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NO ONE won last week's Jackpot No. 93 and so the prize for today's Jackpot No. 94 rises to a bumper R1 000. See Page 2.

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R1 700 holdup

A LONE African gunman held up a teller at a building society agency in Sandringham, Johannesburg, yesterday and escaped with R1 784 in cash.
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Silence

POLICE are maintaining a blanket silence on who they are holding under the Terrorism Act's detention clause.
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Striptease

SEVERAL Liquor Control Boards discussed the question of striptease yesterday.
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Terror trial

A TERRORISM Act trial witness said yesterday that while he was in Maritzburg to give evidence for the State, two of his Pondoland huts were destroyed by fire.
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Lost chance

RHODESIA could have been broken last year but the chance was missed says a British magazine whose deputy editor interviewed Prime Minister Ian Smith in Salisbury.
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IRA threat

THE Irish Republican Army Chief, Mr. Thomas MacGiolla, has warned that Britain must withdraw all troops from Ulster, otherwise she would be forced to pull out in an "unplanned manner."
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Appeal

THE RAND DAILY MAIL Christmas Fund appeals for cheer for the needy.
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Fares up

INTERNATIONAL air fares went up by up to R7.20 yesterday with airlines now passing on costs of Government charges for navigation and safety aids.
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Pornography

A JOHANNESBURG financier's wife planted pornographic material on him so she would be able to prove he had deserted her, a court was told yesterday.
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Dr. D's plea

THE MINISTER of Finance, Dr. Diederichs, has appealed to farmers not to lose their perspective over ground valuations.
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Currie Cup

TRANSVAAL and Rhodesia drew their Currie Cup A Section cricket match which ended at Salisbury yesterday.
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Sports star

NEVILLE BERMAN, the Springbok jockey captain, was voted the Jewish sportsman of the Year in Johannesburg last night.
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Threats

MANCHESTER United with drew England star George Best from the Northern Ireland soccer team to meet Spain in Belfast on November 10 after threats against his life.
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Judge imposes 'minimum sentence' for terrorist activities

FIVE YEARS FOR DEAN

Bail stands pending appeal

THE Dean of Johannesburg, the Very Rev. Gonville Aubie ffrench-Beytagh, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment after his conviction on a charge under the Terrorism Act yesterday.

The Judge President of the Transvaal, Mr. Justice Cillie, imposed the minimum sentence laid down by law for a conviction under the Act.

He gave the dean leave to appeal and extended his bail of R10 000 pending his appeal.

It was also laid down that the dean's passport be retained by the police and that he report once a week, on Tuesdays, between 8 am and 10 am, to the Hospital Hill Police Station.

The prosecutor, Mr. J. H. Liebenberg, SC, had opposed the application for leave to appeal saying the dean's conviction had been based on facts. He said counsel for the dean, Mr. S. Kentridge SC, had to convince the judge that the dean had a reasonable chance of success, reports Sapa.

The judge also allowed the defence 14 days in which to formulate an appeal, saying it was an invidious task at this stage to formulate such grounds.

He said that, should Mr. Kentridge find 14 days not long enough, he would consider an extension of the time.

As the Judge President read the sentence, the Rev. Ian Thompson, a young Presbyterian minister, stood up and demanded to be sentenced with the dean.

Emotionally

Speaking clearly, but emotionally, he demanded to be sentenced on the ninth allegation which dealt with the receipt and distribution of money from the banned Defence and Aid Fund. He was dragged out of court.

He is to appear in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court today on a contempt of court charge.

The judge told the dean: "I find you guilty of participation in terrorist activities. I have given a great deal of consideration to what I have to do now."

Mr. Justice Cillie said he believed the dean had acted out of conviction. He said if he considered all the circumstances, bearing in mind the position the dean had occupied, "I think this is a case where I should impose the minimum sentence. I sentence you to five years' imprisonment."

Facts

Mr. Kentridge immediately asked for general leave to appeal. He also asked for time to submit his application because he did not have the judgment in front of him.

Mr. Justice Cillie said it was difficult to decide immediately after judgment was given whether leave to appeal should be granted, particularly as the judgment had largely been based on facts.

"Under these circumstances I grant leave to appeal subject to the proviso that the full grounds of appeal be lodged in time to be determined.

"I shall give you fourteen days, but if it is not possible to conclude it within that period I will grant you an extension," the judge said.

Mr. Kentridge asked that the dean's bail be extended.

The accused has been on bail for many months. The State has his passport and there is no reason why bail should not be extended."

Mr. Liebenberg opposed the application, saying the dean's conviction had been based on facts. There were different considerations now.

"Five years was a lengthy period of imprisonment and was a motive to be taken into account. If the judge decided to grant bail he should take the new circumstances into consideration."

Mr. Kentridge said the dean

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Crowd sings for him

Staff Reporter

A CROWD of about 150 wellwishers burst into spontaneous applause and sang "Onward Christian Soldiers" when the Dean of Johannesburg, the Very Rev. Gonville Aubie ffrench-Beytagh emerged from the Old Synagogue in Pretoria yesterday.

There were emotional scenes as the crowd surged forward when the dean emerged.

Throughout the day, the courtroom was packed as silent onlookers listened to the Judge President of the Transvaal, Mr. Justice Cillie, reading his judgment.

In the upper-gallery crowd were more than 20 Non-Whites. Diplomatic observers included the British Ambassador, Sir Arthur Snelling, Mr. E. McHale, of the American Embassy and Mr. Patrick Bligh, the British Consul in Johannesburg.

Other prominent spectators were the Progressive Party MP for Houghton, Mrs. Helen Suzman, Archdeacon Norman Fayt, of the Anglican Church, the Archbishop of Cape Town, the Most Rev. Robert Selby Taylor, the Dean of Pretoria, the Very Rev. Mark Nye and Mrs. Helen Joseph.

NON-STOP

After his preliminary remarks, Mr. Justice Cillie began his judgment at 10.00 am. He continued through what would be normally have been the tea adjournment and, but for an adjournment between 12 and 12.15 pm, continued non-stop until the proceedings were completed about 3.30 pm.

When judgment began, the dean, who had been given permission to remain seated, listened intently, chin in hand.

He was pale and outwardly calm during the entire judgment. When sentence was passed, he nodded slightly to the judge and appeared to fumble for his seat.

When weeping parishioners came forward to commiserate, he kissed women and seemed close to tears.

He also seemed close to tears when he was mobbed outside the court.

When he arrived in the morning, there were loud cheers and shouts of encouragement from wellwishers. He did not pause to talk to anyone, but smiled for a gallery of local and overseas Press and television cameras before going into court with his attorney, Mr. Raymond Tucker.

Wellwishers, Pressmen and overseas TV cameramen at the Old Synagogue, Pretoria, where the Dean of Johannesburg, the Very Rev. Aubie Gonville ffrench-Beytagh, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment yesterday.

Dugard: Terror Act 'monster'

Staff Reporter

THE TERRORISM Act had become a monster in South African society, and its repeal should become the aim of all right-thinking South Africans, Professor John Dugard, Professor of Law at the University of the Witwatersrand, said yesterday.

The prosecution and conviction of the Dean of Johannesburg has drawn attention once again to the sinister implications of the Act and the severe restrictions it places upon freedom of speech and freedom of political activity, he said.

"Churches and universities would have to take note that certain subjects were virtually taboo and beyond discussion.

IMPOSSIBLE

"The morality of violence and civil disobedience, for instance, are subjects which will in future be practically impossible to discuss, despite the fact that they are widely debated in most Western countries.

"The dean's prosecution and conviction showed the far-reaching restrictions on political activity imposed by the Terrorism Act," Prof. Dugard said.

"Events of the past week highlight the horrifying features of the detention-without-trial section of the Act."

Breakfast quip

"Televisionwise, France is no longer South Africa's Pal."

Wave toll now 5 000

NEW DELHI. — The death toll in the tidal wave-torn Cuttack area of Eastern India is now 5 000, but it may be as high as 20 000.

Damage has been so vast that only yesterday were reports filtering through — three days after the cyclone struck.

Local political leaders fourfed the devastated Bay of Bengal area said the toll could be 20 000. Four million are believed homeless.

The area worst hit by the fire-metre wave with its 150 kph cyclonic winds were the offshore islands and coastal districts of Orissa State.

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Hostages freed

MANILA. — A 14-year-old American girl, her uncle and a Filipino newsman were released unharmed yesterday by a shotgun-wielding Filipino who had taken them hostage in a helicopter, said the Manila Times. — Sapa-AP.

Big cat at large

WEPENER. — Police at Wepener found no trace of a circus leopard which escaped from its mobile cage after it had overturned in an accident. — Sapa.

Seat of trouble

OWN CORRESPONDENT

BLOEMFONTEIN. — Ten national servicemen are in the military hospital at Tempe after a fight at 1 am on Saturday between members of the Special Service Battalion and No. 1 Parachute Battalion.

A military spokesman said yesterday: "Members of the Parachute Battalion felt their particular seats at the local bioscope had been occupied by SSB men.

"They seemingly went back to their unit and simmered over this until they worked themselves into such a state that they decided to have a go at the SSB across the fence.

"They did so and a fight founded by inter-unit rivalry ensued. Nine SSB men and one Parachute Battalion man are in hospital."

One trainee had a broken jaw, the spokesman said, but the others were not seriously injured.

Brigadier D. J. Campbell, SM, MC, Officer Commanding Free State Command, said they had sent notifications to the parents as they always did when anyone was admitted to hospital.

"Before they have been informed, the names of the men in hospital will not be issued."

Brigadier Campbell said investigations into the incident were being made and an inquiry would be held.

Alter Sect. 6 —UP demands

By BERNARDI WESSELS
Political Correspondent

THE UNITED PARTY is to demand the revision of Section Six of the Terrorism Act — the law under which Ahmed Timol was being interrogated when he jumped to his death from the tenth floor of John Vorster Square last Wednesday.

Meanwhile in PRETORIA today will be a day of penitence and fasting for Anglicans, Roman Catholics, Presbyterians and Methodists so that they can express their distress at Mr. Timol's death and also confinement in hospital of Mr. Mohammed Essop.

In PORT ELIZABETH last night more than 50 people signed a letter to the Minister of Justice asking for a full inquiry into the detainee's death.

SUPPORT

Mr. Mike Mitchell, the United Party's shadow Minister of Justice, said yesterday the party would do everything in its power to have section six revised.

Although the party had supported the second reading of the Bill in Parliament, because special legislation was necessary to deal with terrorists on the country's borders, it had vigorously opposed the section during the committee stage.

"We will again demand that it be revised. The party has always been consistent, and has always demanded its revision," he said.

"We can see no reason whatever why this section should be used in any area where judges are available, nor have we ever been given any reason by any Nationalist Minister nor anybody else.

"What reason can there possibly be for wanting to use it when judges are available, except:

● "That you don't want judges to hear both sides of the matter.

● "That you don't want judges to lay down conditions for the detention.

POWER

● "You have absolute 'carte blanche' to use the detention for interrogation for whatever business you want, especially knowing that you are supported by the Prime Minister, the Minister of Justice and the Minister of Police."

Mr. Mitchell said it was "disgraceful" for the Minister of Justice to say that the law under which people were detained could be left to the discretion of the police.

"Is he so unconcerned? Is he happy to abandon his responsibilities? It is time these Ministers, who are so intoxicated by the exuberance of their own power which they have wielded for so long, are put in their place.

"It is time for a new government. The United Party will be as tough on terrorists and persons intent on subverting the State as we were in the days when we locked up Mr. Vorster.

"But we will do so with the admitted support of every right thinking and law abiding citizen, by operating through the normal democratic processes and the courts."

Mr. Mitchell said the Government had abdicated its responsibility "to the public, to the country, to the rule of law, to our good name, and to the volk in favour of the discretion of

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Woman beats off The Maniac

By MIKE ENGELBRECHT

A 23-YEAR-OLD mother was attacked by the sex-maniac in Pretoria sex maniac in her Glen Eden, Edenvale home yesterday while her two small children cried helplessly.

The maniac, believed to a young man dressed in a green shirt and cream coloured trousers, went to the front door shortly after midday.

He told the woman that he had come to inspect the electric plugs in the house.

She let him in and after he had looked at a number of plugs he went to the bedroom. He called her there and said that the plug in the bedroom was heavily overloaded.

The next moment he threw her on the bed while threatening her with a screwdriver. He started caressing her.

Then he ripped off her dress with the screwdriver.

The woman screamed and grabbed a sjambok standing next to the bed.

She started beating her attacker and he ran into the street.

The woman put on another dress and chased after the man. An African gardener who works next door helped in the chase. But they had no success.

Colonel A. J. Hillsworth, head of the Germiston CID, said last night that the descriptions given in previous attacks were identical with that of yesterday's attacker. The man was also using exactly the same methods.

The woman victim was later treated for severe shock and hysterics.

The sex maniac, believed to be 23, has now struck at least 10 times according to women in Pretoria, Johannesburg, the Reef and the East Rand.

Police are making a massive search for him and have offered a reward.

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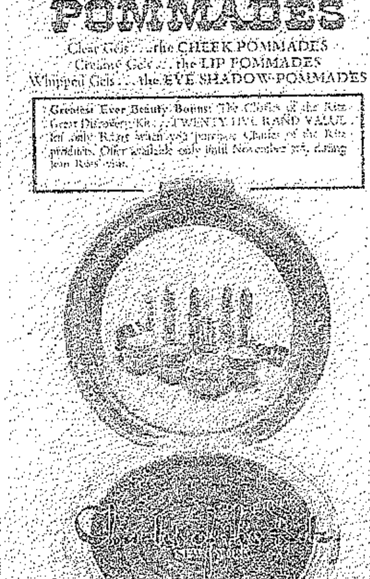
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