neglected areas, the South African post office's senior manager of operational planning in Natal, Mr. Sakide Lourens, said instrught.

Addressing the media of the new post office at the Pavillon shopping complex in Westville. Mr tracens said adequate posted facilities were "Sadly lacking in the densety populated creas and increased services were receiving property attention".

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Re added that the move would also create job obportunities. He said the past offices would be established in Cato Manor, Phendtentis dunian, Jouanda, Kwa Mashi, Kwa Zimbele, Umlazi Stathor, Neeled, Sundambili, Kwa Pebeke, Kwa Makuta, Love, Miolweni, Umbumbulu, Driefina, in, Webezi, Ngeleziad and Boxudeni.

Mr Lourem, said 31 additional

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counters would be established bringing he total to 161, while the aumors of private post boxes would increase by 24 \$50 to 40 \$50 in the CBD. In the black development areas he total number of counters would increase to 133 and the number of private boxes would be 46 \$25

The South Adican post office has a could responsibilly towards the previously neglected black development areas."

Mr fourers said a framewise concept could be divided into three different categories — the relait postal agency, postal agency, and stamp agency

Opporate communications man ager Hen Rootman said mail confree would be erected in Durban and Joharmenburg, similar to the successful ventures in Cape Town.

"This will not be funded from pastage, but more selling off post office properly countrywide" Threats: Democracy could be under pressure

Detention without

By Donwald Pressly Political Reporter

CAPE TOWN - Section 29 of the Internal Se CAPETOWE—Section 29 of the Internal Security Act was necessary to uphold the democratic process during the nin-up to the April election to act against threats from extrainist left wing and right wing elements, the government admitted vesterday.

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Law and order minister Herous Kidel told an NP press brieflag that a number of positical paties apparently supported the need to keep the section, which allows detention without trial for 10 days, "to reach democracy in this country."

He said one only had to look at the parties in the transitional executive council who new apparently supported its retention. It is amazing how confinement, in a said.

Mr Kriel, the NP's Western Cape premier cauch date singled out the ANC as "the inain threat to the damocratic process, but at the same time the IPP and the far right wing also seemed to be "vying for the uncorrable position."

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DP man joins IFP

CAPR TOWN—The DP lost its last representative in Farila-ment representing the Pieter-marktoburg area Pesterday, when MF Hemanthkumar Neesshoo joined the IPP

He followed Mr Mike Tarr. Pletermaritzburg North MP who joined inkains in 1992 Former Pletermaritzburg South DP MP, Mr Rob Haswell, Joined the ANC in the same year — (Political Staff)

Parliament's last and final session . . . maybe

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HIS is certified to
be absolutely the
last, final and ultimate parliamentary
session of the apartheid system, thereby replacing all
previous sessions also believed to be the last.

The meetings yesterday, today and tomorrow take place in the former all-white Assembly chamber, with rows and rows of chairs in the centre aisle, so close to the front benches on either side that if a minister speaks without rising he talks straight into the ear of another member

The Speaker, Eli Louw, explained to the sardine-packed House that to facilitate the counting of votes in a division, members should rise in their seats.

Koos van der Merwe (IFP, Overvaal) hearing the announcement in only English and Afrikaans, wondered. "Can I ask you to make your appouncement in the other nine official languages, too?"

"The member is a little premature in his request," replied Mr Louw.

Eleven-language announcements apparently come on request in the first session of the new parliament.

The two bilis before this last, final etc Parliament are supposed to help woo the Freedom Alliance into the electoral process, but if yesterday is any guide, it will be a stormy courtship.

President FW de Klerk's introduction of the "fifth session of the ninth Parliament" was frequently interruped by jeers from the Conservative Party benches, with Salmon Barnard (CP, Hercules) among the most vociferous voices heard.

He called the State President a "back-stabber", but his candour also raised a laugh when Mr De Klerk said that the Afrikaner Volksfront should have no illusions that they would receive any international support.

"That we know," confessed Mr Barnard. Population development minister Jac Rabie told a story that the CP found almost unpossible to believe.

He said that he had been confronted by a bunch of AWB men in a supermarket aisle and, because he was coloured, he expected to receive a fist in his face.

Instead the leader told him "Tell FW we are tired of the AWB Guy Fawkes. Tell him we are going to vote NP."

"Is he (Mr Rabie) speaking the truth?" asked Mr Jan Hoon (CP, Kuniman).

Was Mr Hoon implying that Mr Rabie was lying? asked the Speaker.

"Oh it just sounds so improbable," explained Mr Hoon

On the other hand, truth is indeed stranger than fiction

Farouk Cassim (IFP nominated) announced: "Whether we take part in the election or not, the IFP is a growing vibrant party."

Jannie Momberg (ANC, Simon's Town) wondered



why the IFP didn't prove it by fighting an election.

"The IFP has suffered from great prejudice," complained Mr Cassim. "There is less and less time for us to prepare for an election."

"Whose fault is that?" asked someone in the NP benches.

The Democratic Party, meanwhile, got in a dig at the Nats. Colin Eglin (DP, Sea Point) said that he had found Mr De Klerk's reference to having brought South Africa from the brink of catastrophe "a chilling phrase"

"This means that the previous Nationalist government took South Africa to the brink of catastrophe. So why should South Africans trust you now?"

Did anybody trust any member of another party? It could explain why, squeezed in together yesterday, everybody looked a little too close to everybody else for comfort.

FA won't legitimise Azania

HE April election is being portrayed as the key to South Africa's future. But democracy, manipulated by and media conditioning on a scale that makes the 1992 referendum exercise seem primitive in comparison, is not going to bring peace and stability to this country.

The desires of the Zulu, the Afrikaner and Bophutha-Iswana to be self-ruling nations are not for some future constituent assembly loaded with communist internationalists to decide. Why should the members of the Freedom Alliance prostrate themselves before such an oligarchy to secure what is report to the SACP central nghtfully theirs?

The unctuous posturing of the proponents of the April election is that those who want self-determination nation of decades of struggle". should test their support at the ballot box.

But against the refusal of the New World Order parties, the SACP/ANC/NP, to enshrine the principle of self-determination of nations in the constitution together with the powers of provinces to raise their own revenue, participation in the April election would be a fatally flawed act.

recognised this together with with the SACP/ANC/NP over have been part of an insidious exercise. Although the SACP/ANC/NP have made noises about concessions that might follow if the FA participated in the election, they in fact have no intention whatsoever of acceding to the demands of the Alliance.

Moreover, it is the policy of the SACP/ANC/NF to draw out negotiations with the FA for as long as possible in an attempt to stymie the chances of the Alliance in pursuing alternative strategies.

Joe Slovo humself has confirmed all of this. In a jubilant committee (African Communust, No 136, 1993) he hails the interim constitution as "a famous victory - the culmi-

"Looking at the results as a whole, we got pretty much what we wanted.

He goes on to list the powers that would reside in the hands of central government: revenue raising, appointment of regional commissars, control of security forces countrywide. Whatever else might be needed could be "rewritten" by the new con-The leaders of the FA have stituent assembly into the

constitution after April 27, notes Slovo.

Just as Hitler sought a democrative veneer with his "enabling" election of March 1933, so the April election is merely an exercise in "legitimising" the takeover of South Africa by the communist-dominated ANC

The FA refuses to legitimise this process by participating in the duplicitous April 27 exercise.

But while the media contanues to propagate the view that the FA is frittering away its democratic chances, in fact quite the opposite is occurring.

Instead, the members of the Freedom Alliance have embarked on alternative structures in advance of the termination of the Republic of South Africa

The Afrikaner Volksfront and the Conservative Party have established their own constituent assembly and have the support of more than 250 towns as the basis of the volkstaat. Bophuthatswana has indicated that it is prepared to defend its sovereignty. King Zwellthini has given notice that the Zulus intend to pursue self-determination within the kingdom of KwaZulu Natal.

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as King Zwelithini stated in Durban on February 14, the process of constitutional development is not "merely a change of government, but

As things stand, South Africans have two choices; selfdetermination through separate freedoms within a Alliance is actively pursuing. or slavery in Agania under the SACP/ANC

This is an extract from an address delivered to the Durban man of the CP. His address 10 Clunas Road, Brighton Beach, Durban

ANC strongest party, Marike tells elderly

EAST LONDON — The African National Congress was the strongest political party in South Africa, the State President dent's wife. Mrs Marike de Klerk, said in East!

She was speaking to old-age home at the start

She told her White au-

er reason we abstain, we vote for the ANC Because they are the strong est party numerically."

The ANC threatened to dominate everything, as it had already dominated the SABC board.

That is who the news

is so negative at the moment and so slanted," she

"We must come out strongly for the moderate option, for our value system, for a Christian, civilised society, for whatever we believe in, for religious freedom."

She told her audience they could avert the threat of farmers losing their land, the nationalisation of mineral rights and a wealth tax

"The National Party needs the strength, that you the voters can give them, to have a strong voice in government.

"We cannot wish away the Communists and radicals. They are there. We kept them under blankers so long, but they are still

Earlier Mrs De Klerk visued another old-are home to see Mr Harry Harris, who turned 100 on February 9.

Mr Harris, who has years, gave halting replies to Mrs De Klerk's queschildren and what his profession had been.

Jaap Marais option

MR Juap Marais' remarks reported in The Citizen February 18 offers, to my mind, the best alternative to the dilemma of Rightwing thinking.

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Meanwhile Mr Murais who for more than 20 years has maintained a Hawless record in accurately assessing political developments, bus, once again come forward with

a clear-sighted, non-violent strategy to end the present chaos.

A campaign of action must be started with a view to postponing the April election until the feria of the present government clapses in September 1994. This would then require a White gen-

The action would probably be disruptive but not necessarily violent

Thereafter a patriotic government would have five years in which to restore law and order and. without haste, enable it to work out an agreeable solution in keeping with the ethnic reality of our subconfinent and so produce an harmonious non-Communist South Africa.

Surely the Jaap Marais option deserves considera

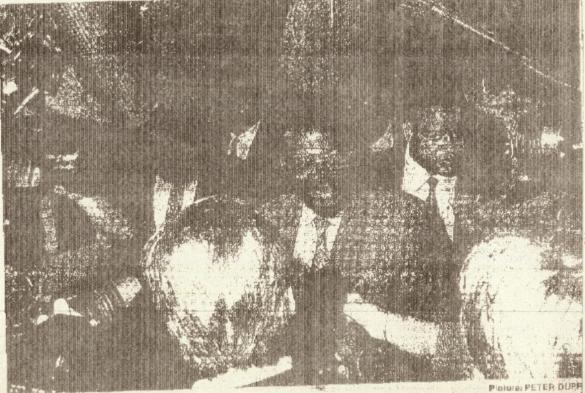
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Troops threat to separatists as ANC-IFP 11th-hour summit starts





SUMMIT: Photographers Crowdian Mendels and Mengosuthu Buthelezi as they head for their 11th-hour talks at a Durban hotel today, almed at keeping inkaths within the General Bection process.

JEFF GUY highlights a difference of opinion between royalists and historians Helzh Helzh. The Zulu kingdom WAS destroyed in the 1880s

r ANY years ago I was speaking to a man who became a leading member of the IFP about my book The Destruction of the Zulu Kingdom. He enloyed it, he said, except for one thing - the title was wrong. It was obvious why - the Zulu kingdom was never destroyed.

His remark highlighted more than a difference of opinion between us - it pointed to a different attitude. His was that of a Zulu covalist. The Zulu people existed far back in the last century and they exist today. The links between Shaka and King Goodwill Zwellthinl can be demonstrated and the unbroken line between past and present still exists.

Such feelings are sincerely held by many people in Natal and in KwaZuiu. They are, in my opinion, to be respected.

But historians deal with facts and analysis. As a result, when they point out the tortuous and contradictory way in which history proceeds, they get short shrift. They are accused of

ivory-tower theorising about what the people know - what is in their blood

And this is what is happening now. The Zulu king has made his claim to KwaZulu and Natal and historians are asked to pass judgement - and the two sides pass each other by. Nonetheless the historian has to try - even knowing that the project will fail among many of the people being addressed.

Was the kingdom destroyed in the 1880s? Let us look at the basics. From its foundation in 1816 by Shaka until 1878 the Zulu kingdom was Independent. The kingdom suffered encroachment from Natal and the Transvaal and the loss of land, and some political interference, but in all the essentials the kingdom remained independent and the king sovereign.

But the world was changing The scramble for Africa was about to begin. In London it had been decided that the time was right to build a stronger, economically-progressive. South African union. The existence of

a large armed independent Atrican state was seen as an obstacle to this. In 1879 the British army, supported by colonial forces, white and black, invaded the Zulu kingdom, and the Zulu army was defeated.

The territory, now liberated, it was said, from the alleged tyranny of the House of Shaka, was divided into 13 chiefdoms

This policy - known ironically as the "Settlement" of 1879 - was in fact a cynical ploy to extricate Britain from the consequences of an unjust invasion. But the Zulus suffered for it civil war broke out between those who had lost everything with the exile of the king, and those who had gained something from the settlement.

A deal was struck between a faction in the royal house and some Boers on the Transvaal border, Cetshwayo's son Dinuzulu was recognised as his successor, and the Boers joined the teenage Zulu prince. Once this was done in another battle in 1884 the Boers demanded their price - Zululand from the Transyaal to the sea

The Zulus appealed to the British to save their land. The British negotiated a deal with Boers and annexed British Zululand in 1887. The most instransigent royalists, including Dinuzulu, protested. The British called it rebellion and exiled Dinuzulu to St Helena.

For me these events of the 1880s destroyed the kingdom. The kingdom, that is, in its original form; as a sovereign state, economically self-sufficient, its independence secured by the Zulu army. The situation in Zululand was now different The king and most of his chiefs were dead and his successor was in exile. The land had been divided and was now ruled by Britain or occupied by the Boers.

The chiefs had authority only if they recognised the authority of the British crown. An alten administrative system was imposed together with taxes to be paid by the wages of men building the railways or working in the mines of Natal and the

And yet, as we know very well today, the House of Shaka was to survive. It was a hard struggle. But Dinizulu's son, Solomon, worked steadily into the 1930s to revive the fortunes of the coval house with some success. The glories of the Zulu past did much to compensate for the everyday indignities suffered by so many Africans.

The first Inkatha was founded in the 1920s. Solomon received increasing support from Natal's African Intelligentsia who found in Zulu history and traditions a royalist plank in their own political programmes. And even the long-standing hostility to the royal house from Natal's politicians and businessmen began to change as they saw in the Zulu monarchy a possible conservative ally against the radical political and trade union tendencies emerging among Africans in the 1920s and 1930s New themes, a new basis for support, new political affiliations and agendas, nowhere apparent in the independent kingdom before 1878, but very

much the issues which confront us today.

I remain convinced that the Zulu kingdom was destroyed ir the 1880s and that Zutu nation allsm has been constructed in the twentieth century - out o the tragments of the old kingdom.

Royalists don't agree. The emphasise only the continuitie - in language, custom, ritua the emotions and the commit ment to the king And it is a po sition which poses grea dangers to all of us It oblite. ates too much of what has har pened since 1879 in order t promote the interests of or grouping regardless of the inteests of all.

In the name of history it i notes history. It ignores the fathat the economic self-sufficie cy of the kingdom disappear with conquest. It ignores the o portunities which a democrat South Africa will have to 1 dress the wrongs of a undernocratic past.

Jeff Guy is Professor and He of Department of History, U versity of Natal, Durban.

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Don't bother persuading us on poll — Buthelezi

by WYNOHAM HARTLEY

and Sapa

HE election date will not be changed, was the response from President FW de Klerk and ANC president Nelson Mandela yesterday to attempts by lakatha to get a postponement of the April 27 poli

poll.
And IFP leader Margosultu Buthelen has stated that Mandela will be wasting his time if he tries to persuade the IFP to enter the April elections when they meet in Durban.

Buthelest said he wants to talk only

Both slezi said he wants to talk only peace with Mandela.

Mandels is due to meet Zuin King Goodwil, Zwelithist and Butheley! in Durbanthis morning.

The meeting tomes against the backdrop of a surprince proposal by the Irkatha partiamentry caucus that the electron in Matal should be postpored in ander to prevent spiraling violence and a constitutional deadlock.

ETP MP Paropa Cassim said yesterday that Inkatha's central compilies was due to discuss the matter last.

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The proposal centres on Natabika aZulu not being included in a pril's pull but instead concentrating on writing a regional constitution and putting that to a regional referendum.

Mandella, after a meeting with visiting Dutch Prime Minister Rund Lubbers resterdsy reaffirmed his willingness to "go down on my kneas" to secure the participation of the boy-

can under no circumstances be de-layed. A unified South Africa is also orn-pegonable.

However, Buthelezi said in Ulundi laxtoight. There is no question of me being persuaded by him Maudelay or anyone to ensure the IFP's participation in the electrons.

"I have nothing further to talk shout on this issue, particularly with Mr. Mandels ... I hope he does not want his time by trying to persuade meto preprint."

De Kletk, opening a short session of Parliament yesterday, called to fattiy amendments to the constitution, said a delay in the election will have dure consequences and the government is delermined to proceed on schedule.

determined to proceed on account. The Migrational what is argularly the absoluted last sitting of the income-ral parliament that, white an inclu-sive settlement is desirable there can be no illusions about the support levels of the Freedom Alliance. We said the Factor is a minerity of the

He said the PA is a minerit, of the nation and this is true in every region.

De Klerk lashed out at the Con-servance Party and the Afrikanor Volkstront, saying they have no right to speak on behalf of Afrikanors be-cause they represent only a frag-mented portion of Afrikaners

FP MP Heanie Bekker said last night that, if the UFP can be sussen-teed that the present constitution will only be changed by a two thirds ma-jority, it will participate in the cled-

DP denounces move to IFP

THE Democratic Party's Natal midiances beanch says Lity Neeranoo's decision to move to the Inkhata Freedom. Party's "camp" is ill-considered. "The IFP has prought South Africa to the brink of civil war by its easy use of dire warnings of violence if they are not accommo-

warnings of violence if they are not accommo-dated to the full," said the DP Natal midlands chairman Peter Ear-nard "Our concern is for the country and the intense pressure our citizens are put under by the warring political parties in the region," he said.

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Witness Reporter

ANC threatens mass action.

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Too much to lose

FEAR and the ethnic bullon, we hear it all the time now. Zulus reject the election. Right-wing Afrikaners do the same. Towards as well. The ethnic button is the last refuge for beleagured relitieties.

Generally associated with otheric mobilisation is the call to arms; to resist and die if need be for the protection of the ethnic unit and its survival in an "own area". With Sarajevo as a compelling example of ethnic conflict, it is worth being aware of the awful potential for violence.

It is no accident that the government and the ANC have expended so much energy on getting the right-wing Arekaners and the Zulus into the negotiation process. If they posed no significant threat to the stability of the nation, the drive towards the election would have proceeded sublimely without them. Fears of what can happen on the run-up to the election are not misplaced. But those fears need to be understood.

The actual lineal of the ethnic units now planning resistance must be closely measured against, what their proclaimed supporters might have to lose. The intensity of black mobilisation against apartheid had at its heart the fact that white racial superiority left them with little if anything to lose.

Let us consider the case of Clsket and Bophuthatswana, Clsket's military ruler, Oupa Ggozo has always been virulently anti-ANC. His negotiators at the World Trade Central rulked out with other members of the then Cosag group and helped to form the Freedom.

'There is not going to be a civil war as in Bosnia and Angola. Most of those in opposition have too much to lose (this could of course change in the twinkling of an eye if the ANC starts a land grab) and they don't have the necessary heavy weaponry. Yet Zulu and Afrikaner extremists can cause an awful amount of destruction—hence the attempts to get them on board."

Alllance. Yet he has since joined the Transitional Executive Connoil and Ciskei is setto participate in the election, Why? Because soldiers, teachers and other civil servants, fearful of losing their jobs, salaries and pensions, put him under enormous pressure.

The same is happening in Bophulka iswana. Already civil servants are starling strike action against their homeland leader Locas Mangope through fears that they will he left out in the cold of the territory is not included as part of the solution. Bophuthatswana is the most likely of the remaining Freedom Alliance pacties to join the election train this

KwaZulu will come under similar prossures. Civil servants and policemen are likely to look beyond resistance and think of what might lie in store for them when the ANC runs the new regional government in Natal. However in NatalikwaZulu there are also masses of impowerished rural people who still live under the feudal system of chiefs, Indunas and the like. Their survival is linked to the survival of the KwaZulu system and they will be susceptble to pressure from hardline Zulus wanting tomobilise against the election.

The white right wing has similar problems. Those supporters they are exhorting to fight for the Volkstaal will have to sacrifice pensions. houses, swimming pools and all manner of other possessions to go on commando for Fordi Hardrenberg, While there might be a large number of right-wing supporters within the security forces, their problem remains that they stand to lose everything if they join the troublemakers. Even General Constand Vil-Joan has recognised this and suggested to the Afrikaner Volksfront that the route of participation and negotistion should be followed. The extramists, particularly of Eugene Terreblanche's Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging, shouled him down but they will ullimately prove to be a minority.

An excellent example of this was the right wing knyasion of Fort Schanskop near Pretoria One right-wing invader had to hade out of the occupation forces because he had naglected to tell his wife where he was; others left to go to work or to milk the cows.

Similar pressures caused the Pan Africunist Congress to obsorded its armed struggle. Members of Omkhonto webizee and others in the liberation struggle are to be paid pensions. If Apia soldiers did not down arms and join the process, they would not have been eligible.

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Political analyst Harald Pakendorf last week coined the phrase. "You are right to be frightened, but you are frightened of the wrong thinga." He suggested that the cent problems would start if South Africa could not satisfy the economic demands of the underclass and if this in turn began to threaten the uneasy unity between the different factions within the ANC.

Our biggest fear remains one of fluorial disruption should hardiners within the ANC gain the upper hand following a failure of free market policies and economic decline. Our doubt ethnic violence would destabilise the economy and this is the most frightening aspect of resistance to the election — It opens up the Achilles heel of poverty and heightened expectation.

Memorial Statue in the Church Street mail at 10:30 sm. Witness Reporter

Reportly Donal Canarker, Jan Longmarke Sirees

Hani's grave vandalised

JOHANNESBURG - The Bundankesbuks—The Bukeburg grave of murdered South Minican Communist Party chief Chris Flan) has been vandarised, police said yesterday

A cross forming part of the gravestone was removed. Police later found it in front of the old Sowsburg town hall, in a dartinged outdition. Forensic tests on the cross are under way.

"The SA Police strongly disapprove of this type of

Police destroy bomb in Durban

AN explosive device of commercial origin, found next to a suspected stolen car in central Darban vesterday, was destroyed by police before it could

Police spokesman Major Bala de longia.

Police spokesman Major Bala Naidoo said the device was sponed in Albany Grove, a lane next to the Natal Playbouse. It had been placed near the inkatha Preedom Party nat-ional keadquarters, the O'Per-cador restaurant and other of-

The explosive device was spetted shortly before 11 am by pedestrian, who reported it to

The bamb disposal unit estab lished that the device was made

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or commercial explosives, a timing mechanism and a bat-ter? It was destroyed using disraptive techniques." The ear was checked beforehand for

was checked beforehand for possible clues.
Naidon sale the police suspected that a second device had been placed in a nearby refuse bin which was also destroyed in a controlled explosion. However, it was a false alarm.

IFP spokesman Ed Titlert said that the party is not ruing out the gossibility that the bomb was meant for its members.

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Rean bile, in Britfontein in the Free State, a school care-taker died of shrappel wounds yesterday when he rode his

bicycle over a home-made bomb which was builed at the en-trance to a taxi rank.

Police spokesnaman Major Police spokers oman major Johinne van der hierwe said the device had exploded on furpact, instantly hilling Kleinhov Ha-monta (56). Yao der Merwe said palice

are investigating a possible link between the blast and more than 30 other explosions in re-cens months in the Free State and Transvaal, which have tar-geted railway lines, electricity pylons and the homes and of-fices of black activists. Eighteringers were arrested earlier this mouth in connec-tion with some of the blasts.

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Little headway after talks

FOHAMNESBURG At the end of Roar days or talks, government ab Roar days or talks, government ab Roards with Mahausutha Bushelezi and Zufur Roar Ground II Zwollthum, government and Ir Sources said.

Talks, which continued for most of Saturday and again yesterday and again yesterday tolar Danis Schutte met Pathelezi, bestlin at clarify efther the king's future, the sources said

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Paranoid statelet turns its back on the future

Bophuthatswana is not the ANC's favourite | ping Bophuthatswana under election territory; it can't hold meetings there for a start, writes David Beresford

HE question about Maft I ing newspaper, the Mail, fullkeng nowadays is who precisely is under siege: the ANC, which is only 60 days away from taking power in South Africa, or Lucas Mangope, who is becoming increasingly defiant bohind the ramparts of what might be

Baden Powell would hardly town, where he was inspired, as he whiled away the 217 days of the famous siege of what was

But there is a sense of deja vu about the place, whisking one back, not to 1900 - although ell's moment of glory — but to the bad old days of the mid-1980s when P. W. Botha was still firmly ensconced in Pretoria and paranoia about com-munism was the ruling ethos. Security force vehicles prowl around the local ANC offices.

Their officials are edgy, fearful of being detained. A suspicious police lieutenant exudes oily friendliness as I inspect the Boer War siege guns in the museum.

homeland of Bophuthatswana. And its leader, President Man-gope, arguably has more justifi-cation for it than P. W. Botha.

'We will fight fire with fire,' acclares the banner headline on a pile of free sheets at the museum's entrance, reporting the president's fullulinations president's fullilitations against those trying to "destabl ple the government". Chief Mangosuthu Buthele-

zi's non-independent homeland of KwaZulu aside. Bophutha-tswana is the last of the country's bantustans to be holding out against South Africa's constitutional settlement.

In another Mangope-support-

page advertisements offer as wana government services pension fund. The advertisements are an attempt to stem a whispering campaign, based on rumours of corruption in the sions, which has threatened to

such credibility that on Friday after a staff meeting, civil ser

'Mangope doesn't have citizens any longer. He should go to jail for treason

government demanding the pay-out of pensions and provi-dent fund benefits within a week. Homeland hospitals and health clinics have been hit by strikes and teachers are repor tedly threatening to boycott classes from today

Mangope's government has been the target of such speculation. In January rumour had it the president had drawn a local building society in preparation for a flight into exile.

His former ally among home-land leaders, the Cisker's Briga-dier Oupa Guozo, recently caved in to similar concerns in his civil service, agreeing to go into the constitutional settlement to ensure job security and protect pensions. But Mr Mangope is hanging on in Bophuthatswana. That may mean the disenfranchisement of some 1.8 million homeland residents qualified to vote.

President Mangope is run-

Strong arm police tactics leave little room for electioneering. Meetings - defined as gatherings of more than two people — have to be sanctioned by the authorities (there have been instances of lawyers in consulmeances of lawyers in consultation with clients having their "meeting" broken up). The ANC is not exactly basised, but it is not recognised as a legal political party, because it has failed to "register". That it can-not do, because it would imply have difficulty gathering the 3,000 signatures necessary for registration in the face of the ban on meetings.)

Political meetings are routinely broken up with tear gas, assaults and the occasional kill ing. Rebellious students are dealt with by means of suspensions, college closures, and the now traditional beatings.

The bodies set up at South Africa's multi-party negotiations to prepare the way for elections - the transitional executive council and the independent electoral commission — have shied away from a showdown. They have produced a bizarre plan to set up polling stations along the borders of the home-land in the hope that voters will be able to get to them.

Bophuthatswana being made up of seven different fragments of territory, there are a lot of borders. Set amid conservative white farmlands in the western Transvaal and Orange Free State, this arrangement threatens to provide sharpshocters of

ens to provide sharpshocters of the far right with the electoral equivalent of a turkey shoot. "This should be a priority area," says the ANC branch secretary in Markeng, Ephraim Motoko, Pointing out that in terms of legislation in-stigated by the TEC, all resi-dents of Rophytheresums have dents of Bophuthatswana have been recognised as South African citizens since January 1, he says. "We need protection from the South African government. Mangope doesn't have citizens any longer. He should be sent to jail for treason.

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De Klerk () condemns Afrikaner illusions

FROM MICHAEL HAMIAN

DESCRIBINO the white right's idea of an Afrikaner homeland as a hopeless illusion, President de Klerk said particles that the Afrikaner Volksfront has "no right to speak on helpf of the Afrikaner neople".

ner people".

nis government will "use all the means at its disposal, including the security forces, to deal with any party which object through illeval or undemocratic means".

The President was speaking during the opening of
what will probably be the last
session of the three-chamber
aparthed parllament, colled
to amend the constitution that
the members passed into law
in December.

The changes to the constitution that will be legislated for in this three-day session in-clude new overriding powers for provincial legislatures and the entrenchment of those powers against substantial reduction. Other changes in-clude new financial powers for the provinces, a double ballot paper for electing the national and provincial legislatures separately, a constitutional principle enjoining the right to self-determination of groups linked by language or culture, and the establishment of a volksraad, or national council, for the Afrikaners as a first step towards the pos-sible establishment of their homeland.

Last night Nelson Mandela, president of the African National Congress, made it absolutely clear that he will not agree to any further concessions of substance at his meeting today with Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, the Inkatha leader. He would do all he could to persuade the chief to take part in the coming election but he would not accept delaying the poll.

In Observers named: Lord Weatherill, former Commons Speaker, has been chosen as one of 120 Commonwealth observers who will help to see order and fair play in the South African elections on April 27 (Eve-Ann Prentice writes) Michael Manley, former Jamaican Prime Minister, will lead the team.

Anglo-US pressure forelection breakthrough A JOINT initiative was launched by

Britain and America last night to try to achieve a breakthrough at crucial talks today between rival South African leaders.

Mr John Major and President Bill Clinton sent a message to Mr Nelson Mandela, the African National Congress leader, and Chief Mangesathu Buthelezi, leader of the mainly-Zuln Inkatha Freedom Party, expressing hope that agreement can be reached on bringing both parties together before next month's

A joint statement last night said:

By Phillip Johnstor, Politicabrrespondent, in Washington

"The US and the UK, as countries the Prime Minister and the which have played a leading role in President yesterday following encouraging the transition in South contacts between Downing Street encouragement to Nelson Mandela and Chief Juthelezi in ther meeting.

Inkatha has threatened to poycott the country's first multi-raial elections and Mr Mandela's seeking resident Sam Nujoma of Namibia to persuade Chief Buthelex to register for the polls befor a new deadline, set for later this seek.

The joint message was approved by

and National Security Council officials.

· South Africa signed Walvis Bay over to Namibia last night, ceding he last bit of territory in a country

eturned to Walvis Bay for the first ime for 35 years yesterday. He raved to crowds as he entered the ity accompanied by the presidents

of Ghana and Zimbabwe. On his previous visit, he said, he came to organise dock workers - disguised as a priest.

At midnight last night the South African flag was lowered over Walvis Bay and the Namibian flag hoisted to a 21-gun salute and the lighting of a "unity flame"

Pretoria had been reluctant to give back the port when it surrendered the rest of Namibia in 1990, but conceded it when the Namibians brought pressure through the AVC at South African constitutional talks last year. - AP

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De Klerk seeks to woo Buthelezi with carrot and stick

Zulus are warned against secession

David Berestord in Johannesburg

OUTH AFRICA'S president, F. W. de Klerk, yesterday declared his government! government's support for constitutional recognition of the Zulu kingdom and protec-tion of its monarchy. But he warned that any move towards secession would be met by

Opening a special sitting of parliament — on the eve of a crucial meeting between the African Mational Congress leader, Nelson Mandela, and the Inkatha leader, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi — Mr De Klerk speli out to the country what he termed the "realities of

Detailing the constitutional compromises which were to be passed by the two-day parlia-

mentary sitting, in an attempt | tion. "The position of the king to woo rightwing Afrikanerdom and Chief Buthelezi into a settlement, the president said dissident groups had to recognise that much the control of the contr nise their minority support in the country.

In particular, the Afrikaner Volksfront, campaigning for an independent state, had "no right to speak on behalf of the Afrikaans people". They represented only a divided fraction of the community, he said.

The security forces remained loyal to the government, Mr De Klerk said. "There is simply no beture on the road of unconsti-In particular, the Afrikaner

future on the road of unconsti-tutional and violent activity. I appeal to those who might be considering this road to turn back before it is too late."

Agreements had to be negotiated to meet the concerns of the "unique reality" which had to be given constitutional recogni- homeland.

of the Zulus should be lifted out of party politics and secured be

yond doubt," he said Mr Mandela and Chief Buthelezi are scheduled to meet in Durban this morning in what appears to be a major effort by the ANC leader to placate his embittered opponent.

The meeting takes place against the background of a steady escalation of violence in the KwaZulu-Natal area. At least 29 people died in the region at the weekend, including the ANC branch chairman in Greytown, who was shot at a meeting in a least community. meeting in a local community

The neo-Nazi leader Eugene Terreblanche told a rally of about 1,000 in Cape Town's city hall yesterday that he had and ready to fight for a white