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WORKS COMMITTEE
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## REPORTS RECEIVED

Each production unit should have submitted 4 reports in September. Below is a list of each production unit followed by the number of reports that were received:

| Agriculture Department | 3 |
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| Carpentry Workshop     | 1 |
| Clinic                 | 0 |
| Cobblery               | 0 |
| Drivers                | 0 |
| Electrical Department  | 4 |
| Finance Office         | 1 |
| Mechanical Workshop    | 4 |
| Site                   | 4 |
| Stores (Logistics)     | 1 |
| Supplies               | 2 |
| Tailoring Department   | 3 |
| Technical Department   | 3 |

Production units are advised that the following is the procedure for submission of reports:

- a) for untyped reports: hand in to the Secretary of the Works Committee before or at the Saturday Works Committee meeting. A typed copy will be returned to you before your next meeting.
- b) for typed reports: if your production unit is able to hand in typed reports, all the better. Your typist should make 4 copies: One is kept by the production unit for its files. The other 3 are handed to the Secretary of the Works Committee before or at the Saturday Works Committee meeting.

In the past, a lot of time has been wasted by members of the Works Committee Executive, trying to get hold of late reports. This will now stop, since it is clear that it is the duty of each production unit to hand in their reports on time. Live up to your responsibilities!! It is in your interests too.

#### AGRICULTURE

Egg production for 3 weeks was reported as being 10,550. Reports on other items were incomplete.

After Comrade Elias Rasego's regretable death, Cde Andile Mrubata was given responsibilities in the Poultry Section.

Attendance and attitude were reported as ranging from bad to fair.

#### CARPENTRY

The one report that was submitted contained no production information. The Information Bulletin urges this production unit to meet more regularly and to submit regular reports.

CLINIC

NO REPORTS!!!!!

COBBLERY

WHAT IS HAPPENING???????

DRIVERS

## ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT

Work has been completed on the Garage extension and the Welding Shop. Installations on the building site continue.

Work on the power supply for Tabora is progressing well; a same line will also supply current to Units 2 and 3. Work at Kihonda is is nearing completion. During the last week of September, a group from the Department went to Dakawa to electrify the residences there.

The Department is discussing the possibility of doing repairs after normal working hours, so as to avoid disturbing the regular work programme.

The question of bad attitude towards work (e.g. latecoming and early knocking off) was discussed and discouraged.

The members of the production unit were arged to maintain the discipline that won them last year's Best Production Unit prize.

#### FINANCE

The production unit recommended that phone extensions be arranged for the Director's recidence and office, as well as for Logistics.

## MECHANICAL WORKSHOP

The Motor Vehicle Workshop nandled an average of 15 vehicles per week, according to their reports. Most of these were repaired and returned to the road, although several are awaiting spare parts.

The production unit requests that there should be no loitering around the Workshop during working hours, since this interferes with production.

## SITE

Attendance at production unit meetings has been quite poor; therefore it is not possible to give a proper progress report on construction this month. The Information Bulletin hopes that this situation can be remedied by the time our next issue comes out.

There are still many material shortages, as well as transport problems, and this influences the rate of progress.

Oscar Mali, Robert Moghatle, Mark Jones, Mthupi Motho, April Lift, Jackson Phefo, and Mpiyake Bejana are back in the production unit at the instruction of the National Commissar. At their first meeting with the production unit, a hope was expressed that this time they would cooperate and work properly, thus making use of this chance that was given to them.

# STORES (LOGISTICS)

A clothing distribution for children has been held, and a ship-ment of goods has been sent to Zambia.

#### SUPPLIES

Lack of transport is still a big problem and affects the regular distribution of supplies.

Attendance and attitude are reported to be good, except that . there is still a tendency of coming late to work.

The department would like to appeal to the community for understanding: The Supplies Department issues on instruction from higher authority; they do not decide who to supply and who not to supply. Please do not abuse the comrades in Supplies if you have a complaint.

## TAILORING DEPARTMENT

It was felt that Cde Chico's frequent absences were affecting the work, as he is responsible for doing alterations. The members of the production unit felt that this work should be given to someone more reliable.

Ilala residents have requested that a sewing machine should be placed in Ilala, so that they could do some things for themselves instead of taking everything to the Tailoring Department. The production unit supports this request for a sewing machine.

Cde Emily has gone to Bulgaria for a short course related to her work with the Women's Section. She is expected back soon.

It was reported that the Garment Factory will soon be in operation. When this happens, the present Tailoring Shop will continue to exist, under the leadership of Cde Gladys. Various work will continue in the Tailoring Shop (e.g. alterations, small production), while large scale production will be done in the Factory. The old Tailoring Shop will also be used as a training place for new comrades, to prepare them for work in the Factory.

Staff for the new factory is urgently needed NOW, so that there is time for proper training. Any interested comrades should apply to the Tailoring Department.

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#### TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT

Work is in progress on the Children's Centre, hospital, farm complex. Work has begun on the Library, Primary School, and the next classroom blocks. Consultations are in progress with the School on these.

See elsewhere in this issue -- an article on the proposed library.

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## WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

## Holidays

The Works Committee would like to confirm the issue of holidays for the workers of Mazimbu. This matter was endorsed after a lengthy discussion on how to implement it.

Comrades who will be dealing with this are going to consider the following factors before placing a comrade on a list of people who will be leaving for holidays:

- a) for how long a comrade has been working;
- b) the attitude and attendance of the comrade will be taken into consideration.

This last point is because we cannot have people going on holiday if they are giving nothing to the ANC, but only expect to receive something from the organisation.

As soon as details are finalised, information will be posted.

# Transport

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You are requested to be patient, since we are facing problems with transport. In the past weeks the Committee viewed the question of transporting comrades to town and back to Mazimbu. During the deliberations Cde Don, our current transport officer, reported that the buses are not roadworthy, and therefore cannot be used until they are in good condition. This makes us unable to undertake any activity which needs buses for transportation.

On behalf of the Drivers Unit, the Works Committee is appealing to those comrades who have parcels to be transported from Dar to Mazimbu. They should bear with the drivers, because they cannot venture to overload their trucks, for this practice might lead to an accident.

# Stuctures

Comrades, you are once more requested to respect structures in order to ensure the smooth running at the Construction. For example, if a comrade wants a transfer, he should consult his production unit (of which the administrative head of the department is a part). If the production unit decides to give a recommendation, this will make it easier for the unit which is expected to take the comrade.

# Dakawa

Dakawa
The Works Committee would like to inform the comrades that it had to postpone its journey to Dakawa, after the authorities at that area reported that on the suggested day they have another programme.

The Committee was intending to visit the place and work for a day as a contribution to the development of the project at Dakawa.

Works Committee Report (Continued)



## Supplies

The Works Committee supports the appeal for understanding made by this production unit. Many meetings have been held on this issue, and the Works Committee would like to inform the community that any complaints or questions concerning supplies should be raised with the Regional Treasurer, and NOT with the production unit. The comrades in Supplies have a difficult job, and they should have the support of the community that they are serving.

## Bridge

It has come to the attention of the Works Committee that the bridge is becoming unsafe. Many of the nails are now sticking up above the surface. This could cause accidents and we urge those concerned to make repairs as soon as possible.

## Karibu

Mazimbu now has a Director, Comrade Mohammed Tikly, who arrived here in August. On behalf of the Works Committee and production units, we extend a warm welcome, and appeal to all comrades to support him in his endeavours.

# Chairmen/Secretaries Meeting

The next meeting of Chairmen and Secretaries of production units will take place on Wednesday, October 20, at 1300 hours. The venue will be announced when arrangements are finalised.

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#### SPECIAL REPORT

## MAZIMBU LIBRARY

One of the buildings that Mazimbu will eventually have is a new library. Construction is due to begin in April 1983, and plans are currently being drawn.

The proposed library will be located next to the secondary school classrooms, It will consist of lending and reference sections, a multi-purpose cultural hall/studio, offices, exhibition space, and a small basement archive and research centre. There will also be an outdoor reading area and facilities for listening to music.

The library will have a book stock of about 25,000 books, as well as film strips, slides, video tapes, records, cassettes, periodicals, newspapers, etc. It is meant to serve the whole community in as many ways as possible.

One of the most interesting parts of the library will be the multi-purpose cultural hall/studio. The hall will provide seating for 120 people and can accommodate a range of activities. Evening programmes of films, video programmes, music, live performances, and so on, could be arranged. Also, audio-visual recordings can be made for cultural, academic or solidarity purposes.

In the passage outside the studio, earphones can be wired up from cassettes or record-playing equipment in the studio for casual listening anytime. There will be provision for 39 listening posts.

This cultural hall/studio section will provide ideal conditions for conferences and seminars. They could take place without disturbing the other activities of the library.

The total cost of the library is expected to be almost six million shillings.

When the drawing work is more advanced, the Bulletin hopes to be able to obtain a sketch of the proposed library. This will be printed in a future issue of the Information Bulletin, so that our community can see what this building will look like.

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IN MEMORY OF . . . .

## COMRADE ELIAS RASEGO

We have recently lost one of the dedicated cadres of our struggle. Comrade Elias, who was in charge of the Poultry Unit of the Agriculture Department, recently died after an illness.

He was always polite to people and made friends, knowing the importance of other cadres. He was a person who always had a revolutionary spirit in his heart. He was a hard worker, and helped to bring the Poultry Unit up to a high standard. Comrade Elias was always willing to approach problems in a comradely fashion, and to try to find proper solutions.

We should remember Comrade Elias and try to follow his example. The road to freedom is not an easy one, and we need good cadres to find the end of it.

On behalf of the Works Committee and the workers of Mazimbu, the Bulletin Subcommittee extends its respect and sympathy to the family and friends of Elias Rasego.

We bow our head: in memory of a workers, a dedicated son of the soil, and a combatant of the evils of apartheid.

We shall continue the struggle!

Hamba Kahle!

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#### STOP PRESS

- 1. The Site Office wisles to extend its thanks to the students who helped in off-loading the cement truck on Tuesday night, and also those who later helped to provide diesel for the Volvo. The need was urgert, and the response was wonderful. Asante sana.
- 2. The Staff Commissir has organised a series of political education discussions. These have been organised mainly for the Somafco staff, but any interested member of the Mazimbu community is welcome to attend. The first lecture will be held on Friday, October 5, 1982, at 1600 hours. For more information, contact John Parcallis.