



Part of the congregation who attended a service at St. Mary's Anglican Cathedral yesterday to express concern at the recent death of the young Indian detainee, Ahmed Timol.

No trace of two girls, student

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THERE WAS NO TRACE yesterday of the two American girls and an African student allegedly taken from a Soweto house on Sunday morning by three White plainclothes policemen.

Major A. L. de Klerk, commander of the Moroka Police Station said yesterday he had heard nothing about them.

"They were not arrested by any of my men and I have received no report about them," said Maj. De Klerk, in whose area the three were allegedly arrested.

The name of one of the girls is believed to be Deborah Marcus, an artist, and the other girl is known only as Judith. She is a sociologist. The African student taken with the girls is Mr. Sidom Sidelwane, also known as Tlhotsane. His brother, Mr. Bernard

Tlhotsane, said yesterday that one of the plainclothes policemen had told him that the family should not look for Mr. Sidelwane. They would hear from the police about him.

The policemen had said that there would be no bail for Mr. Sidelwane.

Mr. Sidelwane's aunt, Miss Leah Tlhotsane, said the first time the family had seen the American girls was on Sunday morning.

She was preparing tea for the girls and their friends when the policemen arrived and took the names and addresses of about six people in the house.

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An official of the United States Consulate-General said yesterday that the consulate had not been contacted officially in connection with the girls.

Another man who could not be traced yesterday was Mr. Boogie Monamudi, who was questioned and released, after visiting the Pritchard Street studio of the two British photographers Quentin and Henry Jacobson. The two were arrested last week and are still in detention.

Mr. Monamudi was not at work or at home. He is an actor. Yesterday one of the directors of a play in which Mr. Monamudi is involved, said he had not seen him for a number of days.

On Sunday, plainclothes policemen also called at his Rockville home looking for him, but he was not there.

Mr. Sidelwane was a friend of Mr. Monamudi. They were friends of the British photographer.

Yesterday Mr. Sidelwane's family said they did not know whether to look for him or not, in view of what the policemen had said.

On Sunday night, General Gideon Joubert, commissioner of police, said the girls had not been arrested by the Security Police. He said they might have been arrested for being in Soweto illegally, but could not confirm this.

100 sign protest on raids

Own Correspondent

PORT ELIZABETH. — More than 100 Grahamstown Cathedral parishioners signed a petition this week deploring the conduct of the Security Police.

The petition is to be submitted to the Minister of Justice, Mr. P. C. Pelser.

The petition reads: "We, the undersigned members of the Grahamstown Cathedral Parish, note that prominent members of our communion were visited by members of the special branch between 4 am and 5 am on Sunday October 24.

"We deplore the timing of those visits, particularly to men of God who were preparing for the Lord's Day services.

"If the special branch had legitimate business with such men as the Right Reverend Philip Russell, Bishop of Port Elizabeth, and the Reverend Ivan Weiss, this could, in our view, have been undertaken at realistic time of day without in any way impairing the effectiveness of their investigations.

"... As Christians and loyal South Africans, we cannot urge too strongly that all the facts surrounding these deplorable events be brought before an impartial commission of inquiry so that justice may not only be done but may, by all who have the well-being of our country at heart, be seen to be done."