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I'll get to Rio yet, says Graeme

Own Correspondent

CAPE TOWN. — Graeme Murray of Johannesburg, who had to bring his leaking outboard back to Table Bay on Thursday, will make another attempt to get to Rio.

The well in which the outboard motor was housed caused a fault in the motor and forced Graeme to turn back, 40 miles from Cape Town.

He arrived in the yacht basin about 1.30 am yesterday.

Graeme jettisoned much of his three-ton load of fuel.

CRAFT

Deeply disappointed by the setback to his plans the young earthmoving contractor was hoping yesterday to get the boat out of the water to make repairs.

He was also considering several other modifications to his home-built craft.

Graeme designed and built the boat from ideas in a water sport magazine. It has a plywood hull sheathed in glass fibre.

He said yesterday he hoped to get under way again as soon as possible but the repairs could take a week or more.

Meanwhile, Graeme, his wife, Heather, and their 15-month-old son, Brendan, are prolonging their stay in Cape Town.

R125 000 goal

THE South African National Council for Child Welfare announced in Johannesburg yesterday that it expected to collect R125 000 today in aid of the 447 child welfare societies in the country. — Sapa.

'SOLDIERS WERE PLEDGED TO FIGHT SA'

OWN CORRESPONDENT

MARITZBURG. — The head of the African Peoples' Unity Movement was alleged to have said that the former President of Algeria had promised soldiers for use in the overthrow of the South African Government.

A former banned person said this yesterday at the Maritzburg Supreme Court Terrorism Act trial.

The State witness, whose five-year banning order expired last year and who was a former chairman of the Cape Town branch of Apdusa, said that at a meeting in 1963 Tabata addressed a meeting of Apdusa members in the bush near Cape Town.

The witness, whose name the court ordered not to be published, identified one of the accused, Mr. Kader Hassim, as being present at the meeting.

The witness was giving evidence at the trial of 13 people who have pleaded not guilty to charges under the Terrorism Act.

Tabata had said that he had come from countries outside South Africa. He had left the country with the object of meeting members of the Organisation of African Unity.

The witness said Tabata told the members of the oppression of Non-Whites in this country, but when he got to the OAU he found they did not accept the unity movement and were sympathetic with the African National Congress, said the witness.

"He said he had to struggle a great deal to get the unity movement accepted. Some did accept it but no decision was made. But when he met leaders of the other states in Africa there were some who were sympathetic."

The former President of Algeria, Ben Bella, said "I will help with arms, soldiers and money," said the witness.

Tabata told the meeting he had come to get some of the people in higher positions to leave the country to go north to undergo military training.

The witness said: "This was accepted without anyone proposing it."

The witness said that in 1970 an alleged Zambian agent, Lenard Nikane, had made contact with him.

"He said he had come to get me so that I would be trained in military warfare in Tanzania."

"Nikane said he had been directed to me by an attorney, Vusanie.

"He said 'We are here to get mainly members of Apdusa below 50 years to undergo military training and you're to be trained in guerrilla warfare'."

The witness said that Nikane told him he had been accompanied by two other men into the country, Lennox Alande and Edward Nealu, and at a later stage they would be joined by a fourth agent, Ernest Jama.

He said he saw Nikane four times between July and September and he was also visited by Nealu.

In September, Nikane again asked him if he was prepared to go for military training.

The witness told the court that he had refused.

"But Nikane said if I decided to go I should try to be in Johannesburg on about October 20." There, the witness was told he should make contact with an attorney Vusanie.

"At this stage, Nikane said I should find four men from the mines and we would go together and Vusanie would direct us out of the country."

The hearing continues.

Car repairs: 'Use more Non-Whites'

ECONOMICS REPORTER

A WARNING THAT car repair costs would continue to soar and that the standard of work, already giving cause for grave concern, would get worse unless greater use was made of Non-White labour, was given yesterday by Mr. Brian Kelly, president of the Automobile Association.

He told an international motor industry conference in Johannesburg that the car repair service in South Africa was the subject of widespread complaint.

The major problem was an acute shortage of mechanics and it was unlikely that the industry would ever be able to attract a sufficient number of White apprentices, Mr. Kelly said.

"We have in this country a vast source of Non-White labour, and there is nothing in our industrial legislation which prohibits the training of a greater number of Non-Whites as mechanics.

"Must we accept that, merely because of the objections of the trade unions, repair facilities are to be allowed to deteriorate still further, when the economy of the country is so heavily dependent on the motor vehicle?" he asked.

RATIONAL

"The employers and trade unions concerned should come together in a realistic attitude to seek the rational use of our largely untapped source of manpower. Unless this is done we shall continue to see rising repair costs and still further deterioration in the standard of repair service."

Mr. Kelly made sweeping attacks on many aspects of the motor industry in South Africa.

He warned that if the industry could not put its own house in order it would be the duty of consumer organisations like the AA to urge the government to take action.

• "During the past two years in particular, an ever-increasing volume of complaints about poor assembly, faulty workmanship and poor or inadequate pre- or post-delivery service have reached the AA."

Jo'burg dinner

THE STATE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Fouche will attend an informal dinner given by the Rand Central Regional Committee of the Society for European Immigration, in Johannesburg next Saturday.

Peking visit

RAWALPINDI. — Former Pakistan Foreign Minister, Mr. Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, left yesterday for talks with Chinese leaders in Peking. — Sapa-Reuter.

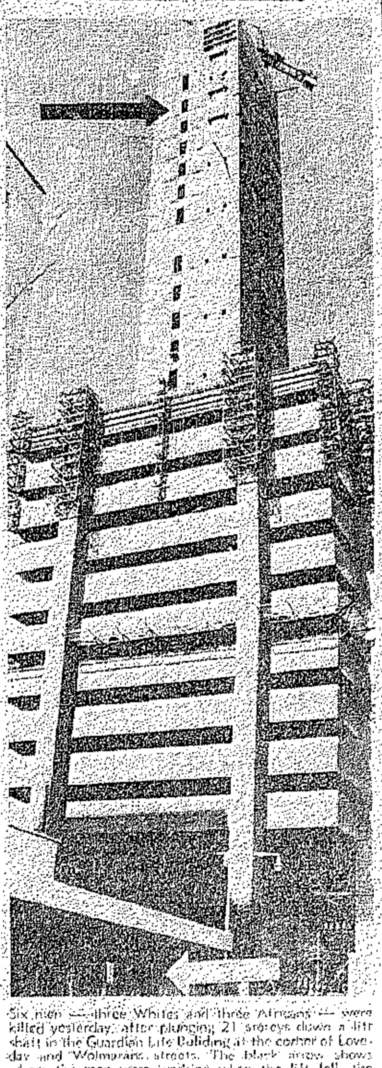
Nixon meeting

WASHINGTON. — President Nixon and the Prime Minister of Ghana, Mr. Kofi Busia, met this week to discuss a variety of topics ranging from American policy towards Africa to economic development. — Sapa-AP.

Choir to tour

GRAAFF-REINET. — Thirty-five members of the Drakensburg Boys Choir will tour Portugal, Spain, France and Britain later this month. — Sapa.

DEATH FALLS



Six men — three Whites and three Africans — were killed yesterday after plunging 21 storeys down a lift shaft in the Guardian Life Building at the corner of Loveday and Wolmarans streets. The black arrow shows where the men were working when the lift fell, the white arrow, ground level.

State pays cheques on Blaar's behalf

STAFF REPORTER

PRETORIA'S TOWN CLERK, Mr. Hilmar Rode, and the chairman of the City's Management Committee, Mr. Philip Nel, have received "something on account" from the State Attorney on behalf of the Minister of Community Development, Mr. Blaar Coetzee.

This was confirmed in Pretoria yesterday by Mr. Nel.

Awards of damages for libel against Mr. Coetzee of R5 000 to Mr. Nel and R2 000 to Mr. Rode were confirmed by the Appeal Court in Bloemfontein last month.

Mr. Nel would not comment on the amount he had received.

Asked whether the State had agreed to pay the full amount of the damages awarded against Mr. Coetzee, the Minister of Justice, Mr. Pelser, said in an interview last night that if the State Attorney had paid amounts to Mr. Nel and Mr. Rode then Mr. Coetzee must have paid a similar amount to the State Attorney.

BILL

"The Cabinet has not yet considered whether the State will pay the amount of damages. The matter will be dealt with in due course."

The cheques received were Treasury cheques and were signed by the State Attorney.

Last month the Minister of Justice said Mr. Coetzee would be liable for his own appeal costs but "in all probability" the State would foot the bill for the costs of the initial action in the Pretoria Supreme Court.

At the time the Minister said he could not say whether Mr. Coetzee would be responsible for paying the amount of damages.

But if in fact the State has agreed to pay the total or part of the award it will also mean that Mr. Nel and Mr. Rode as taxpayers will be paying part of their awards.

A senior official in the State Attorney's office said he was unable to comment on the amounts of the cheques, or whether the State had agreed to pay the R7 000 total of damages.

Talks on bank pay rises break down

Staff Reporter

NEGOTIATIONS between the South African Society of Bank Officials and two of the country's major banks for increased pay and pensions for 28 000 bank officials broke down in Pretoria yesterday.

The secretary of Sasbo, Mr. Tom Alexander, said the society had asked the Standard Bank and Barclays Bank for regular increases in pensions and improved salaries.

As a result of the breakdown in negotiations, Sasbo is to apply to the Minister of Labour, Mr. Viljoen, for a statutory conciliation board in terms of the Industrial Conciliation Act.

INFLATIONARY

Mr. Alexander said Sasbo called the meeting with employers after the expiry of a moratorium on salaries.

The demand made was for an increase of 10 per cent in salaries, and for a system of regular annual increases of pensions to counter the effects of inflation.

The banks claimed that increases in salaries would be inflationary in the present economic climate.

The society rejected this and submitted that numerous Government spokesmen had only appealed for moderation in wage demands and specifically stated they did not advocate a wage freeze.

Hospital plans will be shelved

Staff Reporter

THE EXECUTIVE Committee member in charge of hospitals, Mr. Kalie du Haas, said in Pretoria yesterday the province had decided to freeze all new capital expenditure on hospital development, but the new Johannesburg General Hospital would not be affected.

Addressing a meeting of Transvaal hospital superintendents and matrons, he made it clear that this step was being taken in accordance with the Government's drive to prune spending in the public sector.

Mr. De Haas said: "We cannot expect the private sector to pull in its belt if we don't do the same thing. For this reason only essential capital spending will take place next year.

"Many projects will be affected."

Details of projects to be shelved would be announced later. In terms of the decision, said Mr. De Haas, next year's new capital projects would be postponed. But this would not affect projects for which tenders had already been accepted.

Scope wins

DURBAN. — Republican Publications Limited yesterday successfully appealed in the Supreme Court in Durban against a decision by the Publications Control Board declaring the cover of the August 27 issue of the magazine, Scope, undesirable. The cover shows a woman wearing only the bottom half of a bikini posing so her breasts are covered by her arms. — Sapa.

Lebanese strike

BEIRUT. — Some 10 000 employees of the Lebanese Government went on strike yesterday over working conditions. The strike affected the public transport systems and water and power authorities. — Sapa-Reuter.

English Press accused of 'poisonous agitation'

POTCHEFSTROOM. — Mr. Viljoen, the Minister of Labour, last night issued a warning that the Government would not sit with folded hands while the future of the White people was being undermined by what he called "one of the most poisonous and irresponsible agitations that the English language Press had ever unleashed in South Africa".

In a speech to a party rally in Potchefstroom, the Minister said: "What we now find in the English Press is nothing other than a systematic and deliberate action, on the one hand to weaken the morale of our own people in their titanic struggle for survival, and on the other hand to feed the hostile world with ammunition that can be used against South Africa.

"To undermine a country's safety in such a scandalous way is nothing less than an act of treason."

Mr. Viljoen added: "Such a situation cannot be tolerated indefinitely.

"The Prime Minister has done his share to talk to the representatives of the whole Press in South Africa and to demonstrate the need not to carry on your political differences in such a way that you put your own country in danger.

"Freedom has never meant licence for the Nationalist and the real South African — and least of all the right to throw your own country to the wolves.

"And therefore this Government — as the Prime Minister has made clear — will not sit with folded hands while the future of our White people is undermined."

UNPATRIOTIC

What was so tragic was the docile way the United Party took part in this process of undoing South Africa.

"The SAP (the old name for the United Party) [illegible] leadership has neither the courage nor the will to counteract this unpatriotic offensive of the English Press. How could it? After all, the United Party is just a tool of the English Press, which is more and more taking upon itself the role of the Opposition," Mr. Viljoen said.

"We are now experiencing an unprecedented incitement of Non-Whites, and that of world opinion, against the National Party and its Government — in fact, against recognised institutions of authority — on a front which stretches from English clergymen to English-language university councils."

The Minister asked: "What drives these men to a dismantling of the institutions of order which must protect all our safety? What leads to the demand now for the repeal of the Terrorism Act?

"There is only one answer to these questions and that is that the anti-Nationalist forces are now beginning to see that they are going to lose their fight against nationalism and the Nationalist Party's multinational pattern for the country."

Viljoen: Racial peace vital

POTCHEFSTROOM. — South Africa's best means of defence remained the goodwill it could build up among Black people within and outside her borders, the Minister of Labour, Mr. Marais Viljoen, said last night.

Addressing a rally, Mr. Viljoen said however important military preparedness might be, the Republic's biggest task was and remained to get its race relations on such a level that "our safe existence cannot [illegible] be made impossible by outside forces.

"Purely for the sake of our own safe existence, the friendship with Black states is of the utmost importance for South Africa."

What was at present happening in Africa and the United Nations made this a most important issue for the country.

CHINESE

Mr. Viljoen referred to the Chinese-built railway line between Tanzania and Zambia [illegible] through which the Chinese communists [illegible] their penetration into Africa.

According to all [illegible] the communist Chinese [illegible] Africa to create a [illegible] for terrorism and [illegible] not only against White South Africa, but also against the black states of Africa.

[illegible] that things in South Africa headed for an [illegible] between Black and White. This [illegible] day, he said.

CLASH

Today it headed for a clash not between Black and White, but between Black and White on the one side and communists on the other.

That threat had been made worse by the admission to the UN of communist China. This admission had also [illegible] that self-interest counted most in international politics. — Sapa.

Embassy move on Australian detainee

STAFF REPORTER

THE AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY will try to ensure that Mr. Martin Ivor Cohen receives his legal rights while he is held in South Africa.

Mr. Cohen, a mathematician from Sydney, and two Britons, Mr. Quentin Jacobson and Mr. David Smith, an architect, are being detained at John Vorster Square under the Terrorism Act. They are being held incommunicado.

The three men are reported to have worked in Johannesburg as freelance photographers. An Australian Government spokesman in Canberra said yesterday the embassy would be asked to ensure that Cohen was treated in the same way as a South African citizen.

An Australian Embassy official said last night the embassy was still trying to establish facts about his case.

The British Consulate confirmed that Mr. Jacobson had been seen by a Consulate official on Thursday at John Vorster Square.

"We are at the moment trying to get permission to see Mr. David Smith — we realise this is a privilege and not a right," a spokesman said.

He confirmed that drug charges were pending against the three detainees.

Meanwhile, a Malay detainee, Mr. Haroon Mathews, and an Indian, Mr. M. H. Dinath were released in Johannesburg yesterday.

Mr. Mathews is a primary school teacher from Ensmont, and Mr. Dinath is a salesman at a supermarket. A close friend said they appeared to be fit.

Besides the two Britons and Australian now being detained under the Terrorism Act, there are 16 Indian men and women being held.

They have now been in detention from 11 to 13 days.

Three people have been released. One, Mr. Ahmed Timol, has died while in detention.

Satellite launch

NAIROBI. — A United States scientific satellite is due to be launched from an Italian launch platform at Formosa Bay off the Kenyan coast, next week. — Sapa-Reuter.

'MANY IN SA FEAR CHANGE'

OWN CORRESPONDENT

DURBAN. — The terms of the Terrorism Act were so far-reaching that almost anyone who spoke of change could be convicted under it, Professor Brian Johanson, professor of theology at the University of South Africa, said in Durban yesterday.

He was speaking at Founders' Day celebrations at the Durban Girls' College.

"To speak of change in South Africa is alarming to many of our fellow citizens. Dearly they would love the old order to remain, characterised by peace, respect and prosperity," said Professor Johanson.

He said it must speak volumes for the fragile structure of the South African society that it needed such desperate measures as the Terrorism Act to keep it intact.

"Our fear of change is grounded in the false fear that Black and White cannot co-exist.

"The fact is that we can and, the blunt fact is, we have to."

He asked: "What gave the Whites the right to suppose they were better rulers than Africans, in the light of the terrible list of 'repressive and cruel legislation we seem to need in order to keep ourselves in power'."

Professor Johanson said his political views were not important, but he felt both the National Party and the United Party needed to change so much they would no longer be recognisable.

EDUCATION

Another sphere in which radical change was needed was education.

"We dare not delay introducing compulsory education for all the children of our country, for to allow youngsters to grow up uneducated and, therefore, increasingly unemployable, is to place ourselves on a suicide course. Communism flourishes on hunger and ignorance. Education won't solve all problems, but it will solve many," said Prof. Johanson.

He said the young radicals of today were the hope of the future.

He said children would know, even if their parents did not, that the world was moving into a new era of human relations.

"They will scarcely know the world 'baasskap', or what it might have meant to their grandparents. 'Swart gevaar' will be an issue which only their parents can remember as a slogan of the forties.

"Even 'apartheid' and 'separate development' will fail to capture them as they work, walk, think and talk beside their fellow countrymen. The sooner we, who are parents, teachers and leaders, become [illegible] the better," said Prof. Johanson.

WEATHER 'MAIL'

MAP condenses Weather Bureau's forecast for today. Temperatures are Celsius maximums expected for each city.

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