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NOTES AND NEWS

Maritzburg Farmers' Resolutions

AT a meeting of the Maritzburg Farmers' Association held in Maritzburg last week two resolutions moved by the chairman Colonel F. E. Foxon were passed. The first one was to ask the Government to make the same conditions for acquiring land apply to Indians as apply at present to Natives. In other words to establish Asiatic Reserves as there are Native Reserves. Colonel Foxon informed his audience that every year £100,000 of immovable property was transferred from Europeans to Indians. The second resolution was that when new licences were issued to Indians in Natal they should only be given when the population of the locality in question was predominantly Indian. He suggested that where the majority of residents in an area with a radius of three miles from the site chosen was Indian then Indian licences should be granted. There were, he said, 1,000 new licences granted to Indians every year.

Colonel Foxon would have been wise in disclosing the source of the statistics quoted by him for we have never known Indians in Natal being granted a 1,000 new licences every year nor immovable property transferred from Europeans to Indians at the rate of £100,000 every year.

Indian Lady Doctor For Durban

Dr. Freni Manchershaw, L. R. O. P., M. R. O. S., D.T.M., who has recently arrived from England after completing her studies has settled down in Durban and has opened up practice from Monday, March 26, at 138 Queen Street. Her surgery telephone number is 2616 central and residence number is 5121. Dr. Freni Manchershaw is the first Indian lady doctor in Durban. We wish her every success.

The Agent's New Secretary

FROM the latest exchanges from India we learn that Mr. C. F. B. Williamson, I.C.S., Under Secretary Home Department, Government of India, has been appointed Secretary to the Agent of the Government of India in South Africa.

Colonization Committee

It is believed that the findings of the Committee on the Colonization question will be revealed in South Africa towards the end of the session.

Indian Opinion

FRIDAY, MARCH 30TH, 1934.

"THAT BAD LOT"

MR. P. B. SINGH who was specially appointed by the Colonial Born and Settlers' Indian Association to investigate into the condition of the repatriated Indians in India has returned to South Africa with pathetic tales of their woe. In 1930 Swami Bhawani Dayal and Pandit Benarsidas Chaturvedi had made investigations and their joint report of their sad condition was bad enough. Three and a half years later it is if anything perhaps worse. There is no doubt that the Government of India have not kept their word even with the Union Government. When the assisted emigration scheme was formed it was promised by the Government of India that those Indians that were sent out to India under the scheme would be looked after by them. From accounts received it would appear, however, that they are left to look after themselves in what is an utterly strange land to them. The Government of India are ever ready to shirk their responsibility by giving them a bonus of 10 or 15 Rupees per head. From Mr. Singh's report we find that there is a consultative committee appointed to work jointly with the Government to look after the needs of the repatriates but that committee too, at the head of which is Sir Deva Prasad Sarvadhikari, seems to have been fed up with the utter callousness of the Government officials. Mr. Mukerji an active member of the committee has done much for the repatriates through individual benefactors. What the Government has actually done is to just throw them in the dungeon from where they may not come out. The so-called protector is there to earn his salary. If the men ask him for work, he, it is reported, tells them to look for work themselves and when they have found it he would give a letter of recommendation. The mightier powers would not condescend to even to look at them. Mr. Bajpai calls them a bad lot but though he went specially for the purpose to Calcutta he was not able to spare the time even to give them a look up. The mighty Sir

Guznavi in the intoxication of his power had them mercilessly beaten by the Calcutta police for having come to him to tell him how they were suffering. He had no time even to see Mr. Singh who wanted merely to seek information.

We do not for a moment wish to suggest that there is not the other side to the question. We can quite imagine the people who have gone out of this country becoming almost intolerable and exhausting the patience even of Job. But that does not justify their being absolutely despised. Despised they are by their kith and kin. They find themselves in a land where they have no relatives, no friends. The climatic conditions are most trying as indeed they are to all those who are born in South Africa. They find they are penniless, workless, foodless. It occurs to them that it was the Government that induced them to go to India. Mr. Sastri told them to go if they were not comfortable here. Mr. Andrews told them to go rather than being miserable in this country. Have they not the right to ask then: "Where have you brought us, why don't you do something for our comfort?" Mr. Sastri when the tale of their woes was related to him quietly lets the cat out of the bag: "What are you crying over your twenty-thousand when more than a hundred and fifty million in this country do not know what it is to get a square meal even once a day." Indians in South Africa may well ask if circumstances in India were different to what they are at present when the Government of India Delegation agreed to the assisted emigration scheme? Or did they just mean to dump another few thousands to starve with the rest of the hundred and fifty million? If they did it was far from a generous act on their part.

But it will not do for us now to cry over spilt milk. Those who have already gone to India are now a burden of the Government and the people of India. Our duty is at this end. Rather than wasting our time and energy on colonisation and other trivial matters the right thing would be to utilise that time and energy in exploring ways and means whereby we could improve the lot of our people in this country and thus wean them from becoming a prey to this unholy assisted emigration scheme. In the meantime we would strongly advise all those who are intending to leave these shores under the assisted emigration scheme to desist from doing so for whatever their sufferings may be in this country their lot in India will be rags and starvation.

ARE THEIR HEARTS SO STONY?

WE are glad to note that Mahatma Gandhi's appeal through INDIAN OPINION for funds for the relief of the distressed people in Bihar has not fallen entirely on deaf ears. The response from the different parts of South Africa is slow but it is sure. From the list appearing in the adjoining column of those who have already donated towards the fund it would appear that the

amount has reached the figure of £1860 3 7. Though this figure appears big it of course does not reflect the collective effort on the part of the South African Indians. The sum of £500 has been given by the Parsee Rustomjee Trust and £100 by the J. B. Mehta Charity Trust for which the Indian community has no right to take any credit. Of all the three Provinces Indians in the Transvaal have done well. We heartily congratulate them and in particular the merchants in the Northern Districts of Transvaal who collected the sum of over £155 in a single day and further collection is proceeding. Indians in the Cape come next. They could however do much more. Apart from the Uitenhage Hindu Mandal £30 and Grahamstown Indian Burial Society £44 10s. we have heard of no further amounts. Port Elizabeth, East London, Kimberley and Capetown could surely be able to collect a good amount. We were surprised to notice the absence of a collection for Bihar in the list of the proposed annual contributions of the Cape Indian Congress. Our friends in Natal have been shamefully irresponsible to the Bihar appeal, if they do not bestir themselves at a time like this when will they? We notice that the Morning Market Association which is composed of the poorest class are staging a play in aid of Bihar. It is a gesture of their willingness to do their duty. We heartily congratulate them. But is the Natal Indian Congress, the various associations and all the merchants of Natal bankrupt both in money and in patriotism? Surely their hearts are not so stony that even the pathetic cry of Bihar will not melt them? If you do not do your duty now you will never do it.

Bihar Relief Fund

£1,860 Collected By South African Indians

The following amounts have been already collected in South Africa in aid of the Bihar Relief Fund in response to the appeal made by Mahatma Gandhi through INDIAN OPINION:—

	£	s.	d.
Parsee Rustomjee Trust	500	0	0
J. B. Mehta Charity Trust	100	0	0
Transvaal Indian Congress	171	8	0
Northern Transvaal Merchants	155	19	9
Transvaal Koli Hitwardhak Mandal	153	7	8
Zoutpanaburg Indian Congress	186	15	0
Transvaal Prajapati Association	108	12	0
Kachhiawadi Yuvuk Mandal (Job'burg)	54	18	0
Johannesburg Dhobi Mandal	52	10	0
Uitenhage Hindu Mandal	30	0	0
Grahamstown Indian Burial Society	44	10	0
Roodepoort Hindu Seva Samaj	32	10	9
Springs Sanatan Veda Dharma Sabha	21	0	0
Carlissonia Hindus	6	0	0
Delegoa Bay Hindus	295	15	7
Mr. P. S. Joshi	1	1	0
Mr. S. Roopasing	1	1	0
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	1,860	8	7

CURRENT TOPICS

COMMENTS AND CRITICISM

(BY BHUSSMASOOR)

Wanted—A Man

I give below the following which very aptly applies to the present position of the Indian community in South Africa. It needs no comments as it contains *multum in parvo* :—

We want man, the time demands man strong,
With heart, faith and will to sing our song;
The man whom the lust of office will not kill
The man who possesses opinions and will.
Whom the lure of office will not buy,
And who will not lye low and tell a lie.
The man who can stand before a demagogue,
And blow his trumpet through the official fog.
Damn treacherous flatterers without winking,
Not in private grudge but in duty and right thinking.
If such man have some accidental dust,
Mind not, it's not like dignified treashery of office lust,
And if such man is unfit for public function or table,
Care not, if he serve the man in the street, as he is able.

Johnson's Run After Burns

There has been a lot of newspaper controversy recently on Mottee Kid Singh's attitude over the challenge of Bud Gengan. The writers have all tried to make out that Bud has all along wanted to come to grip with this Demerara man and has been passed by. The claim is again made, because Mottee Singh might soon be leaving these shores. It would appear from the points raised in Bud's favour that he has some grounds for consideration and it will be a pity if Kid goes away without satisfying Bud, for it might then be said—remembering Maistry's Indian Gold-belt—the only active Indian who challenged Mottee Singh in South Africa was refused to be taken on. I hope a way is found to have this Indian match staged and not allow Jack Johnson to run after Tommy Burns.

Mozambique Bananas

It was stated that Mozambique exported bananas to the Union of a value of £75,000 to £80,000 a year, this figure is now challenged and the correct figure for 1932 is said to have been £37,000 and for 1933 would not far exceed £20,000. Looking at it from any point of view all this money could remain and circulate in the Union and the farmers in this country need protection. The Government could either by eliminating bananas from the Convention free list and include in its place another Mozambique product or eliminate a Union product. If this course, which is the fairest one possible is not adopted then the Government could put an embargo on bananas like they did on Mozambique citrus. The reason given was that there was canker in the citrus while there was none in the area administered by the State and bananas could be treated in the same way. This step if taken by the Government will not only benefit thousands of farmers but the money will circulate in the Union and benefit all

trade and profession and there would also be extra employment for all concerned. I hope it would not be thought that only the Indian farmers would thereby benefit. The above are some of the points on which the question might be tackled.

Settle Indians On The Land

In Faridpur and Fyzabad they have a scheme the object of which is to relieve unemployment. Young men who are trained in agriculture are given 15 (bighas) acres of rent free land and a loan of Ra. 200 or more for capital expenditure. This was started in 1928 as an experiment for three years and is still being continued. There are thousands of Indians in Natal who are unemployed and the Government instead of repatriating them opened up the vast tracts of land lying idle in the north and south coast could do a great deal in relieving the distress of these people. They would require no agricultural training but a small hut, rent free land and a loan for capital expenditure. There would be more produce, land cultivated and less of unemployment. They would become an asset to this country and the thousands of pounds given as bonus to Indians would remain and circulate in this country. If ever there is to be any colonisation it is of this nature and in the Union of South Africa is what the Indians, who have been here, would prefer. This suggestion might be given a trial by some of our well-to-do Indians who are the owners of thousands of acres of land on nominal rentals if they wish to see the Indians remain in South Africa.

Duty Of The State

I quite realise it is the duty of the State to protect and see to the wants of its citizens and hence it is up to the leaders to draw up a scheme and approach the Government on the question. It is no use shouting from every platform that Indians should not leave the Union but one must at the same time realise that they cannot live here on empty stomachs. And if Faridpur and Fyzabad could do it, Why not South Africa? I hope the colonisation inquiry committee's report is somewhat on these lines.

Babu Padam Singh's Return

I was pleased to meet Babu Padam Singh the other day who has returned to South Africa from India. He, it would be remembered was a victim to the repatriation scheme. He went to India with his family, leaving his two sons, P. R. Singh, the stage-star and P. B. Singh, the popular-sport in South Africa. Padam Babu is an intelligent and highly educated Hindi scholar and a pioneer worker of the Arya Samaj in Maritzburg. In days gone by the three aggressive Shatriyas Padam, Gai and Mackan Singh were factors not only in the Hindu but in the Indian community of Maritzburg. They gave quarters to none but were always reasonable in their arguments. This triumvirate also excelled in the art of wrestling and took keen interest in our communal affairs. Unfortunately the last named is gone to the world beyond and Natalis fortunate in having in its midst Gai Singh and Padam Singh!

THINGS IN GENERAL

Indian Women Trained In First-Aid

The St. John's Ambulance Association not only trains white women and girls in "First Aid to the Injured," "Home Nursing," "Home Hygiene," and "Invalid Cookery," both in Durban and Maritzburg but also the Coloured, Indian and Native women. Certificated Non-European members are already proving a valuable asset to the Brigade.

Liquor Laws Fifty Years Ago

With the heading "Indians and the Liquor Laws" the *Natal Mercury*, fifty years ago stated:—

At the Indian Society the other evening we are informed that a warm discussion took place as to the suggested interference of legislation with regard to the liquor laws as applied to Indians. O. Stephens led off in an exposition on the temperance question, pointed out the evil effects upon the Indians, and C. Moothookrishna took up the negative. Many present spoke on the subject, it being urged in the negative that the interference of the Government would degrade the Indian population in the eyes of the Natives.

President Of Appeal Court Receives Demand For Non-Payment Of Tax

Considerable amusement has been caused in the Department of Inland Revenue owing to the fact that Dr. Manfred Nathan, K.C., President of the Special Court of Income Tax Appeal, has received a demand for 17s. tax, with a notification that if he does not pay within a stipulated period he will be proceeded against without further notice. The amount, said Dr. Nathan to a pressman is in fact not due. "Nevertheless it is an indication of the vigilance of the Department."

Greytown Indian School

Since the establishment of the Greytown Government Indian School in 1929, there have been six transfers of teachers. Despite this, the school has maintained 100% passes in the standard six examination for the past three years. The pupils who got through the examination (Continuation Certificate) last year were:— Mackenje Vanmare, Essop Adam, Sargoodia Nathan and one external student Yusuf Mooli.

Transfer To York Road

Mr. L. B. David who has been teaching at the Greytown Indian School since October, 1929, has been transferred to the York Road Government School, Maritzburg. Mr. David was a fine organiser of sports, and it was through his efforts that the school won the League Cup twice in succession. He has also held the secretary's post of the Greytown Football Association for one year. Mr. David was the recipient of some fine presents both from the Headmaster and Staff and the children of the school. The Headmaster and staff wished him every success in his new sphere of activities. Mr. Tommy Sabatain of Estcourt has filled the vacancy caused by Mr. David.

Proposed Beer Hall In Maritzburg

In connection with the Beer Hall proposed to be erected in Retief Street by the Maritzburg Town Council which has caused a great deal of discontentment in the Indian and the Coloured communities the Council after lengthy discussion has decided to receive deputations from those bodies who have already applied, at its next ordinary meeting on April 10. Application for the reception of deputations have been made by the Natal Indian Congress and the Coloured Welfare Association.

Death Of Senator Reitz

The death occurred in Capetown at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning at the age of 90 of Senator Francis William Reitz, formerly President of the Orange Free State.

Union Butter Exported

252,000lb. of South African butter has been exported to London. Consequently there is a shortage of butter locally and people here have to pay 2d. extra.

Kenya Maize

Another 1,000 tons of Kenya maize arrived at Durban by the Tairea. The last instalment is due by the Llandoverly Castle, which arrived on April 2. The total amount to be landed at Durban will be about 10,000 tons.

Restore German Colonies

Lord Rothermere, a recent convert to Fascism, has opened a campaign in *The Daily Mail* London, to restore German Colonies. He suggests that Britain should set an example by the return of the mandates for Tanganyika, the Cameroons and Togoland to the League for transference to Germany.

Struck Off The Roll

In the Supreme Court of the Cape Province the Judge-President, Mr. Justice Gardiner, delivered judgement on the application of the Law Society to have Arthur James Solomon struck off the rolls. After traversing the facts of the case, the Judge-President stated that the application would be granted, with costs, and the respondent was ordered forthwith to deliver his certificates to the Registrar. Mr. Justice Van Zyl concurred.—

Lord Selborne Asks A Question

The Times publishes the following letter from Lord Selborne:

"With reference to the amendments to the Constitution of the Union of South Africa I shall be glad if you or one of your readers can enlighten me on the following point: Any South African subject of his Majesty, coming to take up domicile in England is from the moment of landing in exactly the same position as any Englishman in respect to the opportunity of becoming a Parliamentary voter or being elected to Parliament at Westminster and, of course, no one dreams of changing this.

"Similarly, at present any English subject of his Majesty going to take up domicile in South Africa

is, from the moment of landing, in exactly the same position as the Afrikaner in respect to getting on the electoral roll or being elected to Parliament at Capetown, but will this still be the case after the Constitution of the Union of South Africa has been amended, as it is apparently proposed?"

Shri Gopallal Hindu Temple

The Shri Rannawmi Festival was celebrated at the above temple (Verulam) on Sunday March 24 at 12 noon. In the evening a dancing competition was held for Mr. S. R. Maharaj's floating trophy which resulted in a victory for the Rosburgh Dramatic Co. of South Coast Junction. Refreshments were also provided by the Temple Committee who is to be congratulated for bringing the function to a success.

Tonga Indians Motel

The Administrator in Executive Council of the Natal Provincial Council has drawn up a set of health regulations for the area under the jurisdiction of the Tongaat Health Committee. They are published in the issue of the *Natal Provincial Gazette*, dated March 22.

Prime Minister's New Residence

According to *Die Burger* the Government intends to build a new residence for the Prime Minister at Pretoria at a cost of £25,000. At present the Prime Minister's Pretoria residence is one of a group houses on the South aspect of Meintjies Kop near the residence of the Governor-General. The Prime Minister's residence is considered to be too small for receptions and other functions and the Government has decided to erect a new residence next to the Governor-General's with a view to the North to Magaliesberg and to the South over the City. The building plans are not yet ready.

Reformatories Transferred To Education Department

Reformatories and certified hostels are no longer to be under the control of the Department of Prisons, but will in future be administered by the Union Department of Education. It is unlikely that any changes will be made in the system at present followed in reformatories and hostels for at least a year, during which time Education Department experts will gain experience of the conditions and will make investigations as to the directions in which a change of policy might be beneficial. Modern educational methods of dealing with the inmates are practically certain to follow the transfer of the control of these institutions to the Education Department, says a Reuter's message from Pretoria.

Helping National Industries

With the object of reviving national industries and conserving financial resources the Afghan Government has prohibited the import of numerous articles, including European and Persian carpets, rugs, shawls, cloth and furniture. The Government has also adopted a vast road construction programme linking the capital (Kabul) with all parts of the country.

Tit Bits From The Motherland

Appalling Conditions Of Child Marriage

Startling figures given with regard to child marriage show that the Child Marriage Restraint Act, passed in 1929, is, in practice, virtually a dead letter. The number of child wives under 15 in 1921 was 8,500,000, in 1931, 12,250,000 a 44 per cent. increase as compared with the 10 per cent. increase in population. During the last 10 years the population of India has increased by 10 per cent. but the men outnumber the women by 10,750,000, owing chiefly to the deaths of young girls and women in child-birth, and the greater mortality, especially among purdah women, from tuberculosis.

Illiteracy In India

For every 1,000 persons over the age of five, 156 males and 26 females alone are literate, among these women, out of every 100 who go to school only about 10 stay long enough to become permanently literate.

Indian Training As Aerodrome Officer

Mr. Sures C. Sen of the Calcutta University has just completed a course of training as Aerodrome Officer at the Croydon air-port and has left for Holland for further training at Schiphol, under the Royal Dutch Air Lines. Mr. Sen has worked in ten different branches at Croydon, including control, wireless and meteorology. He has also been given special facilities by the Imperial Airways to study their methods of traffic work. Previously, he studied aeronautical research at the Munich University and received practical training at the Berlin and Munich airports of the Lufthansa Combi. He has obtained the professional diploma of the Royal Aeronautical Society. Mr. Sen proposes to study French Air system at Le Bourget, before leaving for India.

Back For Rest Cure

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, who was recently arrested and sentenced to two years imprisonment, before leaving Anand Bhawan, his place of residence, in police custody for Calcutta, sent the following messages:—

To Mahatma Gandhi:— "Going back for rest cure, Calcutta this time. Love and all good wishes Jawahar."

To Babu Rajendra Prasad:— "Sorry cannot help you any more in relief work. Wish you and your colleagues all success in noble endeavour. May Bihar emerge victorious and triumphant from this ordeal."

To his daughter Indira at Bombay— "I am going back to my other home for a while. All my love and good wishes. Cheerio. Papa."

Muslim Governors.

With the death of Sir P. C. Mitter, member of the Executive Council in Bengal, there will be three Muslims acting simultaneously as governors in three Provinces. Sir Mahomed Usman becomes Governor of Madras when Sir George Stanley goes to Simla to act in the place of Lord Willingdon as Viceroy. Sir Sikandar Hayat Khan becomes Governor of the

Punjab for a second time when Sir Herbert Emerson proceeds home on leave due to Lady Emerson's illness. In Bengal, Sir A. K. Ghoshnavi will become Governor in summer, when Sir John Anderson will proceed on four months' leave. The Nawab of Chattrhari has already acted twice as Governor in the United Provinces.

"Want Tons Of Money"

Pandit Malaviyaji issues the following appeal:—

"I once more appeal to every one to share a bit of sorrow and suffering of Bihar in her hour of distress. The cry of Bihar is piercing my heart. I want tons of money to be sent immediately for the relief of men, women, and children and the speechless cows and cattles in Bihar."

A Mahant's Vow Fulfilled.

Mahant Sitaramdass of Naisk-Panchwati took a vow to get twelve temples to be opened for the Harijans at the occasion of the last birthday celebration of Mahatma Gandhi when he was in Dhulia jail with the leaders. After coming out from the jail he is propagating the cult of Gandhism for the upliftment of Harijans and his vow of getting twelve temples opened has been fulfilled.

Asiatic Nations Must Stand Together

Mr. K. F. Nariman has issued the following appeal:—

May we appeal to the wealthy Japanese Bankers, Merchants, and traders in the City respond as spontaneously and generously to-day to the wail of afflicted Bihar, as India in general and Bombay in particular had responded to the Japanese appeal for help about ten years ago, during a similar calamity of Earthquake in Japan.

Asiatic Nations should stand by each other in weal and woe and Japan as the most progressive and prosperous Asiatic country is expected to give a lead in the right direction. A sympathetic and generous move on an occasion like this would help to cement the bond of friendship between two nations more than those artificial pacts and official treaties.

Indians are most appreciative and responsive and a good turn in good time will never be forgotten. Let the Japanese contribution be worthy of her own greatness and equal to the dire necessities of Bihar.

Gold from India

Since England went off the gold standard she has exhausted £134,044,911 of India gold.

In Aid Of Bihar Earthquake

The Gyaan Prachar Natak Mandal will stage Khooni Haar, Sanguinary Necklace, (written by B. Tulsiram) under the joint auspices of the Cato Manor Garden Hindu Association and Early Morning and Market Squatters' Association on Saturday, 14th April, 1934, at the Victoria Picture Palace, Victoria Street, Durban, commencing immediately after the Bio, in aid of the victims of the earthquake in Bihar in response to the appeal by Mahatma Gandhi. This play is full of tragedy, mirth, humour, and love. Each cast is entrusted to the Mandal's stage hands, who are sacrificing themselves for the cause of communal service and are prepared to give their best voluntarily.

Tickets are obtainable at Messrs. Kapitan's Balcony Tea Rooms, T. Rughubur and Singh's Mutton Market, (Indian Market), Victoria Tea Rooms (Brook Street), Hind Vijay Tea Room, Grey Street Durban, Plan at Singh's Cafe, Grey Street, for Reserve Seats only.

Durban's New Licensing Officer Town Clerk's Suggestions

Who will succeed Colonel C. M. J. Molyneux as Durban's Licensing Officer?

This important question was to have been discussed by the General Purposes Committee of the Durban Town Council. In a memorandum submitted for the Committee's consideration the Town Clerk, Mr. A. O. Jones, states that before discussing the appointment of someone to take Colonel Molyneux's place it might be well for the three following alternative courses to be considered:

To appoint a successor to Colonel Molyneux on the same terms, but I suggest with a larger salary.

To appoint a young lawyer to the position, but he would have to learn his revenue work though well able to cope with the legal side of the job. It might be well in this case to increase the pay of Mr. Lagerwall, the Chief Clerk in the office, who knows all the ins and outs of the work, and who would have to coach the lawyer.

To seek legislative powers to appoint a small Licensing Committee to deal with all new applications, leaving all routine work of renewals, revenue collection and the like to the licensing officer, who would act as clerk to the committee which would meet for a few days each month. A disadvantage of this plan would be its cost, but if legislative power be sought it should include power to charge applicants with some of the cost of the Committee.

"I have termed this new body a committee to avoid confusion with the Appeal Board which the Council is now seeking power to appoint, consisting of five Town Councillors.

"The power of the Council to give any direction or instructions to the Licensing Officer is limited to matters which affect places of entertainment. To realise the full extent of the power of the Licensing Officer once he is appointed by the Council, one has to refer to the Dealers Act of 1897, which lays down that a licensing officer shall not issue a licence to anyone whose premises are unfit or who cannot keep books in English. This latter provision by the Interpretation of Statutes Act now must be taken to mean one of the official languages of the Union. In all other cases his discretion is uncontrolled and absolute.

"The Council may consider that Colonel Molyneux's successor would be the better for some legal knowledge, for many legal questions now arise, and the duties of the licensing officer daily become more arduous."

PLIGHT OF REPATRIATES IN INDIA

EAGER TO RETURN TO SOUTH AFRICA

GOVERNMENT APATHETIC

MR. P. B. SINGH TELLS WOEFUL TALE

MR. P. B. SINGH who was appointed by the Colonial Born and Settlers' Indian Association to investigate into the conditions of Indian repatriates in India has returned to South Africa with a very sad tale. A meeting was held last Sunday at the Hindu Tamil Institute, Cross Street, Durban, under the auspices of the Association to hear Mr. P. B. Singh. The meeting was fixed for 2-30 p.m. but Pandit Mehta Jaimini's lecture was advertised by the Young Men's Vedic Society at the same time and in the same premises and it was decided to postpone Mr. Singh's meeting until after the lecture.

At 4-30 p.m. the hall was fully packed with those who were interested to hear Mr. Singh. Advocate A. Christopher in his opening remarks from the chair welcomed Mr. P. B. Singh and presented him with a bouquet.

Mr. Singh then rose to speak and addressed the gathering for nearly two hours. He was listened to by the audience with rapt attention. The story of the repatriates was most pathetic and at times the hearers were much moved by the description given so vividly by Mr. Singh.

"That Bad Lot"

The first person he saw, said Mr. Singh, was Mr. Bajpai in Delhi. When I explained to him the purpose of my visit Mr. Bajpai at once said "Oh! that bad lot. They deserve no help from the Government. The Government has done everything possible for them but they have put every obstacle in the way of the special officer appointed for them." Mr. Bajpai was, however, good enough, said Mr. Singh, to give a letter of introduction to the officer in charge to facilitate matters for Mr. Singh.

From Delhi Mr. Singh went to Calcutta where he had some bitter experiences not only about the conditions of the repatriates but of officialdom in India. Mr. Singh saw Sir Deva Prasad Sarvadhikari who is the President of the Consultative Committee in connection with repatriated Indians, who was very sympathetic and said he had fallen out with the Government owing to the repatriation scheme. Mr. Singh also met Mr. A. K. Mukerjee who was the secretary of the Y.M.C.A. in Calcutta and a very active member of the Consultative Committee and had

done everything possible for the comfort of the repatriates among whom he had become very popular. Mr. Mukerjee was a friend of the repatriates, Mr. Singh said, and had done everything for their needs and comfort through private benefactors until he could do no more. "Mr. Mukerjee took me out to a camp at Akra a suburb of Calcutta where all the repatriates are herded. I can never forget the sight I saw there. The once sturdy and healthy South African Indians were to be seen there in tattered garments and half starved and with sores on their bodies. Even the women were not properly clothed. They were living in malaria infested places

in sheds about five feet high with a grass roof and a grass wall on one side with three sides exposed to all kinds of weather. These hovels were not fit even for animals to live in." Their water supply was obtained from a standing pool. The water was greenish hued and unfit for human consumption." On one occasion the repatriates had to remain in knee-deep water for twenty-four hours before they could be housed in a benevolent home by the efforts of Mr. Mukerji and other private individuals.

Officialdom

Mr. Singh pointed out that apart from the help given through private benefactors the Government had done practically nothing to relieve the distress of these poor people for whom nothing was favourable in the Motherland. In their own village they were welcomed so long as they had money. They were otherwise outcastes. They were duped by others because they were strangers and when they found themselves penniless and stranded they had all the trouble imaginable given them by the Government officials. They dare not voice even their protest. Mr. Singh quoted an instance of what happened once when a few hundred actually made their way to the residence of Sir A. K. Ghaznavi, member of the Bengal Legislative Council, who was in charge of the department relating to returned emigrants. He had them enclosed in his compound and telephoned for the police who arrived in full force and severely belaboured them with the lathi charge—men, women and children, and in addition many of them were put into prison.



Mr. P. B. Singh

Another interesting incident in connection with Sir A. K. Ghaznavi related by Mr. Singh was that when he phoned the Hon. Member to ask him if he would be pleased to grant an interview to Mr. Singh the latter was informed by the person speaking on the phone that Sir Ghaznavi had an important meeting to attend at noon and it would not be possible for him to see the Hon. Member. Mr. Singh in reply said he would not mind going over directly on at 9 a.m. to have a short interview. Mr. Singh said he was told that in that case he would be able to see the Hon. Member, and he immediately took a taxi and went three miles out to Sir Ghaznavi's residence. On presenting his card, the messenger very apologetically said the *Sahib* was preparing to go out and would not see him. When Mr. Singh pointed out that he had made an appointment by phone he was asked to just wait outside and could speak to the *Sahib* when he came out. As Sir Ghaznavi walked out Mr. Singh drew towards him politely greeting him. Sir Ghaznavi responded with a grunt: "What do you want?" Mr. Singh said, when he explained that he had made an appointment by phone the quick retort came: "Yes well what do you want to see me about?" On hearing the object of Mr. Singh's visit Sir Ghaznavi refused to see him unless he asked for an appointment in writing. When I explained that I had to leave for Madras the following evening and could come at any time that would suit the Hon. Member I was curtly told by the Hon. Member: "Well that's not my business if you have to go to Madras. You can't see me at your time." With this experience of Indian officialdom Mr. Singh left for Madras without being able to see the busy *Sahib*.

Mr. Singh related another instance of another high official who was also connected with the Indian repatriates and who was not very popular among them. Mr. Singh sought an appointment with him by phone and when the object of the interview was revealed the reply was given very politely that he was indisposed and could not be seen for a few days. When Mr. Singh said he would not keep him more than ten minutes he was told very politely again that it would not be possible to see him but could give him any information he sought on the phone. Mr. Singh expressed his regret for the indisposition of the said official and said he would not in that case disturb him. "Needless to say," Mr. Singh said, "that the very same official was seen not very long after busy collecting his fat fees."

Another instance Mr. Singh quoted was as follows:—

Mr. G. S. Bajpai was to visit the Camp at Akra one Sunday morning at 7.45 a.m. when he was to meet the Consultative Committee. The repatriates were very pleased when they heard of Mr. Bajpai's impending visit and in their enthusiasm to accord him a good welcome they all rose at very early hour in the morning and took great pains to clean up the place and clothed themselves with their Sunday clothes. The members of the Consultative Committee were also present. The appointed hour came and passed but there was no Mr. Bajpai on the scene. They waited and waited and waited till noon when a word was sent that it would not be possible for Mr. Bajpai to visit Akra.

Mr. Singh went on further with his interesting though painful story and related how some who knew Mr. Singh playing soccer in Natal came up to him and how pathetically they described their woes and expressed their eagerness to return to South Africa.

In Madras

Mr. Singh also met Pundit Benarasi Das Chaturvedi who has been working for years for the cause of overseas Indians. Pundit Benarasi Das knew all about the sufferings of the repatriates and had cases which would pierce the stoniest heart. He said he was more than ever convinced that repatriation must stop and the community should do everything to prevent any further Indians leaving for India.

From Cooutta Mr. Singh went to Madras. He said the conditions of repatriates was a little better in Madras than in Calcutta, which he said, was due to the more sympathetic treatment towards the repatriates by the Madras Government.

In Madras, said Mr. Singh, he met a crowd of repatriates at the bank of the river where they were supposed to be living in all weathers. There too the only crying appeal was to do something to send them back to the Colonies. Mr. Singh paid a glowing tribute to Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu, editor of *Tamil Nadu* who has formed a Repatriated South African Indian Association and is doing everything in his power as president of that Association to help the repatriates. Mr. Singh said he had the pleasure of seeing in Madras also Mr. Sastri and Sir K. V. Reddi. Mr. Sastri was deeply moved with the sufferings of the repatriates but said what was the use of crying over the sufferings of twenty thousand when India had more than 150 million people who did not know what it was to have a square meal. Sir Kurma agreed that repatriation ought to be stopped but stressed on the question of unity among the community.

"I had the good fortune" said Mr. Singh, "of paying my respects to Mahatma Gandhi. He is the busiest man I have seen and those who say that Mahatmaji is losing his influence over the masses do not know what they are talking about. Mahatma Gandhi has at present engaged himself entirely to the removal of untouchability and refuses to see anyone who wish to discuss any other question but that. He had however favoured me with twenty minutes. Mahatmaji was visibly moved when he heard the very sad tale of the repatriates but said he could do nothing to help them. He was delighted to hear that a football team from India was to visit South Africa and said he would be glad to hear that the South African team had beaten the Indian team. Asked for a remedy for the repatriates Mahatma Gandhi said the remedy was not in India but at the other end. You must stop a single Indian being repatriated."

On his return to Bombay Mr. Singh said he had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Sarojini Naidu who conveyed her warmest greetings to the Indian community of South Africa and said "your only hope and security lie in unity of purpose and action."

Mr. Singh concluded with an eloquent appeal to his brethren not to leave these shores no matter how acute their sufferings here may be, for they will be worse if they go to India. He appealed

also to the Union Government in the name of humanity to stop luring Indians to leave this country to go to a land which is strange to them in every respects and climatically wholly unsuitable.

The chairman congratulated Mr. Singh on his successful mission and thanked him on behalf of the Association for the trouble he had taken in investigating into the conditions of the repatriates. The Association, he said, had reason to be proud of Mr. Singh who had rendered his services free of charge for the Association which had sent him only a paltry sum of £15 which was barely enough to defray his travelling expences. The meeting terminated at 6-30 p.m.

SPORTING NEWS

(BY SPORTSMAN)

Boxing

Next Week's Tournament

Kid Singh To Meet Manie Dixon

In view of the fact that Kid Singh has already beaten four S. African champions, the promoters, Messrs. Muhomed and Panday, have been at their wits end in securing a match for him the last fight in S. Africa. They have, however, pitted Manie Dixon against the overseas champion and judging from reports which are current about the local lad it seems Kid will encounter tough opposition. The fight will be over 12-3 min. rounds. The following is an epitome of preliminary bouts:-

1. Willie Fegus vs. O. Joneskey 12 2min rounds, 2. L. Veeron vs. Joe. Gains 10-3 rounds, 3. Joe Aron vs. Dave Shade 6-3 rounds, 4. Tiger Shaik vs. Kid Vengan 4-3 rounds. The tournament is billed for Saturday night, 7th April and as usual the venue will be the Durban Town Hall.

Mottee Kid Singh

To Make His Final Bow

After the tournament on Saturday, 7th April, Mottee Kid Singh's days in Durban will be numbered. In the course of an interview he intimated that he had already booked to leave Durban, per the *Balmoral Castle*, on April 12th. He leaves Durban for England. He will then tour France on a contract, finally leaving for his home in British Guiana. The duration of Kid Singh's original contract was three months. Further extensions have, however, prolonged his sojourn in this country to 10 months. For Kid Singh it has evidently passed at a glance; for there is no doubt that Kid has immensely enjoyed his stay in sunny South Africa. One feels that when he leaves those shores he will carry back many happy recollections of his visit to South Africa.

Kid Singh has also expressed his intention of returning to South Africa in about a year's time. He will then engage in a number of bouts with South Africans, if such be available, and thereafter, accompanied by his manager, Mr. V. M. Maistry, will make a tour of India. In the interim, South African pugilists who are anxious to meet Kid on his return, might get in touch with his South African manager, Mr. V. M. Maistry.

Kid Singh leaves South Africa with a clean sheet. The following is a brief resume of his contests in this

country:- Beat George Frenchman K. O. 4th round, beat Sonny Thomas K.O. 3rd round, beat Arthur Cupido Points 12 rounds, beat Peter Dunker K.O. 1st round, beat Arthur Cupido Points 12 rounds.

Kid makes his final bow against Manie Dixon on April 7 and though the local pugilist may have a tough opponent, it is most improbable, in view of his form, that he will suffer a reverse.

As Mottee Kid Singh leaves South Africa, Joca sportsmen in general and boxing fans in particular wish him *bon voyage* and a most prosperous future.

Farewell Reception

In order to afford local sportsmen the opportunity of wishing Kid Singh *au revoir* Kid Singh's manager, Mr. Maistry, is arranging a farewell reception at his residence on Sunday afternoon, 8th April.

Kid Singh—Bud Gengan Controversy

Bud Gengan's recent challenge to fight Kid Singh at catch weights has given rise to a considerable controversy in sporting circles. Kid Singh who is in the featherweight class has signified his willingness to meet Bud and is even willing to concede his opponent a few pounds; but Bud apparently is not disposed to come down to 9st. 7lbs. In view of this, therefore, it seems most unlikely that they will meet before Kid leaves. "Manfred" writing in the *Natal Advertiser* closes the controversy by pointing out preposterousness of the local pugilist's challenge to fight Kid at catch weights. "We are not desirous of reopening the sore but we certainly do hope no aspersions will be made against either pugilists, particularly the overseas visitor for declining the contest on the conditions stipulated in the challenge." As "Manfred" points out, a contest between a featherweight boxer and a welter weight boxer would in the strictest sense not be a contest at all.

The Maritzburg boxing tourney billed to take place on the 17th will take place this Saturday, 31st March. Among many bouts the main fight will be between Jugdeep Morris (P. M. Burg) and Young Pottier (Durban).

Cricket In The City

Europeans vs. Indians

A friendly cricket match, the second of its kind, was played on Sunday March 25, at the Indian Sport's Ground, Maritzburg between a European side known as Normads eleven and Indian side known as Dr. M. R. Peters eleven.

The Europeans in their first innings were all out for 189 runs; the Indians in their first innings compiled 156 runs, thus leading by 17 runs.

The Europeans went in to bat in their second innings and collected 108 runs for the loss of six wickets when stumps were drawn.

The top scorers were S. Suttie 37, V. R. Court 25 and R. McDonald 25; and on the Indians side L. Bhayat 29 and V. Dayanand 26.

The teams were:-

Europeans (Normads XI); S. Suttie, S. Penny, V. R. Court, R. McDonald, D. Dowling, R. Withey, I. Robertson, W. Jackson, M. Haveman, G. Watson, and S. Acutt. Indians (Dr. M. R. Peters XI); Dr. M. R. Peters, K. Mootho, K. Maslamoney, P. Nalliah, V. C. Dayanand, V. D. Padayachee, X. S. Cassimjee, L. Bayat, I. S. Cassimjee, R. G. Naidoo, Tedd Chetty.

The annual cricket intertown between the City and Durban will take place on Sunday and Monday, 1st and 2nd April at Curries' Fountain. Play commences at 10 a.m. each day.

At Estcourt

A very interesting match took place at Estcourt, on last Sunday between the Hotspurs Cricket Club and the Pirates Cricket Club in the second round for Abdoorahaman's Trophy.

Hotspurs batted first, and were all out for 49 runs, Hotspurs in their second encounter were only able to compile 15 runs due to the deadly bowling of James David who captured 8 wickets for 1 run in 7 overs. Pirates wiped off the deficit by losing 1 wicket.

Soccer

M. C. I. F. Association

(Sunday League)

The annual general meeting of the Maritzburg County Indian Football Association, which took place at the Tamil Protective Association Hall, Pentrich. Mr. A. K. Beeran, the Secretary in presenting his report, commented on the successful season of the Association. During the past season the "A" Division competed for V. Johnson's and B. Maharaj's trophy, while the "B" Division competed for B. K. Singh's and M. Nadasen's trophy. The Pentrich School "A" showed their capability in winning one of the Trophy's for two years in succession. The Blue Bells were the champions of the "B" Division. The Association showed a credit balance of £7 5s. 2d. The following officials were elected for the ensuing year:— Patron: Mr. D. N. Bhoola. President: Mr. A. G. Pillay (re-elected). Vice Presidents of the affiliated Clubs: Secretary: Mr. R. Ragwan. Treasurer: Mr. R. Dookran (re-elected). Auditor: Mr. S. David. Fixture and ground committee: Messrs. R. Dookran, H. Moothal and A. K. Beeran. Protest and Misconduct Committee: The Vice President, Selection Committee Senior: Messrs. A. G. Pillay, S. David, and R. Dookran.

Juniors, Selection Committee: Messrs. B. Chetty, M. S. James, and R. Dookran. Delegates to the N. I. F. A. Messrs. A. G. Chetty and R. Dookran.

As an appreciation of the untiring services an honorarium was voted to the Secretary, Mr. A. K. Beeran

Pentrich Stars F.C.

At the fifth annual general meeting of the Pentrich Stars Football Club, (Sunday League) which took place at the T. P. A. School, Hall, recently the following officials were elected for the ensuing year:—

Patron: Mr. Harry Chellen, President: Mr. Alfred N. Maree. Vice President: Messrs. Frank Doorsamy, V. C. Phillips, L. K. Naiker, R. Gopaul, M. Peter, Willie Kistnasamy, V. C. James, Arthur Moeamy, and H. R. Govender. Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. M. S. James. Assistant Secretary: V. Sundrum, Manager: Mr. M. Francis Pillay, Captain Snr. V. M. Peter. Vice Captain: M. N. Harry. Captain Jnr. V. S. Pillay. Vice Captain: A. Joseph. Delegates to the M. C. I. F. A.: Messrs. V. S. Pillay, M. S. James, and Johannes.

Maritzburg Soccer

ELECTION OF OFFICIALS

At a meeting of the Maritzburg Districts Indian Football Association held recently the following were elected as officials for the ensuing year. Patron: Mr. P. H. Taylor

(re-elected); President: Mr. S. Muthray, Hon. Life Vice-Presidents: as hitherto; Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. P. M. Manuel. Delegates to N. I. F. A. and M. I. S. A.: Messrs. S. Muthray, D. Anthony, and R. P. Naidoo; Fixture and Ground Committee: Messrs. S. Muthray, V. Arumugam, and P. M. Manuel; Senior Selection Committee: Messrs. S. Muthray, V. Arumugam and V. B. Gopaul; Junior and Juvenile Selection Committee: Dr. M. R. Peters, Messrs. M. D. Pillay and R. Kristnasamy; Nominee on Natal Executive: Mr. S. Muthray; Age limit sub-Committee: Messrs. R. A. Moodley, S. Muthray, and R. Manicum.

Mooi River Springboks

The 7th annual general meeting of the Mooi River Springbok's Indian Football Club, which was held at the residence of Mr. C. K. David, on Saturday March 17. There was a large number of Sportsmen present. Mr. Jack Budhoo, was in the chair, the secretary referred in his report to the discouraging setback of the last season, which however later proved the clubs ability to fight to the end, and maintained a position at the final of the Haffajee's Cup, when they were beaten by the Royals of Estcourt.

The secretary showed a credit balance of 7/-.

The following officers were elected for the coming season:— Patron: Messrs. Edgar Rohde (re-elected) I. M. Haffajee and Haji Mahomed. President: Mr. J. M. Thangalan. Vice President: Messrs. Jack Boodho, R. Cambell, M. Francis, J. Serod, and S. Singh. Captain: A. S. Moodley, (re-elected), Vice Captain: D. Thungalan. Secretary: Essop Nubeo (Jnr). Assistant Secretary: P. M. Singh. Treasurer: S. Moodley. Auditor: M. V. Maree. Selection Committee: Messrs. E. Kolia, M. V. Maree, Captain, Secretary, and M. Francis. Delegates to the Weenen County League: Mr. I. M. Haffajee (re-elected).

Dundee Pirates F. C.

The ninth annual general meeting of the Pirates Football Club, Dundee, was held on March 20. The following officials were elected for the ensuing year:— Patrons: Messrs. O. V. Bob, Moosa Ayob, K. V. Joseph, J. Ahmed, President: Mr. S. E. Keshwar. (re-elected.) Vice Presidents: Messrs. P. R. Narandas, N. O. Naidoo, N. V. Morar, Bob Narandas, and A. M. Patel. Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: D. Doorsamy (re-elected). Captain: S. Chetty, Vice Captain: H. Ramperad. Delegates: Messrs. D. Doorsamy and Ramperad.

Mayville District Indian Football Association

The Annual General Meeting of the above Association was held on Monday March 19, at Kapitan's Balcony, Grey Street, Durban, presided over by the President Mr. A. K. E. Bux. The report of the Secretary, Mr. L. Kris Naidoo reflected a good amount of work done during the year.

The following officials were elected for the ensuing season. Patrons: Messrs. B. M. Singh and B. Naidoo, President: Mr. A. K. E. Bux. (re-elected), Vice Presidents: Messrs. L. Kris Naidoo, S. R. Peters, S. Rajpaul, S. P. Pillay, K. M. Govender, E. Mahabeer and O. D. Boulton, Hon. Secretary: Mr. R. Mahabeer, Asst. Secretary: Mr. J. Nadasen, Hon. Treasurer: Mr. J. Nadasen, Hon. Record Clerk: Mr. R. Baichan, Hon. Auditor: Mr. R. Regnath. Councillors to N. I. F. A. Messrs. A. K. E. Bux, S. P. Pillay and S. Rajpaul. The weekly Committee Meetings commencing from Wednesday the 28th March 1934, will be held at the Kapitan's Balcony, Grey Street, Durban, every Wednesday at 5.45 p. m.

The annual general meeting of the Tongaat F. Club was held last Sunday. Among the newly appointed officials are President: Mr. A. P. Naidoo; Secretary: Mr. C. M. Naidoo. Intending members should communicate with the secretary.

The Secretary of the D.D.I.F.A. Mr. Sullaphen, informs us that the Durban Soccer season opens definitely on Saturday, 7th April. Keen soccer is anticipated this year in view of the propinquity of the All-India tour to South Africa.

Tennis

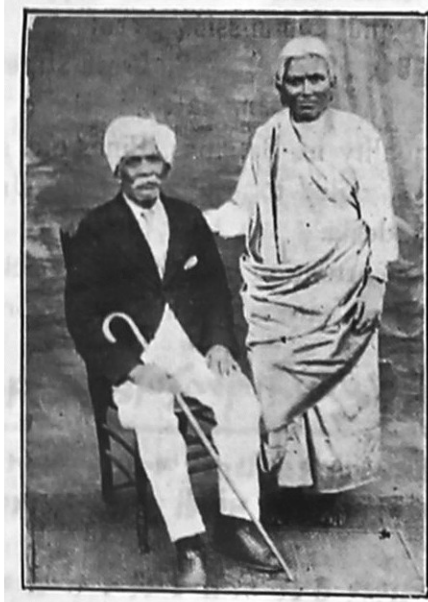
"A" Division Ignored

Mr. Y. A. Kadwa writes:—

Your Tennis correspondent it seems is only interested in the "B" Division Clubs affiliated in the Natal Tennis Association as one will observe by perusing your much read paper for recently I have noticed that the results and postponements of minor matches appear whereas such important matches as Final for the Natal Championship "A" Division results are omitted, the match was between Central and Spes Bona Tennis Club which is worthy note for the high standard of game, besides being the foremost Club and it was a Natal Championship one too. I sincerely hope that your Tennis columns will cater for both "A," and "B," divisions.

The annual general meeting of the Tongaat Tennis Club will take place on Sunday, 1st April, in the T.H. S.B.A. Hall, Tongaat.

In Memoriam



Late Mr. and Mrs. Venkatasen Maistry.

The sixteenth day ceremony of the late Mr. Venkatasen Maistry, who passed away peacefully on Friday, March 2, 1934 and of the late Mrs. Kuppama V. Maistry, who passed away on Sunday, March 18, 1934, will take place at the residence of Mr. V. M. Maistry, 127 Umbilo Road on Saturday night, 31st March. The ceremony will be continued on the following day (Sunday) on the bank of the Clairwood River at 9 a.m. Relatives and friends are cordially invited.

Obituary

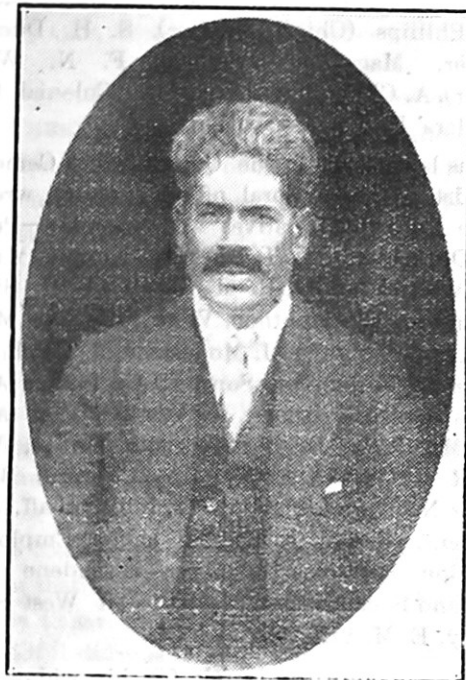
Death Of Mr. A. C. Periasamier

The news of the death of Mr. A. C. Periasamier, President of the Natal Buddhist Society, on the 20th March at 5-20 p.m. came as a great blow to his wide circle of friends.

He was highly cultured Tamil Scholar and one of the most respected members of the Indian community. Courteous, considerate and kind he was admired and respected by everyone who came in contact with him.

Mr. Periasamier who was 53 years of age at his death was born in India. He arrived in this Colony with his parents when he was a boy of 14 years. Unfortunately within a fortnight of their arrival his father died of illness.

After a few years' struggle he joined the service of the Durban Corporation in the tinsmith's



The Late Mr. A. C. Periasamier.

department and served a remarkable period of 32 years, during which time he had not taken a sick leave from the Municipality.

During his long service he was regarded by his principals as one of the most brilliant, promising and earnest member of the staff. For several years he was left solely in charge of the tinsmith's department in which he served. This is evident enough to show his trustworthiness. His loss to the Municipality will be a severe one and his position will be difficult to replace.

He was the president and trustee of the Natal Buddhist Society, president of the Natal Reform Society, president of the Municipal Burial Fund, one of the delegates of the Municipal Indian employees to the Colonial Born and Settlers' Indian Association and member of various charitable bodies.

As a President of the Natal Buddhist and Reform Societies his work has been of a most important and far-reaching nature, embracing everything to do

with the scientific side of religious moral and social aspects.

His pleasing disposition made him the most popular man to every institution to which he belonged. He was a deep thinker and enthusiastic worker and one of the most human and lovable of men, never too busy to serve anyone who needed his help.

By learned men his arguments were always found to be sound in judgement, always reasonable in reply to a question. He has delivered several important lectures at various meetings held in Durban and other parts of Natal.

Many hours of leisure he spent with young men—not excluding the old—advising them as to how to overcome all manners of difficulties in life.

His loss, which is a severe one, will ever be remembered by all those who knew him, loved him, and respected him. His funeral was attended by a very large gathering, including Mr. Walker, (Chief Sanitary Inspector), M. McIver, (Chief Clerk), A. F. Phillips (Chief Overseer), S. H. Ducaese, (Caretaker, Magazins Barracks), F. N. Webb, (Overseer), A. Christopher, (President, Colonial Born and Settlers' Indian Association), etc. etc.

He was laid to rest in the Queen Street Cemetery and amidst beautiful floral offerings were wreaths from the following relatives and friends:—Public Health Department, S. H. Ducaese, Kappie Marrie, Mrs. Green and family, R. M. Singh, G. R. Singh, Ram Singh, R. Nagamuthoo, V. M. Pillay, T. Murngagan, A. Nathemuniar, J. Mopneamy, J. Lutohmah, M. R. Pillay, Vardan and Sons, V. G. Pillay, A. T. Bendarie Bros, Bid Brown, A. Vartharajaloo, A. T. Harry, Manikum, R. Perumal and family, V. N. Frank, R. M. Charlie, Staff of Upton, Ocean Beach, Members Natal Buddhist Society, Indian Staff, chair department, Beach, carpenters shop, Employees, Corporation Barracks, members Essendene Educational and Social Society, Indian staff West Street Cemetery, E. M. Pillay.

The utmost sympathy is felt for his widow, son and four daughters, brother, son-in-law and two grand children

Congratulations are extended to Mr. A. H. Allsopp B.A., M.E.D., on his election as Vice President of the Natal European Teachers' Society. The election of Mr. Allsopp who is keenly interested in Indian Education will be a vivifying factor in the Society's new term.

Private Tuition

Part time coaching and private tuition, Primary Standards to J. C., Evening classes; apply, 85, Leopold Street, Durban.

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