

Referendum
 run-up: 14
 days to go . . .
 Strong Methodist
 appeal to vote No
 Delegates at the Methodist
 ,Church 3 national conference in
 (Durban have given 'i' t"
 overwhelming support to an
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 vamomWi-w
 referendum.
 Only three voted against and
 there were four abstention: out
 of about a hundred delegat'is
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 stand-in for PW, Meetings in x
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 ' excluded and the Government
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 P W Botha, has turned down an f
 offer from so porters oi the
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 Weentandsbeweglmg tame his
 name on a pamphlet against
 the sew constitution. The
 pnphlet was meant to
 contradict statements by the
 Prime MWWCF Mtg: W Bothn.
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 homeland blacks
 ACCORDING to diet 5,? IE
 Nationalist MP for
 Stellenhosch, Mr Piet Marnis, a;
 black man playing a political t
 role In a national state would '
 have more control over his '
 "general attain" than the
 Leader oi the Opposition had
 under the present constitution.
 He was speaking at a
 Stellenhosch University
 symposium.
 Apartheid
 lconstitutionalised'
 SPEAKING at n Stellenbosch
 University symposium, Mr Nic
 Olivier, a nominated MP l.
 representing the PFP, said the I
 new constitution nised race .
 and colour to the highest ;
 possible level, that of the '
 constitution of the country. It l
 constitutionalised the
 apartheid principle. which was
 previously the princle ol only
 the National Party, e said.
 Soldiers almost
 have full marks
 THE Army newspaper,
 Uniform. states that nearly 98
 Eercent of soldiers already
 ave valid identity documents
 Whig. will enable them to vote
 on ovember 2. Wit
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'Perceptions' of
SA realities differ
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THE endorsement at it Yes
vote 1: Natal industrialist Mr
Chrls under: has
reverbernted through the
province.
The acting Natal leader of
.the PFP, Mr Peter Gastrow,
said veslerday: u()hvlmuly Mr
i Marina (la Gama, Muizenberg,
Saunders's perceptions oi the
realities of South Africa dliter '
tron: mine and from those of
:the people who will vote No. ,9
1 "I do not believe um m: , q
expectations of a strong it
declaration of intent by the
Government to accommodate
blacks In the constitution will A
be forthcoming or that it is h -
ustified. Blacks have been
has told us they will
remain
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IT is important In South Attica
tolls that a substantial y ,i
hunt I' of whites should be l' ht
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No to n nrthel and showing i
blacks, t many white: .
believed their inclusion was
vital to the success of any
constitution, Protessor Davld
Welsh, Professor of Southern
Atrial! Studies at the
University til Cape Town: told ,
a PFP symposium in Green '
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the city
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Phrty. Mllnerto) rm Hall. y
8pm. Mr Philip Myhurgh, MP
for Wynbergf
Progressive Federal Party,
8 pm. Mr Tiaan van der
Merwe. MP for Green Point.
(News compiled by H S Roberta. in
St George's Street, Cape Town.)
u OSee Page 3 :
4 W'JlS-letters
, changes represent an irre-
POIITfs'ffBiii
NO-ONE can deny that the i
proposed constitution will at
least end exclusive white rule;
bring coloured people and In-
i dians into the decision-maklng
; process in one Parliament; al- '
low each group to control its
own intimate affairs; and pro.
vide for these groups to de
cide together on matters of

common concern to all. These 5

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THE referendum 'was a

precious opportunity to

avote No to apartheid, dic-

tatorial rule and the re-

moving of the citizenship

of blacks, Mr Roger Hul-

ley (PFP Constantia) told

in meetingjn Tom ,

tl-le said this could be

verslble movement away

from the strict separatist

polic oi the National Part

whic moderate South Afr -

cans have fought against for

so many years.

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Gardens ":tie in. 'detracting from a com-

't t l reform

THE Prime Minister, Mr P w "'l me" to m

Botha need never have had to

hold a referendum on the pro-

constitution. All grou s

in this country - not just e '

National Party caucus - -

could have set together and

formulated a constitution for

South Africa. As it is Jaap

Marals, the AWB and the

Kappiekommando can decide

everybody's future on Novem-

ber 2, while people of the call-

bre of Chief Gatsha Buthelezt

may simply look on

TERRENCE MULLARD

26 Columbine Rd .

Rondebosch .

ON the one hand! want politi-

cal change. but on the other I

am dissatisfied with the pro-

posed new constitution. More-

over, I am as afraid of the

consequences of a positive

vote as I am of the conse-

quences of a negative vote. I

am forced to conclude that

because the referendum is so

limited in its scope, we must

use the single means avail-

able to us as voters to vote

for change but against the

constitution: the spoilt paper.

which could be brought

Kabout in terms of amend-

ing legislation under the

existing constitution.

Anyone who voted Yes

on November 2 would

have voted Yes to the ba-

sic cornerstones of apart-

heid ideology, including

the principle of separate

racial group areas.

DENATIONALISING

The critical catch to

an apparently positive

proposal was that it was

to be carried out on the

basis of the apartheid:
principle of separate
chambers and at the cost
of cutting back on de-
'mocracy and denationa-
lising all black South Af-
ricans.

"We must not allow
ourselves to be misled by
the untruth that the pro-
posed new president
would not have excessive
powers or that this new
constitution takes noth-
ing away from the

MICHAEL GRESTY - n -

79 Breda Park blacks. he said. .
Breda Street. 22 ' "The President Will
Gardens. most certainly have ex-
cessive powers and the
present South African
citizenship of blacks un-
der the present constitu-
tion is taken away."

(News by T Wentzel. 122 St
George's Street. Cape Town.)

TO the entranchised a Yes
vote in the referendum will be
a mere formality. entrusting
their future to a government
which has never betrayed
them. But to those of us to
whom the constitution seems
to be designed to keep in per-
petual bondage. participation
borders on suicide. Despite
this my generation bears no
grudge or malice towards the
entranchised. But remember.
the generation following me is
a bitter one; a product of mis-
trust and exploitation. This is
the generation your children
will have to contend with.

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