

ETTO IN THE 'CITY OF GOLD'

dust and dirt, that a reading would be an impossible task.

It is also a well known fact that a lot of the water pipes in the area leak. Yet the people of Ext. are forced to pay these exorbitant costs.

ELECTRICITY

Two decades have passed and still the Ext. community has to get along without electricity. Most residents feel that the cost of electricity would be much cheaper than the costs they are presently incurring for wood, coal, candles, etc.



COSTS:

EXCLUDING WATER

Coal	R32.00
Paraffin	R13.00
Candles	R5.60
Gas	R20.00
T.V. Battery	R40.00
Radio Batt.	R32.00
Wood	R12.00
	<u>R154.60</u> p. month
	+ G.S.T. 10%

(PENSIONERS ONLY EARN R93.00 PER MONTH)

same: NO MONEY ! Yet a few kilometres away, the Council is pumping millions of rands into building a model village as part of the Johannesburg Centenary Festival.

CIVIC

It is clear that the wealth of this country is being used for the benefit of a few, and that the laws of this country are designed to oppress and exploit the majority of people at every turn. We must continue our struggle to eradicate all injustices that have been flung at us by actively organising ourselves into sports, community, youth organisations in our areas. Concerned residents in Riverlea Extension have come together and are presently engaged in organising a civic association in the area.



This lack of electricity has caused severe health problems with many residents suffering from respiratory diseases and poisoning from commonly used household substances. Burns from coal stoves, cooking fires and boiling water are common.



Despite the peoples continued protests about the lack of electricity, the Council's reply has always been the

YOUTH



An exciting development in Riverlea Extension has been the establishment of a youth group. To instill self-confidence and a sense of purpose in our youth, young people from Riverlea, Bosmont and Fordsburg decided to form a youth group in Riverlea Extension.

Every Friday evening at 8 o'clock, young people participate in a programme which so far has included video shows, discussions, singing, games and plays. The videos and discussions have focussed on topical issues while the drama presentations (skits) portrayed life in places like Extension.

Due to insufficient recreational facilities as well as existing hardships, our youth have resorted to crime and drug abuse. The aim of the youth group is to encourage individuals to develop their talents and abilities so that they can express themselves in a more meaningful way.

Join us so that together we can build one proud nation free from exploitation and oppression.

