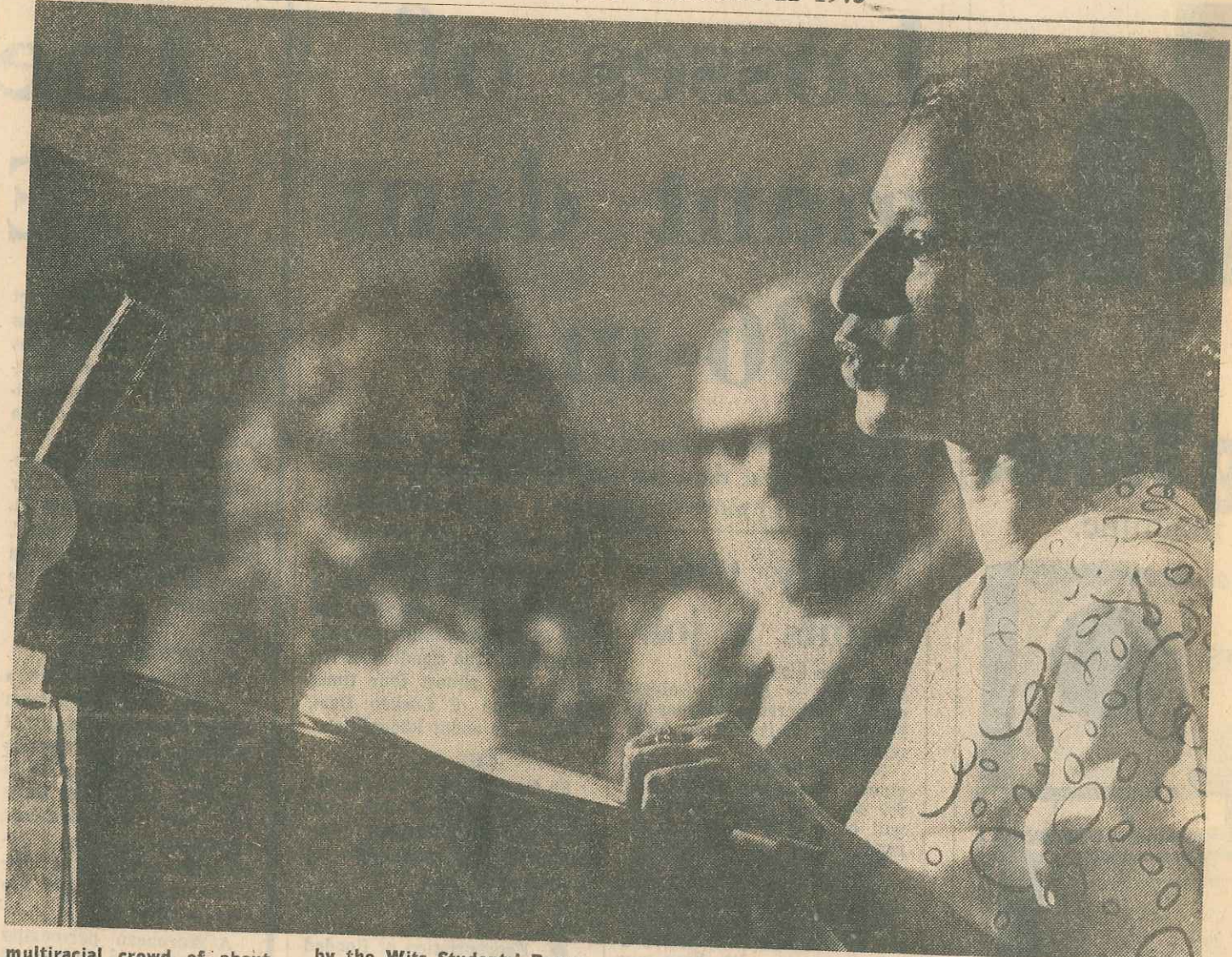


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A multiracial crowd of about 400 people yesterday commemorated the second anniversary of the death of Ahmed Timol, the security police detainee who fell to his death from the 10th floor of John Vorster Square.

The rally was held in the University of the Witwatersrand Great Hall, and was organised

by the Wits Students' Representative Council.

Mrs R Saloojee (above), wife of "Babla" Saloojee, the first to die in detention, told the meeting her husband died nine years ago.

"I was allowed to see him once while he was in detention. The second time I saw him he was a dead man.

"Since then 21 others have died. I hope that those who gave their lives in the struggle for freedom are not forgotten," she said.

Other speakers were Miss Sheila Weinberg, a former political prisoner and secretary of the Ahmed Timol Memorial committee; Mrs Helen Joseph, who was banned for five

years; the Rev D C Thompson, a former treason trialist who was banned for five years; Mr Mohammed Timol, brother of Ahmed and chairman of the Ahmed Timol Memorial; Mr J Bhoolia-Sita of the Lenasia Management Committee and son of the well-known pacifist, Nana-Sita; and Mr David Curry, deputy leader of the Labour Party.