

# Robins XI Blacks rebuked by Curry

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SOUTH AFRICA'S Blacks were not grateful to the two Blacks in the touring Derrick Robins XI, the deputy leader of the Coloured Labour Party, Mr. David Curry, said in Johannesburg yesterday.

Mr. Curry, who was addressing the Ahmed Timol Memorial meeting, said he wanted to say this to the two men publicly.

"We do not view your visit to South Africa with gratefulness.

"We will not be used as the White man's tool for crawling back into world sport — if he wants to crawl back into world sport let him crawl on his own underbelly, not on the backs of Blacks," Mr. Curry said to loud cheers and applause from the 400-strong multiracial audience in the University of the Witwatersrand's Great Hall.

● The two Black members of the Derrick Robins team are Younis Ahmed, Pakistan, and John Shepherd, West Indies.

# Ban stays despite meeting — Pelsler

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THE FACT that the Ahmed Timol memorial meeting went off without incident would make "no difference at all" to the ban on open air public meetings of a political nature in and around Johannesburg, the Minister of Justice, Mr. Peet Pelsler, said yesterday.

He said the meeting was "just the same as any other meeting of a political nature" and the ban would remain in force for two weeks from Saturday, October 20.

Mr. Pelsler asked the Rand Daily Mail what had happened at the Timol meeting.

When he was told that 400 people attended the meeting, without any "incident", he said: "Well, that wasn't a very big crowd, was it?"

About 400 Blacks and Whites gathered in the University of the Witwatersrand Great Hall yesterday to commemorate the second anniversary of the death of Mr. Timol, a Security Police detainee who fell to his death from the 10th floor of John Vorster Square police headquarters, Johannesburg.

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There were no police in evidence, and the meeting passed without incident.

It has been hastily organised by the Wits Students' Representative Council after a Government ban on public political meetings had put paid to the meeting plans of the Ahmed Timol Memorial Committee.

Miss Sheila Weinberg, a former political prisoner and secretary of the memorial committee, said messages had been received from the Natal Indian Congress, Mr. Alan Paton, Mr. Adam Small, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, Australian and Norwegian student unions, Nusas, Saso, the International Commission of Jurists, the United Nations Special Committee on Apartheid and others.