

Rhodes 3/4/79. Notes of Thelma Henderson's for her talk - incl. background details on Glenmore COMTEC on the history of the most renewals as the grand design of the policy of apartheid has been implemented.

Most of the facts I will quote come from an article in the Feb 79 Black Star entitled The Grand Design in Practice by Joyce Harris

If all the renewal figures to date are added up over 2 million people have been moved - still to be moved are 1,700,000, giving a final grand total when all the schemes on the drawing board are implemented of almost 4 million - of these 2300 are not black.

These figures do not include those people who are continuously being deported from the white areas in terms of the pass laws.

How many areas

Bophutatswana (7) pieces will be reduced to 6
Lesotho 8 6

Venda 3 in 3 pieces

Qazankulu in 4 reduced to 3

Swazi in 4 reduced to 1

Karoo KwaZulu = 20 reduced to 10

Transkei consists of 3

Qwa Qwa one tiny piece

Ciskei approx 9 pieces will be reduced to 1.

These areas are clustered in a semi circle between white SA and the black neighbours to the N + E

The western area is planned for whites, as is a strip up the coastline of SA which allows the

Whites to retain the Industrialized World, Petro, Verengingy complex.

The removals of back there ¹² years
In 1963 Sada was established in the Ciskei
not far from Concentration to settle

{ displaced persons
pensioners
disabled people
those who had been pushed off white farms
" " " " " endorsed out of urban areas

Sada was on the headlines of the newspapers
a great deal during 1963 - 1965

Sada

It was and is an artificial township created for
desolate people -

Very often in these early days the townships were
not created at all before the people ^{were} moved.

In 1963 a black spot near Vryheid was moved to
Mondlo. These basic facilities ~~were~~ and amenities
such as sanitary facilities were absent. It was
bare veld with peas marking out sites.

Families were literally dumped with their few
belongings and expected to make a home
without the ^{basic} supporting facilities that were essential.

- no work
- no building materials
- no stones or building sand
- no schools, no clinic

This was very much the pattern in these early days.

There followed settlements at Umpye
Lutshidze
De Hoop & others
~~Russ~~

And then came the notorious stomach
The people moved to Lushidze had had employment
in nearby farms. They were moved into tents
- stomach of meat. The water supply & sewage disposal
were inadequate & illnesses increased

In 1972 The Rev. D Russell lived in the notorious
settlements of Dumbaza in the Esker on
the Government's allotment to ~~the~~ totally
indigenous people of R500 per month.

He carried on a regular correspondence with
the then minister - Mr C Botha writing detailed
letters graphically describing all that went he
witnessed.

Let us now look at the chain of events for
Glenmore let me take you from where
Mr D left off

In August last year in a room at Rhodes
the site engineer of Glenmore outlined the
~~of~~ entire scheme.
We were told that the scheme was to go
ahead despite representations from local
residents - Why Glenmore?
Why not Grahamstown Our Blacks need
3000 houses, jobs etc. Why not create industries here

where a superstructure of a stable mature
community exists - shops, a high school,
hospital facilities etc.

Mr Macmillan told us that Glenmore had
nothing to do with Fraser Valley - & he said
that a new town planned on the ~~the~~ basis
of a modern township was being created on
a farm on a house lot land in the FSR
43 km from Grande Prairie. 5000 houses, providing 50,000
people

He outlined the 5 year plan which made
provision for

- a flush toilet in every house
- a very modern sewerage plant
- clinics, schools, churches
- asphalted streets

including high
school
etc.

The houses would have

- 4 rooms
- bathrooms
- flush toilet & shower

He said " People will migrate leave their squatters
shacks to go to Glenmore business will come
from all over - They will be middle
class + those who have no employment.

The best animals will be employed in the
operations, in the business industry, on the roads

The total cost of Glenmore over a five yr period
ending in 1983 was the R 26,613,000

During 1970/1974 R6 will have been spent at
Glennmore allocated as follows:

Houses	1,500,000
Roads (Total 2 LP 2 TS 1 HP)	9,400
Clinics (Total 3)	5000 (1)
Workshops ⁽²⁾	70,000
Roads - Stormwater drainage	1,500,000
Water reticulation	1,200,000
Sanitation	940,000
Electricity	800,000
Machinery etc.	100,000
	<u>7,140,000</u>

Totals over 1000 ha

700 ha residential

300 ha agricultural purposes

A zone for agriculture associated industries is
incorporated in the town planning scheme.

Township Township - shopping & business services

The town town is quoted as saying 3/17/74.

Glennmore was not designed to take care of the
African population of Grahamstown. This was
never the intention. Glennmore will house people
from all over the E Cape. I believe that

many families will go there when needed. In

some cases unemployed significant numbers
from the area will be needed there.

It has all happened pretty much as it was
outlined. more or less

Those of you who have read your papers will know the order of events and the fact that the Kenyon ^{location} has been temporarily stayed following the intervention of the PTP in the area which resulted in a visit to the Minister by Mrs Helen Anderson on Friday.

These people had been presented with a handwritten note on 22/3

"New limits set in an area near Glenmore. Do not work word. The visitation and plans can be 2/4/79 BAA B Stamp."

It does not seem to leave a place where people have been in the area.

Children, come

Many of these people are old & infirm - they clearly are no longer able

the Kenyon has granted a stay so that the cases can be further investigated

We are grateful for their small expense

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The squatters from the former Kenyon will start to go tomorrow. According to the Kohn

"If anyone wishes to board the trucks they will not be forced & will not be treated in an undignified fashion."

It is not known what "other ways" he will have of dealing with these people

At this moment I do not know of an application for a stay of the removals has been made to the PTP

Prof Davidson & I visited the local club, the
Jap Club yesterday afternoon. I made the
appointment before the London discussion was
announced.

We asked a number of questions ~~There~~ There
is no doubt, but in so far as the FACILITIES &
ATTENITIES available

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