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Current Programmes:

Teaching skills in complaints; Seminars on the Workmen's Compensation Act and accidents; Project on unemployment insurance; Self-education.

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GUERRILLA ACTIVITIES

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Terror suspect is blown up

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter *SKA*

A suspected member of the African National Congress apparently blew himself up with his own SPM limpet mine outside the Johannesburg Art Gallery in Joubert Park last night, police said.

The dead man has not yet been identified. His body was cut in two by the blast.

Police said today it was not known whether the art gallery itself was the target, or if the suspect had merely decided to prime the mine on the premises and then go elsewhere.

Last night's death brings to about seven the number of suspected ANC members who have apparently blown themselves up on sabotage missions inside South Africa recently.

The explosion happened only hours after another explosive device, a mini-limpet mine, exploded in a Pretoria shop, injuring 18 people.

The Johannesburg blast, at 9.30 pm, caused slight damage, consisting of a shattered skylight and paving, but no art works were affected, said director Mr Christopher Tull.

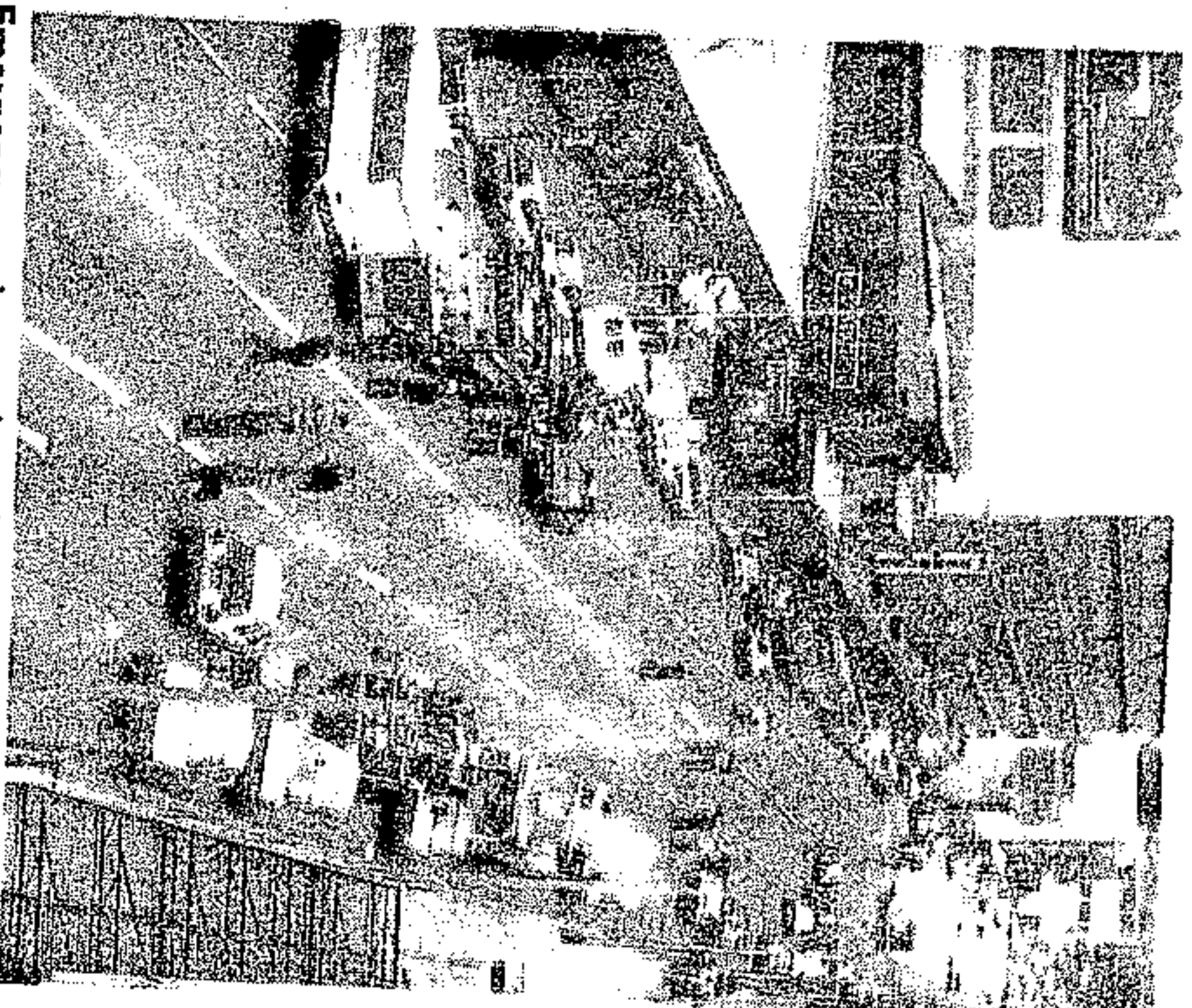
Police bomb experts were still searching for clues early this morning.

Initially it was thought a bomb had gone off in the King's Ransom flats in Wolmarans Street, Joubert Park. Police, soldiers and traffic officials streamed to the area, cordoned it off and searched for the blast site.

Nothing was found and it was believed a military "thunderflash" — a pyrotechnic device used for training — might have been thrown as a practical joke.

Later, however, some hobos sitting outside the art gallery a few hundred metres from Wolmarans Street told police they heard a loud bang and "felt the earth shake". The dismembered body of a black man was then found at the north entrance to the art gallery.

On April 16 a man police identified as an ANC member blew himself up outside Pretoria's Strand cinema complex and another was later killed while trying to sabotage a Natal railway line. A third died in an explosion in Wynberg, Cape Town, recently.



Emergency services rush to the scene of the blast, opposite the site of the 1983 Church Street bomb.

18 people are injured in Pretoria take-away blast

By Craig Kotze and Claire Robertson *SKA*

South Africa's second restaurant bomb within a week exploded in a crowded Pretoria take-away shop yesterday, injuring 18 people including two children and four Defence Force members.

Although unconfirmed, the blast was apparently caused by a mini-limpet mine concealed in a snack display rack. A limpet mine explosion extensively damaged an East London restaurant on Sunday but nobody was injured because the place had been evacuated.

The Commissioner of the SAP, General Henmie de Wit, has urged the public to be more observant to prevent future bomb attacks.

Yesterday's blast happened at

1.10 pm in the Tasty Snacks shop in the arcade below the Poynton's building in Church Street — diagonally opposite where a car-bomb killed 19 people on May 20 1983. The building houses the Prisons Service headquarters.

There were 25 people inside Tasty Snacks at the time and damage is estimated at R100 000. The owner, Mr Angelo Soleriu, was not injured.

Most of the injured were taken to H F Verwoerd Hospital, the soldiers to I Military Hospital and one person to Kalafong Hospital. The soldiers were discharged.

An H F Verwoerd Hospital spokesman said 13 people, including seven women and two children, had been treated for minor injuries. Eleven were discharged. Two, Mr J M Grobbelaar aged 32 and Mr J C Klopper (30), were still in hospital last night with facial burns and shrapnel wounds respectively.

The others injured were: Mrs Tongu Negus (20), Mrs S C Nel (46), Mr C Muller (37), Prisons Sergeant Groenewald (22), Mrs M Kurn (31), Mrs G W Jacobs (58), Prisons Sergeant J H Schoeman (29), Mrs D Hatting (30), a Mrs de Beer (37), Miss J van Wyk, Anja Stegenberg (3) and a five-year-old girl with the surname Hattingh.



Site of the blast . . . Mr Angelo Soleriu, owner of the Tasty Snacks take-away shop, outside his wrecked premises.

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'July' will be missing one king

LUNCH

FOURTEEN people were injured in an explosion in Poynton's Building in central Pretoria at 1.10pm yesterday.

Police could not confirm the extent of damage outside a fast food outlet nor give the extent of injuries to the 13 — including four men, four women and two children.

Seven of the injured, including one child, were discharged later after being treated.

The blast took place diagonally across the road from the site of the explosion on May 20 1983 when 20 people were killed and more than 200 injured. Police said they were awaiting more details.

An earlier report that two national servicemen were badly injured and taken to H F Verwoerd Hospital could not be confirmed.

Platteland

Staff at the giant central government buildings had finished their lunch break when the blast went off.

Mrs Theresa Kuhn who works on the fourth floor of the building said she was talking to a colleague in her office when she heard a huge bang.

"I come from the platteland and had never heard a bomb before... but I knew immediately it was a bomb," she said.

Within minutes police, fire and ambulance staff were on the scene and the Poyntons Building evacuated, she said.



"WHAT JULY are you talking about? I have been walking, running and generally getting a hard time from the likes of you all my life. I am about to take a nap"; this reluctant nag seems to be telling these leggy girls who are preparing themselves for the race of the year.

Pic: MBUZENI ZULU

HORSE racing is the sport of kings, they say. And when the Rothmans July Handicap is run over 2 200 metres at Greyville racecourse in Durban tomorrow, one king will be missing — Syd Laird, who has saddled up more

Laird won't be there

have any problem choosing a winner — with all their money they

July the character that puts it alongside such sporting must-sees as the Comrades Marathon, the tennis at Wimbledon and the FA Cup Final.

The peasants are the ones who put a much-needed rand on a horse

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Pretoria bomb blast: Two victims still in hospital

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The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Two victims of the bomb blast near the Tasty Snacks restaurant in the arcade of Poynton's Building in central Pretoria are still being treated in H F Verwoerd Hospital.

Mr J M Grobbelaar is being treated for face burns and will be discharged today, according to police spokesman Lieutenant Hennie Crowther.

Sergeant J C Klopper of the Prisons Service is being treated for a fracture and shrapnel wounds and is expected to remain in hospital for a few days.

Most of those injured yesterday were treated for shock and minor injuries and discharged.

No arrests have been made.

In Johannesburg the mutilated body of an unidentified person was found at the scene of an explosion near the entrance to the Johannesburg Art Gallery in Joubert Park last night.

Police believe that the victim, presumably that of a black or coloured man, was responsible for the blast.

Near earlier blast

No one else was reported injured in the explosion and the cause and damage have not yet been established.

Police believe that the Pretoria explosion, at lunchtime yesterday, was caused by explosives placed in a chip rack near the door of Tasty Snacks.

Poynton's Building is diagonally across the road from the site of the terrorist blast on May 20 1983, when 20 people were killed and more than 200 injured.

The blast was soon after 1pm and within minutes fire engines and ambulances arrived.

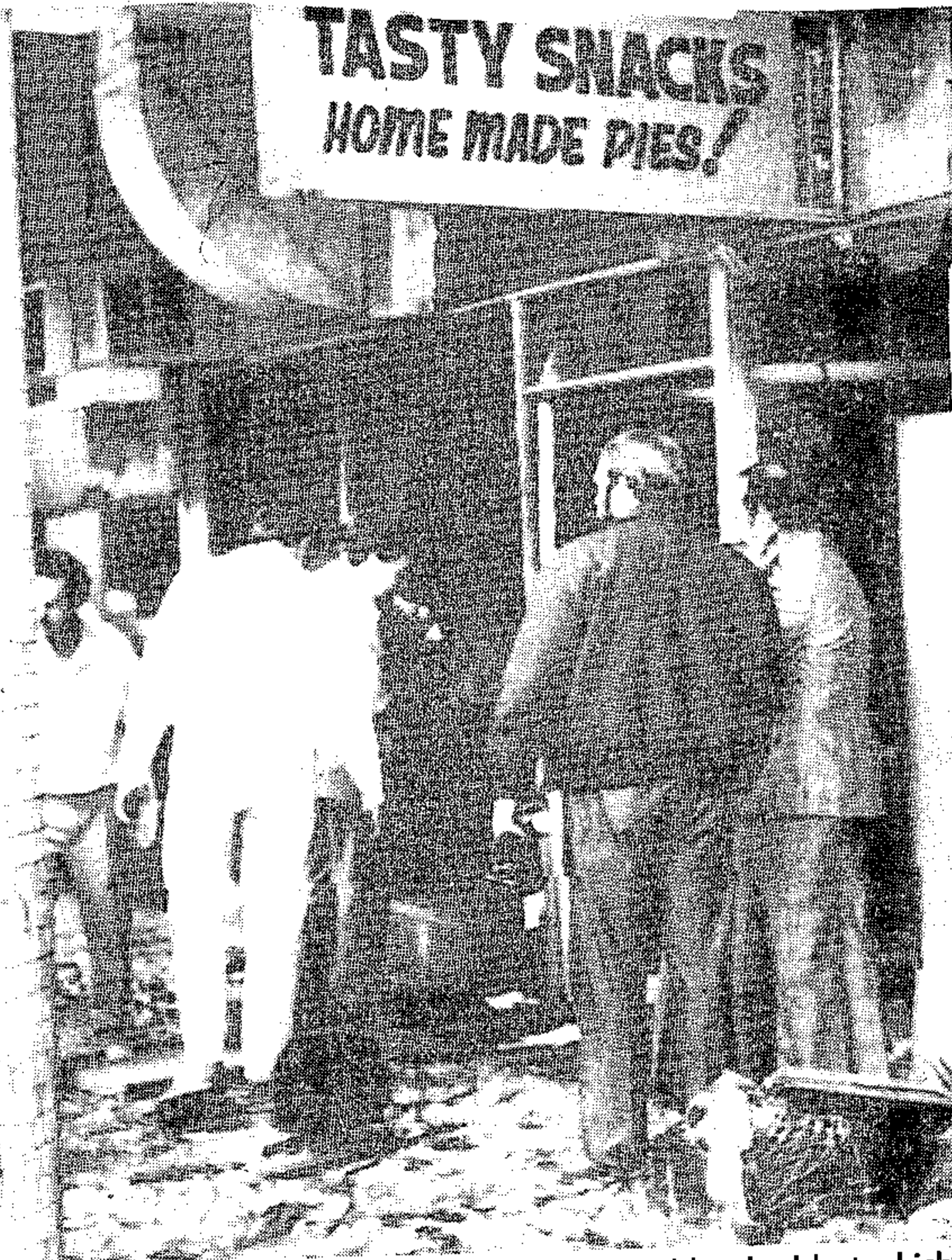
Policemen arrived from the central police station a block away and were followed by crowd-control vehicles.

Poynton's Building and the surrounding shops were immediately evacuated.

A number of Government departments occupy offices in the building.

● Reacting to the bomb blast a senior official of the Department of Foreign Affairs said the department had in the past few months received several demarches from foreign governments criticising the South African Government for actions taken against terrorists harboured in neighbouring countries.

In a statement the department said it was eager to learn whether these governments had, in a similar fashion, criticised the ANC for its inhuman acts of terrorism and had expressed their condolences for the loss of life and injury in recent bomb blasts.



BLAST SCENE: Extensive damage was caused by the blast which injured 18 people at a take-away in Pretoria.

SAAF may have been blast target

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THE head office of the prisons service and offices used by the South African Air Force appear to have been the target of yesterday's bomb explosion in central Pretoria.

Fourteen people were injured in the blast, which took place at lunchtime in a fastfood outlet in Poynton's Building. Extensive damage was also caused to business premises in the vicinity.

The 1983 Church Street car bomb, in which 19 people were killed and about 200 injured, went off across the street from the building.

HF Verwoerd Hospital chief superintendent Dr Dirk van Rooy said 13 whites, including seven women and two children, were admitted to hospital. Eleven were discharged after being treated for shock.

Police said the 14th victim, a black person, was admitted to the Kalafong Hospital and was in a satisfactory condition.

Two national servicemen were reportedly taken to HF Verwoerd Hospital.

More acts against 'soft' targets

By Esmaré van der Merwe

The African National Congress (ANC) was increasingly concentrating on "soft" targets — injuring or killing civilians in the process — as part of its armed struggle, South African experts on revolutionary warfare said this week.

Although ANC experts interviewed by The Star differed on the definition of "soft" and "hard" targets, they agreed that two recent bomb blasts indicated an intensification in acts of urban terrorism.

Attention was yet again focused on the outlawed organisation's "revolutionary violence" after last week's two bomb explosions — one in a Johannesburg entertainment centre, another in an East London restaurant.

The incidents, for which no organisation has yet claimed responsibility, left 10 people injured and twin girls dead. It brought the total number of bomb explosions this year to 25.

"The number of attacks on targets in which civilians get hurt have been increasing," said Dr Tom Lodge of the University of the Witwatersrand's department of political studies.

Professor Mike Hough, director of the University of Pretoria's Institute for Strategic Studies, said about 70 percent of all incidents last year had been "soft" (according to his definition "unprotected") targets. Of that percentage, about 40 percent constituted "murder or attempted murder on civilians".

CONCERN

Since about two years ago, he said, the ANC had on fewer occasions accepted responsibility for incidents of violence.

That could either be the result of concern in ANC ranks about its international image, or an indication that the organisation's executive had lost control over its grassroots cadres.

"Following the ANC's declared policy of phasing out the distinction between hard and soft targets, the fact that it less frequently accepts responsibility for incidents could either be an indication that more discretion is left to grassroots cadres, or that the ANC has lost control over its grassroots. I would suggest it is a combination of the two," he added.

Mr Wim Booyse, a researcher at the International Freedom Foundation, said the distinction between "soft" and "hard" targets had become "a political ploy which has nothing to do with military strategy".

Grassroot cadres, which were often trained badly, were not "sensitive to the broader strategy of the ANC".

"It is becoming evident that the ANC does not act as coherently as one would expect from an organisation with such an international profile.

"It is unbelievable that an organisation with the international status of a liberation movement can commit such sickening acts," he said.

Mr Booyse said if "soft" targets were defined as non-military targets, the number of terror strikes would be "very high".

ANC-trained boy fears he 'will not be safe'

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

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A 15-year-old self-confessed former ANC "freedom fighter" — the youngest yet captured in South Africa — yesterday stripped an AK-47 rifle at an international press conference in Soweto and said his mission was to sabotage power stations and to recruit new members.

Herbert Nkosana Mtshali of Soweto, apparently undaunted by the presence of TV cameras, glaring lights and a dozen journalists, stripped the rifle in just over a minute.

"I was trained in Punga camp in Angola to dismantle the AK-47 in 50 seconds," he told the conference held at the Protea Police Station.

Herbert, in an unprecedented move by police, was presented to the media after the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, announced his capture this week and said the ANC had embarked on "a campaign of child revolution".

Stripping the assault rifle in the manner of a trained soldier — identifying each part and laying them out with their rapid reassembly in mind — Herbert said he was taught weapon hand-

ling and limpet mine theory for three weeks in Angola with about 25 other recruits.

Recruited in Soweto by an ANC member called Thabo on November 18 last year, he said he was arrested by the SAP in Hillbrow on Monday last week after re-entering the country in March.

He was 14 at the time of his arrest but turned 15 on Wednesday.

"I now regret joining the ANC. I am now going to work with the police and go back to school. The ANC can't win against the SAP. To be a member pays nothing. They can fight but where will they end up?" said the slightly-built and bespectacled boy.

He joined the ANC of his own free will — "I was a comrade and concentrated on politics" — but changed his mind after his arrest.

The police had not promised him anything, nor had told him what to say

However, he said he would have to join the police for his own protection from possible ANC retaliation.

"I don't think I will be safe in Soweto from ANC members. I was a freedom fighter but now I'm nothing," he said.



Self-confessed ANC "freedom fighter", 15-year-old Herbert Mtshali.

Man blown up by own limpet mine

APL-10/1-7/88 Own Correspondent *(84A)*

JOHANNESBURG. — A man blew himself up in Protea North, Soweto, early yesterday while handling a limpet mine, a police spokesman said.

Captain Reg Crewe said an unidentified man was busy handling the mine outside a private residence at 5am when the explosion occurred. Investigators, who arrived at the scene, found a hand grenade next to his body. Slight damage was caused by the blast.

The man is the second victim to die under similar circumstances on the Reef within seven hours.

At 10pm on Thursday, police found the mutilated body of an unidentified man at the scene of a mini-limpet mine explosion at the entrance of the Johannesburg Art Gallery in Joubert Park.

A police spokesman said it appeared a "young man" was busy fitting a detonator to the mine when the explosion occurred.

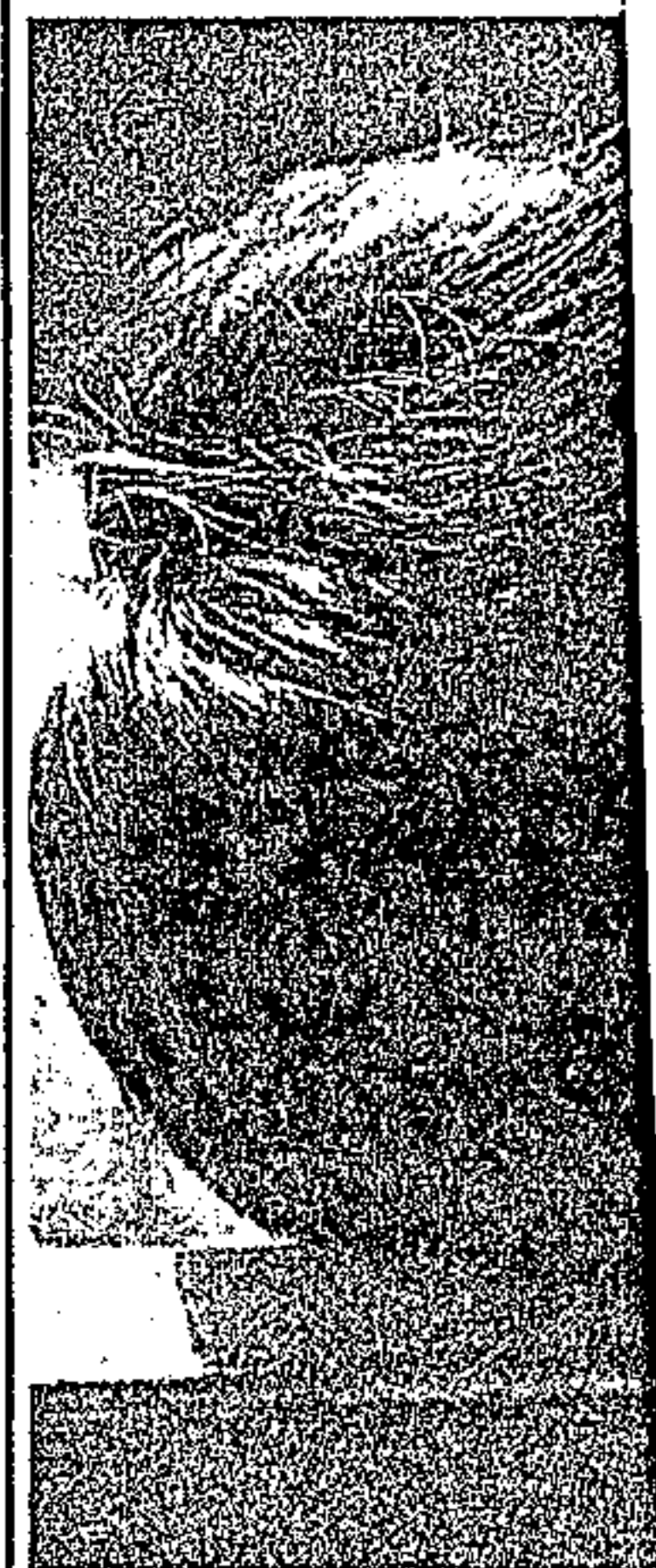
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Sunday Times Reporters

A CALLOUS killer waited for the throng of rugby enthusiasts to emerge from Ellis Park Stadium before pressing the button that killed two and injured at least 35

This is the chilling scenario being investigated by police after a massive car bomb blast



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AWB man quits in sex romp

Vasbyt, luck.



LUCKY TO BE ALIVE . . . a relative comforts Ellis Park bomb victim Kevin Weller as his father, Bob, both of Edenvale, looks on. They suffered shrapnel wounds. On the right, another victim waits to be treated. Picture: JUHAN KUUS

INJURED

MISS Marla Nunes Santos, 58, of Doornfontein.
 Mr Ian Robbertse, 24, of Elsburg.
 Mr Kevin Weller, 15, and his father, Bob Weller, 48, both of Hurleyvale, Edenvale.
 Mr Hennie Pietersen, 40, of Roodepoort.
 Mr Andy McDonald, 41.
 Mr W J J (Koo) van der Merwe, 30, of Windhoek.
 Mr Roger Hagetty, 30, of Yeoville.
 Mr Gordon Eddy, 31, of Yeoville.
 Mr Jose Pals, 47, of Ellis Park.
 Mr Phillip Johnson, 33, of Kelvin.
 Mr Marthinus van der Merwe, 41, of Krugersdorp.
 Mrs Lucinda Ramos, 40, of New Doornfontein.
 Michael Hansen, 16.
 Mr Casper D Lombard, 50, of Roodepoort.
 Mrs Shirley Mateen, 22.
 Mr Theron Human, 18, of Gobabis.
 Mr Zacharias "Piet" Booysen, of Gobabis.
 Mr Jan Nel, 52, of Joubert Park.
 Mr Mbasa.
 Mr Boules.
 Mr Nicholas Horn, 21, Parktown.
 Mr Wallace Lewis, 49, of Paarl East.
 Miss Mnube Monot, 22.
 Ms Graham Theck, 16, of Kew.
 Mr Theunis Rossouw, 18, of Hartsvale.
 Mr Fah Kingsley, 48, of Crown Gardens.
 Mr Retief van Wielligh.
 Ailna Moloto, 22, of Ellis Park.
 Mr Abel Mabubo, 29.
 Evelyn Mohono, 24, of Motlomo.
 Miss H Mohoto.
 Mr Maboa, 29.
 Mr November MatJobelo.
 Miss Janene Stander, 16, of Kulnhof.
 Mrs Rina Ferreira, 28, and husband Japie.
 Miss Charmaine van der Walt, 19, of Germiston.
 Mr Gideon Von Willigh, of Mariental.
 Mr Pieter Bayles, 30, of Randburg.
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 Mr Joao Ferreira.
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South West Africa Craven Week team which had attended the game and two school-children who fled in the direction of the Ellis Park swimming baths.

The boys were saved from the full force of the blast by the team bus which was badly damaged in the explosion.

Still dazed by the experience, with some bleeding from small facial cuts and others blinking back tears, they said they would certainly have been killed had they not been shielded by the bus.

Injured schoolteachers were Retief van Willigh and Koos van der Merwe of SWA.

The three injured players are Theuns Rossouw, Theron Human and Nico Horn.

One of the schoolboys, Jan Brandt, said: "We were standing and talking at our bus which was right next to the blast.

"We suddenly heard this terrible explosion and saw flames shoot into the sky. We were knocked off our feet. It was terrifying."

"It was terrible," said Jan Horn, explaining that the team had been standing around chatting near the passenger door of the bus.

"There was this big bang. We just saw orange flame and black smoke. The force of the blast knocked us all over.

Flames

"It would have been all over for us if we had been standing on the driver's side of the bus, next to the car bomb."

Mr Peter Soal, a PFP member of Parliament, said he was a passenger in a minibus leaving the stadium soon after the game had ended.

"Suddenly there was an explosion which rocked our bus horribly.

"The side door was badly buckled by the force of the explosion, even though we were at least 50m away from the blast."

A spectator reported that flames shot into the air higher than the walls around the stadium.

This was the fourth blast in the PWV area in 48 hours. In

35 hurt in carbomb explosion

less than 12 hours between Thursday and Friday, two suspected bombers were blown up by their own bombs.

Eyewitness Michael van Niekerk of Roodepoort said two cars and a bus caught fire and he saw people lying across the road outside the north entrance to stadium.

Meanwhile, police said they had received reports that some enraged members of the crowds had attacked a black man because they believed he was involved in the bombing.

Mrs Anna Seemela and her baby escaped from a flat window in Beit Street after a door at the main entrance of their building was jammed by the force of the blast.

"I heard a big bang and saw windows shattering around me, spraying glass everywhere," she said.

"I tried to get out of the building, but the door was jammed. I then grabbed my baby and ran to one of the broken windows and climbed out."

The explosion shattered windows in a three-block radius and a badly wrecked car bore chilling witness to the force of the blast.

The Commissioner of Police, General Hennie de Witt, said last night: "We must expect attacks of this nature.

"The ANC have realised that they have been rejected by the majority of South Africans so they will now concentrate on soft targets.

"But they must not think they will weaken South Africa's resolve. The security forces will hunt them wherever they may hide."

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adrian Vlok, said: "The persons responsible for this outrage have acted with reckless disregard of all civilised norms.

Mr Vlok called on the public to act calmly in the face of this "barbaric deed of the ANC".

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Bomb blast mayhem . . . Upper Meyer Street near the Ellis Park stadium is a scene of chaos as flames and smoke rise from burning debris shortly after the devastating explosion which killed two rugby fans and injured 35 on Saturday afternoon.

PWV singled out for attacks on civilian targets

By Inga Molzen

In the recent spate of bomb blasts, the PWV area appears to have been singled out for attacks on civilian targets.

An examination of statistics shows there has been a sharp rise in the number of terrorist incidents in recent years.

At least 25 people have been killed and 146 people injured countywide in car-bomb, limpet mine explosions, hand grenade attacks and one AK47 attack on a house in Atteridgeville, near Pretoria, this year.

Last month at least 10 limpet mines were reported to have exploded in different parts of the country killing 10 people — almost one every three days.

Explosions occurred on three consecutive days last week and claimed five lives. At least 57 people were injured.

Police say two of these victims were bombers, who apparently died — on Thursday near the Johannesburg Art Gallery in Joubert Park and on Friday in Soweto — while handling limpet mines.

Thursday also marked the second restaurant explosion within a week. Eighteen people — including two children and four Defence Force members — were injured when a limpet mine concealed in a snack display rack went off in a Pretoria arcade.

The most dramatic — the 28th explosion this year — was the massive car bomb that went off on Saturday afternoon shortly after spectators streamed out of the packed Ellis Park stadium. Two died and at least 39 people were injured — one critically and four seriously.

Last year a mini-limpet mine wrecked a spectator's car at Ellis Park while a boxing programme featuring the match between Pierre Coetzer and visiting American heavyweight Bernard Benton was in progress on September 28.

A limpet mine found under another car at the match was detonated by police.

Pretoria and the Witwatersrand appear to have been singled out for attacks, and civilian targets seem to be the order of the day.

According to information sourced from the Institute of Strategic Studies in Pretoria, 566 attacks occurred in the 10 years to August 1986. This information has been sourced from press clippings as no official data has been issued since August 1986.

Refused

Asked by Mr Brian Goodall of the PFP how many incidents of sabotage, armed attack or explosions occurred in 1986, Minister of Law and Order Mr Adraan Vlok refused to give official figures.

According to SA Barometer the Minister said: "I do not consider it in the interest of the safety of the Republic to reveal information of this nature."

Seventy percent of the attacks during this decade occurred in urban areas — 212 of them in the PWV area.

Next on the list was Natal with 148 attacks recorded in the 10 years to August 1986.

A total of 77 occurred in the rest of the Transvaal, 54 in the eastern Cape, 48 in the western and northern Cape, 26 in the OFS and one in Walvis Bay.

Of recent, bomb blasts and limpet mines have been placed not only near security installations or government buildings — such as the March 17 Krugersdorp Magistrate's Court car bomb that killed three civilians — but near places used by people when they go shopping or are out for an evening's entertainment, a quick snack or even to watch rugby.

Shopping centre

Other civilian targets this year include:

June 3 (afternoon): Four killed and 19 injured in two powerful bomb explosions that rocked a Roodepoort shopping centre.

June 3 (evening): Explosion shook headquarters of the SA Irish Regiment in Anderson Street, Johannesburg.

June 6: Petrol bomb attack on a bus in Empangeni, Natal killed one and injured seven.

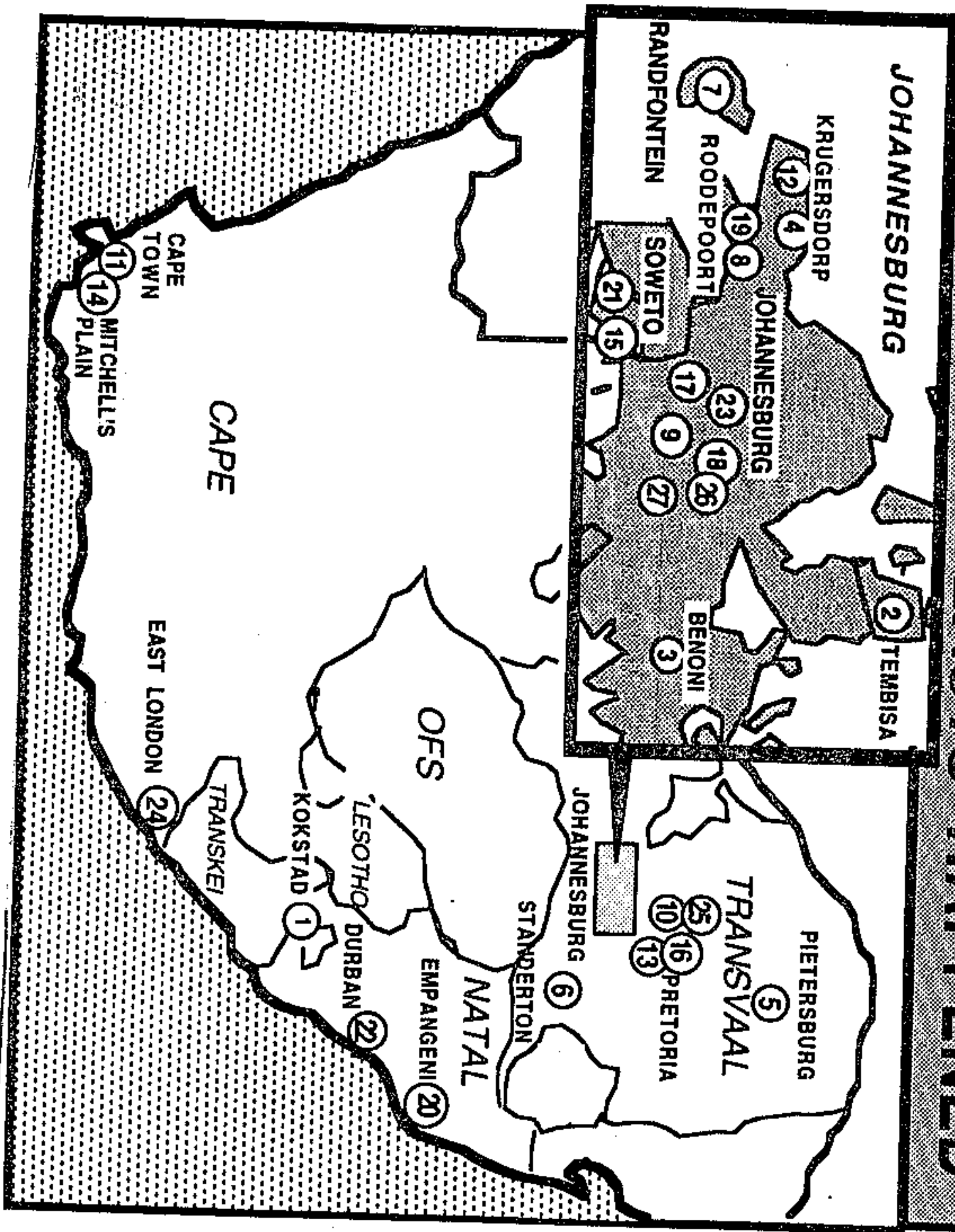
June 22: 10 injured — including a pregnant woman who lost her twin babies after giving birth by caesarean operation — when a limpet mine exploded in video games arcade in central Johannesburg.

June 24: Bomb exploded at Papagallo's beachfront restaurant in East London. No injuries.

July 2: Two killed, at least 39 injured when a car bomb exploded outside Ellis Park stadium after a rugby match.

Massive Ellis Park blast on Saturday was 27th this year

WHERE THE BLASTS HAPPENED



- The massive explosion outside Ellis Park on Saturday was the 27th this year.
1. January 23 — A mini limpet mine exploded in Kokstad. no injuries.
 2. February 12 — A grenade blast in Tembisa: three injuries.
 3. March 1 — A bomb exploded in Benoni: no injuries.
 4. March 17 — A car bomb in Krugersdorp killed three and injured 22.
 5. March 27 — A mini limpet mine exploded in Pietersburg: no injuries.
 6. April — A grenade exploded on a farm near Standerton. Three people were killed.
 7. April 11 — A bomb set off on the Johannesburg-Randfontein railway line: no injuries.
 8. April 11 — Explosion at Witpoortje station: no injuries.
 9. April 14 — A limpet mine blew up outside the Johannesburg City Hall: no injuries.
 10. April 15 — Two limpet mines went off within minutes in Pretoria. One man was killed.
 11. April 20 — A bomb exploded near Parliament. No injuries.
 12. May 5 — A bomb exploded in Kagiso: no injuries.
 13. May 10 — A Silvertown grenade killed a 12-month-old baby.
 14. May 20 — An anti-personnel grenade in Mitchell's Plain injured five people.
 15. May 22 — Three grenades hurled into a crowd in Orlando West killed two and injured 38.
 16. May 26 — Two bombs exploded in Pretoria injuring four.
 17. May 27 — A bomb in Prichard Street injured one.
 18. May 28 — An explosion at Johannesburg station: one injury.
 19. June 3 — Four killed and 19 injured in two explosions: at a Roodepoort shopping centre.
 20. June 6 — A petrol bomb attack on a bus in Empangeni killed one and injured seven.
 21. June 7 — A blast near Soweto Inhlazani station: no injuries.
 22. June 9 — An explosive device blew up in a man's hands, killing him, near Hillcrest.
 23. June 22 — A blast in a Johannesburg amusement arcade in Plein Street injured 10 people and claimed the life of a baby girl, who was born prematurely. The baby's twin was stillborn.
 24. June 24 — A bomb exploded in East London: no injuries.
 25. June 30 — A mini limpet mine exploded in a Pretoria snack bar injuring 18 people.
 26. June 30 — A man carrying a bomb was killed when it went off outside Johannesburg Art Gallery.
 27. July 2 — Two people were killed and 35 injured when a car-bomb exploded at Ellis Park.

Tutu offers to mediate

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ARCHBISHOP Desmond Tutu responded yesterday to the Ellis Park bombing by offering to try to bring together the Government and the ANC and PAC in a negotiated settlement of the country's crisis.

In a statement conveying the Anglican Church's sympathies to the victims of the blast, he asked: "For how long are we in South Africa going to continue sitting under the threat of violence from this or that side, thrown into a state of shock by the horror of each new attack and counter-attack?"

He said that everyone in South Africa, black or white, wanted to be able to live without the constant fear of being the victims of violence. Only negotiations on true political power shaping would bring this about.

"I deplore the bombing at Ellis Park

SOWETAN Reporter

Stadium and on behalf of the Church of the Province I extend our deepest sympathies to the victims of the explosion — the relatives of those who died and those who were injured.

"No matter how draconian the Government makes its security laws, it will not bring peace to our country for as long as it fails to address the central issue of our crisis — political negotiate real power sharing with the authentic leaders of our people, this dreadful carnage will not end.

"All South Africans, black and white, want to be able to live without the constant fear of being the victims of violence,



ARCHBISHOP Tutu.

whether it is violence from the Government or from those opposed to it.

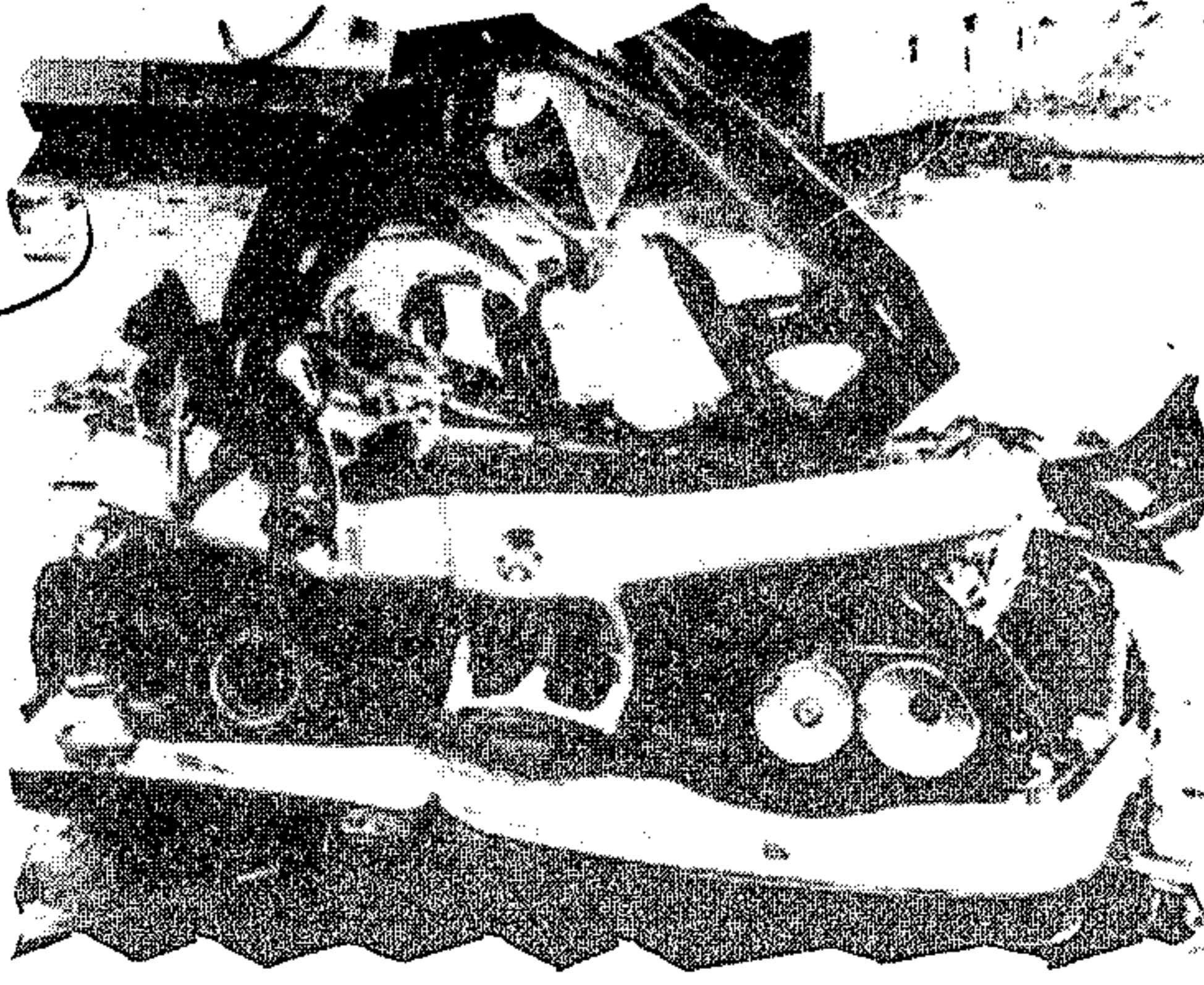
"To that end, I would like to do whatever lies in my power to bring together the Government and the ANC and PAC.

"Although I make this offer personally, I am sure that all other church leaders would join me in this call."

Bomb-blast victims tell of horror

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DEATH TRAP: The car which carried the bomb.

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — One of the 12 Ellis Park bomb-blast victims still in Johannesburg Hospital was in a critical condition, while another two were still serious, a hospital spokesman said today.

Two people were killed and at least 35 injured when a car-bomb exploded outside Ellis Park Stadium at 5.17pm on Saturday after the rugby match between Transvaal and Free State.

Mr Phillip Johnson, 33, of Kelvin, Sandton, is in the intensive care unit with severe head injuries.

The victims

Still in a serious condition are Mr Gordon Eddy, 31, of Yeoville, and Edenvale businessman Mr Roger Haggerty, 31. Both had legs amputated.

The other victims are in a satisfactory condition.

They are Mr Casper Lombard, 45, of Roodepoort, Mr Jose Pais, 47, of Ellis Park, Graham Theck, 16, of Kew, Mr Stevenson Ruud, 45, of Triomf, Mr Koos van der Merwe, 30, of Windhoek, Kevin Weller, 15, of Bedfordview and his father, Mr B Weller, Mrs Gezina Ferreira, 28, of Joubert Park and Michael Hansen, 16, of Kelvin.

The horror

Acting-hospital superintendent Dr A Flax said Mr Hennie Pietersen, of Roodepoort, was admitted with concussion but was discharged yesterday.

Victims yesterday described the horror of the blast.

Mr Eddy, a former journalist for the Rand Daily Mail and now owner of the South African Wine and Beverage Magazine, said he was about 100m from

Ellis Park when the bomb exploded. "There was a massive blast and then it was twilight. I knew I was injured and someone came to help me," said Mr Eddy, who seemed to be in great pain after his leg was amputated.

Mr Haggerty, who runs a manufacturing business in Sebenza, Edenvale, said he was only a few metres from the car containing the bomb.

"At first I thought I was hit by a car. I was chucked to the ground and knew my leg was badly injured. Then I also knew

that Free State were bad losers," he said.

Kevin Weller, a Standard 8 pupil at St Benedict's College in Bedfordview who has shrapnel wounds in his neck, left arm and groin, said he ran away terrified and bleeding.

"It took about three or four seconds before I realised that it was a bomb.

"I got such a fright I just ran away. I didn't think I was injured until I stopped and looked down. I just saw blood and meat."

Sports bosses say they will overhaul security measures

By Tim Cohen and Craig Kotze

Sports administrators said yesterday they intended to overhaul their security arrangements following Saturday's bomb blast at Ellis Park, and the necessity to re-design parking facilities has been mooted.

Although the Ellis Park bomb went off in a side street, administrators are concerned about their ability to move ambulances and fire engines into packed car parks in the event of a car bomb going off in a parking lot.

Parking arrangements might have to be changed fundamentally and it might become necessary to frisk spectators before they enter stadiums.

Sports administrators are also concerned about crowd reaction and crowd control should a bomb go off inside a stadium, and the possibility exists that some stadiums will have to be re-designed to facilitate the movement of spectators.

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Family of bomb victim began worrying after news of blast

By Lloyd Coutts

The two men who died in Saturday's car-bomb explosion at Ellis Park were colleagues who had gone to the stadium together.

Mr Clive Clucas (48) of Riverside Lodge, Riverside, and Mr Linas Mare (32) of Southcrest, Alberton, died instantly.

Mr Clucas was a senior manager in the purchasing department of Gencor, his brother-in-law, Mr Ken Robinson, said yesterday.

"We were not too concerned when he did not return after the match because we knew he would take Mr Mare home to Alberton first.

"But after the TV news we started

worrying and contacted the police and the ambulance. We were told he died instantly," Mr Robinson said.

He had been with Gencor for 24 years.

Mr Mare was a buyer in the same department at Gencor.

Mr Clucas leaves his wife, Sally, a daughter, Joanne (21), and a son, Kenneth (17).

Mr Robinson said Mr Clucas had attended all the major rugby matches at Ellis Park.

He was a keen bowler, had represented the Northern Suburbs and the Chamber of Mines at national bowling competitions, and was a member of the Wanderers Club.

Mrs Eliza de Bruin lost all her possessions in a fire started by the blast. She and her one-year-old son Ricardo were standing on the stoep of No 4a when the bomb went off.

"I heard the bang, saw flames and fell on top of my child. A tyre grazed my head. I saw a motorbike fly into the air and hit the top of the tree outside the house.

"The tree started burning. There were cars burning and people screaming. We ran into the next street," she said.

Mr Koos van der Merwe, the trainer of a South West Africa schools rugby team, said 20 players could have been injured if they had boarded the bus earlier.

Speaking from his hospital bed where he was being treated for wounds to his legs and neck, Mr van der Merwe said that he, his brother, Mr Martiens van der Merwe, Mr Gideon von Willig, and the children were waiting for someone to unlock the bus for them after the match.

They stood on the pavement and were thrown against a fence by the force of the explosion.

"The boys didn't panic. We grabbed each other and ran to the stadium. Our only thought was to get away."

Shrapnel

The seat either Mr van der Merwe or Mr von Willig would have occupied was pierced by a piece of shrapnel about 20 cm long.

Mr von Willig and Mr Martiens van der Merwe were also hit by shrapnel but were discharged from the Johannesburg Hospital after treatment.

Mr W D Lewis said he saw the body of a man in the street. "There was fire and water everywhere. Somebody was screaming: 'My brother, my brother, help me'."

Mr Sam Koko, who was slightly injured, said he ran home to see a car against the front window of his house.

"There were a lot of people in the street, screaming. I helped someone."

The blast could not have come at a worse time for some residents of Upper Meyer Street.

Last week they received eviction notices from a new landlord.

Mr Christopher de Bruin, who lost all his possessions, said the houses and flats in the area were to be razed.

"We have nowhere else to go."

The bomb was "no way to achieve peace" he said.

Survivors describe Ellis Park bombing horror

By Lloyd Coutts and Jovial Rantao

For a while on Saturday, Upper Meyer Street, the scene of the killer car bomb explosion near the Ellis Park rugby stadium, resembled a Beirut battleground.

Yesterday, a huge crater, the burnt-out wreck of a car, a damaged bus and the shell of a semi-detached house bore testimony to the havoc wrought by the bomb, thought to have been planted in a luxury German car.

Residents of Upper Meyer Street told The Star of injured rugby enthusiasts screaming for help, burning cars and houses — and miraculous escapes.

Possibly the luckiest person in the street was Miss Christina Mosomane (17), who was asleep in No 4 when the car carrying the bomb was hurled into her bedroom, setting it alight.

"I heard a very loud bang and as I woke up I saw a car coming forward toward the window. I closed my eyes and dived to the floor. When I opened them, the room was on fire," she said.

Miss Mosomane escaped without a scratch.

On the stoep

cadres disregarding leadership policy," he said. Over the past three weeks, statements by the ANC on the nature of targets have been contradictory.

"In any case, what is quite clear is that there are bodies of armed men within the country who appear to feel that this sort of attack is justified. "Whether they are loyal to ANC leadership or not may be a question which has become increasingly academic," said Dr Lodge.

The ANC had not claimed responsibility for the Ellis Park bomb blast, said Professor Mike Hough, director of the Institute of Strategic Studies.

"But, under similar circumstances, the ANC has indirectly claimed responsibility by justifying similar acts of terrorism or sabotage in their publications."

The June 1985 Kabwe conference was a significant landmark in the shift towards terrorism, said Professor Hough.

Here, he explained, the ANC declared it was becoming increasingly difficult to distinguish between "hard" and "soft" targets and that consequently civilian casualties, while regrettable, were inevitable.

Professor Hough said: "The ANC stated that the distinction between so-called hard and soft targets would tend to disappear. Even at national executive level, the ANC have been moving in that direction."

The ANC's failure to claim responsibility for terror attacks was a smokescreen, he said.

"By trying to shift the responsibility by not themselves claiming responsibility, the ANC receives the advantage of intimidation and possible panic that could follow from such a blast," Professor Hough said.

But there was some indication, he said, that the ANC had "to some extent lost control over people on the ground" and was not in a position to direct its targeting any more.

Acts of terrorism and sabotage could only be linked directly with the ANC, he said, when they claimed responsibility or when ANC members were found guilty in court.

Soft targets seen to be justifiable by terrorists, say SA experts

By Inga Motzen

Armed men in South Africa, whether or not they were loyal to the African National Congress (ANC) leadership, believed attacks like the Ellis Park car-bomb explosion, which killed two people and injured at least 35 others at the weekend, were justified.

This was the view of Dr Tom Lodge, lecturer in political studies at the University of Witwatersrand, who was reacting last night to an apparent increase in attacks on civilian targets on the Reef.

"It's difficult, at this stage, to work out whether the recent attacks on civilian targets reflect a change in strategy or disagreements between different leaders or ill-disciplined

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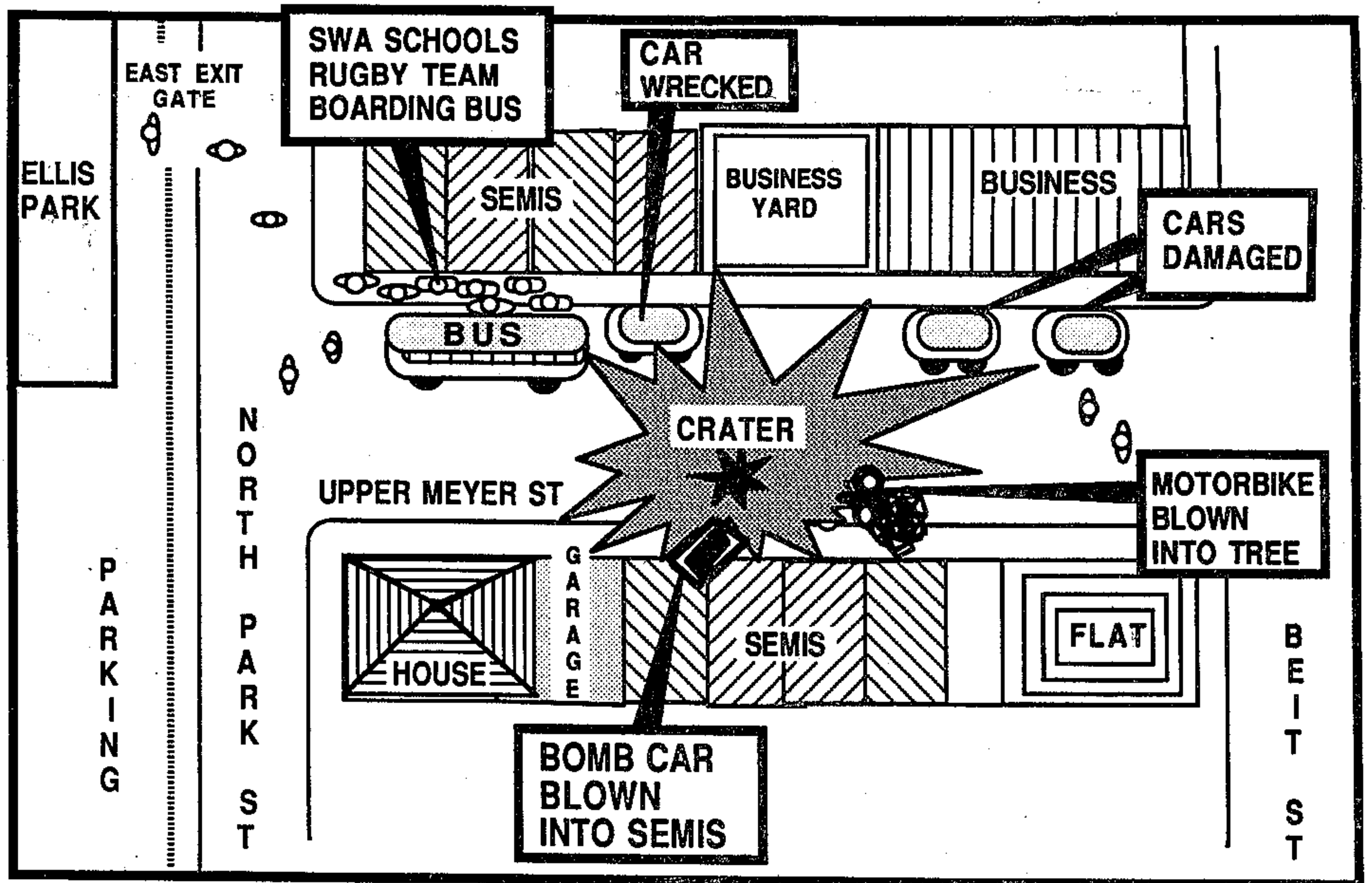
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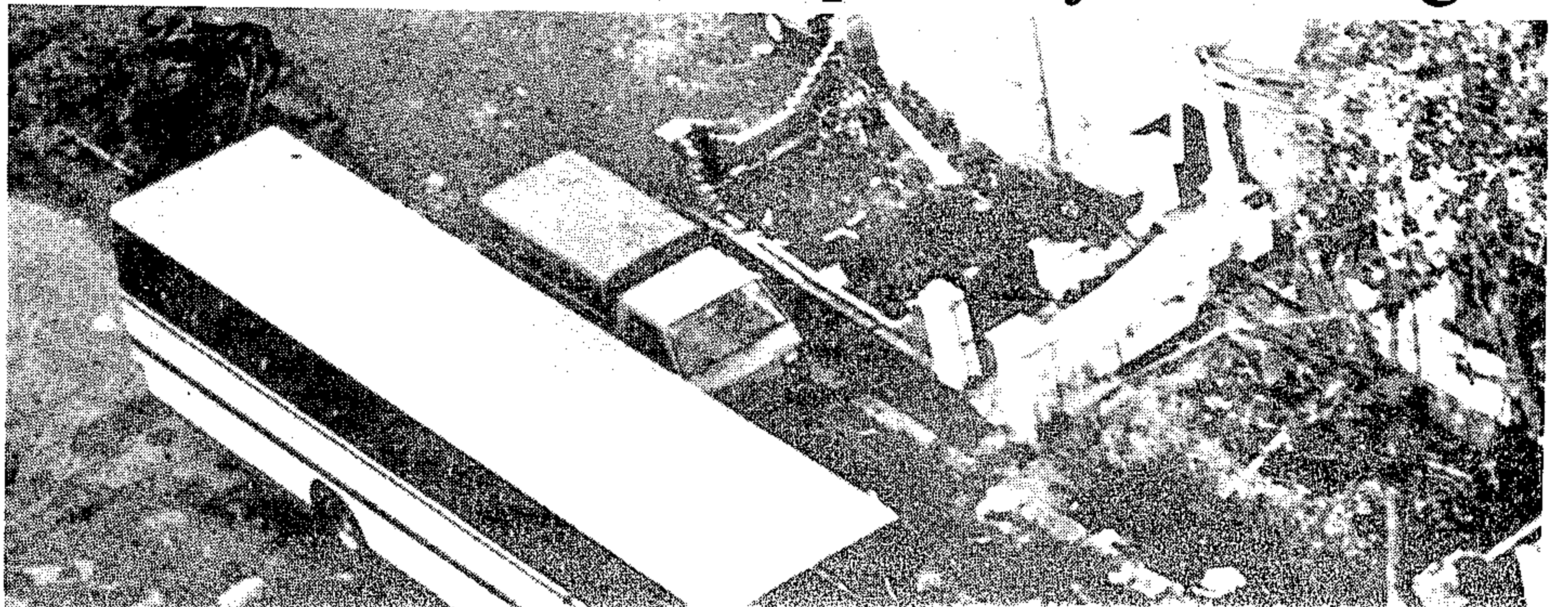
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Ellis Park bombing arguably the most terroristic act

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Ellis Park car bomb is possibly SA's largest



An aerial view of the Ellis Park car-bomb scene. The devastation wreaked by the blast, possibly the largest to date in South Africa, can clearly be seen.

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By Gerald L'Ange
Editor, The Star's Africa News Service

The Ellis Park bomb blast dramatically emphasises the painful dilemmas facing the principal actors in the South African drama.

The dilemmas confront the South African Government, the African National Congress, the Frontline states and the Western powers, and they are both multiplying and becoming more complex as the international fight against apartheid intensifies.

The Ellis Park bombing poses a dilemma for the moderates in the ANC leadership, who include the president, Mr Oliver Tambo, and other members of the "old guard". In the absence of any other likely culprit, the ANC will be widely blamed for the bombing, regardless of the recent statement by its executive that it still follows a policy of not attacking "soft" targets.

The executive's statement was prompted by assertions by ANC military leaders that whites must be made to suffer violence in order to "shake them out of their complacency".

The detonation of the bomb amid crowds streaming out of a rugby match will make it difficult for anybody, whether they are in the ANC or not, to depict the bombing as anything other than an act of naked terrorism, aimed not at military, police or other Government targets but at white civilians.

This bomb blast, in fact, is arguably the most terroristic act yet committed in South Africa. It highlights the ANC executive's dilemma of not being able to oppose such bombings without antagonising the radical blacks in South Africa, who are an important part of its constituency, yet of jeopardising its bid for the support of white South Africans and the international community if it is seen to be supporting the bombings.

Retaliation against ANC possible

Because of its blatantly terroristic nature, the Ellis Park blast might increase pressure on the South African Government from rightwingers to strike in retaliation at ANC bases in neighbouring or other African countries.

It will be argued that the explosives for the Ellis Park bombing, as with all the others that have killed or wounded civilians recently, must have come from or through one of the neighbouring states.

The Government's dilemma is that if it does launch such strikes it will pay a penalty in increased international censure. It would risk diplomatic retaliation from the Western countries, some of whom are believed to be ready to take action such as expelling South African military attaches or withdrawing some of their own diplomats if the SADF makes another major cross-border strike.

It would also strengthen the hand of those working to tighten sanctions on South Africa in the US Congress and might jeopardise the Angola-Namibia peace talks.

For the Frontline states the dilemma is that if they take steps to avoid military or economic retaliation from SA, such as by cracking down harder on ANC military activities, they risk being accused of weakening the international fight against apartheid.

Tutu condemns Ellis Park blast, offers to host peace talks

Staff Reporter

ARCHBISHOP Desmond Tutu today condemned the Ellis Park bomb blast and expressed sympathy for the victims and the relatives of the dead and injured.

He also offered to do whatever he could to bring the Government, the African National Congress and the Pan-Africanist Congress together to negotiate a settlement of the country's crisis.

"All South Africans, black and white, want to be able to live without the constant fear of being victims of violence, whether it is violence from the Government or those opposed to it," Archbishop Tutu said.

"I deplore the bombing at Ellis Park and on behalf of the Church of the Province I extend our deepest sympathies to the victims of the explosion, the relatives of those who died and those who were injured.

"For how long are we in South Africa going to continue sitting under the threat of violence from this or that side, thrown into a state of shock by the horror of each new attack and counter-attack?"

Archbishop Tutu said no matter how draconian the Government made its security laws, it would not bring peace to South Africa as long as it failed to address the central issue of the crisis — political power-sharing.

He said until the authorities agreed to sit down and negotiate real power-sharing with the authentic leaders of the people, the "dreadful carnage" would not end.

Archbishop Tutu said although he made the offer to bring the Government, the ANC and the PAC together personally, he was sure all other church leaders would join him in his call.

OPPOSITION CONCERN

Opposition parties on the political left today strongly appealed to the Government to create an atmosphere for negotiations about the country's political future instead of violently hitting back at the African National Congress after the bombing.

Both the Progressive Federal Party and the Independent Party have expressed concern about Government sources' predictions of retaliatory measures against the ANC.

PFPP leader Mr Colin Eglin appealed to the Government to release Nelson Mandela as an indication of its seriousness to enter into negotiation politics.

"If there is a genuine desire to talk, one of the best signals would be to release Nelson Mandela. That would be a significant gesture not only to the ANC, but to moderate leaders like Captain Mangosuthu Buthelezi," Mr Eglin said.

Conservative Party spokesman on defence, Mr Moolman Mentz, welcomed possible Government counter-actions against the ANC.



Archbishop
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the gutted shack was still smouldering.

Ellis bomb kills 2

TWO white men were killed and 29 injured when a massive car bomb exploded outside the packed Ellis Park Stadium, Johannesburg, shortly after a rugby match between Transvaal and Free State on Saturday afternoon.

The bomb went off at about 5.10pm, seven minutes after the game ended. It cut power supplies to houses in the vicinity of the stadium.

By SY
MAKARINGE

Several vehicles burst into flames when the blast rocked an area about 50 metres from the stadium's north-east gate. *Soweto 4/7/85*

The dead men were identified as Mr Clive Clucas (48), of Sandton, and Mr Lenus Maree (34), of Alberton. At least six of the injured were blacks.

According to a Sapa correspondent, racial

animosity flared as a group of whites attacked and hurled insults at black pedestrians soon after the explosion. *(S4A)*

Insurgent

The Ellis Park blast took place less than 24 hours after an unidentified man, believed to be an insurgent, was killed in Protea North, Soweto, when an explosive device he was apparently handling exploded in his hands.

The incident was confirmed by the Police Public Relations Division in Pretoria. A spokesman said the device was later identified as a limpet mine. He added that a hand-grenade was also found next to the man's body.

The two incidents bring to four the number of blasts to have rocked the country within a week. On Thursday, 18 people were injured in an explosion outside a food outlet in Pretoria.

Silence from govt on Tutu mediation offer

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Political Staff

THE office of the State President yesterday declined to comment on an offer by Archbishop Desmond Tutu to act as a mediator between the government and the ANC and PAC.

Offering his condolences and sympathies on behalf of the Anglican Church to the families of those killed and those injured as a result of the explosion at Ellis Park, the archbishop said he deplored the act.

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Sapa reports that the president of the the Transvaal Rugby Football Union, Dr Louis Luyt, soundly condemned "the dastardly act" of those responsible for the car-bomb attack

Ellis Park had been made available to all forms of sport and to all races which made the car-bombing even more deplorable, he said in a statement.

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NSL to make safety checks

THE bomb blast which killed two people and injured 29 others after a rugby match at Ellis Park Stadium on Saturday, has prompted the National Soccer League to consider improving its security system, according to Abdul Bhamjee, yesterday. (S.A.)

Bhamjee, the NSL's PRO, said: "We are obviously concerned with the safety of our people. We cannot take matters for granted after what happened at Ellis Park because we also use the venue for our games. "The management committee will meet soon to consider ways of improving our security system. The NSL pulls bigger crowds than the rugby people so we cannot take matters lightly."

Semi-final

The next big NSL event at the Ellis Park Stadium will be a semi-final double-header of the John Player Smooth Series on July 16.

Iwisa Kaizer Chiefs play against Arcadia at 2pm and Jomo Mias Cosmos are matched against Mamelodi Sundowns at 4pm.

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Picture: OBED ZILWA

Four-hour siege in township

By CHRIS BATEMAN, PATRICK COLLINGS and OBED ZILWA

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Ellis Park bomb: Five still in hospital

JOHANNESBURG. — All but five of the victims of Saturday's Ellis Park bomb blast have been discharged from Johannesburg Hospital.

A hospital spokeswoman said today Mr Phillip Johnson, who has head injuries, is still in a critical condition.

Mr Gordon Eddy and Mr Roger Hagerty, who each had a leg amputated, are in a stable and satisfactory condition.

Rugby fans Graham Theck, 16, and Kevin Weller, 15, are doing "very well", the spokeswoman said, while Kevin's father, Mr Brian Weller, Mr Casper Lombard and Michael Hansen, 16, were discharged yesterday.

■ Mrs Rozanna Grobelaar and Mrs Michelle Ebrahim are still in hospital following the games arcade explosion in Plein Street on June 22. Both are "doing fine". — Sapa.

PRETORIA. — There was speculation that whites were responsible for the car bomb that killed two and injured 35 people outside the Ellis Park stadium in Johannesburg on Saturday, an SA Police Public Relations Division spokesman said here yesterday.

However, he stressed that this was "mere speculation" and that no further information on the blast was available at this stage.

He was reacting to reports citing senior security police sources as saying that white African National Congress members were suspected of responsibility.

The reason for this was that a BMW 728 car containing the 60kg to 100kg bomb had been slipped to the stadium past a traffic police cordon around the stadium, either immediately before or during the rugby match. Whites would have attracted less attention in doing this than blacks.

Secondly, whites had been directly or indirectly responsible for most of the big bomb blasts in the country.

The security police sources dismissed speculation that the car had been left at the stadium overnight.

Four victims of Saturday's bomb

Ellis bombers 'may have been white'

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blast have already been discharged from the Johannesburg General Hospital, and apart from Mr Phillip Johnson, who has head wounds, the others are considered to be in a "stable and satisfactory" condition.

Mr Johnson is still in a critical condition in the hospital's intensive-care unit and his condition is "unchanged", a hospital spokeswoman said yesterday.

Mr Gordon Eddy and Mr Roger Haggerty, who each had a leg amputated, are in a stable condition.

The other five victims, who received shrapnel wounds, are reported to be "satisfactory".

They are Mr Graham Theck, 16, of Bedfordview, Mr Brian Weller of Bedfordview and his son, Kevin, 15, Mr Casper Lombard of Roodepoort and Michael Hansen, 16, who was due to be discharged yesterday. — Sapa

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SHOT MAN HELD POLICE AT BAY

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A MAN was shot dead in Guguletu yesterday after police were held at bay for nearly four hours during an operation to arrest an alleged trained insurgent.

Police confiscated a quantity of arms and ammunition after the man was killed.

Police investigations are continuing. Major Jan Calitz, chief liaison officer for the police in the Western Cape, said that about 4.15am yesterday, members of the Reaction Unit went to a house in Nokwanda Street, Guguletu, after they received information that a trained insurgent was hiding there.

While they were searching the house, a shot was fired at the policemen.

The policemen withdrew from the house along with several occupants.

Major Calitz said shots were fired at the police during the next few hours.

About 7.50am, once it was light enough to see, police penetrated the house and a 20-year-old man was shot dead.

Major Calitz said he was armed with a Makarov pistol. A subsequent search of the premises uncovered an arms cache in the backyard.

In the cache, police found an AK-47 rifle, magazine, ammunition and a quantity of grenades.

Policeman hit by bullet 'fired from garage'

Court Reporter

WHILE investigating the source of a gunshot in New Crossroads in February, an unrest unit police lieutenant was hit by a bullet fired from a garage, a Wynberg inquest court heard today.

Constable Shaun van Wyk said he was on night patrol with Lieutenant Eugenius Bester, Sergeant Theunis Rosslee and Constable Ralph Smith.

He was giving evidence at the inquest into the death of the Rev Dalimtheto Cameron Kani, 52, of 410 Dykophun Close, New Crossroads, who was shot by police after an incident on February 2 in which a policeman was wounded.

Constable van Wyk said they heard a shot and stopped their patrol van.

"Staggered backwards"

"We went to investigate and when we arrived in Jacobs Street I noticed Lieutenant Bester turn into a yard at house number 410 with the street name Dykophun.

"When I arrived in the yard I saw Lieutenant Bester approaching a garage. I then heard a gunshot and the lieutenant staggered backwards.

"He screamed he had been hit, clutched his stomach and staggered back and sat down against the wall of the house."

Constable van Wyk said Sergeant Rosslee moved towards the entrance and fired more than two rounds into the garage and an "unknown person" returned fire.

He said Sergeant Rosslee then said he had got the man and they both entered the garage.

"On entering, a man raised his firearm and pointed it at Sergeant Rosslee who fired two shots at him and then kicked the gun out of his hand."

Two statements made by Constable van Wyk have been handed into court. The first, handwritten in English, was made on February 7, the second typed and made to a Colonel van der Merwe was made the following day.

In answer to a question from the magistrate, Mr G Hoffmann, Constable van Wyk said he picked up the revolver from the floor of the garage and found six spent cartridges in the magazine.

Fingerprints

Mr Hoffmann asked: "And your fingerprints were all over the revolver. Is that normal police practice?"

Constable van Wyk: "No."

Constable van Wyk explained he had to make the weapon safe in case someone else fired it. He gave the gun and cartridges to Sergeant Rosslee.

The hearing continues.

Police believe parcel was bomb.

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Man killed by butchery blast

WINDHOEK — Namibian authorities reacted angrily yesterday to the bomb blast in a Klein Windhoek butchery which killed one man and injured 18 others.

The shop was destroyed by the bomb, which exploded about 10am, and extensive damage was caused to adjacent flats and cars parked outside the butchery.

"What happened today has strengthened our determination that the future of our country will not fall into the hands of those responsible for this cowardly act," the National Health and Welfare Minister Moses Katjuongua said.

Police on the scene cordoned off the area — littered with debris from the blast — to enable explosives experts to sift the wreckage for clues.

Two people, including one woman, were critically injured and an unidentified black man died minutes after the blast during an emergency operation.

The acting superintendent of Windhoek State Hospital, Dr J P

van der Walt, said eight people — five of them women — were admitted to hospital with serious head injuries and burns. One of the women lost a leg.

He said the six seriously injured were in a stable condition, but they were not out of danger.

Police said initial indications were that the bomb, containing a charge of between two and four kilograms, had been left in a parcel on the floor of the butchery.

Reporters in the area saw blackened sides of beef and lamb carcasses shredded by the impact of the explosion.

By last night the origin of the explosives had not yet been established.

Neither was it known whether the bomb had been wired to a timing device or detonated by remote control.

As yet no-one has claimed responsibility for the explosion, but police blamed Swapo.

Last month Swapo said in statements that it would carry the war to the doorsteps of whites in Namibia.

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Why Lenny skipped

DURBAN. - Friends and neighbours of Surendra "Lenny" Naidu are still pondering what drove the 22-year-old community worker to leave home to join the ANC.

Lenny died with eight others in the hail of bullets in a shoot out on the Swaziland border earlier this month.

He did voluntary community work among the underprivileged in Chatsworth, Durban's biggest Indian township, until June 1986. Then he left the country to join the ANC.

Close friends and students called him Lenny - his nickname.

To teachers and pupils at Chatsworth Secondary School where he matriculated as a brilliant student with outstanding results, he was known as Surendra.

This week neighbours in Fame Drive, Bayview, the street where Lenny spent his boyhood, described him as a dedicated community worker.

He left his humble, council-built home in June 1986, telling his parents that he was going overseas on a scholarship.

Last weekend his bullet-ridden body was brought home in a sealed coffin. At the funeral service and burial a enlarged coloured photograph of Lenny taken when he was a teenager was stuck on his white coffin.

Swazi border

Lenny Naidu was 22 when he met his death with eight other alleged ANC members on the Swaziland border on June 8.

And as a baffled community tried to figure out circumstances surrounding the death of a young man who a few years ago was seen delivering food hampers to the unemployed and organising sports events, true friends and relatives are asking what went wrong.

"Lenny was a vegetarian and an ab-



Lenny with his parents Leo and Lela. The picture was taken at his father's 50th birthday party

solutely calm person. Some of his friends heard that he had undergone training in political theory but his death in a shoot out does not match his personality and the Lenny Naidu we knew," a friend said.

He added that the surroundings and atmosphere in which Lenny lived and worked in as a voluntarily worker fired Lenny in his youth to do something more meaningful.

(Chatsworth is a drab picture of dormitory type homes which house almost 250 000 working class people).

Said another friend: "Lenny was a socialist person who always put

others first. I recall during lectures that he will always be the last person to take handouts."

Lenny became active in community and extra-parliamentary politics at the University of Durban-Westville.

He was a final-year BA student when he mysteriously skipped the country. Before he left, he came face to face with poverty, unemployment, and the widespread abuse of alcohol among the adults and drug abuse among the youth when he joined Helping Hands a community-cum-sports group.

He became secretary of Helping Hands and later secretary of the

Bayview Residents Association.

This changed Lenny Naidu's life and turned him into a campaigner for the community but after a few years he could not longer take the depressed scenario in Chatsworth.

According to a relative, Lenny headed for Harare and later Botswana. It is understood he was sent to Cuba for military training and returned to Lusaka sometime last year. During the time he was away he did not contact his parents or friends.

His death on the border stunned Bayview, a passive community which buried him in an undraped coffin at the Moberi Heights ceme-

tery.

Amid strong police presence on the eve of his funeral, thousands of pamphlets were mysteriously distributed in the township.

Lenny's activities as a community worker were listed on the pamphlet.

His grief stricken parents Leo and Lela Naidu received an anonymous telephone call a week after the shoot out. They then travelled to Piet Retief and identified their son's body.

Mr Naidu said his sons body was riddled with bullet wounds and a pathologist in Johannesburg declined to conduct a post mortem because the body was badly decomposed.

"We are not angry and do not feel bitter about what Lenny has done when his life changed dramatically. He told us he was going on a scholarship and that is the last time we saw him alive almost two years ago," Mr Naidu said.

He had to wait for almost a week to obtain clearance to organise the funeral, he said.

One speaker

Last Friday he received permission from the authorities to go ahead with the funeral arrangement but severe restrictions were imposed.

Only 200 people were allowed to attend the funeral service but 300 mourners crammed the Arupta Kazhajam Hall in Bayview.

Scores of people milled around the hall. Only one speaker - a priest, a Mr Phillip - was allowed to conduct both services in the hall and at the burial at the nearby cemetery.

Lenny was buried according to Hindu rights, the funeral service lasting 90 minutes.

Lenny is the second Indian to die under these circumstances. In 1979 Krish Rabilal of Merebank, near Durban, died in a hail of bullets when an SADF team raided ANC homes in Matola near Maputo. Rabilal left the country in 1977.

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Mourners carrying the coffin of Ntsiki Cotoza, one of the alleged ANC members, shot dead last month

Strict security at ANC burials

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DURBAN. — Relatives of nine Natal ANC insurgents killed near the Swaziland border early last month have questioned the official version on the deaths.

One mother alleged discrepancies between photographs of her son's body and the actual body she had seen.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said on June 16 that the nine - six men and three women - had been shot near Piet Retief on the Swaziland border.

The group, travelling in two vehicles, had been intercepted at road blocks. They opened fire on the police who returned the fire, he said.

This week the police public relations division said they had nothing to add to the Minister's statement.

The police said: "We wish to point out, however, that inquests are held into all unnatural deaths. If any person has any information which may be of evidential value, such person should furnish the police with an affidavit so that it may form part of the inquest proceedings."

School teacher

Seven of the nine - Surendra Lenny Naidu, 24, of Chatsworth; Ms Makhosi Nyoka, 27, of KwaMashu; Jabulani Sibisi, 21; of KwaMashu; Joseph Boxer Mthembu, 29, of Chesterville; Ms Nonsikelelo Cotoza, 21, of Lamontville; Sifiso Nxumalo, 24, of Chesterville; and Ms Lindiwe Mthembu, 19, of KwaMashu — were all buried under the strictest of police security last Saturday and Sunday.

The remaining two - Nkosinathi Bruce Thenjwayo, 24, of Imbali township, Pietermaritzburg; and Emmanuel Bongani Gasa, 25, - are expected to be buried as soon as legal formalities have been completed.

The mother of Sifiso Nxumalo,



The Cotoza family outside their home before Ntsiki, second from right, was shot dead

Mrs Ollina Nxumalo, 57, a school teacher in Chesterville, said:

"The way my son was killed shows there is something seriously wrong. He had a big hole on his forehead, gaping wounds on his body and several other bullet wounds.

"We were shown his photograph which was obviously taken after he was killed. In the photograph he was seated in a kombi - already dead and half-naked.

"The photo contrasts with the condition we found him at the mortuary with all those wounds and head injuries.

"They refused to show us the scene where the incident took place, refused to give us his clothes saying they had already burned them and they also refused to give us the money in his possession saying it was ANC

money and they were going to confiscate it.

"We have not been given all the details about the incident", said Mrs Nxumalo.

Her son, the eldest of four children, was in standard 10 when he left the country.

Mrs Theresa Mthembu, 52, mother of Joseph Mthembu, said: "In the photograph they showed us he was in a pool of blood but yet there were no signs of blood in the kombi they are alleged to have been in."

Mrs' Zizile Cotoza, mother of Nonsikelelo Cotoza, aged 21, said her daughter's body had wounds on her side and breast.

"She also had a gaping wound on her forehead", she said.

Mr Leo Naidoo, the father of Lenny Naidoo, said: "He is no longer with us but he died for something he believed in", he said.

Most of the parents said they were also concerned at the timing of the announcement on the deaths of their children. The death certificates were dated June 12 but yet the Minister only made his announcement four days later. They also heard that the incident took place on June 12.

In spite of the stringent security measures at all the funerals, thousands of people in KwaMashu, Chesterville, Lamontville and Chatsworth paid tribute to the dead men and women.

Police constantly warned crowds to move away as the funerals were only restricted to 200 people. — PRESS TRUST OF SA



Joseph and Beauty Mtshali, Herbert's parents

Baffled by ANC kid's actions

From MONO BADELA

JOHANNESBURG. - The Soweto Students Congress (Sosco) is investigating the claims of Herbert Nkosana Mtshali, the 15-year-old who claimed last week that he was a trained African National Congress guerilla.

Mtshali's confession was the "talk of the town" in Soweto at the weekend and the revelations about his alleged ANC activities came as a surprise to his parents and baffled youths in the area.

Mtshali, appearing before an international press conference at the Protea police station in Soweto, assembled an AK-47 automatic rifle. He said his mission was to sabotage power stations and to recruit new members.

A spokesperson for Sosco this week said Mtshali was under

investigation. *South*

"We are completely baffled. He is something of a mystery to us. We are investigating his movements before he left the country." *7-13/7/88*
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"We are not sure whether he did receive training in Angola, or if he's being used by the police. We shall certainly know these facts soon."

His parents were also perplexed. "He is a quiet, obedient child," his parents, Joseph and Beauty Mtshali, said.

They said the events of the past week came as a "surprise".

They had not been aware that he had left the country although at one time he had disappeared for some time.

"We love him very much and we'll pray for him everyday," they said

The police maintained that he was a "trained terrorist".

Mtshali was presented to the media in an unprecedented move after Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok announced his capture last week.

Vlok said the ANC had embarked on "a campaign of child revolution."

Mtshali, unfazed by the presence of the TV cameras and dozens of journalists, stripped an AK-47 rifle in just over a minute.

He trained with about 25 other recruits and had been 14 when he joined the ANC of his "own free will"

He "changed his mind" about the ANC after his arrest.

Now he would have to join the police for his own protection, he said.

"I don't think I will be safe in Soweto from ANC members. I was a freedom fighter, but now I'm nothing," he said.

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Civilian target claims are denied by ANC

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LUSAKA — The ANC said yesterday that its military strategy in the fight to topple the South African Government did not include indiscriminate attacks on civilians.

It denied allegations by South Africa that it is failing to discriminate between civilian, military and Government targets.

The organisation said

there had not been a change in its policy.

The ANC considered as legitimate targets all military installations and personnel; symbols of government such as law courts; government buildings and police stations; and economic targets such as railway stations and power stations.

The car-bomb which exploded outside Ellis Park rugby stadium in Johannesburg on Saturday — killing two people and injuring about 35 — drew widespread condemnation, including criticism from leading black and white supporters of the ANC.

REPORT SOUGHT

Asked to explain this — and 27 other bomb attacks in South African cities this year in which civilians have been killed and injured — the ANC said: "How can we answer that?"

But it added: "We can understand why this is happening." It did not elaborate.

Western diplomats said the discrepancy between the stated policy and the attacks suggested a lack of co-ordination between the Lusaka-based senior ANC leadership and units operating in South Africa.

The ANC said it had asked for a report on the attacks to determine if all had been aimed at legitimate targets. Reuter.

15 shots fired in dark Kani garage

Court Reporter

FIFTEEN shots in three volleys were fired at the Rev Cameron Kani in his garage in New Crossroads after a policeman was shot at from the garage, the policeman said at the Wynberg inquest court yesterday.

Sergeant Theunis Jakobus Rosslee, of the Unrest Unit, was giving evidence at the inquest into the death of Mr Kani, 52, who was shot dead in the garage of his New Crossroads home on February 2.

Earlier the court heard that Mr Kani had been a lay preacher with the Reformed Methodist Church for many years.

Sgt Rosslee said that on February 2 he, Lieutenant Eugene Bester, and constables Ralph Smith, Shaun van Wyk and a Constable Dana were patrolling the New Crossroads area when a shot was heard.

Lt Bester stopped the patrol van and all the policemen climbed over a wall and into a yard. Sgt Rosslee was following Lt Bester to "cover him" and the other policemen followed them.

When Lt Bester ran into a house and moved towards the garage, Sgt Rosslee saw a car parked in the open en-

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trance to the unit garage but said he could not remember whether the bonnet was open or not.

Lt Bester entered the garage next to the car. "Suddenly there was a shot from inside the garage and Lt Bester staggered back and looked for cover. I immediately realized that Lt Bester had been shot," Sgt Rosslee said.

"At the same time a shot was fired at me and I fired a volley of shots at a figure I saw there. I saw the flashes from the firearm as the person fired at me. I heard about four shots being fired at me.

"After I fired the shots, the figure collapsed to the floor. I moved slowly into the garage with Constable Van Wyk close at my heels. I saw a black man lying on his side.

"Suddenly his right hand, holding the weapon, swung towards me. I was ready and immediately fired two more shots at him whereupon his hand went limp and I kicked the weapon out of it and Constable Van Wyk picked it up.

"I assumed that the man had been fatally injured with the last shot. He lay there lifeless and made no sound. I don't know at what stage he died."

Questioned by Mr P Steyn of the Attorney-General's office, Sgt Rosslee said he had "not stopped shooting. I shot continuously. I fired until he stopped firing. In the first two volleys I fired 13 shots and in the third, two shots". He said he did not hear Mr Kani groan.

Questioned by Mr J Gauntlett, for the Kani family, he said he did not go closer to check on Mr Kani as he was afraid of contracting Aids. He said that when he returned to the garage later he noticed that Mr Kani had changed positions.

He said it was impossible that someone had taken shelter in the garage, fired at the police and escaped on the other side of the car and over the wall.

He had left Constable Van Wyk to watch Mr Kani. Constable Van Wyk said that after Lt Bester was taken away by ambulance, Mr Kani appeared to be alive. Mr Kani groaned for about 10 minutes as if he was in pain and slid "like a snake" from the place where he had been shot, before he lay still.

Constable Van Wyk said he did nothing to help the man.

"There was nothing I could do. I was left there to guard."

The hearing continues today.

Mr G Hoffman was the magistrate. Mr J Slabbert, instructed by the State Attorney's office, appeared for the Minister of Law and Order. Mr P Steyn of the Attorney-General's office led the evidence. Mr Gauntlett was instructed by Mr J Hardcastle of Mallinicks.

Argus 7/7/88

Women held after Guguletu shooting

Staff Reporter

A GUGULETU teacher and her 19-year-old daughter are being held under the Internal Security Act following the shooting of an alleged trained terrorist in Guguletu this week.

This was confirmed today by a police spokesman in Pretoria.

The women, three children and a three-month-old baby, were detained initially.

The children aged 13, 9 and three were released hours after the shooting. The baby is in detention with the adults.

The shooting was in Nokwanda Street after police were told that a "trained terrorist" was hiding there.

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A resident, Mrs Girlie Loza, who has been caring for the three children since their release, said the dead man was known only as "Solly."

"I was in my house when the shooting occurred," she said.

"I was told that police had surrounded the house. Solly became uneasy. He went to the toilet and later into a room.

"He fired a shot. Shortly after that a volley was fired."

The Argus visited the scene soon after the shooting. Most windows in the house were broken. There was dried blood in the room where the man died and piles of rubbish were strewn about.

According to Major Jan Calitz, chief liaison officer for the police in the Western Cape, arms, including an AK47 rifle, ammunition and grenades, were confiscated.

Police name blast victim

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Soweto 4/7/88

POLICE yesterday identified the man who allegedly blew himself up in a limpet mine explosion in Protea North, Soweto, last Friday as an official of the Post and Telecommunications Workers' Association, Mr Michael Patrick Banda.

According to police, Mr Banda (31), died after an explosive device alleged to have been in his possession, exploded outside a house in the township. A hand grenade was found near the body, they said.

Mr Banda, of Naledi, a shop steward, was dismissed with more than 2 000 other workers during the Post Office strike in August last year.

His body was found by his family in the Government Mortuary on Tuesday, three days after police allegedly called at his home searching for him.



Mrs PEGGY Mofutsanyana bereaved Potwa official.

Mr Banda's family said yesterday that they were baffled by circumstances leading to his death.

His stepfather, Mr Richard Mofutsanyana, said police visited their home on July 1, and asked about his son's whereabouts.

Police, he said, later called at his daughter's and at another relative's homes in Tshiawelo and Orlando West the same day, claiming they were looking for Mr Banda.

Mr Mofutsanyana said: "Police called again at my daughter's place on Monday and this time took her to Protea police station where she was asked to identify a photograph of my son. She could make out from the

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CARE NOTES 8/7/88
Bomb victim still critical *84A*

JOHANNESBURG. — Ellis Park bomb victims Graham Theck, 16, and Kevin Weller, 15, were discharged from the Johannesburg Hospital yesterday. Mr Phillip Johnson of Sandton is still in a critical condition in the hospital's intensive-care unit. The other two victims still in hospital, Mr Gordon Eddy and Mr Roger Haggerty, who each lost a leg in the blast, are in a satisfactory condition.

Tribute to ^{gwa} Ellis Park ^{5/22 8/11/86} bomb victim

More than 200 people filled the NG Church of Weltevreden, Randburg, yesterday for the funeral of Mr Linus Marè, one of two men killed in Saturday's car bomb blast at Ellis Park.

Pastor C J Niemandt urged the congregation to pray for love to prevail in South Africa and for forgiveness for those who had planted the bomb.

Paying tribute to Mr Marè, fellow Gencor employee, Mr Tommy Hopkins said: "Linus was a man who stood out among men. He was known for his honesty and integrity and was a person who brought hope to his fellows in a troubled world."

Among the friends and relatives at the funeral were Mr Marè's wife, Magriet, and his two daughters, Lindi (6) and Stephani (3). Mr Marè was 34 when he died.

ELLIS PARK BOMB

Dissecting the cause

The recent spate of bomb attacks by the ANC or their surrogates on soft targets in SA has the propensity to harden attitudes of even moderates and liberals.

Last week's car bomb at the Ellis Park rugby stadium, and the arbitrary attacks on innocent black bystanders which followed, is typical of the knee-jerk emotionalism which invariably accompanies such events.

Somehow the bombing, which violated that most sacred of SA turf — the rugby stadium — seemed to strike at the very core of white South Africans.

It was generally perceived as a far bigger outrage than the recent bomb blasts in Pretoria and Krugersdorp, though only two lives were claimed.

Not unexpectedly rightwingers, like the Iranians in the wake of the US missile accident, are already rushing for the gun cupboard.

They have declared open war on the ANC and have suggested attacking the organisation in London, Lusaka "or wherever they may hide themselves."

Retaliation from the security forces looks inevitable. Security Police Chief Johann van der Merwe has said as much in an interview on *Netwerk*.

It was perhaps to be expected that attitudes would harden in the face of such wanton carnage.

The compulsion to exact revenge is almost understandable. But before the security forces go rushing in and violating the sovereignty of neighbour states accused of harbouring terrorists, what needs to be borne in mind is that the recent spate of bomb attacks could well be an orchestrated attempt to increase tensions at home while the SA team faces down the Cubans and Angolans across the negotiating table.

Few South Africans, of all races, would openly condone violence. The likes of Mangosuthu Buthelezi and Desmond Tutu (offering to act as a mediator between Pretoria and Lusaka) echoed the outcry against the senseless killing of innocent people.

At the same time, the spiral of violence inherent in SA society is not entirely lost on them. Violence breeds violence.

It seems almost clichéd to suggest it, but the solution remains in open dialogue with all sectors of SA society — although, sadly, that in itself is not likely to bring an immediate end to the violence. Dialogue has to be accompanied by concrete or conciliatory reform.

Black unity

In this respect two issues come to mind: the Group Areas Act, whose teeth have recently been sharpened, and the prolonged imprisonment of a 70-year-old man.

Neither of these issues, and the way they have been handled by government, has made it easy for black South Africans to work towards an agreeable solution for the country.

Warns Buthelezi's Inkatha movement: "(Inkatha) was committed to the principle of black unity in the face of apartheid ... Inkatha shares in the widespread conviction of black SA that apartheid is doomed and that the days of the politics of prescription are numbered.

"We will not be involved in our own subjugation by bowing before the politics of prescription."

Buthelezi looks no closer to accepting any of the proposals Pretoria may have come forward with. Neither has government gone out of its way to understand the concerns of Buthelezi and other black national leaders, by offering something other than prescriptive instruments like the regional services or national councils.

If the strategies of the ANC are to be successfully countered, this will have to change.

The organisation will have to be placed into a position where violence is seen as a less preferable option to talking and accepting genuine reforms offered by government. ■

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Ambulance 'not told' of shot Kani

By YVETTE VAN BREDA
Court Reporter

POLICE did not tell ambulancemen called to help a wounded policeman that the Rev Cameron Kani was also wounded during a shooting at the lay preacher's New Crossroads home, a Wynberg inquest court heard yesterday.

This was evidence at the inquest into the death of Mr Kani, 52, of the Reformed Methodist Church, who was shot dead in the garage of his home on February 3.

Earlier, Sergeant Theunis Jakobus Rosslee said he, Lieutenant Eugenius Bester and three constables were patrolling the New Crossroads area when he heard a shot.

Lt Bester led the policemen towards an open garage door. "The nose of a car" was parked in the dark garage. Sgt Rosslee was closest to Lt Bester as he entered the garage.

There was a shot from inside the garage which hit Lt Bester. Sgt Rosslee retaliated with two volleys of 13 shots "at a black figure" which collapsed to the floor. As Sgt Rosslee moved slowly towards the man, who was lying on his side, "he swung his weapon towards me".

He immediately fired two more shots at the man and as his hand went limp Sgt Rosslee kicked the weapon out of it. He said five of the 15 bullets were tracer bullets and were not standard issue.

He had not checked to see whether Mr Kani was dead or alive as he was afraid of contracting Aids.

Constable Shaun van Wyk, who was left to guard Mr Kani, said that after Lt Bester was taken away by ambulance, Mr Kani showed signs of life.

He groaned for about 10 minutes as if he was in pain and slid "like a snake" from the place where he had been shot, before he lay still.

Yesterday an ambulanceman, Mr Andre Swanepoel, said he and the driver of the ambulance were on their way to hospital with a patient when a police car stopped them in Nyanga and led them to the scene.

They arrived there about 12.33am and were told that there was an in-

jured policeman who needed to go to hospital. Two policeman helped Lt Bester to the ambulance where he was given the necessary treatment and taken to Tygerberg Hospital.

Mr Swanepoel said the ambulance could take five patients.

"No one told us about another injured person," he said. He heard no moaning from the garage, as members of Mr Kani's family had said, but added that he did not go near the garage and left the scene about 17 minutes later.

Mr Anton Rossouw, another ambulance driver, said he had been notified by Metro about 1am to go to the Kani house. Police had told him that Mr Kani was dead.

Asked by Mr J Gaunlett, for the Kani family, whether he would have gone to greater lengths to check whether Mr Kani was dead if police had told him that the man had recently moved around and groaned for 10 minutes, he said he would have.

A third ambulance was called which took Mr Kani's body away.

'Riddled with bullets'

Dr L van Ieperen, a specialist pathologist, told the court he had examined Mr Kani at the Salt River mortuary and found that he was "riddled with bullets". He said Mr Kani was a sick man who had tuberculosis and a shortened left leg. He was "definitely handicapped in his going about".

His left side had been "destroyed" and he had nine broken ribs. He counted 15 bullet entrance wounds and 13 exit wounds. Both his legs had been fractured by the bullets. Dr Van Ieperen said multiple bullet wounds had caused Mr Kani's death.

He said it would have taken a maximum of 25 minutes before Mr Kani had "systemic failure" but could not say how long it would have taken before he died. Dr Van Ieperen said he doubted whether Mr Kani would have been able to move with fractured legs and a collapsed left side.

The hearing continues today.

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City's bomb alert campaign

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City Times 9/7/88

By PETER DENNEHY

THE Mayor of Cape Town, Mr Peter Muller, has come out in full support of a nation-wide bomb awareness campaign.

The mayor's stance comes as a wave of security awareness surges through South Africa in the wake of an increase in the number of urban blasts.

The campaign is designed to foster "a greater national vigilance and response by the public to the danger of explosive devices".

The Cape Town Chamber of Commerce has just issued a comprehensive set of security guidelines for shops and offices frequented by the public.

Mr Muller said yesterday that the new drive, which he supported, reinforced Cape Town's on-going programme to ensure that members of the public had a high degree of awareness of "preventive measures and reaction procedures".

Limpet mine posters are already on display in some Cape Town municipal buildings. They are particularly common in court buildings, police stations and post offices.

Cape Town has had four blasts in the past three months — one near Parliament in April, and three on June 16 in Wynberg, on the Langa railway line and at the Sea Point Civic Hall.

A police spokesman, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said people in Cape Town could increase their awareness of suspicious-looking objects, specially in the crowded places such as shopping malls.

If any such objects are spotted members of the public are asked to contact the police at 10111.

MINES . . . This is what they look like. A series of 16 similar posters will be used increasingly in awareness campaigns.

Picture: Security Awareness and Promotions

Hunt is on for white bombers

**SATURDAY STAR
REPORTER**

POLICE would follow all information which could help them track down those responsible for the Ellis Park bomb blast last weekend, a police spokesman said last night.

A police spokesman was reacting to a Pretoria report which quoted unnamed "intelligence sources" as saying detectives were believed to be compiling identikits of two white suspects.

The report said police were looking for a white man and woman.

The Ellis Park bomb, which was left in a stolen BMW, killed two people and injured 35 others.

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Bombs: police may act against loiterers

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POLICE will in future consider taking action against members of the public who loiter at bomb blasts.

This is because unnecessary bystanders hinder police investigations and are potential targets for possible secondary explosions.

This was told to the Saturday Star this week by a spokesman for the police in Johannesburg.

He was commenting on reports that rugby fans had

larger blast detonated by remote control by the bomber. But although the South African public generally needed to be more educated on what action to take at explosions, most people were very co-operative. "We will consider taking action against those unauthorised individuals who remain at the site of a blast, but I must stress that generally we receive great co-operation from the public," said Witwatersrand police spokesman Lieutenant Pierre Louw.

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He said the biggest problem police had to contend with was that hundreds of people converged almost immediately after a bomb went off, as happened at last weekend's explosion outside Ellis Park stadium. Lieutenant Louw stressed the following points for members of the public at a blast site: Only those with medical qualifications were to give assistance to the injured. This is because unqualified people may injure victims further and other blasts.

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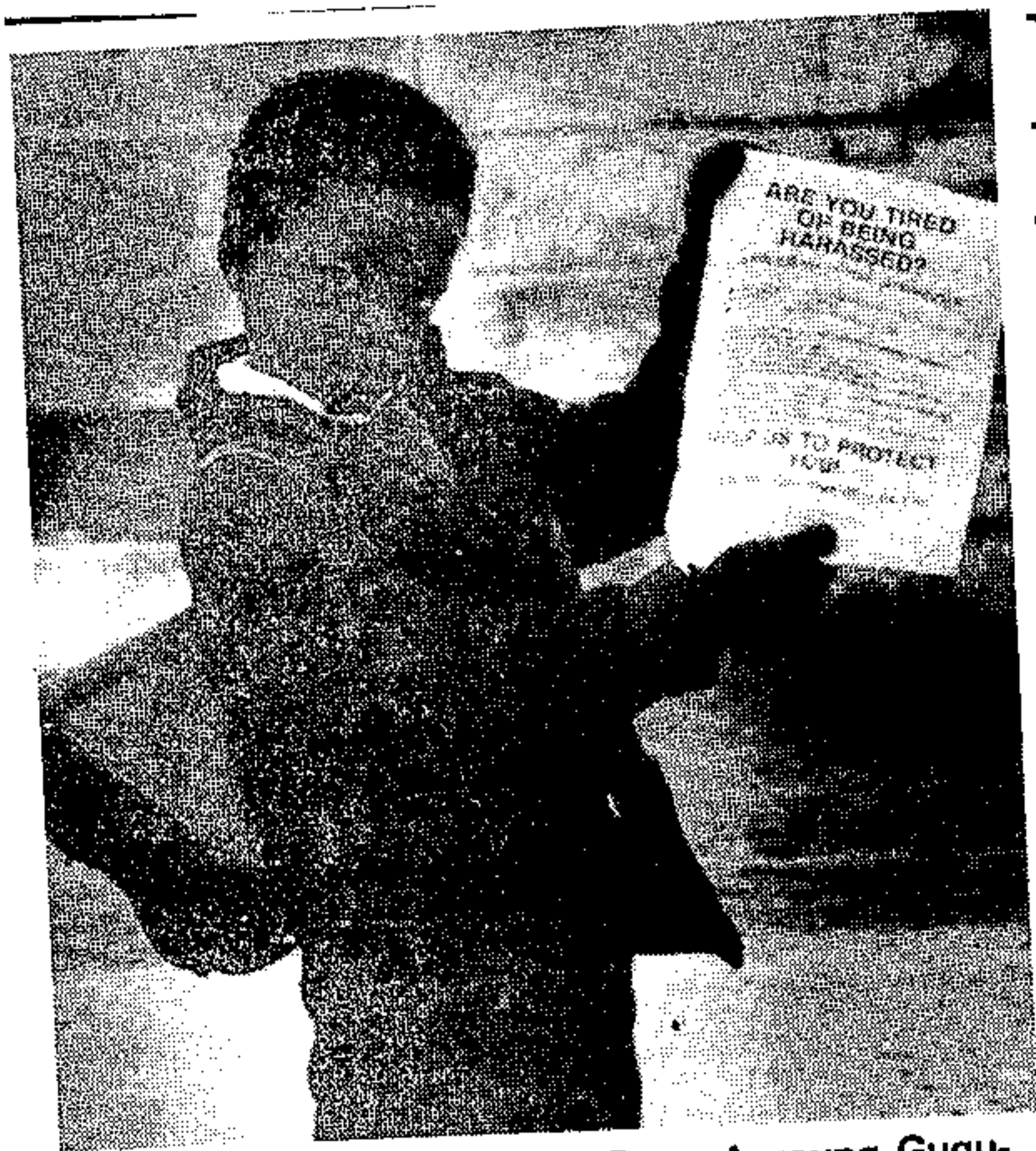
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INFORMERS ANONYMOUS ... A young Guguletu resident with the South African Police pamphlet offering rewards of up to R1 000 for township inhabitants who turn police informers.

Police offer R1 000 for 'unrest' info

By CHRIS STEYN

POLICE are distributing pamphlets in Peninsula townships offering rewards of up to R1 000 for anybody who informs on inhabitants who promote unrest, make fire bombs or are involved in necklace killings.

Township residents, including children, were seen yesterday reading the pamphlets, entitled "Are You Tired of Being Harassed?"

Western Cape police liaison officer Lieutenant Attie Laubscher confirmed that the pamphlets were being distributed by hand by members of the security forces who were on patrol in the townships.

Police state in the pamphlet that rewards of up to R1 000 will be paid for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone who:

- Makes or uses firebombs;
- Promotes unrest through agitation or intimidation or instigates or

instructs a person to take part in violence;

- Partakes in violence resulting in serious injury, or

- Murders or seriously injures anybody through the so-called necklace method.

Police state in the pamphlet that rewards for information regarding explosive devices or recovery of arms caches will be considered on merit.

The pamphlet also states that rewards of up to R500 will be paid for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone who commits acts of:

- Violence, excluding political unrest, that results in serious injury, and

- Damage to property and looting.

The pamphlets also inform township residents that the police need information concerning people "preventing your children's education, keeping you from work, who stop you buying where you like".

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ID on limpet blast victim

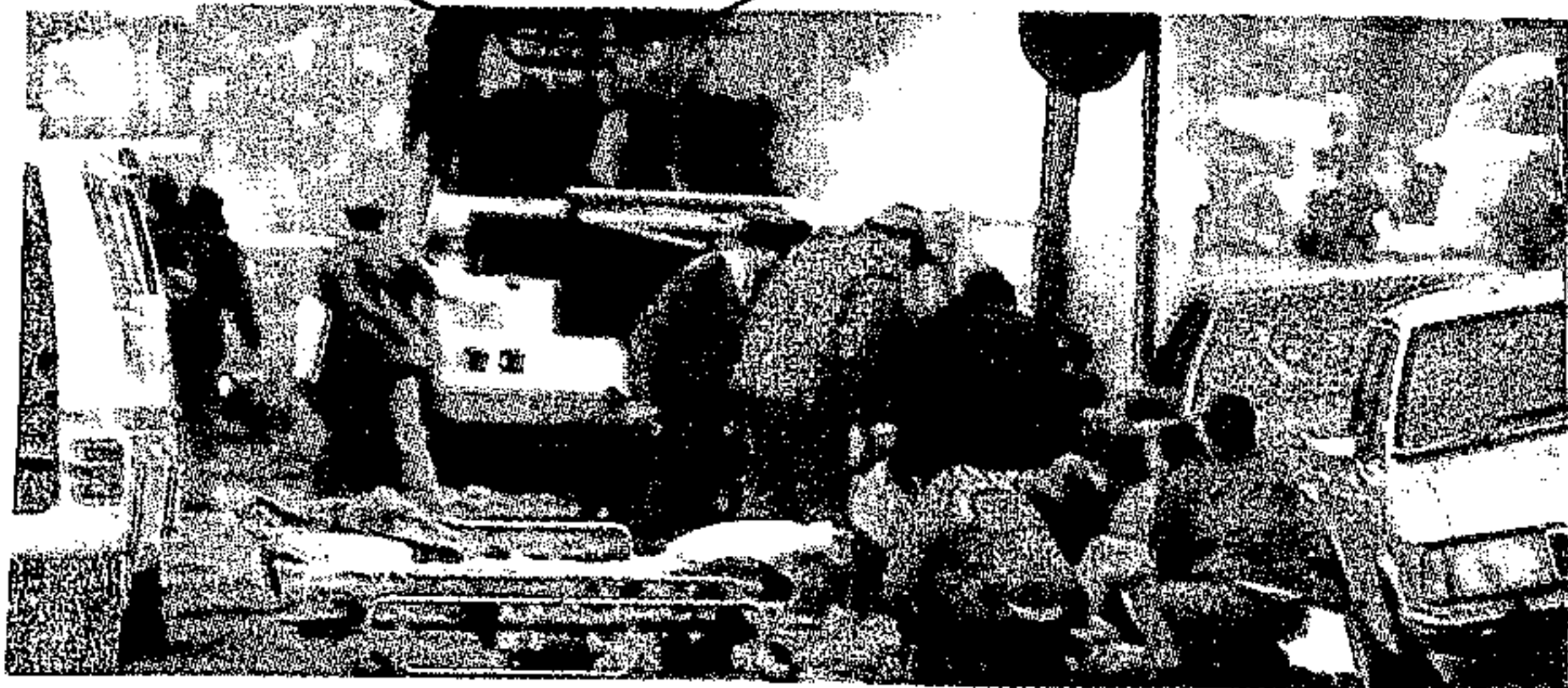
JOHANNESBURG. — Police have identified a man who allegedly blew himself up in a limpet mine blast in Protea North, Soweto, last Friday as Michael Patrick Banda, a Post and Telecommunications Workers' Association (Potwa) member.

The Sowetan reported yesterday the 31-year-old Mr Banda, of Naledi, died after an explosive device alleged to have been in his possession exploded outside a house in Soweto. A handgrenade was also found near his body, police said.

Mr Banda, a shop steward dismissed along with about 2 000 other workers during the August 1987 Post Office strike, was found by his family in the government mortuary on Tuesday some three days after police allegedly called at his home searching for him, the Sowetan said.

Mr Banda's family said they were baffled by the circumstances leading to his death. — Sapa

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Gordon Eddey is visited by his parents in hospital, where he is recovering from the horror of last Saturday's Ellis Park bomb (left)

MAN WHO LOST A LEG IN ELLIS PARK BOMB BLAST TELLS HIS OWN COURAGEOUS STORY

EVEN before the sound reached me, I knew there had been an explosion. I remember instant dusk — then the concussion.

I knew from my many years as a journalist that this was a bomb blast. But this time I was the victim.

The nylon-and-down jacket I was wearing appeared like a million fireflies around me. I looked up at my friend, Roger Hagerty, as I hit the floor and saw that his leg was exposed totally to the bone.

We encouraged each other ... "Hang on in there, Gord," he said to me. "Go for it, Roger," I said. Pretty inane statements, perhaps, but very important at the time.

Then suddenly we were surrounded by people, all sorts of people, doing their best to be helpful, just about tripping over our bleeding limbs.

One guy who got between me and Roger turned out to be the most helpful of all. He was a trained paramedic, saying: "Don't worry, your mate has got up and walked away."

Had I not seen how badly Roger was hurt, I might have swallowed that. But it actually made me angry, given the futility of my position, when I couldn't move because my arm was lying at an exceptionally strange angle to my body and I knew my leg was bleeding.

COMIC

At that stage I didn't realise my leg would be the problem.

The next thing was that the fire brigade was washing down the area behind us and, from this intense heat, suddenly there was cold on our backs. I can understand the reasoning behind this, but at the time I didn't actually enjoy it that much.

With hindsight what turned out to be quite a comic thing — though it wasn't funny at the time — was that across the road there was suddenly this charge of people all high-stepping ... screaming and trying to get out of town.

It was like something out of a choreographed Broad-

Former Sunday Times journalist Gordon Eddey took a couple of hours off from his one-man business to watch a game of rugby — and ended up fighting for his life as one of the 37 victims of the Ellis Park car-bomb blast. He lost a leg.

Now recovering in the Johannesburg Hospital, 31-year-old Gordon has resolved to put the tragedy behind him and to start life afresh.

More than just a chronicle of horror, his tale is an inspiration to others battling against formidable odds. Here is Gordon's own moving story of that fateful day ...

By GORDON EDDEY with DAVID JACKSON
Picture: JAMES SOULLIER

way revue. Then we were put in the ambulances and taken to hospital. Roger got there first and he was taken straight through to the surgical intensive-care unit, and I had been sent to the medical ICU — which I knew was a little unusual because, having worked as a crime reporter, I knew what trauma units did and what medical units did.

At no stage did I lose consciousness. I felt very resolved all the way through. In fact, it crystallised something I have felt for years and years.

I've always said that in this country, if you don't agree with apartheid and you don't agree with the

ANC, you've got three unwilling choices.

You go into the army unwillingly, go into exile unwillingly or you go to jail unwillingly.

I don't feel any bitterness about what happened ... I think it's one of the unwilling choices. Bullying is very easy and so is cowardice. They both work on the same principle.

SICK

You are not a bully if you walk up to someone and hit him on the nose when he has the opportunity of hitting you back ... but you've got to be a real wimp to walk up to someone and hit him on the back of the head with a

baseball bat. If that's how you get your rocks off, then you're sick.

An innocent victim is one who presumes that, because it is not his particular little barney, he doesn't take part in it. I've known that all along ... and, now that I've been taken out, I feel invincible.

Now I'm here for good — and to hell with them all. I'll never have to go through this problem again of "what if" for me and "what if" for my kids. This is my home now — and all these political bloody fools can do what they like.

CHEEK

They had a bloody cheek if they felt they were going to get rid of me that easily.

The words that went through my brain were "Screw you, Charlie" — as crass as that may sound. That's exactly what I thought.

Back at the hospital, I was taken into the surgical ICU trauma room. It was quite funny. I was wheeled in there and, because I know quite a lot of nursing sisters I was saying "Gee, I know you ... and I know you ... and how are you", and all the rest — because I was just not willing to lie down and die. It was quite horrible be-

cause a doctor came along and examined my arm and said: "That arm might have to come off," and I said: "No, please, I'm left-handed."

PAIN

They actually thought Roger would lose his leg and I would lose an arm, but as it turned out we each lost a leg.

The doctor put his hand behind my knee and there was an excruciating pain.

That basically sealed that. A clerk came up in all his innocence and asked me to



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sign consent forms. Obviously, I couldn't sign these, because my arm was injured. Then the superintendent came over and they did it verbally.

When I came out of theatre, I felt very weak and tired for about a day. Then I started to feel amazingly strong ...

I have my own magazine, South African Wine and Beverage. I just hope now that my clients will show the kind of patience I need.

I intend to carry on. I really enjoy the journalistic

life. I'm the great jackrabbit.

Every time I got reasonable at something I'd move and do something else. I have been a news reporter, news sub-editor, feature writer, photographer, magazine writer and magazine news editor.

SKULKED

I hopped and jumped ... black Press, white Press, English Press, Afrikaans Press, the Rand Daily Mail, Sunday Times, Sunday Express, the Transvaler, Evening Post in Port Elizabeth,

Africa Today, Scope magazine ...

I think I actually skulked into this very same hospital once with a camera hidden in someone's handbag to do this very same kind of story. So I felt sorry for you guys.

I don't think having an artificial leg is going to be a huge disadvantage. Obviously, I won't be running five-minute kilometres. I'll have to develop new interests. I like people very much.

They say there's one good book in every journalist. Well, I've four-fifths of a

book down on paper. Maybe now I'll finally sit down and finish it.

My priorities are fitness, in a holistic way, and to get the business back on track and start making money.

FRIENDS

I've now got to budget for an automatic car, for instance — silly little irritations like that.

There are two things I want to say. One is important, the other quite trivial.

The important one is that you need people constantly

again and again and again. You tend to think of them as colleagues and acquaintances.

Then you find they are good friends because they are here pitching for you.

The second thing is that Transvaal finally played a good game of rugby.

I was ecstatic. Louis Luyt (the Transvaal Rugby Union boss) came to see me in hospital and said: "We will do anything for you that you ask."

I should have told him: "Just keep winning."

Family hit for the second time as father and son are hurt in blast



ELLIS PARK VICTIMS: Bob Weller and his son, Kevin, 15

Victims could wait two months for compensation

ELLIS Park bomb victims may have to wait up to two months for financial relief from the State President's Fund — specially set up to aid victims of terrorism.

Dr C F Slabber, Director-General of the Department of National Health and Population Development — which oversees the fund — said yesterday the public could be assured it would act urgently to consider relief for the rugby bomb victims.

By DAVID JACKSON

This could be given "within about two months from the date of application" to Pretoria.

Dr Slabber said an application form had been posted to the attorneys representing bomb victim Mr Gordon Eddey.

Mr Eddey and his close friend Roger Hagerty — both hockey players for the Old Johannians Club in Johannesburg — each lost a leg in last Saturday's explosion.

Income

This weekend Old Johannians sports officials were frantically trying to sort out the administrative confusion.

Donations totalling thousands of rands were being pledged by sports bodies across the country.

Chairman of the club's hockey section, Mr Glyn Evans, said: "The response has been overwhelming. We want to co-operate with the authorities all we can."

"But the bottom line is that two of our boys are lying in hospital minus a leg — with no regular income coming in. Money is urgently needed in the short-term."

"We are making represen-

tations at the highest level to try to get a Welfare Organisation number so that we can legally launch an appeal.

"Until the situation is clarified, we are putting all the donations into a private trust."

Both Mr Eddey, 31, and Mr Hagerty — who turns 31 on July 17 — run their own businesses.

Dr Slabber said private clubs and groups needed authority from the Director of Fund Raising in Pretoria before setting up their own separate relief funds.

"All money collected must, however, be paid into the (State President's) fund."

He said the fund stood at R2 869 000 as at March 31. Since it was established in 1983 about R6,4-million had been paid out to 833 victims.

The fund is managed by a board appointed by the Minister of National Health and Population Development.

The board's funds consist mainly of contributions collected from the public and from money appropriated by Parliament.

Individual citizens can send contributions to: The Secretary, State President's Fund, Private Bag X63, Pretoria, 0001.

By ANN PALMER

TRAGEDY has struck the Weller family for the second time in six years.

In 1982 their eldest son was killed when he was struck by lightning while rowing on Wemmer Pan, Johannesburg.

And last Saturday, the Ellis Park bomb blast sent their second son, Kevin, 15, and father to hospital.

But there's no bitterness in their Edenvale home.

"I was proud to be a South African because of the way the crowd reacted after the blast — they were superb," said Mr Bob Weller, 48, who is recovering from injuries to his knee, thigh and throat.

"Immediately after the blast, two police officers were by my side.

"A complete stranger even stripped off his jersey and placed it under my leg."

Mr Weller, owner of an engineering firm, recalled that six years ago he had lost a son.

"Bruce was 13 when he was



BRUCE WELLER Died at Wemmer Pan

practising for a school regatta on Wemmer Pan. It was a typical summer's day and the boys were waiting for the start."

Then lightning struck, and Bruce was killed.

Mr Weller said he and Kevin were leaving Ellis Park when the bomb went off.

"We had just walked past a school bus and into the open when everything went black. My first reaction was concern for Kevin."

"But by describing what he was wearing, I established that he was OK and on his way to hospital."

Kevin, a Standard 8 pupil at St Benedicts College, Bedfordview, suffered groin and arm injuries.

He said he remembered the world turning black and then orange as the bomb exploded. "When I came to my senses, I was at the Johannesburg Hospital — ending up in the maternity section."

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Apartheid is root of SA bomb attacks

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By REVELATION NTOULA
and ELIAS MALULEKE

LAST week's Ellis Park bomb blast which killed two people and injured 35 once again highlights the tragedy of our apartheid society where violence and counter-violence have be-

come a way of life. Where do we go from here? It is asking, particularly in the Pretoria, Witwaters-

burg and Johannesburg areas, where bombings and maimings no longer make news headlines.

mas, shops and busy streets, the Ellis Park bombing was a tragedy that was blatantly targeted at the largely white crowd streaming from the stadium after a rugby match.

Although the ANC has neither denied nor accepted responsibility for the blast, the government was quick to put the blame at the organisation's doorstep.

The fact that the blast was obviously directed at white soft targets, seemed to lend credence to the government's claim.

It has also been suggested that white members of the ANC - who would have been less conspicuous at an all-white sporting event - had been responsible for the blast.

The racial element to the Ellis Park bombing poses the potential of a revenge attack from ultra-conservative organisations which have long criticised the government for adopting a "soft line" against



A Doornfontein resident and her child stand outside a house that was damaged in Saturday's blast.

explosion indicates a belief by ordinary whites that blacks were responsible for the blast.

A black skin has become synonymous with the ANC or with acts of terror to many white South Africans.

On September 28, last year, a mini-limpet mine wrecked a spectator's car at the same stadium during a boxing match featuring Pierre Coetzer and visiting American boxer Bernard

Angelo Soteroy, said it was highly unlikely that a black person could have planted the bomb which was concealed in a snack display rack. He said that apart from doing very little business with blacks, the person who planted the bomb must have sat down to eat. Blacks are barred from eating in Soteroy's restaurant.

A week before Ellis Park, 10 people were injured when an blast rocked a packed amusement centre with a predominantly black clientele in

the heart of Johannesburg.

Although the government again blamed the ANC, observers pointed out the possibility of ultra-conservative organisations having placed the bomb.

It is undeniable that the National Party policy of racism lies at the core of the escalation of bomb attacks, which this year alone have claimed 25 lives and caused injuries to 146 people.

At least 10 people were killed in limpet mine explosions last month.

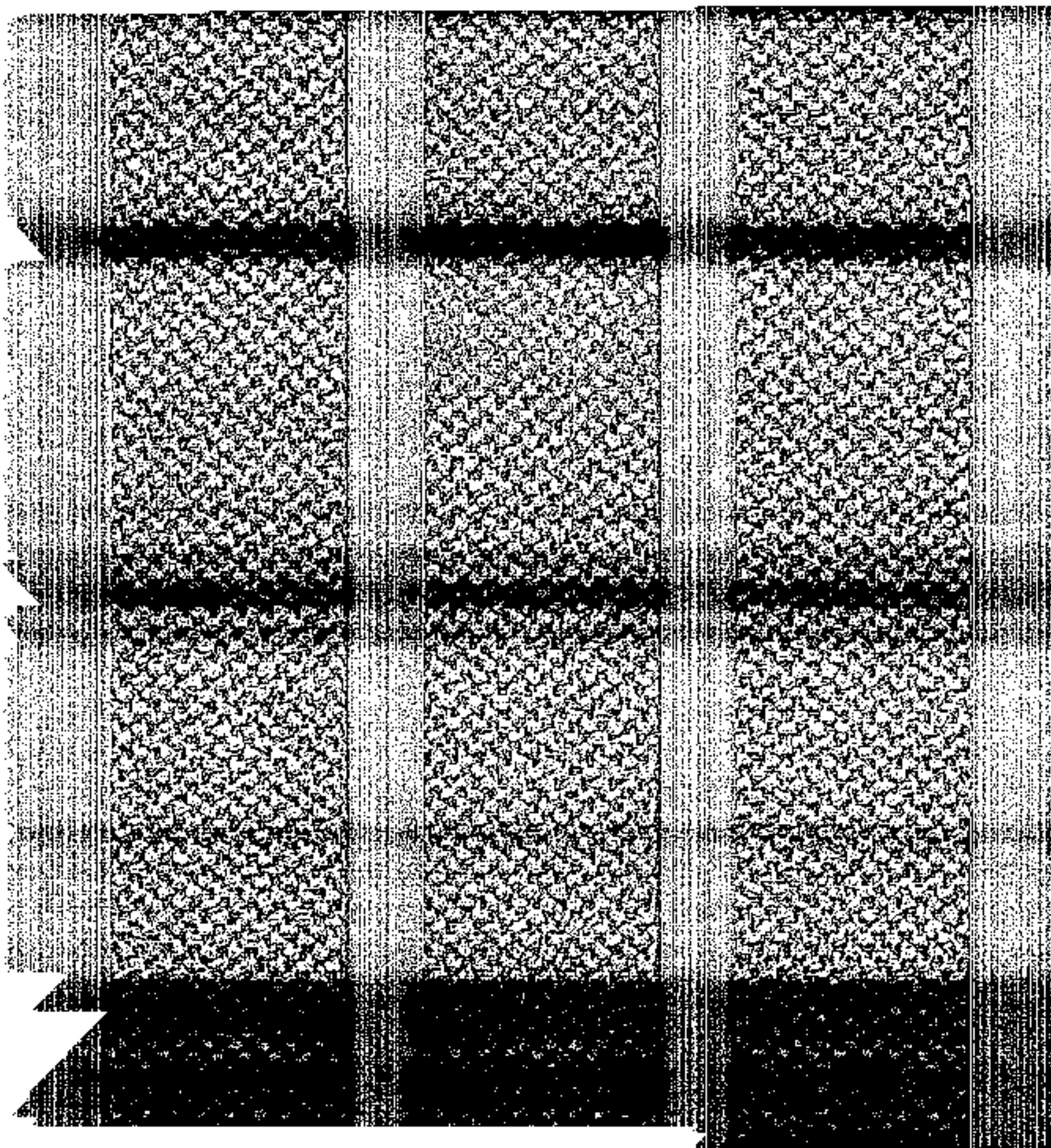
Blast fatality and injury

figures indicate that the situation is worsening.

Meanwhile, the government is giving no sign of addressing the root problem of apartheid.

Instead, the government has threatened stern action against the ANC and neighbouring states it believes are harbouring ANC guerrillas.

A day before Ellis Park, a trilogy of harsh Bills was tabled in Parliament that, when legislated, would prop up one of the crumbling pillars of apartheid, the Group Areas Act.



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couraged ratonnade as well as its more organised form, ratisage. The latter — literally "taking

WHOEVER planted the Ellis Park bomb is clearly of the opinion that the South African Government has thus far been too lenient in its repression and that whatever reservoirs of racial goodwill remain are altogether excessive. Chris Hani, the Latin scholar who currently heads Umkhonto We Sizwe, may or may not have been behind the outrage. Either way, he might do well to consider *ratonnade*. He may find the word, if he has not already done so, in Alistair Horne's history of the Algerian conflict, *A Savage War of Peace*.
Translated from the French, it literally means "rat-hunt". In Algeria, it was used to describe the mindless butchery of innocent Moslems by vengeance-seeking French settlers.
The National Liberation Front (FLN), Algeria's ANC, actively en-

over" — referred to murderous military sweeps through Moslem communities, and should put Hani in mind of Tacitus's immortal phrase: "They make a desert and call it peace."

The FLN's goal was clear. To use the enemy to wipe out the middle ground and turn the entire indigenous population — or however much of it survived — against the colonists.

The front deliberately sought to sidetrack the dangerously reformist colonial administration into all-out repression and thus "alienate the masses" into general insurrection.

In an interview with the New York Times last month, Hani said that while he regretted the death of white civilians, he hoped that

Simon and the Algerian Lesson for the ANC

Washington Daily

their mutilation in the random violence of bomb blasts might cause them to rethink the status quo. Functionally, there does not seem to be much difference

between this and the FLN declaration that preceded their massacres. The tone is perhaps a little more pious, and thus insidious. Hani must ask himself whether he genuinely wishes to have the situation proceed to *ratonnade* and *ratisage*, as, if there are more Ellis Parks, it inexorably might.

Attempting to blow up white civilians, and especially Afrikaners, at one of their cultural

holiest of holies — a rugby match — seems an extremely dangerous step in that direction.

Indeed, it could even be argued that the planter of the bomb had visions of an even more lethal counter.

Now it may well be that this is not part of Hani's game plan, and the Ellis Park blast was the work of forces even more radical. If so, it would behove the ANC to say so and make its position clear.

Thus far, the Lusaka salon seems to have understood that there is a vast difference between the South African and Algerian conflicts. Principally that the for-

mer is not a colonial war and there are no colonists who could, when the going gets too bestial, simply pack up and leave.

Nor is there a Charles de Gaulle sitting in the relative comfort of his metropolitan capital who can unilaterally call the whole show off.

Surely even Hani knows that the present combatants are symmetrically linked and are going to have to live together come what may.

Think of it another way. I would argue that for the armed struggle to be successful — ie, to put Hani and his colleagues into power — it would likely have to emulate the FLN's tactics complete with deliberately induced *ratonnade* and *ratisage*.

It would have to be that extreme to create the kind of mass, suicidal hatred that might force the present Government into swift and unconditional surrender.

Hani believes that the people he aspires to liberate can stand such suffering. He quotes a black who lost a leg to a land mine in the Eastern Transvaal: "I am sorry that I lost a leg but I know that the action was not intended for me."

The mine may not have been so intended. But whoever laid it may well have intended the amputee to die in another way — as the victim of a *ratonnade*.

This is a tribute to the cold courage of Nomavenda Mathiane, a rare South African writer who has dared to expose to the light some of the dirty little secrets of our politics. She does so, perhaps, at the risk of her life.

One nasty little secret is that the international anti-apartheid movement has lost touch with the feelings of the people in the townships. It has lost touch very largely because township leaders feign a radicalism they don't feel in order to impress foreigners, embassy officials and the like.

They speak, says Mathiane, with forked tongue.

She spells it out in an extraordinary article in that indispensable magazine, Frontline. For the sake of change, she says, black people are prepared to sacrifice — "not our lives, but the truth."

"How often does one listen with amazement to those blacks who have become barometers of ghetto opinion speak pro-disinvestment at white parties, and say something quite different when lounging in the shebeens?"

How many were against the gory business of necklacing but were too scared to condemn it publicly? Actually, two black people did condemn necklacing. One was Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who objected to the horrible sights being sent around the world by television services, and threatened to emigrate if it happened again. It did happen, and he did not emigrate.

The other was a writer as brave as Mathiane. Aggrey Klaaste, now editor of The Sowetan, published at the height of the township horrors (also in Frontline, as it happens) one of the most moving pieces of South African writing I have ever seen. It was a description of Soweto children waiting patiently to kill a man, which they did, and it ended in a heart-wrenching cry: what have we done to

turn our lovely kids into monsters? Not many people had such courage, and the reasons were plain. Oliver Tambo, an international statesman to rival Yassir Arafat, refused about that time before a congressional sub-committee in Washington to condemn even the killing of the children of black police. In Lusaka the following year he refused to condemn the Amanzimtoti bombing.

The radio relayed the party line to the townships, ordering the "elimination of collaborators". I have the transcripts in my possession.

All political constituencies have their litmus tests. For American liberals the question is where you stood on McCarthy; for the British, it is what you did in the war, daddy. For me, since 1985, it has been: did you raise your voice about necklacing? It was, after all, shown on television. Where, says one of the more cautious (white, English, moderately liberal) newspaper editors, was the Black Sash then?

Aggrey Klaaste did raise his voice, and he did so when he was most vulnerable, when the danger was

greatest. He has my eternal respect and admiration.

Nomavenda Mathiane shows a different kind of courage, more intellectual, less emotional. But she, too, establishes a litmus test: do you have the courage to speak out?

"We see strategies," she says, "that are bringing us nowhere nearer our liberation, but we do not speak out for fear that the Bureau of Information will be too happy to use those statements in their favour."

"We do not speak out because we will be labelled collaborators and friends of Pretoria... In a country where one is immediately branded a sell-out for speaking against boycotts or sanctions is it surprising that we choose to speak with forked tongue?"

Among the holy cows on which black people generally do not, in her view, tell the truth are these: sanctions, disinvestment, political violence between organisations, school boycotts, rent boycotts, cultural boy-

Amid depravity, a few dare to be different

KEN OWEN

More to the point, would Mull have won a prize for telling his government that — if Mathiane is right — the tune in the townships is changing now that sanctions are becoming a reality?

Alan Paton, before he died, tried to tell the world that sanctions were a monstrous evil. He was brushed aside as a doddering old man, and labelled "a conservative" for breaching the party line. Among whites, too, any suspicion of moderation is quickly and ruthlessly punished.

Every intelligent person knows that apartheid has undermined the moral stature of the people who impose, support and administer the system; few of them confess that, equally, the opponents of apartheid have suffered a moral collapse. An immoral system of law automatically elevates the criminal to the status of a hero, a fighter against the system.

cotts, sports boycotts, violations of human rights by the system and by liberation organisations, parents abusing children as well as children abusing parents.

A week ago, an American official named Stephen Mull, the political officer at the US embassy in Pretoria, received an award for his reporting under "searing conditions" in the eastern Cape. The account of his deeds, combining poetry with daring, read almost as vividly as the account of Donald Woods's escape into Lesotho through raging floodwaters a foot deep.

Mathiane, quite unconscious that she is adding a sceptical footnote to the derring-do, says: "How many of us have glibly lied to visiting Americans and to the embassy people in order not to be seen as moderate?"

Did Mull's reports include, I wonder, comments such as Mathiane's on the boycott-and-bust movement:

□ "When liberation comes it should find us prepared, which we cannot be without jobs and education."

□ "How do they justify the campaign against black sportsmen participating at international level?"

Apartheid has become the excuse for lying, for untruthful propaganda, for attacks on free speech and justice, for slander of great men and women, for racism, for one-sided justice, for brutality, and sometimes for murder.

"Fighting apartheid" has become a veil for lying, for untruthful propaganda, for attacks on free speech, for the slander of great men like Paton, for cultural arrogance towards Africans, for the abandonment of impartial and civilised standards of behaviour, for double standards of justice, and sometimes for starving people, or necklacing them.

South Africans, black and white, are threatened less by sanctions or war than by depravity. Supporters of apartheid and their opponents have become, with the passing of years, more alike than either would admit — mirror images of one another.

Only a few stand out to keep a moral beacon aloft: Alan Paton for humanity, Aggrey Klaaste for courage, Nomavenda Mathiane for truthfulness.

This is a tribute to such men and women, who dare to be different.

Pretoria blast victim 'ANC man'

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The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — The man whom police have said was responsible for the limpet mine explosion outside the Sterland cinema complex in Arcadia in April has been identified as Odirele Meshack Mapoja, a member of the ANC.

Mapoja was blown up soon allegedly planting the mine outside the cinema complex as hundreds of people were leaving and other were queueing for tickets. He was the only casualty.

Intelligence sources said the successful identification of Mapoja had led to the arrest of several other ANC operatives.

23 ARRESTED

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, recently announced the arrest of 23 ANC members.

The Minister said the incidents for which the ANC suspects had been arrested included the Sterland limpet mine explosion.

Mapoja, who was from Krugersdorp, was in his early 30s. Intelligence sources said he left South Africa before 1985 for training in Angola and returned in 1985.

During that period he was wanted by the police for questioning in connection with the murder of a Bophuthatswana police officer, Detective Warrant-Officer Ramagodi.

An intelligence source described Mapoja as a trained terrorist and dismissed as "nonsense" the suggestion that he was a poorly trained "kamikaze" terrorist.

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Tight security at rugby stadiums after car bomb

Crime Reporter

remain tight for the rest of the season.

SECURITY was tight for both Lion Cup semi-final matches played at Newlands and Loftus Versveld on Saturday following last week's car-bomb blast at Ellis Park in which two people were killed and 35 injured.

There was also a strong police presence at Loftus Versveld in Pretoria where Northern Transvaal played Natal, reports Sapa.

At Newlands, where Western Province were playing Western Transvaal, uniformed policemen patrolled the stadium and surrounding grounds and a police helicopter circled the stadium during and after the match.

Spectators were searched as they entered the ground, while mine detectors scanned underneath the cars coming into the parking areas.

Newlands manager Mr Dawie Schoonraad confirmed that security was stepped up following the bomb blast.

Earlier in the week security was also tight when the touring American Grizzlies played against an SADF XV at the Barnard Stadium in Kempton Park.

A police liaison officer, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, said security would

Again, a large police contingent was on duty and drivers were asked to leave their cars while their vehicles were searched.

Cost of blasting the rules of war

By CLARE ROBERTSON
Pretoria Bureau

Insurgents who make civilians the target of their attacks, or attack the civilian population indiscriminately, commit a serious offence in terms of the protocols to the Geneva Convention — society's laws of war.

They also forfeit any claim to the privileged prisoner of war status which several captured insurgents — and the United Nations General Assembly — have asked to be granted in terms of those protocols.

Professor Hercules Booysen of Unisa's Department of Constitutional and Public International Law, outlines the protocols — championed by the African National Congress for adoption in the South African conflict — in the latest edition of the *Strategic Review of Southern Africa*.

The protocols to the Geneva Convention, adopted in 1977, attempt to make the laws of war applicable to the situation in southern Africa. Article 1 (4) of Protocol 1 categorises "armed conflicts in which peoples are fighting against colonial domination and alien occupation and against racist regimes".

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South Africa is not a party to the protocols, and is unlikely to ever adopt them. The United States has decided not to ratify Protocol 1.

Transkei 'Hitlerism'

UMTATA — The former Transkeian Prime Minister, Chief George Matanzima, will return to Transkei to answer any charges against him as soon as "policies of Hitlerism" have come to an end, his brother, Paramount Chief Kaiser Matanzima, said at the weekend.

Chief Matanzima said the recent press conference called by the chairman of the Military Council, Major-General Bantu Holomisa, was staged with the sole purpose of rebuking the Matanzima brothers.

He asked for how long this sort of behaviour would be tolerated in Transkei. — Sapa.

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The African National Congress signed both protocols in 1977, the organisation confirmed.

This was mainly to have rules relating to prisoner of war status apply in the internal conflict in South Africa, the organisation said from Lusaka.

The minimum requirement for a captured combatant to enjoy prisoner of war status in the so-called war of self-determination against his own government."

One of the objects of the Protocol is to protect the civilian population from the effects of the armed conflict.

It is a serious offence in terms of the Protocol to make the civilian population or individual civilians the object of an attack or to attack the civilian population indiscriminately.

Not only can individual combatants be prosecuted for such conduct; a dissident group which has as its policy not to adhere to the dictates of humanitarian law and thus to attack the civilian population, will forfeit its status as combatants and its members will not enjoy prisoner of war status.

If that is the policy of the group, the fact that a particular individual happens to confine himself to military objects will be of no avail to him. As a member of such a group he will not be entitled to prisoner of war status.

"Members of a resistance group cannot persuasively claim, judicially or morally, to be treated as prisoners of war in terms of Protocol 1 if they have never in practice adhered to that same protocol," said Professor Booysen.

Professor Booysen told The Star that some international commentators have pointed out that it might be to the advantage of an incumbent government engaged in internal strife to adopt the protocols and thus, by consensus, outlaw attacks on civilians.

The rub is that, particularly in the South African situation, they are almost impossible to implement as one of the requirements is that the combatants' side must occupy territory in the country in question.

Giving the civil strife in South Africa the status of a war proper — as the protocols seek to do — would be meaningless as only one side would be able to comply with prisoner of war conditions such as proper medical treatment, access to the courts and the provision of proper PoW camps, he said.

Police urge vigilance after mine blast in Turffontein

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

Police have again appealed to the public to be constantly on the look out for explosive devices after a Russian-made limpet mine explosion blew off part of the roof of the Cambrians Hockey Club in Turffontein, Johannesburg, at the weekend.

"The SAP appeals to everyone who

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finds him or herself at a public gathering place — be it a sports meeting, shop, cinema or other areas — to keep their eyes open for either bombs or suspicious-looking articles," said Witwatersrand police spokesman Lieutenant-Colonel Frans Malherbe.

"The ANC are not playing and they have said they are going for soft targets," said Colonel Malherbe.

There were 16 people inside the clubhouse at the time and the blast happened less than 500 m from where about 200 spectators were watching a soccer match.

Police said the SPM limpet mine exploded after it was placed between a telephone pole and the clubhouse, situated on the corner of President and De Villiers Streets, and sheared off the pole at its base. Windows of nearby flats and cars were shattered.

Two of the men in the clubhouse, Mr Dave Tunbridge and Mr Hercules Schoombie, are friends of Ellis Park blast victims Mr Roger Haggerty and Mr Gordon Eddey, who both lost a leg in the explosion.

Intensive police investigations were still under way into both explosions.

Mr Jimmy Smith was one of the men in the club on Saturday and only a metre from the wall when the mine went off.

"There were 16 people inside the club just having a quiet drink before the main game began when all of a sudden there was this loud bang.

"If it had gone off 15 minutes later, the whole area would have been packed with people, mainly kids," Mr Smith said.

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**Police identify
dead 'bomber'**

PRETORIA. — Police have identified the man they claim was responsible for planting the bomb which exploded outside the Sterland cinema complex in Pretoria in April this year as ANC member Mr Odirele Meshack Mapoja.

Mr Mapoja, killed by the blast, was the only casualty. The bomb, a limpet mine, apparently exploded in his hands.

There was an outcry after colour photographs of Mr Mapoja's mutilated body were published on the front page of a Sunday newspaper.

The alleged bomber, in his early 30s, was from Krugersdorp.

Police say he left South Africa for training in Angola and is believed to have returned in 1985. — Sapa

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Bomb blast *17645 12/7/88*
in Kruger Park *84A*

PRETORIA. — A National Parks Board vehicle detonated an explosive device on a remote firebreak road in the far north-eastern part of the Kruger National Park yesterday, an SADF spokesman has confirmed. The vehicle was slightly damaged but no-one was injured. — Sapa.

Sanctions best way, says Labour leader

Kinnock: Violence in SA is not productive

LUSAKA — British Opposition leader Mr Neil Kinnock said yesterday that he believed the use of violence by the African National Congress (ANC) in South Africa was understandable but unproductive.

The Labour Party chief told a news conference in Lusaka after meeting ANC leaders that the issue of violence highlighted the need for world-wide mandatory economic sanctions against South Africa as the best non-violent way of ending apartheid.

"The issue of the path of violence remains in my view unproductive," he added. He was commenting on a spate of bomb attacks in South Africa on

civilian targets in the past two weeks.

Mr Kinnock said attacks on civilians were regrettable but said they should be understood in the context of a situation in which the South African Government was itself using violence against civilians to stamp out all opposition to its white minority rule.

"Where there is an absence of opportunity for civil and political expression, there will be elements who will seek to pursue other measures," he said.

The Labour leader was speaking at the end of a four-day visit to Zambia, first stop of a 10-day tour of southern Africa. He is also to visit Botswana, Mozambique and Zimbabwe.

Mr Kinnock argued that if effective sanctions were imposed they would reduce the need for violence as a way of ending apartheid.

Mr Kinnock repeated criticism of Britain's conservative Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher for her refusal to impose mandatory sanctions against Pretoria. She has argued that sanctions would damage the economic livelihood of the black population.

Mr Kinnock referred to two bomb attacks in Johannesburg, one at a rugby ground and another at a hockey clubhouse, in the past two weeks and said it was possible they were carried out by white South African extreme right-wingers in a bid to discredit the ANC. — Sapa-Reuter.

Mwasa three: SAP replies

Three Media Workers' Association of SA (Mwasa) members reportedly detained last Friday are not being held under security legislation, the Police Public Relations Division in Pretoria said yesterday.

Replying to a Sapa query on a Mwasa statement that Mr Solomon Moloisane, Mr Simon Matau and Mr Obed Moholoane had been detained when they went to collect their pay from Perskor in Pretoria, the SAP said that according to their records none of the three is being held under security legislation. — Sapa.

Kruger Park 'still safe' after blast

The chief director of the National Parks Board, Dr Tol Pienaar, yesterday gave an assurance that tourists could still safely visit the Kruger National Park, following yesterday's blast in the far north-eastern part of the park.

A Parks Board vehicle was slightly damaged when it detonated an explosive device on a remote firebreak yesterday. No one was hurt.

Dr Pienaar said in Pretoria: "If we thought there was any possibility of visitors being exposed to danger, we would close the region in question."

Both the SADF and the board said

they had taken measures to ensure the safety of visitors and staff.

A board spokesman, Mr Thys Steyn, said the blast occurred so far from the control point for the area, Skukuza, that the board had not yet received further details. (S414)

"The firebreak on which the explosion occurred is a considerable distance from the roads used by tourists, and runs through a wild area," he said.

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About 1 000 km of the park's 3 000 km of roads were tarred and the dirt roads were safeguarded by the security forces, he said. — Sapa.

Bomber named

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Krugersdorp

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Bomber ⁽⁸⁴⁹⁾ who blew ^{Star 12/1/88} himself up is named

Pretoria Correspondent

The man who police have said was responsible for the limpet mine explosion outside the Sterland-cinema complex in Pretoria in April has been identified as Mr Odirele Meshack Mapoja, a member of the ANC.

Mr Mapoja was blown up shortly after allegedly planting the mine outside the cinema complex in Arcadia as hundreds of people were leaving the complex and others were queuing for tickets.

He was the only casualty of the blast when the mine apparently exploded in his hand.

Intelligence sources said the successful identification of Mr Mapoja had led to the arrest of several other ANC operatives.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok recently announced the arrest of 23 ANC members. He said the incidents for which the ANC suspects had been arrested included the Sterland explosion.

WANTED BY POLICE

An intelligence source said successful follow-up action after the Sterland blast had prevented terror actions last month.

Mr Mapoja, from Krugersdorp, was in his early 30s. Intelligence sources said he left SA before 1985 for training in Angola and returned in 1985.

During that period he was wanted by the police for questioning in connection with the murder of a Bophuthatswanan police officer, a Detective Warrant-Officer Ramagodi.

Mr Mapoja left SA again for further training in Angola after the killing of Mr Ramagodi.

An intelligence source described Mr Mapoja as a trained terrorist and dismissed the theory that he was a poorly trained "kamikaze terrorist".

Mr Mapoja crossed into South Africa from Botswana this year shortly before being blown up.

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Public bombs
'immoral' 13/7/88

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To make innocent passersby the target of bomb attacks was immoral, the letter said. — Sapa

Kruger Park still safe, says chief

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The borders of South Africa, Zimbabwe and Mozambique meet at the north-eastern boundary of the park.

SADF spokesmen have said in the past that saboteurs like to place explosives near such a confluence of borders because it complicates the question of their country of origin.

— Sapa

Police ^{Star} 1317158 detonate ^(SAP) bomb at ^(SAP) school

Crime Reporter

Police bomb experts detonated an explosive device found on the grounds of a Soweto school last night, eye-witnesses and police said.

No one was injured in the blast, which rocked the township at about 9 pm.

A Pretoria police spokesman said today he could not identify the explosives used.

"Late last night the SAP found an explosive device on premises in Soweto and rendered it harmless. The circumstances under which it was found were such that explosive experts considered it dangerous to remove. After safety measures were taken for residents, the device was rendered harmless," the spokesman said last night.

HEARD

A photographer of The Star, Mr Alf Kumalo, said the blast was heard at about 9 pm and apparently went off near the Sekanontoane High School.

"I heard a booming sound and went to investigate," he said. "There were many people and police there."

"The blast was near the beerhall and the school — actually close to the school. There were many police, in uniform, no dogs, no cordon and crowds of people just standing around."

Arson: 7 acquitted

SEVEN men who yesterday appeared before a Johannesburg Regional Court magistrate, charged with public violence alternatively arson and being in possession of a firearm and ammunition, were found not guilty and discharged.

The magistrate Mr HS van Heerden said there was no evidence that the seven took part in either damaging or burning the shack of Mrs Thembeni

²⁴⁵ (84 H) Sikhakhane of Alexandra, and also of being in possession of a firearm and ammunition.

The seven, Mr Joseph Siyemela (37), Mr Joseph Mhlongo (18), Mr Abram Maseko (18), Mr Josia Mhlongo (18), Mr Samson Chauke (27), Mr Moses Raphalanyane (51), all of Alexandra township, and Mr Jack Shabangu (18) of Tembisa township, were arrested in 1986 during the riots in Alexandra

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Msibi, Bopape: Police react

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Bodyguard was state witness, say police

PRETORIA. — Police yesterday reacted to press reports about the killing of a former bodyguard of ANC leader Mr Oliver Tambo by unidentified assailants in Soweto last week.

The Sowetan reported on Tuesday that Mr Sidney Jabulani Msibi, 31, who was shot dead on July 5 in Soweto, was to have given evidence in the defence of Mr Ebrahim Ismail Ebrahim.

Police said the report did not place the incident in the "correct perspective" as Mr Msibi "gave evidence for the state in a case against Mokgabudi and others".

Mr Ebrahim, who along with two others is facing charges of treason and terrorism at Bethal, is allegedly the highest-ranking ANC member to have been tried since the trial of the ANC leadership in the Rivonia case in the 1960s.

The Sowetan reported that a member of Mr Ebrahim's defence team, Mr Chris Watters, was "shocked and stunned" at the killing of Mr Msibi.

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HOME

PETROL bombs were hurled at a former Dobsonville councillor's home late on Wednesday night causing extensive damage to his four-roomed house.

No one was injured in the attack which happened about 11,15pm, but Mr

By **ALI MPHAKI**

Colvin Radebe had his right ear bruised by flying glass.

Mr Radebe resigned from the council a few years ago.

GOVERNMENT edicts prevent the *Sowetan* from publishing all the news. The state of emergency has been re-imposed with even more media restrictions. In many instances the *Sowetan* is also prevented from indicating where and how reports have been censored. Particularly affected is news about unrest, political protest and labour activity.

A spokesman from the Police Directorate of Public Relations confirmed the incident. He said two petrol bombs were used in the attack and no arrests have been made yet.

The Radebe family said they did not know the motive behind the attack.

The family spent most of the night extinguishing the fire and removing debris from the house.

Tambo's man was treason trial witness

By MUSA ZONDI

THE former African National Congress bodyguard and guerrilla who was gunned down in Soweto last week was to be a crucial witness in an ANC treason trial.

Sidney Jabulani Msibi, 31, was the only person in South Africa whose personal experience put him in a position to dispute evidence given by the state witnesses in the trial of Ebrahim Ebrahim, Simon Dladla and Mandla Maseko.

On the other hand the police have claimed the state had considered calling Msibi as a state witness.

Ebrahim, Dladla and Maseko are charged with treason for the alleged placing of landmines in the southeastern Transvaal in 1986.

According to defence counsel for Ebrahim, Msibi was to be called as a witness for the defence.

Ebrahim's attorney Chris Watters said Msibi was the only person who could have disputed the state's allegation that Ebrahim was the chairman of the Swaziland branch of the ANC. The branch allegedly controlled all ANC operations in the Transvaal and Natal in 1984.

But police said Msibi had given evidence for the state in the trial of two former security policemen who spied for the ANC. In this trial the state was "to a large degree dependent on

the evidence of Msibi". The state had also intended calling Msibi as a state witness in Ebrahim's trial.

Msibi was gunned down in Soweto last week by an unidentified gunman. He had been abducted in Swaziland in 1986 by the South African security police but released when his lawyers threatened court action. Citing examples of Ben Langa and others, police claimed it was the policy of the ANC to "put to death so-called sell-outs including state witnesses".

Msibi had been living with his family in Pimville at the time of death. His mother, Edna Gigaba, said Msibi had no enemies except the police who detained him twice in 1986 after his release from custody.

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Two cars burnt out in suspected petrol bomb blasts

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Pretoria Correspondent

Two cars were destroyed in what appeared to be petrol bomb attacks in a plush eastern Pretoria suburb early yesterday.

Both cars were destroyed within 30 minutes of each other in what appeared to be random petrol bomb attacks in Waterkloof, one in Main Street and the other in Albert Street.

BREAKING GLASS

A city physician battled in vain with a fire extinguisher to put out one of the blazes.

"I was awakened at about 1 am by the sound of breaking glass, followed by two small explosions and then a loud bang," he said.

"I battled the flames but the fire extinguisher ran empty," he said.

The white bakkie parked in front of his house belonged to a friend of his domestic, who was staying overnight.

A car was destroyed in a similar attack in nearby Albert Street only 30

minutes earlier.

"Members of the fire brigade and police arrived within five minutes and told me they had just left the scene of a similar attack only three streets from my house.

"Police told me that the cars were destroyed in what seemed to be random petrol bomb attacks — both cars were parked on the pavement," the doctor said.

It appeared as if the petrol bomb had been flung into the back of the bakkie.

BURNT-OUT

The burnt-out wreck of the bakkie was still parked outside his home late yesterday.

A fire brigade spokesman confirmed that the Albert Street fire occurred at 12.20 am and the Main Street fire at about 1 am.

Police are investigating the incidents, but a police spokesman said they could not confirm that they were caused by petrol bombs.

ANC man hurt in ^{CWE} ^{Trink} border ^{11/7/88} drama ⁸⁶⁴

MBABANE. ^{Swazi-}land police yesterday shot and wounded a member of the ANC and arrested another after they stopped four men on the Piggs Peak-Bulembu road near the South African border in north-west Swaziland.

Eyewitnesses said two of the men escaped after a police chase.

They said police found arms and ammunition during the incident.

Police had received a tip-off that the men were in the area. When they confronted them one of the men threatened to set off an explosive he was carrying.

● There was also a shoot-out between police and suspected insurgents at Seaview near Umtata on Tuesday, an eyewitness said. It was said to be the second in two weeks.

There was reportedly heavy shooting before combined South African and Transkei police forces were seen removing a body from a hut.

Police removed a large quantity of arms. — Sapa

Guerillas shot dead in Kruger Park

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PRETORIA. — The army and the air force shot and killed two suspected African National Congress guerillas in a combined operation yesterday in the Kruger National Park, an SADF spokesman confirmed.

The contact occurred just after 3pm in a remote part of the reserve, north of the Shingwedzi River near the Mozambique border.

Weapons, ammunition and other equipment were seized.

The contact resulted from a follow-up operation to a blast in the reserve on Monday, when a National Parks Board vehicle detonated an explosive device in the region. There were no injuries.

The NPB chief executive, Dr Tol Pienaar, gave an assurance this week that tourists could still safely visit the reserve, and that any hazardous section would be closed to tourists. — Sapa

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Crime Reporter

POLICE have not yet established what kind of explosive device was used in yesterday's bomb blast in Newlands.

The bomb exploded outside the Vineyard Hotel in Claremont at 12.45am.

Police said no one was injured in the incident but that four cars and a bus shelter were slightly damaged.

Yesterday's bomb was the fifth to explode in Cape Town since the beginning of the year.

● On April 19 a bomb exploded in the entrance hall of the Jofete Building, about 50m from Parliament. No one was hurt.

● Three bombs exploded in Cape Town on June 16.

The first exploded outside a house in Piers Road, Wynberg, killing an unidentified man. The second exploded close to the Langa railway station and the third outside Sea Point Civic Hall where a Conservative Party meeting was under way. No one was injured in the second two blasts.

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'ANC men' were wounded

MBABANE — A Swazi police spokesman confirmed that two of the four alleged ANC gunmen who were arrested following an armed confrontation with Swazi police at Pigg's Peak on Thursday were wounded in the shootout.

Hospital sources in Pigg's Peak confirmed that one of the wounded men, Mr Arnold Masi-muta, 30, was in a critical condition after being shot in the buttocks.

An eye-witness said one of the men, armed with an AK-47, was seen firing at the policemen surrounding the workshops where the four men had stopped. — Sapa

McBride: Time runs out

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W/News

TIME is running out for Robert McBride, the 25-year-old African National Congress guerrilla who this week petitioned President PW Botha to save him from the gallows.

But while McBride anxiously awaits Botha's verdict, the man who persuaded him to bomb Magoo's Bar on the Durban beachfront is free.

This was one of the grounds raised in submissions to Botha by McBride's lawyers this week.

McBride's attorney, Roshan Dehal, said "a host of leading South Africans" had written to Botha entreating him to grant clemency to McBride. Dehal was hopeful the petitions would succeed.

The explosion at Magoo's Bar on June 13, 1986, one day after the first national State of Emergency was declared, killed three white women.

McBride, dubbed the "Magoo bomber" by the press, received a triple death sentence for planting the limpet mine. He had, however, initially planned to plant the mine in Durban's commercial centre.

Both the trial court and the appeal court found that the change of plan was instigated by a fellow ANC guerrilla who later turned state witness and gave evidence incognito. However, both courts held that McBride had time to reflect and to refuse X's suggestion, but the emotions then influencing him overwhelmed his moral character.

Although the trial judge, Justice Shearer, did not grant X indemnity from prosecution, he was never charged with the crime.

McBride's lawyers, David Gordon SC and MTK Moerane, argued in their submissions to Botha there "seems to be a general moral or equitable imbalance in the circumstances that notwithstanding that the trial court refused to extend indemnity to X, X is free but the petitioner is scheduled to die".

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Church denounces civilian bombings

17/7/88
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The new strategy of civil violence was "tragically mistaken" in South Africa, it said, and was rapidly eroding the growing sympathy among Christians in the Afrikaans and English churches for the rightful claims of the black people of Southern Africa. — Sapa

Gunfire blitz wounds old folk in bed

By JANINE LAZARUS

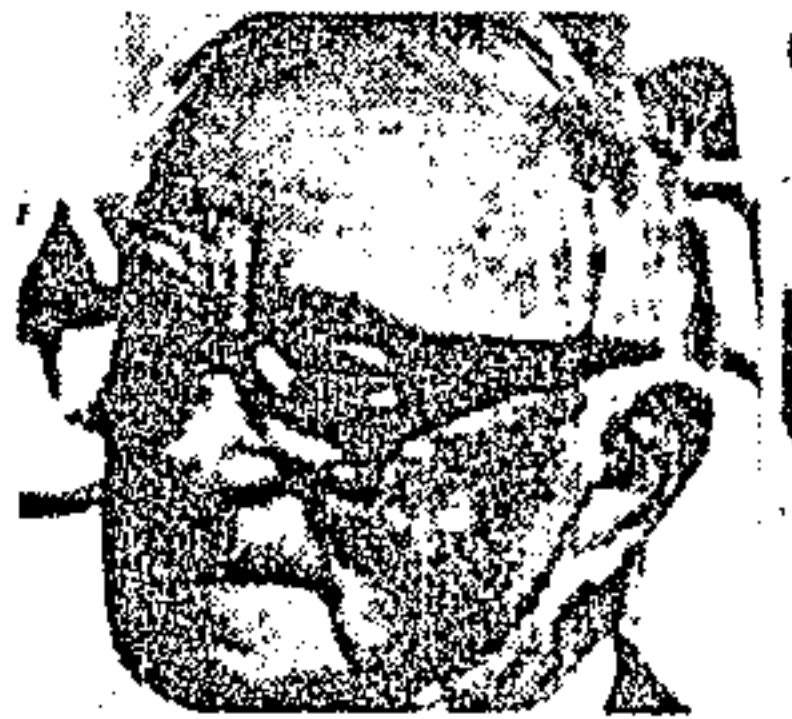
AN elderly couple were wounded in bed yesterday by a hail of bullets from firearms stolen from them two years ago.

Mr Paul Badenhorst, 87, and his wife, Freda, 81, of Vanderbijlpark, were awoken when eight shots were fired through the bedroom window of their smallholding home.

Mrs Badenhorst, who was shot in the stomach, is critically ill in hospital, and her husband suffered a flesh wound to his right arm.

Police yesterday found empty 9mm and 7,65 cartridges which they identified as coming from the couple's stolen guns.

Retired farmer Mr Badenhorst, whose plot is more than a kilometre from his nearest neighbours, said he and his wife went to bed about 1am



Paul Badenhorst

and were woken shortly afterwards by the sound of gunfire.

He said: "We jumped up when bullets came flying through the window. We were hit as we ran to our citizen band radio in the passage to call for help.

"My wife started screaming that we were going to die as bullets slammed into the pillows and walls around us."

Mr Badenhorst's son-in-law, Mr John Mills, said on Tuesday this week the couple's gardener discovered footprints outside the bedroom.

"Somebody had been hiding in the bushes, watching them," he said.

He added that his mother-in-law had a narrow escape two years previously when farm labourers came looking for a job.

"When she said there was no work, the men beat her up, took two firearms and then, when she locked herself in the toilet, she was shot in the arm. The men responsible were never found.

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A LARGE contingent on to the University of yesterday afternoon festival attended by honour of jailed A Mandela's 70th birth

The UCT concert, held was the only known place in South Africa to have temporary security bans on Mandela's birthday today

A festival organiser, yesterday said the concert decision on Saturday night UCT following a police ban scheduled to have been held in Western Cape.

Banning

At about 3,20pm riot police of a Colonel Kellerman at seven vehicles, stationed the Jameson steps while a plane overhead.

Shortly afterwards, UCT Saunders and vice-principal arrived on the scene and told that the Divisional Commissioner



A METAL found at the scene minutes after the second blast. *Sowetan 18/7/85* *84A*

Bombs rock meeting

TWO explosions went off at a Sofasonke Party meeting held in White City, Soweto, yesterday. No one was injured.

This is the second time there has been an attack at a Sofasonke Party meeting in less than three months. Two people were killed and several injured when gunmen attacked the crowd with handgrenades and AK47

By MASHUBE MFOLOE

rifles at a meeting in Orlando West, Soweto, on May 22.

The impact of yesterday's explosion shattered windows of a nearby house and a side window of a car.

The first explosion went off behind a business centre a few metres from the venue of the meeting. The meeting

was in progress. The second occurred after a device was hurled from a distance and landed in a yard.

A resident told the *Sowetan* that the explosion went off within a short space of time. "The last explosion caused panic to my children playing outside," she said.

"I just heard a loud

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bang, and the next moment I was on the floor," she said.

A Sofasonke Party member who wished not to be named, said members "were not intimidated by such acts." "We will rather die, because we have a challenge ahead of us," he reiterated.

Bombs: 13 victims are still in hospital

AT LEAST 13 people are still in hospital in connection with four recent bomb attacks, including Saturday's Ellis Park car-bomb.

The Johannesburg Hospital spokesman said eight victims from Saturday's Ellis Park blast were still in hospital. Seven are in a stable and satisfactory condition. They are: Philip Johnson, 33, who is still in a critical condition, Kevin Weller, 15, Brian Weller, 48, Graham Theck, 16, Caspar Lombard, 45, Roger Hagerty, 30, Gordon Eddy, 31, and Michael Hansen, 16.

Four others discharged yesterday are: Gezina Ferreira, 28, Jose Pais, 47, John Rudd, 65, and Koos van der Merwe, 30.

She said Rosanna Grobler, 45, a victim of the Roodepoort explosions on June 3, was still in the

DANIEL SIMON

hospital's trauma ward.

The spokesman added that Michelle Ebrahim, 20, the pregnant mother who lost her twin girls as a result of the Johannesburg amusement arcade explosion in Plein street on June 22, was in a stable and satisfactory condition.

She said Mark Isley, 21, who suffered serious injuries in the same blast, was transferred to the Sandton Clinic at the weekend. Another Plein street victim, Christopher Rikotse, 28, is in the Hillbrow Hospital surgical ward.

An H F Verwoerd Hospital spokesman said J C Kloppers, 30, a victim of the Church Street restaurant explosion which injured 18 on Thursday, had been transferred to the orthopaedic section.

decided to embark on the project. The toll gate is not built with the intention of catching the people of Ennerdale," Mr. McLennan said.

Mr Joe Phillips, chairman of the Ennerdale Taxi Association, also protested against the toll.

Durban's Beady Eye is watching

DURBAN — South Africa, rocked increasingly by bomb blasts in its city centres, is rapidly becoming a world leader in countering urban terror.

As deaths, injuries and destruction from bomb blasts increase, the country's multimillion rand security industry has made significant strides in the detection and inhibition of explosives.

Durban-based companies are among the leaders in this growing field which is attracting interest abroad.

The city recently saw the installation in office blocks, shopping centres, and the Durban City Hall of the new Durban designed "Beady Eye" parcel search system.

It was designed after market research showed people dislike standing in queues while waiting to be searched.

The latest South African made anti-bomb device is the STS Bomb Inhibitor, a world first.

It was launched here last week after six years of research and has won praise from security experts.

A range of these inhibitors were launched, consisting of fluid-filled bags which, it is claimed, can reduce blast damage from an explosive device by up to 90 percent.

Up to now, say the manufacturers, security personnel have sought to find or detect explosive devices, but have been able to do little once bombs are located.

More than 75 percent of bombs planted in South Africa are discovered before they go off, they claim.

Now, say the manufacturers, both the security forces and private com-

panies can have grenade, limpet mine and bomb inhibitors on hand to place on top of the explosive device and so drastically reduce the chance of damage or injury.

The inhibitors cost between R250 to R7 500.

The device, the brain-child of a former Rhode-

sian SAS commander, works on the principle that water can absorb the blast energy.

Most of the "effort" of the blast is used up in pushing the liquid outwards.

However, not being solid, the explosive spray cannot do much damage.

ANC men 'would

By Alan Cooper

MMABATHO — Political offenders in South Africa — members of the African National Congress or other prohibited organisations — cannot be extradited from Bophuthatswana.

This was stated in the National Assembly by the Minister of Justice, Mr Godfrey Mothibe, when proposing an amendment to the Extradition Bill last week.

Answering a question whether any political offenders such as members of the ANC would be extraditable in terms of the Bill, he

said they would be criminal offenders.

Introducing the Bill, Mothibe said that in states entered into extradition treaties with South Africa, this provision would be null and void.

The enabling legislation needed to amend the Extradition Act to harmonise it with the new situation would be null and void. "This action by the cabinet

Grenade attack at Soweto meeting

Crime Reporter (84A) (278)
Two grenades were thrown at a Sofa-
sonke Party meeting in White City,
Soweto, yesterday, but no one was in-
jured, police said. 1817188 SW

A man claiming to be a United Dem-
ocratic Front member reportedly

threw the grenades and fled after
warning the crowd, which had gath-
ered on an open stretch of ground, to
leave the meeting or get hurt.

The attack is the second on the Sofa-
sonke Party in less than two months.
No arrests have been made.

CAPC Times 18/11/88

52 shots fired from bakkie: Cope injured

JOHANNESBURG. — A total of 52 shots were fired at two policemen on the Soweto highway yesterday.

Constables Wouter Vermaak and Hansion Westraad were wounded when shots were fired from a red bakkie carrying about eight men.

A police spokesman said the shooting occurred when the men went to investigate a red Datsun 1400 bakkie at a filling station in Soweto.

Constable Vermaak was reported to be in a stable condition in the Rosebank Clinic.

In a separate incident, a man claiming to be a UDF member lobbed two handgrenades at a crowd attending a Sofasonke Party meeting discussing the October municipal elections in White City, Soweto, yesterday morning, a police spokesman said.

No one was injured. Police were still investigating. — Sapa

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Swazi police hold 3 ANC men

CAPG Times 19/7/88
MBABANE. — Swazi police arrested three members of the ANC after a shoot-out on Saturday afternoon at a youth centre here, a police spokesman confirmed yesterday

The spokesman said one of the men was captured on the spot and the other two arrested later, hiding out in two houses in the town.

A source added that police confiscated a loaded revolver and two loaded AK47 rifle magazines found in the men's possession.

The arrests follow the arrest last Wednesday of four ANC members after a shoot-out with police at Pigg's Peak. — Sapa

CSA 7/10/81
Joint operation denied

UMTATA. — Transkei security police denied yesterday reports that a shootout between police and suspected insurgents near Mzamba last week had been a joint operation between the South African police and Transkei police. Brigadier Spalding Denga said only members of the Transkei security police had been involved.

PAN-AFRICANIST CONGRESS

Getting active again

Last Sunday's roadblock shootout near Lichtenburg between police and two alleged Pan-Africanist Congress (PAC) insurgents, who were killed, marks the first confirmed skirmish of this kind between the PAC and SAP in decades. The obvious question now is whether this spells an upsurge by the ANC's smaller, hitherto ineffective, black power rivals.

There has been growing evidence of a renewed PAC thrust in recent months, with the organisation claiming responsibility for a few bombings.

In 1987, say the police, 85 PAC terrorists were captured; in previous years there was scarcely any sign of them. They have accounted for at most 1%-2% of terror attacks in SA in the Eighties. This seems to be changing, with the advent of "armed propaganda" (invented by the ANC) all of its own. Suddenly, there are what Wits political historian Tom Lodge refers to as "all kinds of pointers to a revival of the PAC and aligned groups." Early this year, for example, a group of former Congress of SA Students (Cosas) members, who are released from Robben Island, joined Africanist groups.

Currently, there are at least three PAC terror trials in progress: at Pretoria, Johannesburg and Piet Retief under the Internal Security Act. Security Police Chief Brigadier Herman Stadler was due to give evidence this week in the Johannesburg trial. The Pretoria trial involves Enoch Zulu of the Azanian People's Liberation Army (Apla), the PAC military wing. Zulu's autobiography *Lest we forget* is on sale in SA.

Apla's commander is Philip Kgosana. He has Ethiopian military training, and by all accounts is an impressive figure and a most able administrator who, until he rejoined the PAC last year (he was expelled 20 years ago), held senior posts with various UN organisations such as Unicef.

The PAC has always been a latent force in SA, with its policy of black leadership of "the struggle," its definition of whites as settlers, and its fundamental demand for the return of the land to blacks tapping a powerful emotional vein. Many would say this appeal should not be underestimated — especially if black-white polarisation worsens and black political impatience deepens. In that case, it is not inconceivable that the PAC could emerge with at least local or regional areas of popular support.

Despite evidence of a PAC resurgence, however, it does not necessarily foreshadow the eclipse of the ANC, whose appeal remains more universal, says Lodge. The PAC is decidedly more socialist, rejecting the ANC's "two-stage" idea of revolution. It is

critical of the ANC's alleged preparedness to compromise on economic, social and political issues. The PAC also stresses the agrarian or land issue and claims its military operations will be targeted rurally.

After its heyday in the early Sixties, and an attempted revival under its now imprisoned president Zeph Mothopeng in 1977, the PAC was almost consigned to irrelevance.

The reasons for a more active PAC seem to lie in the fact that it has, after years of internal squabbles, now stabilised under its new chairman Johnson Mlambo and vice-president Vusi Makhe. Perhaps another factor stems from the vacuum created by the State's containment of the ANC and its fraternal groupings.

However, the PAC is estimated currently to have only some 750 trained guerrillas in its ranks, compared to the ANC's 2 500-10 000 in Umkhonto we Sizwe. Apla receives training at three camps in Libya controlled by the Libyan Bureau for Waging Revolution. Iran, too, is said to provide military training for the organisation whose exile home is Tanzania, and which, some have alleged, has operational bases in Zimbabwe. While the latter point is plausible in view of the PAC's ideological affinity with the ruling Zanu party's Maoist links, it remains speculation. However, such links underscore continuing international support given to SA's revolutionary movements. The PAC has not, however, been popular in SA's neighbouring states — notably Mozambique, Zambia and Angola.

Inside SA, the political tendency closest to PAC Africanism is found in the Black Consciousness movement, which includes Azapo. But not all BC sympathisers support it. Whether it can mobilise widespread support among black civilians remains to be seen — but it is now a factor to be reckoned with. ■

Man denies that weapons on train belonged to him

SAW 21.1.71/88
Pretoria Correspondent

A Soweto man denied yesterday being in possession of explosives, machine-guns and ammunition on a train near Zeerust and said he had been in Botswana selling perfume.

The State said in the Pretoria Regional Court that Mr Noah Seboge (30) of Rockville, Soweto, was arrested on the train after a bag containing 10 hand grenades, three AK 47s and 360 rounds of ammunition was found.

Sergeant Joseph Nkomazana has testified that during a routine search on the train, travelling from Mafikeng to Groot Marico, Mr Seboge drew a loaded Makarov pistol when he was confronted, but was overpowered before any shots were fired.

Mr Seboge, who has pleaded not guilty to four charges, said the bags containing the weapons and ammunition were found under the seat opposite to where he was seated.

He said he had been selling perfumes and shirts in Botswana and was returning from a business trip when he was arrested on April 12 last year.

"After being questioned and searched I was punched several times," he said.

The court heard that Mr Seboge had been held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

Proceeding.

I planned bombing, says 67-year-old

A 67-YEAR-OLD Woodstock man told a Cape Town Regional court he planned to throw a petrol bomb at a "soft target" because he could not forgive State President PW Botha for declaring District Six a white area.

Jozua Joubert, in a statement handed in to the court, said he was "a fiery opponent of PW Botha and his government".

He was frustrated with the pace of Botha's reform, feeling that the whole process "had come to a standstill."

"I was deeply worried over our sorry situation, especially that of the non-white people in our country."

"The prolongation of the State of Emergency heightened my frustration."

Joubert, who stands accused with four others on charges of terrorism, alternatively possessing explosive devices on May 3 last year, said he first thought of the possibility of committing violent acts 20 months ago.

He discussed it with his friends, whom he said he "influenced in my way of thinking". All the accused

By GAYE DAVIS,
Cape Town

have pleaded not guilty. 2-28/7/84
Joubert said he chose a "soft target" — an office in industrialised Paarden Eiland — and "devised a method to throw a petrol bomb in there".

When the men reached their destination, they decided "such work was not for us", the court heard.

"It was my own scheme. I feel that I alone must take the blame," Joubert said.

Police evidence was that a "suspicious-looking" vehicle was spotted driving slowly through the area and pulled over. A bottle of petrol, a plastic bag of petrol, a 9mm pistol, a stop watch, three balaclavas and a pair of rubber gloves were found.

The trial resumes on August 29

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New system detects bomb-related items

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By Craig Kotze
Crime Reporter

A South African-designed and manufactured security system, able to distinguish between metal objects and limpet mines, was unveiled on Wednesday night in Johannesburg to deputy mayor, Mr David Neppe, and senior police and military officers.

Called the "Beady Eye", the system is said to have been exported as far afield as Europe and is used by government, industry and commerce in South Africa.

It consists of a "walk-through", combined with a hand-held metal detector, and another machine used to scan hand luggage for suspicious items. The system is manufactured by the Durban-based Kivtronics company.

Bomb attacks

According to co-designer Mr Ken Lawson, a Durban businessman and microbiologist, the system is designed to detect dangerous weapons and items commonly used in bomb attacks, but is relatively insensitive to items such as keys, coins and other harmless metal objects.

It also ignores the amount of metal found in the average handbag but will still detect devices — such as SPM limpet mines and mini-limpet mines — which have a low metal content.

Mr Lawson said some of the electronic components were not South-African made, but the system would not be affected by sanctions.



Mr Ken Lawson, co-designer of the new security system, sizes up the "walk-through".

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Analysis of ANC, PAC attacks in last 8 years

Acts of indiscriminate terror take first place

By Esmaré van der Merwe,
Political Reporter

The number of terror acts committed in South Africa in the first six months of 1988 has decreased by 22 percent compared with the same period in 1987, and by 29 percent compared with 1986, according to the International Freedom Foundation.

However, incidents of indiscriminate terror aimed at murdering civilians have increased dramatically as a percentage of the total number of incidents.

Mr Wim Booyse, a senior researcher at the IFF's South African branch, published a research report this week in which the types of terror committed in South Africa by the African National Congress (ANC) and the Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) were analysed.

His analysis covered the period from 1980 to 1988 with terror incidents up to June this year included.

For the whole period, the number of incidents had increased by 254 percent, totalling 900 acts of terror.

About 75 percent of incidents occurred in urban areas, of which

40 percent were aimed at the PWV. (84A)

In the period from 1980 to 1984, explosives were the most common device used (108 incidents), followed by limpet mines (50) and attack weapons such as AK-47 rifles (24). Since 1985, the most common devices used were hand grenades (239 times), limpet mines (178) and attack weapons (117).

Categorised according to the "form of struggle", Mr Booyse found that assassinations totalled 33,5 percent of the incidents since 1980.

Indiscriminate terror

This was followed by indiscriminate terror aimed at civilians (30 percent), sabotage (25 percent), guerilla warfare (10 percent) and armed robbery (0,8 percent).

Mr Booyse concluded that this analysis indicated that ANC and PAC actions in South Africa were "a carbon copy" of Lenin's definition of a people's war.

"Lenin stated that terrorism is a bloody war of extermination which includes the assassination of individuals in the police and army."

An analysis of terror acts in 1987 showed that indiscriminate terror took first place (39 percent of the incidents). This was followed by assassinations and attempted assassinations (37,5 percent) and guerilla warfare (14 percent).

This year, 49 percent of the total number of incidents were acts of indiscriminate terror, followed by assassinations (30 percent) and sabotage attacks (13 percent).

The majority of assassination attacks were aimed at black community leaders, black town council police, black policemen and tribal leaders, Mr Booyse said.

Incidents of indiscriminate terror — those incidents which did not comply with his criteria of sabotage, armed robbery, assassinations or guerilla warfare — had taken a turn for the worse since 1987.

Mr Booyse concluded that the debate over hard and soft targets was irrelevant in the South African situation.

"One has merely to analyse the situation and determine the so-called forms of the struggle to conclude that both the ANC and PAC are organisations geared towards terrorism," he said.

Terror trial told of arms

A KLIPTOWN Regional Court magistrate yesterday heard how three alleged members of the banned Pan Africanist Congress and its military wing, the Azanian Peoples Liberation Army, were stopped at a roadblock and a quantity of arms and ammunition and banned PAC publications found in their car.

Warrant Officer J A Marais was giving

9, 1987, a station wagon driven by Mr Seroke in the company of two other men was stopped and searched at a roadblock near Koster in the Western Transvaal.

evidence against Mr Jaki Seroke (28), of Motheong Section, Tembisa; Mr Mandla Cele (24), of 494 KwaMashu in Durban and Mr Thembinkosi Khongwane (24), of 2 Mdantsane, East London.

The three are appearing before Mr Hoffman on charges of terrorism, belonging to unlawful organisation and four alternative counts of being in possession of explosives, pistols, ammunition and publications of the PAC.

They pleaded not guilty.

Mr Marais told the court that on September

“Under the front passenger seat of the car I found a bag containing banned PAC publications, pamphlets and on the seat I found two magazines of a Scorpion handgun”.

He also told the court that under the driver's seat he found hand grenades and on the floor of the car 11 hand grenades and two boxes of ammunition covered with a blanket.

(Proceeding)

10 KwaZakhele friends follow the same path

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CP Correspondent

A GROUP of 10 friends from Port Elizabeth's KwaZakhele township have left their homes and their country to join Umkhonto we Sizwe over a period of 11 years.

One of the group, Nkululeko Mutisie, 27, is being buried at his home tomorrow.

Mutisie was killed in a shootout with security forces in Cape Town on July 6. Another man was arrested in the incident.

Three of the KwaZakhele group were killed in separate shootouts with security forces, while another is serving a 12-year sentence on Robben Island. The whereabouts of the rest are unknown.

The friends made the decision to skip the country at various crises points in their political lives, which included the 1976 student uprising and school boycotts of 1980.

Those killed had returned to pursue military

Fighting youths return home to risk death or jail

missions inside the country.

Mutisie left the country in September 1980 - while he was a matric pupil at KwaZakhele High School - at the height of the Eastern Cape school boycotts initiated by the outlawed Congress of SA Students.

His family did not hear from him for four months after he left, but were reassured when they were told he had left the country.

That was the last they heard of him until his mother, Lizzy, was called recently to identify his body at the police mortuary in Cape Town.

Mutisie grew up in a politically aware environment. His father, Gladstone, was deported to Queenstown's Linge township after serving a five-

year-term on Robben Island.

Mutisie's mother said her son's death had come as a great shock.

"He was handy at home and loved his school work. He was a very intelligent pupil and everyone loved him," she said.

Friends and neighbours described him as a quiet, respectful youth who was highly disciplined.

"He kept his political convictions to himself," a neighbour commented.

"I would have been very happy if my son had come back home alive or had died in my hands," she said.

Mutisie and his comrades, who left for exile, came from one of the most militant areas in KwaZakhele, dubbed by residents

as "Kenya".

The other two Umkhonto cadres from the group, Boy de Vos and Mzwakhe Mtwebana, also died while pursuing military missions inside the country.

De Vos was killed in a police shootout while he was attempting to bomb an oil refinery in Durban in 1984.

Another Port Elizabeth member, Vuyisile Matrios, died in the same incident.

Both were buried with ANC military colours during the beginning of the 1984 unrest in the Eastern Cape.

When he left the country with Mutisie, De Vos was a 19-year-old pupil at Mzantsundu Junior Security School, which was lat-

er re-named after him by its pupils.

Siphiso Dinci, 29, is serving a 12-year jail term for terrorism.

He was arrested after being found in possession of explosives in Newcastle in 1983 and was accused of planning sabotage.

When Dinci left in 1977, he was a Standard 8 pupil at New Brighton's Thembehle High School.

Dinci's neighbour, Zolile Mamfenguza, skipped the country in 1977 shortly after his friend left.

His family said he had been restricted to the Port Elizabeth.

He has not been heard of since he left.

During an interview with his family, Mamfenguza's mother pleaded:

"Please let me know if anything happens to my son."

In a street adjacent to the one where Dinci and Mamfenguza lived, is the home of the Mtwebana family.

Their only son, Mzwakhe, was killed when security forces bulldozed a house he was occupying in Mdantsane.

Mtwebana left the country in 1978 with his friend, Percyville Khesa.

Mtwebana's funeral was taken over by security forces after mourners defied banning orders imposed by the police.

Mhlangabezi Sithunda, Thando Vanda and two others have also left. - Pen

4 shot^{SAP} dead in grenade attack

Cape Times 25/7/88

PRETORIA. — Four people were shot dead and 12 security force members injured at a roadblock on the Lichtenburg-Mafikeng road yesterday after grenades were lobbed from a car stopped for inspection, police said last night.

A police Public Relations Division spokesman said that at 11.20am yesterday a vehicle was stopped at a road block and two handgrenades were thrown at security force members manning the road block.

Five members were injured. Police fired at the vehicle, killing two men and a woman.

Police said another man, who was taken a short distance away from the road block to be searched, "manned" (primed) a handgrenade. He was shot dead by police.

When he fell the handgrenade detonated, injuring a further seven security force members. None of these members were seriously injured.

TNT, detonators, automatic rifles and handgrenades were seized.

None of the injured security force members will be identified at this stage.

No further details were available last night, the police spokesman said. — Sapa

Four killed, 12 injured in roadblock clash

ARGUS 25/7/83
The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A bloody gun-and-grenade battle at a police roadblock near Lichtenburg in the Western Transvaal yesterday left four suspected insurgents, including a woman, dead and 12 policemen injured.

The policemen, all injured by grenade fragments, were taken to hospital after the 11.30am clash. None was "very seriously" hurt, said a spokesman for the police public relations directorate in Pretoria.

Two were taken by helicopter to Pretoria and the others were treated at Lichtenburg provincial hospital.

The names of the injured police-

men, all from the Western Transvaal, have not been disclosed, nor have those of the suspected insurgents.

"We believe the four people killed are terrorists," said the spokesman.

The clash was on the Lichtenburg/Mafikeng road, 35km from the Bophuthatswana border.

A vehicle approached the "routine" roadblock and the occupants flung two grenades, injuring five policemen. Police fired and two black men and a woman were killed.

A suspect who was captured and taken to be searched. He pulled the pin from a hand-grenade and, though he was shot and killed, the grenade exploded as he fell, wounding another seven policemen.

Police searched the vehicle and seized TNT, detonators, AK-47 rifles and grenades, said the spokesman.

Exactly a week before the Lichtenburg shootings two Johannesburg policemen, constables Hansion Westraad and Wouter Vermaak, were shot and wounded in their car on the Soweto highway by two suspected insurgents who fired from the back of a bakkie.

Press curbs

In terms of the emergency regulations it is not permitted to indicate in which way news reports, pictures and comment may have been restricted.

(GSA) B/day 25/7/88

PORT ELIZABETH — Two men from Duncan Village, East London, who were convicted of murder for the "necklace" killing of an alleged informer more than two years ago, were sentenced to death by the Supreme Court in Port Alfred last week.

The court found there were no extenuating circumstances for Siphon Gonya, 18, and Phutumile Dlabati, 18, who were convicted of the murder of Wiseman Maglasana Mrwebi in Duncan Village on October 12, 1985.

Two to hang for killing

Own Correspondent

Fukama Nkata, 50, the only woman among the accused, who was also convicted of the murder of Mrwebi, was sentenced to an effective 18 years imprisonment.

The court found the fact that she had consumed alcohol prior to the incident, that she had a physical disability and that she had initially

joined the group as a spectator and had been swayed to join in the attack on Mrwebi, constituted extenuating circumstances.

Phila Martin, 21, and a 17-year-old youth were found not guilty.

A sixth man, Ringo Farland, 19, out on bail with his co-accused, had absconded during trial which started last April. A warrant for his arrest has been issued.

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Shot guerillas
were PAC,
say police

JOHANNESBURG. —
Two of the four suspected guerillas who were shot dead at a police roadblock near Lichtenberg on Sunday were identified yesterday as Libyan- and Yugoslavian-trained PAC members.

Captain Ruben Bloomberg told Sapa that the other two people had not yet been identified.

Weapons found in the vehicle in which they were travelling were of Chinese origin, he said.
— Sapa

4 shot dead ^{8/27/84}

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FOUR people were shot dead and 12 members of the security forces injured at a roadblock on the Lichtenburg - Mafikeng road on Sunday after grenades were lobbed from a car stopped for inspection, police said.

A public relations division spokesman said at 11,20am on Sunday a vehicle was stopped at a roadblock and two handgrenades were thrown at security force members manning the roadblock.

Five members sustained injuries. Police fired at the vehicle, killing two black men and a black woman.

Gang of gunmen in two cars sought

GOPPS AND INFORMER SLAIN

Sowetan 28/7/88

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TWO police constables and a suspected police informer were shot dead in Soweto yesterday by a group of men known as the "Russians."

Major Fanyana Zwane of the Soweto police public relations division said the names of the dead people would be released after the next of kin were informed.

The two policemen, stationed at John Vorster Square in Johannesburg, had gone to house

By JOSHUA RABOROKO

number 719B in Phiri township to investigate a case when they were attacked.

They were shot several times when they entered the house and the suspected police informer, who was waiting in the police vehicle, was allegedly hacked with blunt instruments and also shot by the group.

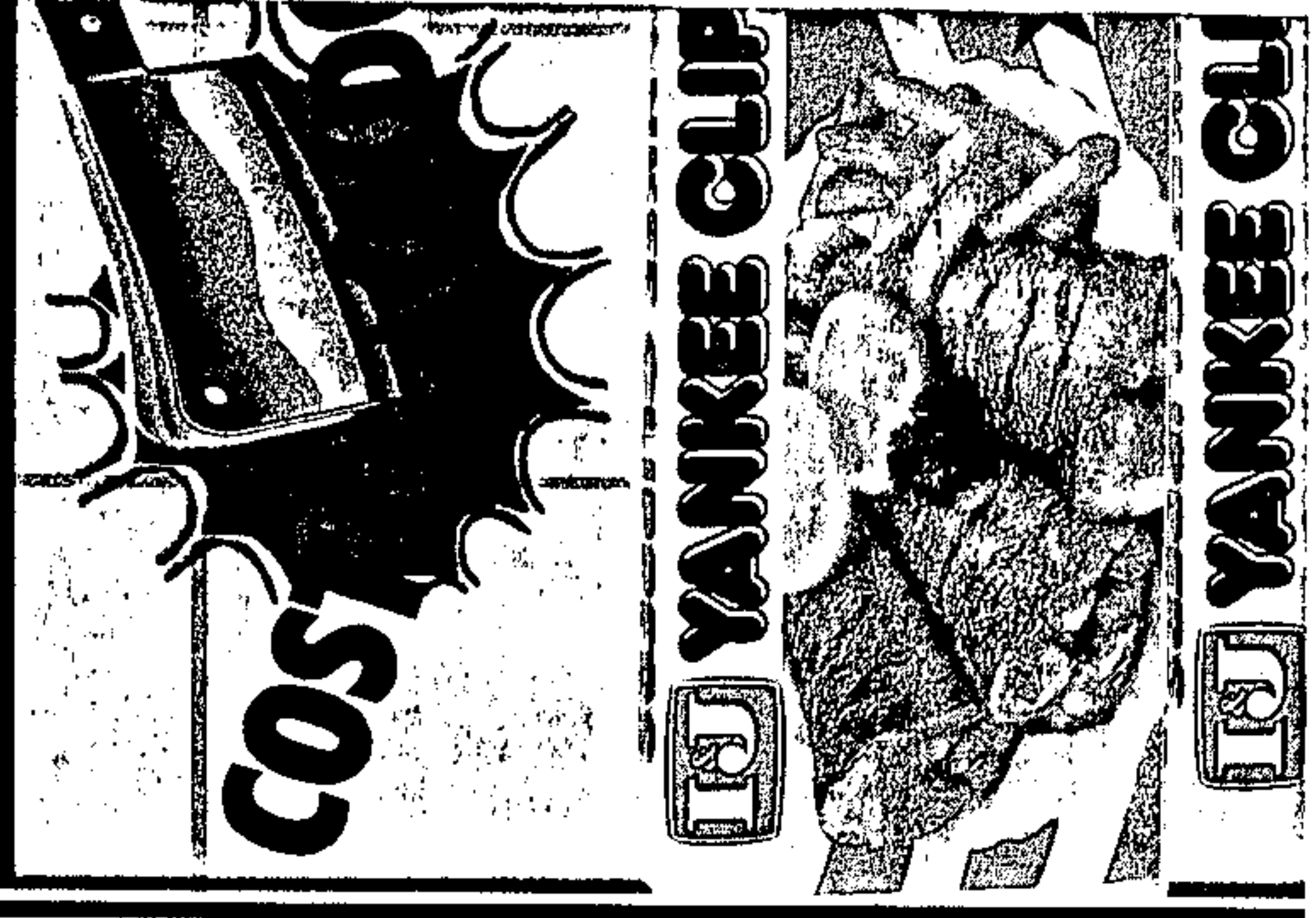
Major Zwane said it was not yet known what the motive for the attack was as well as what the police were investigating in the

house.

Late yesterday house 719B stood empty with broken windows, bloodstains on the walls and disarranged window curtains after the shooting.

A witness, whose name may not be mentioned for fear of reprisal, told the *Sowetan* that on Tuesday night a man was arrested by police in that house.

The witness said at 9am two policemen arrived and went into the house. Suddenly a group attacked them and fired shots at them.



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MR JONATHAN Mogale and his wife Mrs Pinkie Mogale of Dobsonville whose house was petrol bombed on Tuesday night. Both were admitted to Baragwanath Hospital with severe burns.

BOMB HITS HOME

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A DOBSONVILLE Town Council employee and her husband are in a critical condition in hospital after their house was petrol-bombed on Tuesday night. Police have confirmed the bombing.

Mrs Pinkie Mogale and her husband, Mr Jonathan Mogale's home is in Mogorosi Street. They have been living there for less than three months.

The previous owners were evicted for rent default.

Members of the Mogale family yesterday were busy removing debris from the house which had almost everything inside turned to ashes. The walls were blackened with smoke and all windows broken.

The motive for the

attack is not known.

The bombing is the second in Dobsonville within two weeks. A house belonging to a former councillor, Mr Cladius Radebe, was bombed on the night of July 13. Mr Radebe's right ear was slightly bruised.

Bulldozer *SAFETY 29/7/81* unearths arms cache

By PATRICK COLLINGS
 Crime Reporter

A LARGE arms cache comprising explosives, assault rifles, handguns and ammunition was accidentally uncovered yesterday on a construction site between Eerste River and Somerset West.

A bulldozer levelling the ground at the Beverly Park development site struck and broke open a buried wooden box containing the arms cache at 11.40am, scattering the weapons and explosives over a small area.

The cache included an undisclosed number of limpet mines, handgrenades, AK47 assault rifles, Makarov handguns, denonators and ammunition.

A police liaison officer, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, described the arms cache as the largest discovered in the Peninsula this year and one of the biggest discovered in the country in the same period.

After unearthing the cache, the driver of the bulldozer contacted the Kulls



River police, who came to investigate. The officers notified security police and bomb-disposal experts, who rushed to the scene.

The area surrounding the development site was cordoned off as police removed the individual items, which were wrapped in waterproof material.

Using sniffer dogs, metal detectors and rakes, police then searched the

area while a bulldozer was used to level the surrounding ground in an attempt to unearth further caches.

While the search was continuing, emergency medical personnel and two ambulances waited on the perimeter of the search area.

The cache was taken back to police headquarters where fingerprint ex-

perts worked through the night examining the items.

Police praised the driver of the bulldozer for the calm way in which he handled the situation and warned members of the public to be on the lookout for suspicious parcels.

There have been five explosions in Cape Town since the beginning of the year.

SEARCH

... Police use a bulldozer to search for further arms caches.

Picture: ANNE LAING

Arms cache
Jan 29/1984
found in Cape

CAPE TOWN — An arms cache containing explosives, firearms and ammunition was dug up by a bulldozer at Beverly Park between Eerste River and Somerset West yesterday. (S.A.)

Bomb disposal experts, security police and sniffer dogs were called to the scene and the cache was removed.

The bulldozer was levelling ground in the new housing estate. — Own Correspondent.

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Bulldozer spreads huge arms cache

By STEPHEN WROTTESELEY
Crime Reporter

IT was a miracle that no-one was killed or injured when a bulldozer dug up one of the largest arms caches in the Western Cape, the contracts manager at the construction site said today.

The arms, including limpet mines, hand-grenades, AK47 rifles, Makarov pistols, magazines, ammunition and detonators, were found yesterday when the wooden box containing them was broken open by the bulldozer at Beverly Park between Eerste River and Somerset West.

By the time police were called in, the explosives and weaponry had been spread over an area of about 400 sq m.

Police believe the person responsible for hiding the cache is either dead or in custody because it was not removed when work started on a new housing estate several months ago.

CORDONED OFF

Mr Hennie du Preez, contracts manager of Asia Construction, said the firm started work in the middle of May and another company had cleared the site of bushes earlier.

He said that when the cache was found, he cordoned off the area to safeguard workers and called the police.

He praised them for their quick reaction.

"It was a miracle no-one was killed or injured," he said.

Explosives experts, sniffer dogs, members of the reaction unit, ambulances, paramedics and traffic policemen raced to the scene.

METAL DETECTORS

A police spokesman said that as soon as the area had been secured, experts searched for the weaponry, which was in good condition and well packaged for underground storage.

Metal detectors were used to find the guns and bombs while policemen sifted topsoil with rakes borrowed from a hardware store.

Police declined to say how much weaponry was found as their investigations were continuing.

However, a spokesman said it was one of the biggest single hauls in the Western Cape.

He praised the bulldozer driver and other members of the public involved in the uncovering of the cache.

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Fire at Mandela home was 'revenge attack'

UNIFORMED SAP members were guarding Winnie Mandela's fire-gutted home in Soweto last night and would allow nobody but family on to the premises.

Local residents said the arson attack yesterday was a result of a vendetta against the Mandela United Football Club, which belonged to the family.

The attackers, said by police and residents to be schoolchildren, smashed windows and doused the house with petrol in

(SAP)

DANIEL SIMON and
SIPHO NCGOBO

what appeared to be a revenge attack. Residents said the incident followed the beating of a pupil earlier in the day.

However, a source close to the Mandela family said it was not the work of scholars, but of former detainees who were part of "the system".

The Orlando West home was the only one Winnie Mandela had shared with her

husband Nelson. It was not her luxury home in which she has never lived.

Nobody was injured in the arson attack — the second on a Mandela home in three years.

A Mandela family lawyer, Akbar Ayob, said: "Winnie is deeply shocked. She has lost everything."

In 1985, Mandela's exile home at Brandfort in the Free State was badly damaged after a petrol-bomb attack. No arrests were made.

Accused was 'fighting crime'

A 62-YEAR-OLD Soweto resident charged with participating in "people's courts" said in the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday he did not think he was committing an offence because the purpose of people's courts was to prevent crime.

Alfred Malefetsane Ntshilele said this in mitigation of sentence after he and four other Moroka North residents were found guilty of sedition in that they held people's courts in 1986 and undermined the security of the state.

They were also found guilty for acting in common purpose with persons unknown to the state in assaulting three

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Moroka North residents.

Ntshilele, Joseph Modibedi, 18, Joseph Ntsoelengoe, 21, Ezekiel Mothamaha, 24 and Elias Khetha, 20, earlier pleaded not guilty to the charge of sedition and three counts of assault.

Defence advocate N Singh SC said the accused thought what they were doing was in the interests of society.

Prosecutor C J van Vuuren said the crime of sedition was serious. People did not have the right to take the law into their own hands.

The case was postponed to August 5.

Bomb near SA Embassy (S) (M)

A BOMB has exploded near the South African Embassy in the Chilean capital of Santiago.

No one was injured. The extent of the damage to the embassy is not known.

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The explosion was the third in the city this week.

NOW SA FACES US MOVIE BAN

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CRY FREEDOM

SOUTH AFRICANS are in danger of being denied all American movies following Government action which led to all copies of Sir Richard Attenborough's film *Cry Freedom* being seized by police under the emergency regulations.

Already battered by a cultural boycott which bars many British films and television programmes, South African movie-goers are under further assault today with the threat that the Motion Picture Association of America might withdraw all films from South Africa.

Sir Richard Attenborough said in London today: "What I do think will happen very probably is that the Motion Picture Association of America will be outraged that this has happened because they have attempted to keep doors open to maintain a dialogue with South Africa.

"I think that what will happen now is that, in the light of this outrageous behaviour — craven behaviour — on the part of the South African Government, they will propose to withdraw all films from South Africa. It wouldn't surprise me at all."

He was "enormously distressed and disappointed, but not surprised".

"After eight months of prevarication, by seizing the film on the very day that it opened, the South African Government has proved yet again that it simply dare not allow people in South Africa to see and hear the truth about apartheid."

Cry Freedom was today replaced by *I was a Teenage Vampire* (Stellenbosch), *Rambo III* (Wynberg Ster Constantia and Mitchell's Plain), *Fool for Love* (Monte Carlo) and *Police Academy V* (Wynberg Luxurama).

Weekend Argus Reporters

- What cinemagoers who saw the film say
- Why Weekend Argus critic Derek Wilson gives the movie four stars
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Threat to public safety: Stoffel

Weekend Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — The Minister of Information, Dr Stoffel van der Merwe, said *Cry Freedom* was seized because it was a threat to public safety.

He said the screening of the film about the relationship between Steve Biko and Donald Woods could have led to violence.

"Although the Publications Appeal Board allowed the screening of the film today, (yesterday) the South African Government has responsibilities for public safety and security — especially during a state of emergency — which transcend those of the PAB.

He said the Government felt the screening of the film could arouse serious feelings in intergroup relations.

"It (the screening) could even lead to violence as is evidenced by the bomb explosions which occurred in Alexandra and elsewhere at cinemas where *Cry Freedom* would have been screened."

The minister said it was clear that Sir Richard Attenborough, the film's producer, intended making an anti-South African propaganda film.

The Minister said the Commissioner of Police's order that the film be seized was not to be interpreted as the Government doing the PAB's job.

The Minister also said the Government was aware that the seizure and the non-screening of the film would create problems for South Africa abroad.

The ban has led to intense anger in South Africa and has been slammed as "incredibly foolish".

The leader of the National Democratic Party, Mr Wynand Malan, said it was "the action of a clumsy and incompetent Government and yet another example of restrictions on South Africans' right to obtain information.

"One is also left with an inevitable feeling that the State, which is guilty in the Biko affair, does not want that guilt to be publicly examined again.

Nothing which Donald Woods ever said, or as a film character says, can endanger the safety of the State."

Dr Denis Worrall said the ban was incredibly foolish. "We know we don't have a competent government, particularly in the field of communications, but its handling of *Cry Freedom* really takes the cake.

"The Government has completely undermined the authority of the public control board, whose chairman and

members one would expect to resign in protest.

"The seizure of the film guarantees maximum adverse publicity both locally and internationally."

Police last night swooped on cinemas throughout the country and seized copies of the controversial film following a day of confusion, bomb blasts and bomb threats.

Hours before the Publications Appeal Board rebuffed a Government bid to have the film banned, and confirmed a ruling that the film should be released without cuts for viewing in South Africa.

In a statement, the Commissioner of Police, General H de Witt, said he was acting under emergency regulations.

He said the police had "taken note of the Publications Appeal Board decision", but added: "The SAP, however, functions in the context of the state of emergency in which the country finds itself and administers the emergency regulations in relation to circumstances which change from one minute to another."

Small bombs exploded at cinemas in Durban, Roodepoort and Alexandra township. A petrol bomb was thrown at a cinema in Port Elizabeth and a explosive device was found at a cinema in central Durban.

Damage was slight and nobody was injured.

Bomb threats were received by the SABC and UPI news agency, allegedly from Azapo, against theatres showing the film. Steve Biko, whose life and death are depicted in the film, was a former leader of the movement.

Earlier in the day the distributors of the film announced that they would go ahead with screenings after the Minister of Justice, Mr Kobie Coetsee, had refused permission to quote Donald Woods, who is banned.

In Cape Town, security policemen seized copies of the film after matinee shows at cinemas in Wynberg, the Foreshore, Sea Point, Stellenbosch, Mitchell's Plain and Rylands.

57 HURT IN REEF BLAST

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JOHANNESBURG. — One person is believed to have died and at least 57 people were injured in an explosion at the Benoni Plaza shopping centre today.

Police said they could not confirm that anyone had died in the blast.

Telephone callers said the explosion occurred at a crowded Wimpy Bar restaurant.

"A lot of people were injured, but there has been no confirmation of any deaths," said a spokesman for the police division of public relations in Pretoria.

He said 57 people were injured in the blast at 11.58am in the crowded East Rand shopping mall.

Seven of those hurt are in a critical condition and were

transferred to the Johannesburg hospital, he said.

Fifteen others were taken to the Boksburg/Benoni hospital and 35 to the Far East Rand Hospital.

The area in Princess Avenue was cordoned off while police searched for more explosive devices.

Ambulances from surrounding towns helped the Benoni emergency services

transport casualties to hospital.

● A passer-by was slightly hurt by shrapnel when a suspected limpet mine exploded today at a bus stop in Germiston on the East Rand, police said.

The passer-by, who was walking on the opposite side of the road, was wounded in the leg, police said.

The bus shelter was destroyed in the 8.15am blast.

Attacks, threats as movie released

CRAIG KOTZE
Crime Reporter

BOMBS yesterday exploded at two cinemas — in Durban and Alexandra near Johannesburg — where "Cry Freedom" was being screened or about to be screened, while police detonated a third found in the toilet of a cinema in the Highgate shopping Centre in Roodepoort.

One petrol-bombing was reported. In Port Elizabeth, a petrol bomb was thrown at the Star Cinema in Korsten township.

No one was injured in the attacks and damage was slight, except in Alexandra, where damage estimated at thousands of rand was caused to neighbouring homes and possessions.

Bomb threats were also made to cinemas showing "Cry Freedom".

According to police, threats were made to the Kine theatre in Port Elizabeth, and the Metro theatre in Sunnyside, Pretoria, allegedly by someone claiming to be a member of the Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo).

Calls threatening bomb attacks on cinemas were also made to the SABC and United Press International in Johannesburg, also allegedly by Azapo, police said.

The first blast happened at 12.03 pm at the King's Theatre cinema in Alexandra outside Johannesburg, the second at the Metro cinemas in West Street Durban at 3.16 pm and the third was detonated at 3.30 pm at Highgate in Roodepoort.

All were screening or were about to screen Richard Attenborough's "Cry Freedom" film.

Heavy police presence was noted at many cinemas on the Reef yesterday, including Northcliff Corner and Rosebank.

In Northcliff, police filmed cinemagoers as they left the premises.

The Highgate bomb was found in a cinema toilet after police received information.

The Metro Two cinema blast in West Street, Durban, was "small and caused little damage", said police.

In Alexandra, at least four houses were damaged by the cinema blast.

BIKO film seized

Police raid 'Cry Freedom' cinemas across SA

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Staff Reporters, Political Staff and UPI

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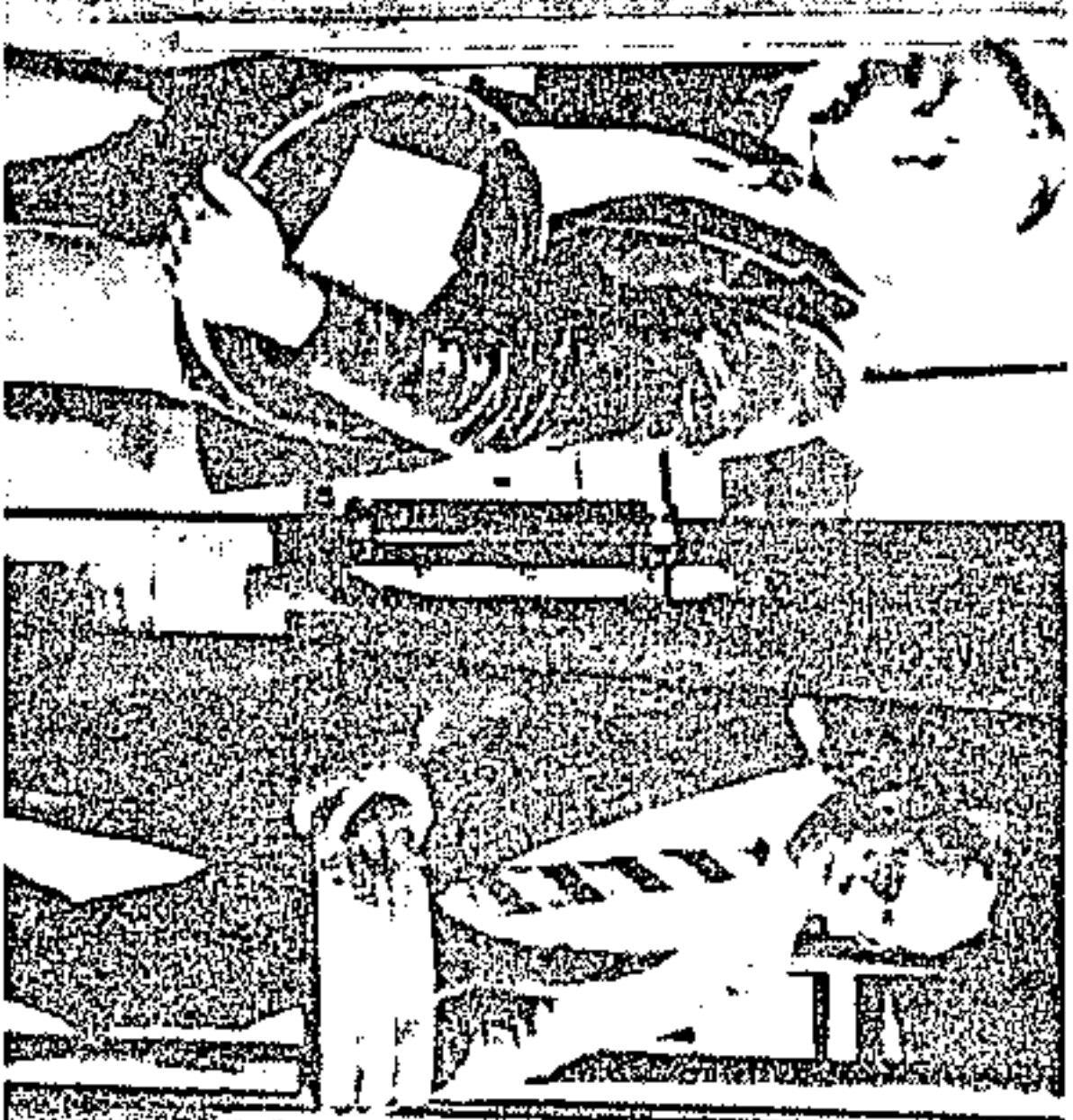
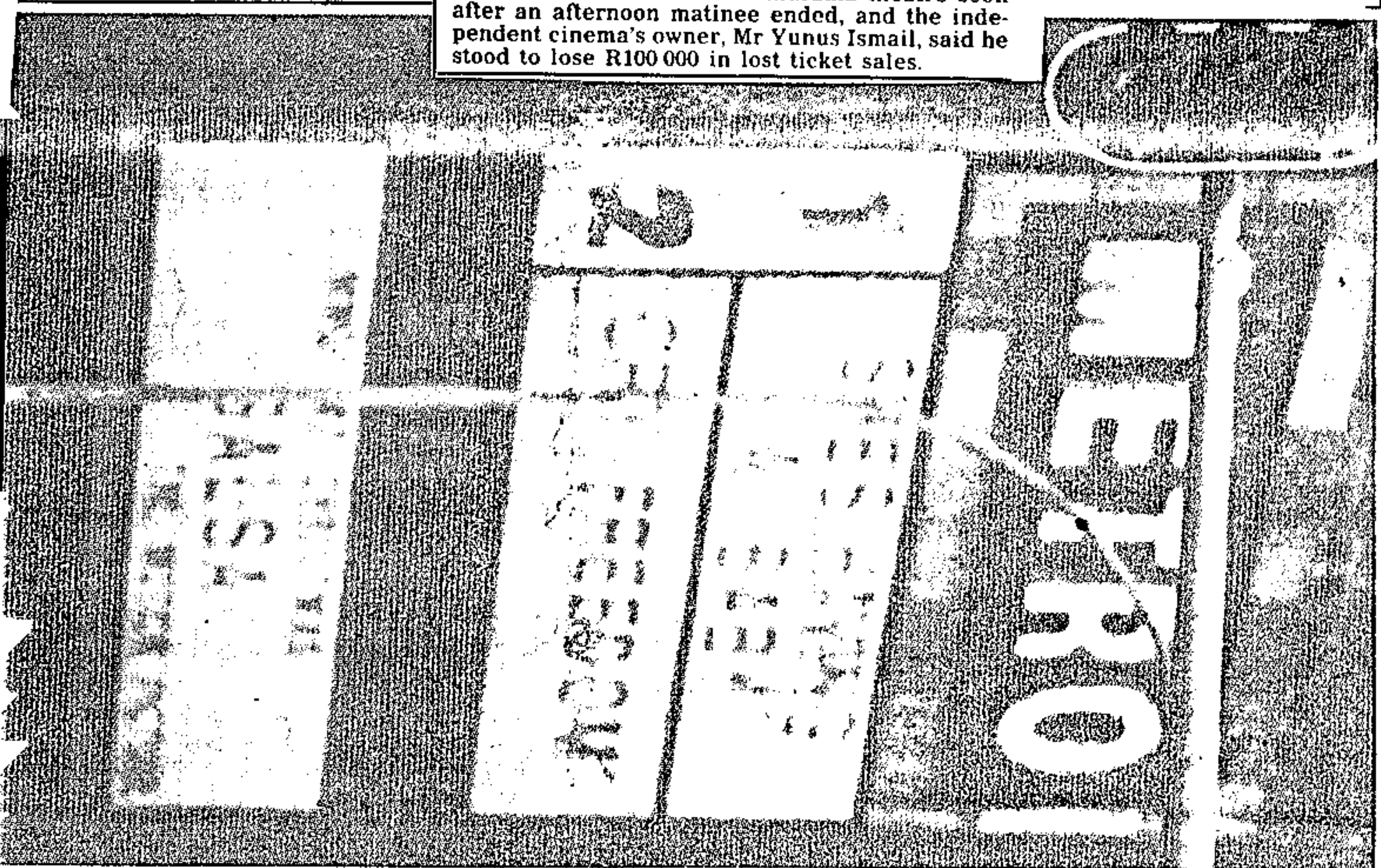
being shown was criticized by Sir Richard Attenborough, Mrs Wendy Woods, the wife of Mr Woods, Mr Michael Williams-Jones, the president of UIP Warner, the Progressive Federal Party and the South African Council of Churches.

Sir Richard said told the Cape Times last night: "This proves they (the SA government) cannot face the truth."

Mrs Woods said from London: "I never really believed they would allow it to go on because it is true and the truth hurts."

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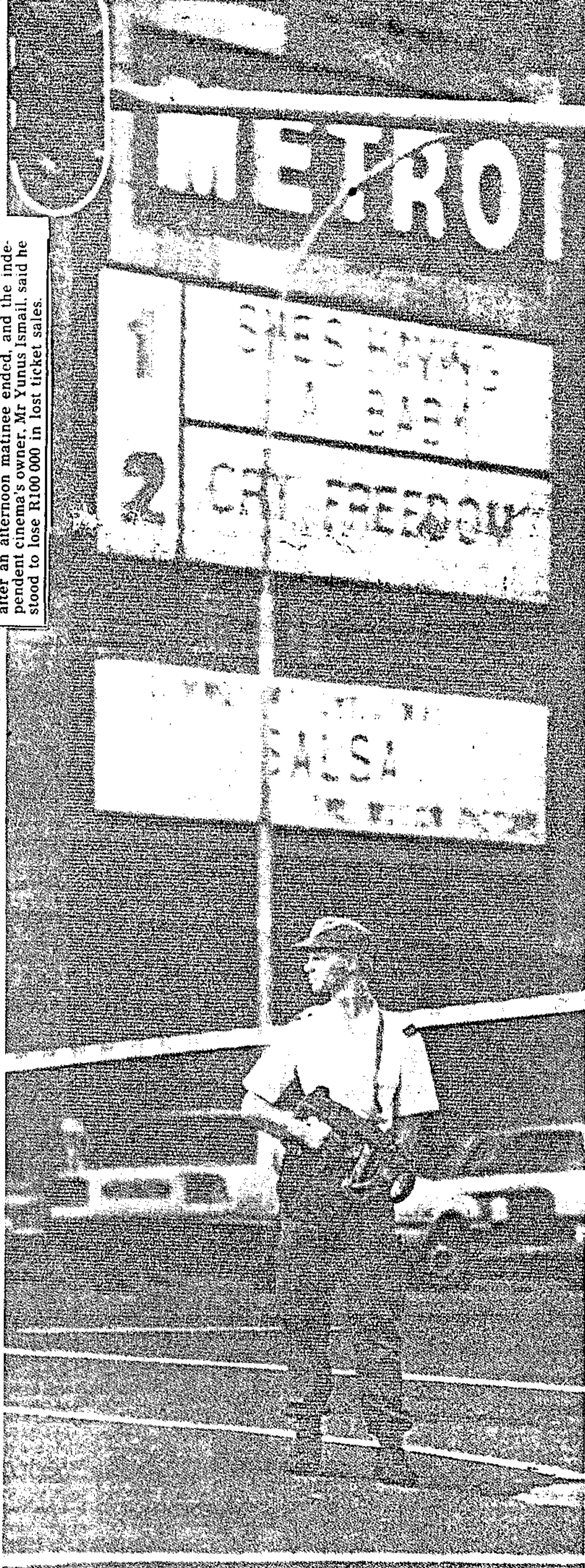
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The film was attended by large audiences country-wide after the board ruled that it was not undesirable, but put on a 2-to-19 age limit.

One Cape Town audience watched in rapt silence, breaking into applause after the final sequence which shows the names of South Africans who have died in detention.

A close friend of Biko, who is also featured prominently in the film, city accountant Mr Peter Jones, arrived at the Monte Carlo in Cape Town at the same time as the police arrived to seize the film.

'Situation in streets'

"The banning of the movie simply means that thousands of South Africans may lose the opportunity of having a glimpse at one of the greatest human phenomena of the liberation struggle in our country," he said.

In Pretoria last night, Dr Van der Merwe said the government had decided to override the Publications Appeal Board and to have the film seized, because the board was not able to judge "the situation on the streets".

He said the government believed the screening of the film would have seriously disturbed race relations.

The banning followed a flurry of last-minute developments, including a 9.30am approval of screening by the Publications Appeal Board, which described the film as "mediocre" and posing no national security threat.

Five hours later the Minister of Justice, Mr Kobie Coetsee, denied the distributor, United International Pictures, permission to release the film under the Internal Security Act, which makes it a crime to quote banned people.

One of the characters in the movie, Mr Donald Woods, the former editor of the Daily Dispatch, was banned in 1977 and then listed in terms of the Internal Security Act when he went into exile.

Later, the Commissioner of Police, General Henrie de Witt, ordered that copies of the film be seized.

The government decision to prevent the film



CONFISCATED ... Two plainclothes police remove reels of the film "Cry Freedom" from the Luxurama cinema in Wynberg.

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'300 men in PAC's army'

JOHANNESBURG. — The military wing of the Pan African Congress (PAC), the Azanian People's Liberation Army, had about 300 members, Brigadier Herman Stadler of the security-police told the magistrate's court yesterday.

He was giving evidence in the trial of an allegedly highly-trained PAC terrorist, Mr Themba Jack Pikwane, 32, of Hartswater.

Mr Pikwane, who has denied guilt on charges of terrorism and belonging to an illegal organization, was arrested in Pampierstad near Hartswater in January this year. — Sapa

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Death bomb: Baby in miracle escape

Sunday Times Reporters

BOMB baby Tarina Gouws became the nurses' pet in a disaster hospital last night after she had a miracle escape in yesterday's lunchtime terror outrage.

Tarina, just eight months old, was bouncing happily on her mum's lap in the packed Benoni Plaza Wimpy Bar when a limpet mine exploded under a table, killing a woman and and injuring 56 others, eight seriously.

Last night the tiny infant was swathed in bandages in Far East Rand Hospital where many of the less seriously injured bomb victims were treated. Her frail body is covered in cuts, bruises and burns.

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Motherly nurses fussed about Tarina, tenderly changing her dressings and feeding her. Yesterday's bomb wrecked the Benoni Plaza Wimpy, sending waves

of glass scything through the busy East Rand centre.

The restaurant was crowded with teenage boys and girls on the last weekend of the Transvaal school holidays.

Little Tarina was sitting on her mother's lap. Mum Elize Gouws, 24, and her sister Rina, 16, were also injured in the blast.

Her mother admitted to Johannesburg General Hospital, underwent an emergency operation and is in a satisfactory condition. An unidentified victim, a white

middle-aged woman, died last night in the hospital. She had multiple injuries, said superintendent Dr Trevor Frankish.

Other victims in the hospital are Sheila Stothard, 51, who has limb fractures, and Amanda Cleminson, 14, who has a leg fracture and abdominal injuries.

The manager of the devastated Wimpy Bar, Mr Douglas Barker, said: "It was lunchtime. The restaurant was packed. There must have been about 70 people in the place, and I have a staff of 14.

"It was terrible. I was serving at the grill and suddenly there was a really loud noise, the lights went out and the ceiling fell on me. Everything blew to pieces.

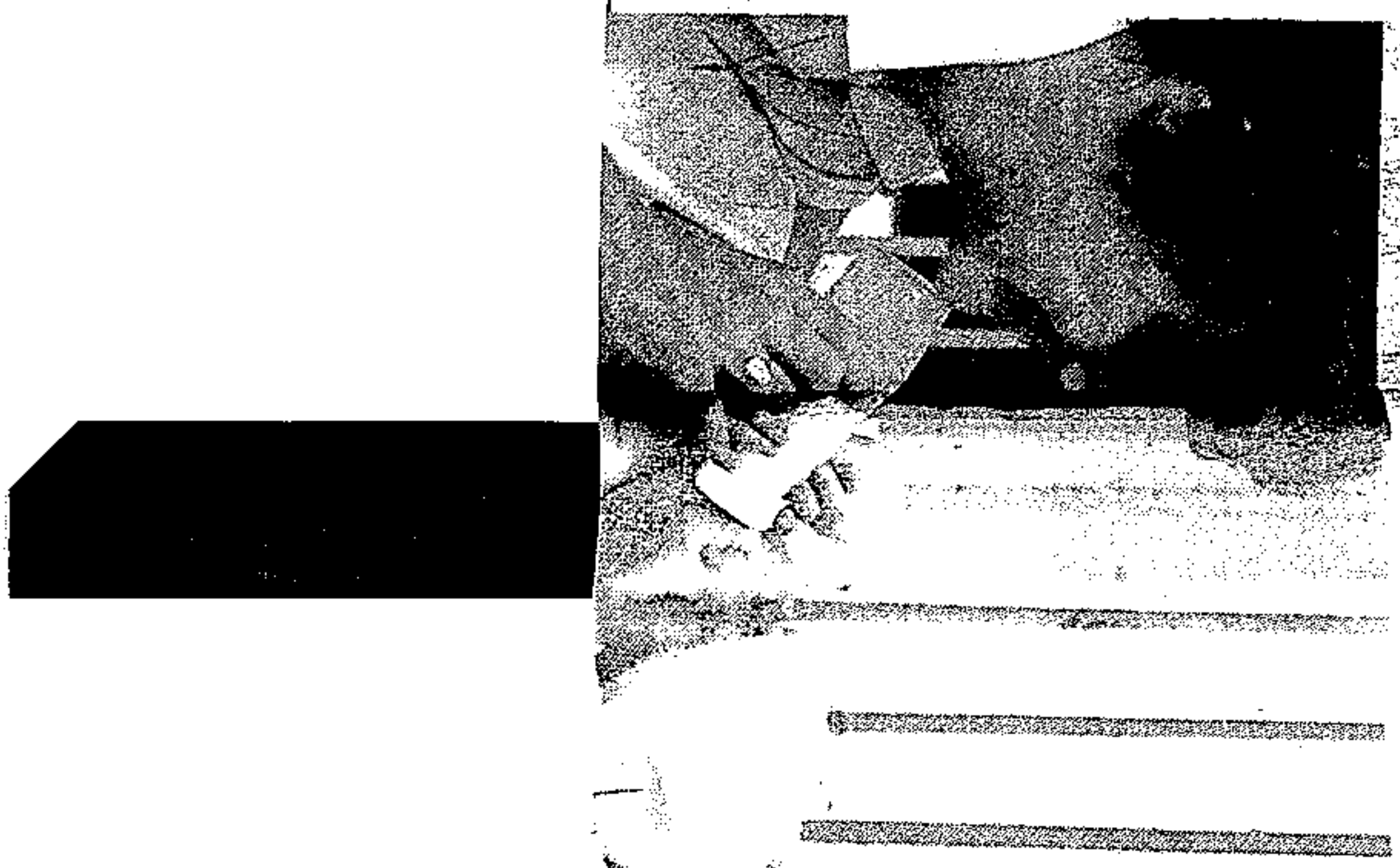
"The injured were lying around and I dragged a member of my staff out-side."

Mr Barker, who suffered a deep cut in the top of his head when the ceiling caved in, said the restaurant had had a bomb scare last week.

"Now I believe it could have been a dress rehearsal. We found a card-

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PAC lay claim 3/17/88 CP Press to SAP attack

CP Correspondent

THE PAC has claimed responsibility for last Sunday's incident near Mafikeng.

The organisation's military wing, the Azanian People's Liberation Army, reacted when one of its units was stopped at a roadblock by members of the South African Police, a PAC statement from Dar es Salaam said.

Three men and a woman were shot dead and 12 policemen were wounded in the clash. - Ano

Pupils stab a man to death in Soweto

SEVEN people have been killed — six stabbed to death and one burnt to death — in incidents of unrest in Natal and Soweto.

Police said yesterday in an unrest report that a group of pupils attacked four men in Soweto and stabbed one man to death. The other three suffered serious injuries.

A man was stabbed to death at Kwokwane, Natal, in an attack on a private home.

A mob stabbed a woman to death at Mnyandu, also in Natal.

In another incident three men were stabbed to death at Mpumalanga, Natal, when group of blacks attacked a private home.

In the same area a private vehicle was attacked and set alight with the driver inside. The driver was burnt to death and the vehicle gutted.

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'Extremists responsible for blasts'

By CHRIS STEYN

RIGHT-WING and left-wing extremists are the main suspects in a police investigation following a number of mysterious bomb blasts at cinemas where the film "Cry Freedom" was due to be shown.

Ministry of Law and Order spokesman Brigadier Leon Mellet told the Cape Times yesterday that police were "totally convinced" that "extremists" were behind the blasts.

"We are investigating the possibility that extremists from both sides — the right and the left — were responsible for the blasts," said Brigadier Mellet.

Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB) leader Mr Eugene Terre'Blanche told the Cape Times yesterday that the movement did not involve itself in bomb attacks.

"We relied on the sound judgment of the Commissioner of Police. And he did the right thing to ban the film. If he had not done so, the AWB would have protested strongly. But that does not mean that we would have destroyed property or endangered human lives," said Mr Terre'Blanche.

The "Cry Freedom" debacle was evidence that the government and the Publications Control Board should be replaced, Conservative Party MP Mr Clive Derby-Lewis, said yesterday. Mr Derby-Lewis said the government should have acted months ago.

● The appeal board passed the movie on Friday with a 2-19 age limit, half-an-hour before it was due to go on circuit.

But within hours, the government had overruled the appeal board and banned the film.

It's 23 years for the guerrilla who hadn't the time to start

By TYLER PARRY

A GUERRILLA who bungled both his missions inside South Africa was sentenced to a total of 23 years' imprisonment this week.

Samuel Stanley Thabo Ramaditse will spend an effective 10 years in prison for what his lawyer Kathy Satchwell called, in her closing argument, "a pretty unproductive time in terms of doing ANC work".

Magistrate PF du Plessis ruled in Johannesburg that Ramaditse's two 10-year sentences for subversion and terrorism and a three-year sentence for being a member of the African National Congress would run concurrently.

The events which brought Ramaditse to trial began on June 16 1976, when as a Std 8 pupil he marched to Soweto's Orlando Stadium to protest against the introduction of Afrikaans as a medium of instruction. He said police opened fire on the pupils and he saw the fatal shooting of Hector Pieterse.

During the following months, Soweto "was like hell", Ramaditse told the court. "We were regarded as animals, Soweto was a shooting range."

Professor Lawrence Schlemmer, director of the University of the Witwatersrand's Centre for Policy Studies — who gave evidence in mitigation — said Soweto youth believed they were at war with the security forces.

According to evidence before the Cillier Commission, Schlemmer said, more than 16 000 rounds of ammunition was fired by the police in the first three months following June 16.

"The sound of gunshots was like Christmas crackers in the township," he said.

Ramaditse said when he returned to school in October police fired teargas into the classrooms. He fled and two shots fired by the police, which he believed were intended for him, had killed a pregnant woman.

After this incident Ramaditse said his life became intolerable. He was threatened by angry relatives of the deceased woman.

On November 6, after reading a newspaper report that there were over 500 students in Botswana, he left the country to join them. On his arrival in Botswana he was arrested for being an illegal immigrant and was held in a Gaborone jail.

Ramaditse was visited in jail by Pan Africanist Congress members who asked him to join them.

He refused as he wanted to continue with his education. When the ANC visited him and offered him a scholarship he joined them.

Ramaditse was then transported by the ANC to Zambia where he spent a day in a Zambian jail before

travelling to Tanzania.

With 80 other new ANC members, Ramaditse was lectured on the history of the ANC, of which he knew nothing. After hearing people were being shot in Soweto he decided to join Umkhonto we Sizwe.

Schlemmer said it was impossible for a person in that context to make a balanced decision as Ramaditse's frame of reference had become distorted.

Ramaditse received military training in Southern Angola with Swapo troops. He then spent 18 months at a Zambian transit camp, did political work with ANC recruits in Mozambique and cooked in Angolan camps.

In 1979 he was sent to fight in Joshua Nkomo's Zipra army until he was deported to Zambia by the Zimbabwe government in April 1980. The next three years in Ramaditse's career as a soldier were uneventful — more military training in Angola, political work in Zambia and a visit to Swaziland.

In April 1984 while in Swaziland, Ramaditse was shot by Swazi security forces and wounded in the leg. He received medical treatment in Tanzania for two years and a month in the Soviet Union.

In 1986, he and a colleague were sent on Ramaditse's first mission inside South Africa. The day they arrived his colleague became ill and they crossed back into Botswana without even ascertaining the details of their mission, Ramaditse said. They were deported to Zambia.

On October 2 1987 Ramaditse was sent on a second mission. He said the ANC was reluctant to send him because of his disability, but he was homesick and insisted.

He said he was to receive his mission instructions on presenting two keys at a certain house.

However, before Ramaditse visited his contact he was arrested outside Soweto's Baragwanath taxi rank — a day after he arrived in the country.

During his six-month detention under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act, Ramaditse claimed he was shot in his injured leg by members of the security police. A charge of attempted escape was withdrawn.

He said an ANC member who directed a bomb at a civilian target was not following orders and would be withdrawn and dealt with accordingly.

The state prosecutor JAC van Eck asked if this meant the ANC had lost control of its members Ramaditse replied: "When they were shooting at us in 1976 had the government lost control of the police?"

Six of 57 people injured in critical condition

Victim describes horror of Benoni bombing

By Anna Louw,
East Rand Bureau

The young woman killed in Saturday's bomb blast at a Benoni restaurant, Miss Mary-Ann Serrano (21), was engaged to be married.

Her parents, Mr and Mrs Victor Serrano of Beyers Park, Boksburg, confirmed this yesterday. She was engaged to Mr Paul Rosa (22) of Springs.

Critical

A family friend said Miss Serrano — one of three children — had been shopping at the Benoni plaza and was probably closest to the bomb.

A critically injured Miss Serrano, who worked in public relations, was airlifted to Johannesburg Hospital by helicopter. She died later without regaining consciousness.

At least 57 people were injured in the blast, six of them seriously.

One of the victims was a seven-month-old girl, Tarina Gouws, who was flung metres through the air and miraculously escaped with shrapnel wounds and cuts to her face.

Mr Albert Clementson (48) said from his bed at the Boksburg-Benoni that he, his fiancée Mrs Sheila Suthard and his daughter Amanda (14) had gone to the Wimpy Bar to have lunch at 11.30 am.

Mr Clementson said the restaurant was full.

"We had just placed our orders when it suddenly became very dark in the restaurant. At first I thought there was something wrong with the lights.

"There was a terrific explosion and our table was ripped out."

Mr Clementson's face was burnt and he has a suspected broken leg.

Of the people injured in the Benoni blast, the following were admitted to hospital: Mrs Sheila Suthard of Impala Park, Mrs Ilse Gouws (24) and her daughter Tarina, Amanda Clementson (14) of New Modder, Mrs Cornelia Horn of Benoni, Rina Gouws (16), Mr Albert Clementson of New Modder, Mr Laurence Xipho, Mr Monty Grobler of Benoni, Mr Simon Matshele of Daveyton, Mr D Naidoo of Actonville and Mr Elvis Mphahlela.

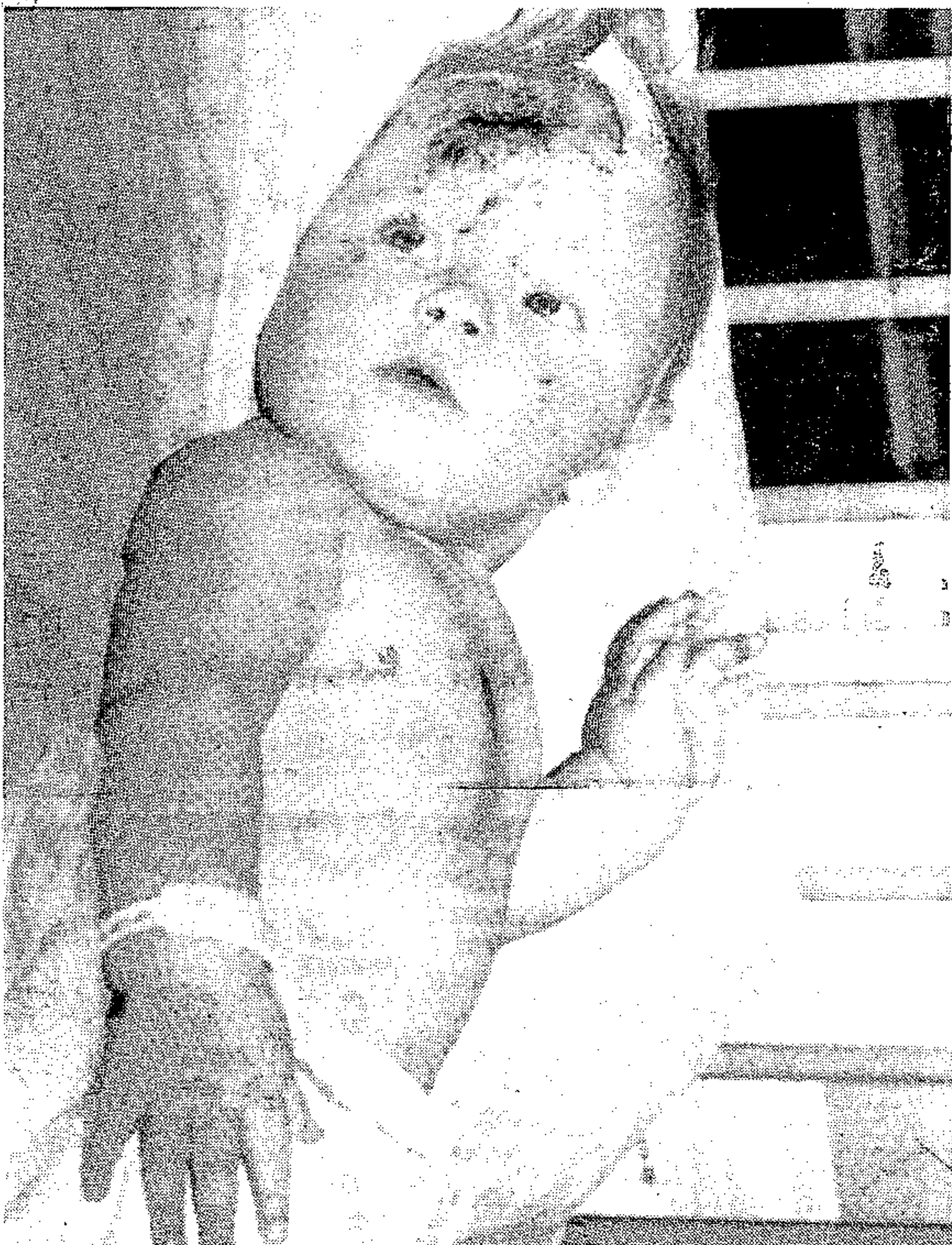
The injured at Johannesburg Hospital, Miss Amanda Clementson, Miss Elize Gouws (23) from Benoni and Mrs Shiela Suthard are in a serious but stable condition.

A spokesman for the Boksburg-Benoni Hospital said today Mrs Rina Gouws, Mr Albert Clementson, Mr Lawrence Xipo and Mrs Cornelia Horn were in a satisfactory condition.

A spokesman for the Far East Rand hospital said seven-month-old Rita Gouws and Mr Montl Grobelaar were in a satisfactory condition.



Mr Albert Clementson, injured in the blast ... Suddenly it became very dark.



Seven-month-old Tarina Gouws: miraculous escape after being flung metres through the air.

By MONICA GRAAFF

THE Publications Appeal Board stands by its decision to pass the controversial Biko film, "Cry Freedom", for public viewing despite the government banning imposed on Friday.

And this decision was likely to be a precedent for the passing of similar films in future, according to Appeal Board assessor Professor S A S Strauss.

He said that in the past the board had undoubtedly been inclined to follow precedents, and there was no reason why this should not be the case in future.

Prof Strauss was invited on to the board as an assessor for his special knowledge of the Biko affair, having been the chairman of the ad hoc committee on the medical treatment of detainees for the Medical Association in 1983.

Biko: Appeal Board stands by its ruling

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"The government does not have the power to overrule the board's decision, and neither has it. It has merely banned the film in terms of another legislation which is its prerogative."

The Cape Times was yesterday unable to contact the chairman of the board, Professor Kobus van Rooyen, who is under police guard following death threats at the weekend.

Brigadier Leon Mellet declined to say whether the threats were from right-wing quarters. But he did say that police were convinced that extremists of

either the right or the left were responsible for planting the bombs at cinemas where the film was to have been shown.

Last week the Minister of Home Affairs, Mr Stoffel Botha, referred the film — which was passed last November without any restrictions — back to the Publications Appeal Board in a last-minute bid to get the board to do the banning.

But the censorship body stood its ground and passed the film with a 2-19 age restriction on Fri-

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Biko ban

day morning — only minutes before cinema doors opened to the public. The film was shown only once before it was seized under the media emergency regulations later that day.

Ster Kinekor, the largest cinema chain in South Africa, yesterday said it did not believe the effective banning of "Cry Freedom" would affect its supply of films from producers.

Meanwhile the Minister of Information, Mr Stoffel van der Merwe, said "the government would have preferred it if the Publications Board had banned it", sparking fresh speculation about the future of the board and chairman, Prof Van Rooyen.

However Mr Stoffel Botha, under whose

portfolio the publications board falls, last night dismissed rumours that he was "about to fire" Prof Van Rooyen.

He said he would not prescribe to the board, but a similar situation in which the government banned films already passed by the board in terms of the emergency regulations "could well happen again".

The minister said that when he realized "late in July" that the film was to go ahead, the government had had "to take the wider issues into account". The Publications Act dealt with security matters in only a limited way.

Explosions claim by police is challenged

By Kaizer Nyatumba

The Azanian Co-ordinating Committee (Azacco) has denied allegations by the South African Police on Friday that Black Consciousness groups might have been responsible for bomb explosions at cinemas where "Cry Freedom" was either screened or about to be screened.

Police also said that someone claiming to be a member of the restricted Azanian People's Organisation (Azapo) made threats to the Kine Theatre in Port Elizabeth and Metro Theatre in Pretoria.

CONDEMNATION

Under the emergency restrictions, Azapo cannot be quoted.

A statement by Azacco said: "Our problems with the producers of the film have long been sorted out, and we do not see how the bombing of the various centres could be linked to us."

Azacco has condemned the Government's banning of "Cry Freedom" afternoon after the Publications Appeal Board had passed it.

It said the banning showed the Government's disregard for its own established structures.

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Blast victim named

THE person who died of injuries sustained in a limpet mine explosion at a Wimpy Bar at the Benoni Plaza shopping complex at the weekend has been identified as Mary-Ann Serrano (21), of Beyers Park, Boksburg North.

Thirteen of the 57 wounded are being treated in hospitals on the Witwatersrand.

They are: Mrs Sheila Suthard, Mrs Elize Gous, Mrs Rina Gous, a Gous baby, Miss Amanda Cleminson, a Mrs Horn, a Mr Cleminson, a Mr

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Grobbelaar, Mr Lawrence Xipo, Mr Simon Masheta, Mr D Naidoo and his daughter, Kansilla, and Mr Elvis Mapalela.

Baby

And seven-month-old Tarina Gouws must be the luckiest baby alive today.

She was found by an unknown passer-by after being hurled metres by the bomb blast.

It was the third bomb incident in a bloody start to the weekend. Early on

Saturday a bomb exploded in Germiston but injured no one. In Pretoria explosives experts defused a bomb at the Metro Theatre complex in Sunnyside.

Tarina is suffering from minor lacerations to the head, foot and chest. Hospital sources said she could be discharged today.

Her 23-year-old mother and her 16-year-old aunt, Rina, suffered serious injuries.

Elize, who has been sedated since being admitted to the Johan-

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Paul Annegarn may be dead father

By CHRIS STEYN

THE FATHER of missing SADF defector and ANC activist Paul Annegarn — the alleged fifth member of the white Broedersroom cell — believes that his son may be dead.

A distraught Mr Joseph Annegarn said yesterday that he was "at the end of his tether" after a week of fruitless negotiations with the ANC in Lusaka.

Despite repeated assurances by high-ranking ANC members that Paul would contact his family, they have had no word from him.

"The only reason he has not contacted us, is because he is totally unable to do so," said Mr Annegarn.

When he first contacted the ANC he was "assured" that Paul had been instructed to communicate with his family.

"When we did not hear from him, I went to see the ANC London. They did not appear to know what was going on, but they kept saying he will contact us.

"Last week I was in contact with the ANC in Lusaka again. On Friday, Tom Sebina (ANC executive) told me Paul was on another secret mission and could not be

contacted. I said to him: 'He is dead', but he asked facetiously 'Who killed him?'

"Previously they said that he was working as the head of ANC's logistics department in Angola.

"On other occasions they said he was in a place where he could not be easily contacted.

"... We just have to face the possibility that they have killed him," said Mr Annegarn.

Mr Annegarn said the last Paul time had contact with his family was in May 1986.

The ANC was not available for comment yesterday.

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'ANC did not dissociate itself from attacks'

US condemns SA spate of bombings

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**By Neil Lurssen,
The Star's Foreign News Service**

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Police murders: suspect arrested

Police have arrested a man believed to be linked to the murder last week of two policemen and an informer in Phiri, Soweto, a spokesman said.

Major Noël Hartwell said detectives from the Soweto Murder and Robbery Squad made the arrest on Friday.

The man will appear in court soon.

Constables Abraham Thomatsane (28) and Cockeray Matsepa (32) were found hacked and shot to death outside an empty house. — Crime Reporter.

Baby hurt in Benoni blast is discharged from hospital

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Medical Reporter

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The youngest victim of Saturday's Benoni bomb blast, seven-month-old Tarina Gouws has been discharged from the Far East Rand Hospital in Springs, a hospital spokesman said today.

The baby girl escaped with only shrapnel wounds and cuts to her face.

Her mother, Mrs Elize Gouws (24), lost her right eye as a result of the blast. She is in a stable condition in the Johan-

nesburg Hospital.

Two more bomb victims being treated there are Miss Amanda Clementson (14) and Mrs Sheila Suthard.

Miss Clementson, whose father Mr Albert Clementson is in a satisfactory condition in the Boksburg-Benoni Hospital, is on a respirator.

Mrs Suthard is "doing well", the hospital spokesman said.

Miss Rina Gouws (16) and Mrs Cornelia Horne are both in a satisfactory condition.

US notes ANC's silence on bombing

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From NEIL LURSEN
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Baby blast victim goes home

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A hospital spokesman confirmed yesterday that Tarina had been allowed to go home.

The force of the blast flung the baby girl metres through the air but she escaped with only shrapnel wounds and cuts to her face.

Her mother, Mrs Elize Gouws, 24, lost her right eye as a result of the blast. She is in a stable condition in Johannesburg Hospital.

Also in the hospital are bomb victims Amanda Clementson, 14, and Mrs Sheila Suthard. — Sapa

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ANC bases 'must go'

Story By Esmaré van der Merwe,
Political Reporter

The South African delegation at the Geneva four-party peace talks yesterday strongly objected to the continued presence of African National Congress bases in Angola, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, said.

At a press conference to announce South Africa's detailed proposals for peace in Namibia, he said the maintenance of these bases, where "terrorists are trained to commit violence and murder within South Africa", was unacceptable.

Among the bases were:

- The Viana transit base, situated 11 km from Luanda, which could accommodate 300 people.
- The Caculama base, 50 km north of the town of Caculama, which has existed since 1981.
- Quibaxe, also known as Camp 13, about 20 km outside the town of Quibaxe. The base has existed since 1978.
- The Pango training centre, also known as Camp David Rabkin.
- The Malanje training centre.
- Quatro, established in 1972, where people were reported to be "rehabilitated".
- The Queala farm in the north-east of Angola.

Four close shaves but bombs are on move

Commuters escape injury as blast rocks command HQ

By Tim Cohen and Esmaré van der Merwe

About 20 commuters waiting in a bus narrowly escaped injury when a bomb went off in central Johannesburg near the Witwatersrand Command military headquarters last night.

There were no injuries in the blast — which occurred at about 9.30 pm — and damage was slight, a police spokesman said.

A second explosive device was found 90 minutes later, about 50 metres from where the first blast took place.

Security forces immediately cordoned off the area.

The blast occurred near a terminus in Noord Street, Joubert Park, where commuters were waiting in a parked Putco bus. Three of the bus's windows were bro-



Mr Glen Coward who had his fourth narrow escape in bomb blast incidents last night.

lice liaison officer Captain Pierre Louw denied both these suggestions.

He said the blast damaged a military store room and the prefabricated security wall.

Following the blast, the nearby Ster City cinema complex was closed and late patrons turned away. In July last year 68 people were injured when a car bomb exploded close to the complex.

Witnesses said the explosion was enormously loud and lifted a huge cloud of dust.

Although the origin and nature of the blast was unknown, Captain Louw said the second device was a mini-limpet mine. Explosives experts were investigating.

At least 20 people have died in about 30 bomb attacks this year many of which the Government has blamed on the ANC.

Many South Africans have had narrow escapes at the scenes of bomb blasts — but part-time restaurateur Mr Glen Coward has had no fewer than four close shaves.

He is a part-time manager of a steakhouse which itself has been close to destruction twice.

Last night Mr Coward braved his most recent escape and says he considers himself lucky — the blasts are moving further away.

In 1985 he was slightly injured in the Silverton blast. He was doing his military service at the time and was patrolling the area when the blast occurred.

He had his second close shave when a large car bomb exploded outside the restaurant in July last year.

In June this year he arrived at an entertainment centre which he frequently visited in Braamfontein, 15 minutes after a limpet mine.

His narrow escapes have left him none the worse for the wear, which he proved last night by rushing toward the scene of the blast seconds after it occurred to assist anyone who might have been injured.

Two held in certificate fraud case

Police are investigating a widespread medical certificate fraud, involving staff at Baragwanath Hospital, and have arrested two suspects, a police spokesman said today.

The two arrested suspects, one to be charged with issuing a false medical certificate and the other with receiving it, are expected to appear in court

soon. More cases could be linked to the two, said the spokesman.

Police said today they suspected that more than one person at the hospital was issuing false medical certificates and more and more cases were coming to the attention of detectives.

The certificates, apparently obtainable at Baragwanath, cost about R10.

HÄGAR the Horrible

By Dik Browne

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TWO LINKED TO ELLIS PARK BOMB

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POLICE believe a white couple might have been responsible for the Ellis Park car bomb on July 2.

Police liaison officer Capt Pierre Louw said yesterday the Witwatersrand Division of the security police had requested information from anyone who might have seen a suspicious white man and woman at the corner of Curry and Siemert Streets and the corner of Curry and Sivewright Streets on the day of the explosion.

The couple were apparently run-

ning away in a crouched position with their hands over their ears.

Security police would also like to hear from anyone who might have seen the bomb vehicle — a silver-grey BMW, registration HDF393T — shortly before the blast or during the previous week. It was stolen in Johannesburg a week before the blast.

Information can be phoned through to (011) 8387111 at all hours. Anonymous calls will also be accepted.

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Salesman spotted limpet mine

Wimpy explosion narrowly averted

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Tragedy was narrowly averted at a Standerton Wimpy bar — the second Wimpy to be a target of terror attacks in two days — after a limpet mine was found outside the premises by a Bedfordview man and later exploded in the street yesterday. No one was injured in the 1.30 pm explosion.

The blast, the fourth at a Wimpy in recent years, happened only hours after Police Commissioner General Hennie de Witt announced a massive effort to prevent blasts by using all available policemen to monitor public places on an ongoing basis.

Yesterday's blast also happened during lunch hour, as did the Wimpy explosion in East London on Tuesday, which injured 25 people.

The mine was spotted by Bedfordview salesman Mr Robert Moody (56) who, while sitting in the Wimpy, saw a suspicious looking man outside. As he left, he spotted a silver bag outside the door.

When he looked inside, he saw the

mine wrapped in newspaper with the detonator sticking out, and called the police. The suspect was wearing blue overalls and was of average build, he told The Star last night.

The Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok last night issued a statement in which he praised Mr Moody's bravery and that of a Standerton police bomb disposal expert Lieutenant Heinder Durr (31). They would be rewarded in a suitable fashion, Mr Vlok said.

General de Witt said police would search restaurants and public places regularly for bombs.

"The SAP will from now on concentrate on mass actions to protect the public from cowardly and unscrupulous terrorist attacks."

Approached for comment on the latest terror attack, Mr Vincent Hays, managing director of Pleasure Foods, which runs the Wimpy franchise, said he had "no reason to believe" Wimpy bars had been singled out for attack.



Mr Moody ... "They looked at me as if I was speaking Chinese".

Moody's warning was initially ignored

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

A Bedfordview salesman, Mr Robert Moody (56), yesterday risked his life to establish that a packet placed outside the Standerton Wimpy bar contained a limpet mine.

But his bravery was almost in vain as patrons inside the Wimpy would, at first, not believe his warning.

"They looked at me as if I was speaking Chinese. Only after I told them a second time did they start moving," said Mr Moody, a salesman and father of two daughters.

Mr Moody said he decided to have some tea at the restaurant after doing business in the area.

"I was reading a report on the East London blast and thought to myself what a hell of a thing it would be to have a bomb inside the Wimpy I was in.

"I then noticed a black man, wearing blue overalls, outside acting suspiciously. He was carrying a silver polythene bag.

"Then he was no longer carrying the bag. I actually caught his eye for a moment and tried to see what he was doing but then he was gone," said Mr Moody.

Ten minutes later, Mr Moody noticed the bag near a step on his way out.

He opened the bag, realised he was looking at a limpet mine and warned the patrons inside the restaurant. The restaurant was eventually cleared.

A bomb specialist, Lieutenant Hein Durr, then arrived. He tied a cord to the mine and dragged it to the middle of the street where it exploded.

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**White couple
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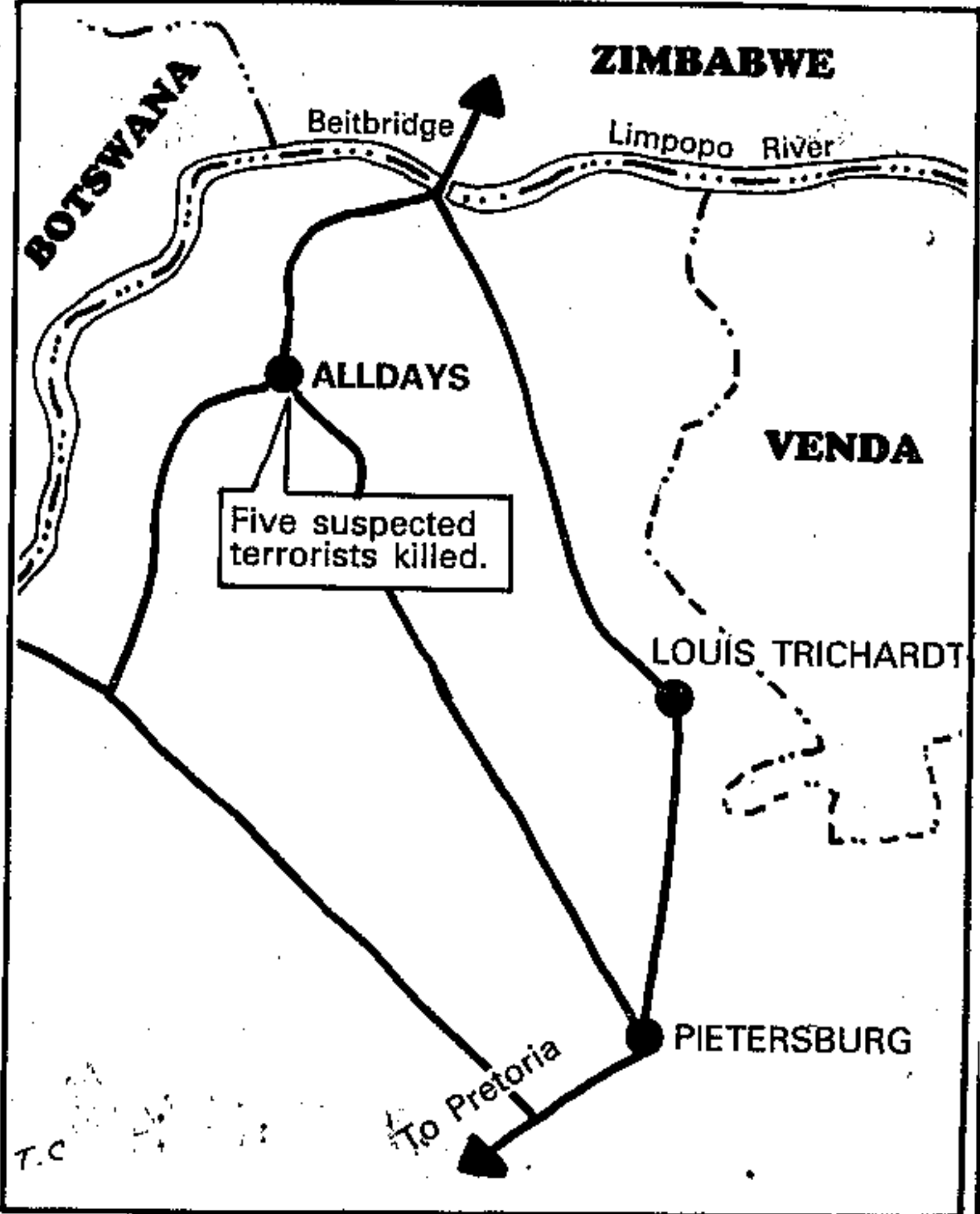
Police ^{kill 5 in} ~~kill 5 in~~ Alldays ^{shootout} ~~shootout~~

JOHANNESBURG. — Police killed five people near Alldays in the Far Northern Transvaal yesterday afternoon, bringing to nine the number of suspected guerillas killed in border-area encounters with police in a fortnight.

A Sapa report said yesterday the Commissioner of Police, General Henrie de Witt, had announced that police killed five "suspected terrorists" near Alldays yesterday.

Four people were shot dead by police and 12 security force members were injured by handgrenades at a roadblock on the Lichtenburg-Mafeking road in the Western Transvaal on July 24.

General De Witt said



yesterday members of the Counter-Insurgence Unit, Dog Squad and Far Northern Transvaal Division were involved in "the contact". He said there had been no police casualties.

Police also confiscated an RPG rocket launcher, a landmine, AK-47 assault rifles, Scorpion and Makarov pistols, anti-personnel mines, limpet mines and handgrenades.

Farmer sees insurgents shot dead

By Dirk Nel
and Craig Kotze

ALLDAYS — A border farmer this week watched police shoot dead five suspected insurgents and wound a sixth in a heavy firefight — less than a kilometre from his farmhouse.

Mr Dawid Swanepoel of Korea farm in the Bridgewater area of Northern Transvaal was the centre of attention at the local trading store yesterday when he related his hair-raising experiences of the past week, and told how five suspected insurgents died on Wednesday.

The suspects had apparently infiltrated South Africa from Zimbabwe.

Several items — including Zimbabwean cigarettes — were found on

their bodies after the battle. A sixth suspect was believed to have been badly wounded and to have escaped, but last night police would not confirm this.

Police suffered no casualties.

Police Commissioner General Henrie de Witt announced yesterday that members of the police Counter-Insurgency Unit, Dog Squad and other policemen from the Far Northern Transvaal Police Division killed the suspects between 3 and 4 pm.

Large quantities of arms, including an RPG rocket launcher, grenades, medical equipment, ammunition, explosives and automatic rifles and pistols were seized after the battle, General de Witt said.

The haul included Scorpion ma-

chine pistols and Makarov pistols.

Police and other security forces had apparently been aware of the alleged insurgents' intention to cross into South Africa from Zimbabwe through the "bush telegraph" of the local population.

General de Witt also thanked the local populace for help in tracking down the suspects.

By the time the alleged insurgents reached Mr Swanepoel's farm, they had already been identified.

Two helicopters and an armoured vehicle were sent to flush them from their hiding place.

An exchange of gunfire followed, and Mr Swanepoel, watching the encounter through binoculars, saw five of the insurgents fall in a hail of bullets and clouds of dust.

He said a sixth man escaped but was badly wounded.

Police said the alleged insurgents were surprised by police, who attacked them from the flank.

An RPG rocket was fired at the policemen, but this missed and no one was injured.

A heavy firefight then started and the suspects were killed.

Many of the bodies were badly mutilated, apparently after the insurgents' own hand grenades exploded on them in the hail of police bullets.

Mr Swanepoel said he had been aware of the presence of strangers on his farm for several days, having found footprints and evidence of several camping places.

He realised later that the men could have shot him on several occasions and that they probably watched his movements carefully before moving around the farm.

LURKING DANGERS

"Living here with these lurking dangers has become a way of life, but I still take all the necessary precautions" he said.

Mr Swanepoel added that his wife Griet was able to take care of herself and knew how to handle a firearm.

● Nine alleged insurgents were shot dead in security operations in the Alldays area three years ago, but the most serious incursions in recent years, near Messina in 1985 and 1986, resulted in eight people dying in landmine blasts and the shooting of two policemen, as well as the killing of six alleged insurgents.

Groups slam bread price rise

By Tim Cohen

Consumer groups have strongly criticised the increase in the bread price, announced by Agriculture Minister Mr Greyling Wentzel yesterday.

From Monday consumers will pay 85c for a loaf of white bread (previously 81c) and 69c for brown bread (previously 63c).

The Government has added R32 million to its budgeted R100-million subsidy, and although no final decision has been taken, consumer groups are convinced the Government intends to do away with the subsidy within the next two years.

Mr Sergio Martinengo, deputy group managing director of Checkers, opposed the increase and any plan to phase out the subsidy.

He said most South Africans were depending on the Government subsidy to keep the price within reach.

Mr Raymond Murray, the national perishables co-ordinator for Pick 'n Pay, said the increase was a serious blow to consumers. He said his company would freeze prices at least until the end of the month.

Mrs Lyn Morris, national president of the Housewives League, said the league was not against the phasing out of subsidies, but would like the Government to add the amount taken away from subsidies to its job-creation funds.

The Consumer Union noted the "relatively small" rise.



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SAP hunts bomb couple

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

Police have confirmed they are hunting a white man and woman in connection with the Ellis Park bomb blast which killed two people and injured 34.

The car bomb which rocked the Johannesburg stadium was the biggest in South Africa to date.

Police have offered a reward for information leading to the conviction

of the suspects.

The couple were seen rushing from the area shortly before the blast on July 2 with their hands over their ears, apparently expecting an explosion any second.

A stolen silver-grey BMW 735, registration HDF393T, was used to convey the explosives.

Police have appealed for anyone with information to telephone (011) 838-7111 all hours.

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6 saw blast suspects

AT LEAST six people saw a white couple, who allegedly planted the Ellis Park car bomb on July 2, fleeing the scene minutes before the explosion.

The blast killed two people and injured 35.

Police have confirmed that they are hunting for a white couple who allegedly parked a stolen BMW car outside the stadium in an area reserved for Transvaal Rugby Union members.

The investigation is said to be at a sensitive stage. — Sapa.

Metalworkers may extend strike

ABOUT 450 shop stewards in the metal industry will meet in Johannesburg today to decide whether to extend the strike.

The local secretary for the International Metalworkers' Federation (IMF), Mr Brian Fredericks, announced on Thursday that the strike — initially planned to last between two and five days — could be extended to between two and three weeks.

Between 14 000 and

25 000 workers, mostly on the Witwatersrand, have been striking since Wednesday.

The proposed extended action is an attempt to push the Steel and Engineering Federation of South Africa (Seifsa) into reopening wage negotiations and to up their offer of a 17,4 percent increase, including an hourly minimum rate of R3,02.

The four IMF unions are demanding a minimum wage increase of

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Ten ANC members die in two months

CP Correspondent

YET another ANC member was buried in Durban on Saturday, bringing the local toll to 10 dead in two months.

Kenneth Bethuel Themba Mahlaba, 24, was allegedly killed when a lim-

pet mine exploded prematurely at a Johannesburg art gallery on June 30.

Mahlaba, a former pupil at Msavale High School in KwaMashu, was buried in Chesterville Cemetery amid security force security.

Mahlaba's cousin, Walter Nxumalo, was recently sentenced in Maritzburg's Supreme Court to 20 years' imprisonment for ANC activities.

The police banned any outdoor service, public address system, speakers,

flags, banners, placards, pamphlets, stickers or posters.

Mahlaba leaves a five-year-old son, Samora Machel, and his mother, Eunice, who collapsed with grief at his graveside. - DNews.

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Five bus passengers gunned down in Natal

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — Five bus passengers gunned down at Mpumalanga were among eight people killed and 11 others injured in unrest-related incidents in Natal at the weekend and no injuries were reported when a limpet mine exploded at the Marula Sun in Bophuthatswana.

According to the weekend police unrest reports, a group of men shot and threw stones at two buses, killing five men, and seriously wounding another five men and a woman. No arrests have been made so far.

In another incident in the same area, two men were injured when they were attacked.

Two men were killed in Inanda by an unknown group.

At Ndeweshone a man was killed and a woman slightly injured when they were shot at by a group.

A man was injured at Ashdown when an unidentified person fired on a group of mourners at a burial service.

At Imbali, a woman was injured and two private houses were extensively damaged when petrol bombs were

thrown at the houses by a group of unknown people.

At Nhlalakahle, a man was slightly injured when a private house was stoned.

A delivery vehicle was gutted at KwaMashu.

In Soweto, a private house was damaged extensively by petrol bombs and the police arrested four men.

Sapa reports that a mini limpet mine exploded in one of the casinos at the Marula Sun in Bophuthatswana at the weekend.

No one was injured as all the customers were evacuated. A suppression blanket was thrown over the mine after security staff at the hotel discovered the mine shortly before it exploded late on Friday night.

The blast caused little damage.

Scores of patrons were hurriedly evacuated from a casino hall and other function rooms, according to casino spokesman Mr Ian Heron.

Mr Heron said a blanket designed to suppress explosions was placed over the bomb and the premises were evacuated.

"It exploded about 10 minutes after discovery," he said.

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Two more ANC insurgents with Aids captured — police

Political Staff

THE number of African National Congress terrorists known to have Aids has risen to seven with the capture of two more insurgents, police said today.

The Department of Prisons announced at the weekend that five convicted ANC terrorists had Aids.

Police today confirmed the two new cases and warned that people who helped the ANC could catch Aids.

Brigadier Leon Mellet,

spokesman for the Ministry of Law and Order, claimed to have firm information today that Aids was rife in ANC training and detention camps in Angola and Zambia.

He said: "We have information that there have been a number of suicides as a result of people catching Aids.

"We also have information that the position is so bad that people selected for further specialised training in Russia have to be declared free of Aids before Russia will admit them."

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Cop, alleged guerilla die

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A POLICEMAN police spokesman was killed and a soldier injured in a firefight with a group of trained guerillas in the far Northern Transvaal on Monday, a

Cap Reg Crewe of the police public relations division said one insurgent was shot dead and another

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2 die in shootout

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wounded. The policeman who was killed was Constable N C Claassen, of Ellis Ras. The seriously wounded SADF member was taken to One Military Hospital at Voortrekkerhoogte.

Police seized a number of limpet mines, hand grenades and other equipment, and police investigations are continuing.

The South African security forces made contact with the group on Monday about 4pm. Tom Burke is about 20 km from the Martin's Drift, Botswana border post.

Capt Crewe said the identity of the guerilla group had not yet been ascertained.

Const Claassen was

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By REVELATION NTOULA

A POWERFUL bomb this week blew up a Dobsonville man, Dada Monametsi, and seriously injured two others.

The lower limbs of Monametsi, 24, were blown far from the scene of the incident, which occurred between Monde and the main road at the corner of Mashao Drive Passage Extension in Dobsonville.

Parts of his body were later removed from roofs of nearby houses.

The explosion occurred about 7.30pm on Tuesday and was heard about 2km away.

Only the victim's head and part of his upper chest were intact, while pieces of his insides were strewn all over the street.

The two injured men have not yet been identified, and are reported to have lost limbs. They were taken to the Leratong Hospital unconscious, and are said to be under heavy police guard there.

An empty travel bag believed to have contained the explosive was found near Monametsi's remains.

The explosion was one of several recently in Soweto and other parts of the Transvaal and follows several shootouts between police and insurgents.

A large quantity of arms was later dug up at the home of Monametsi, about a kilometre away from where his body was found.

When City Press arrived at the scene of the explosion minutes after the incident occurred, shocked people in the vicinity had locked themselves in their houses and shacks.

All that could be heard were groans from the two injured men lying a few metres from Monametsi's torn body.

Monametsi's widowed mother, Florence, is reported to have been taken away by four unidentified men shortly after her arrival at the scene.

She had just identified her son when she was ordered into a car and driven away, eyewitnesses claim.

By late Wednesday night, she had not returned home and her two invalid children, Dikeledi, 20 and Tshidi, 14, were left on their own in their Mothoa Street home. Their brother Motlatsi, 11, was also mysteriously missing.

Crippled Dikeledi told City Press that men arrived at the Dobsonville

Killer blast claims Soweto man's life

home and had removed several articles belonging to her deceased brother.

They promised to return for a further search of the house and yard. The men, who she said arrived in several cars, did not say what they were looking for, or what they had removed.

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Alleged ANC men buried as paupers

By SELLO SERIPE

FOUR bodies of alleged ANC members shot dead on July 14 during a contact with SA Defence Force members in the Kruger Park were this week exhumed - 12 days after they were "mistakenly" buried as paupers by Nelspruit's Saffas Funeral Undertakers.

The exhumation was done by the same undertakers who buried them on July 26.

Two of them have been identified as Patric Baloyi, 22, of stand number 32, 14th Avenue, Alexandra, and Rekson Shingange, of Ritavi district in Gazankulu.

There also seems to be confusion about the circumstances which led to the four men being buried as pau-

pers.

Nelspruit security police commander Maj J Visser told *City Press* the "four terrorists were mistakenly buried as paupers".

Visser said they were exhumed on Monday and three of the four bodies had already been identified by their next-of-kin.

Saffas spokesman Roy van Niekerk contradicted the police version when he denied the bodies were buried at any stage.

He also said the families had no problems in identifying the bodies, adding that only one body was still unidentified.

He refused to comment further, saying "you can write whatever the police told you".

Alice Baloyi, 46, the mother of Patric, was in Nelspruit on Wednesday to collect her son's body.

She said she would give her son a decent funeral in Alexandra township on August 21.

Benedicta Matima of a firm of attorneys instructed by Baloyi to make inquiries on her behalf, said the other body identified was that of Shingange.

It is believed the third body is that of Petrus Zitha, 25, of Welgeval Trust in Rustenburg.

Baloyi, a widow since 1983, said her son disappeared from home on November 8, 1985.

She heard of his death on August 1 when three policemen from Kew Police Station in Wynberg, near Alexandra, came to inform the family.

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EXTENSIVE damage was caused when unknown arsonists hurled two petrol bombs at a trade unionist's home in Mdantsane this week.

Nomhle Mameji, an administrator of the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union of SA said the petrol bomb -

Cape unionist's home petrol bombed

which was hurled in through a lounge window early on Monday morning destroyed curtains, a four-piece lounge suit, and some clothes.

She said a second bomb was tossed through the window of a room where

her brother was sleeping. It failed to explode.

No one was injured in the fire which caused damage estimated at R2 616.

Mameji said: "We managed to put out the fire after neighbours came to our assistance."

She said the police came later and cleared the house of the shattered glass from the petrol bombs.

"The matter is now in the hands of the police," she said.

Mameji started working for the Textile Workers In-

dustrial Union of South Africa in 1984 which merged with Actuwsa.

She was uncertain whether her union activities were the reason for her house being a target for attack.

Mameji said she had received a call about three weeks ago from an unknown person who claimed to be a comrade of a fellow union official, Jabu Gwala.

The person asked where Gwala was staying.

"I told him that I did not know where Gwala was staying." - Elnews

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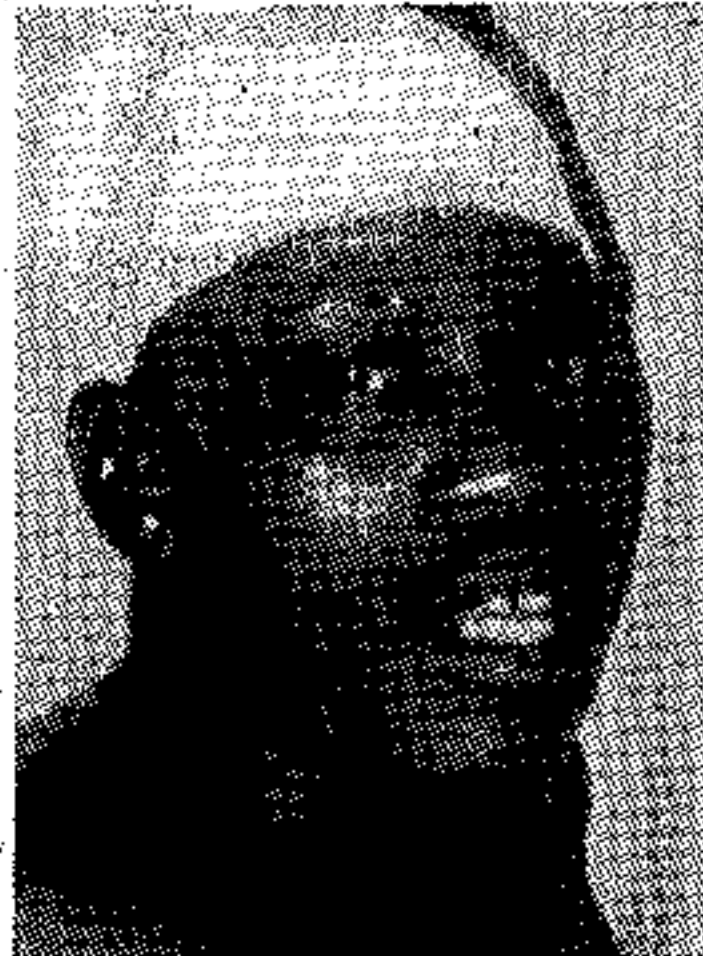
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Shoppers laughed at bomb warning

The Argus Correspondent *AK645 15/8/88*
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Mr Moses Biyela

"The actions of Mr Moses Biyela are laudable but we cannot afford the 'it won't happen to us' syndrome. The public's reaction at Hyde Park on Saturday is worrying," said Witwatersrand police spokesman Captain Pierre Louw.

Mr Biyela was seriously injured when he threw a blast-suppressor blanket over the limpet mine only split seconds before it exploded. He is in a satisfactory condition in Hillbrow Hospital.

Some shoppers at the centre apparently laughed when they were told a bomb was found near the northern entrance just before it went off at 11.25am.

CONTINUED EATING

Mrs Evette Hasson, a former Israeli soldier who was one of the first to spot the explosive device, said that one sceptic even went to look at the parcel containing the bomb.

When she ran into a restaurant to tell patrons to get out many ignored her and continued eating.

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Blast guard 'scared' of white boss

HERO'S FEAR

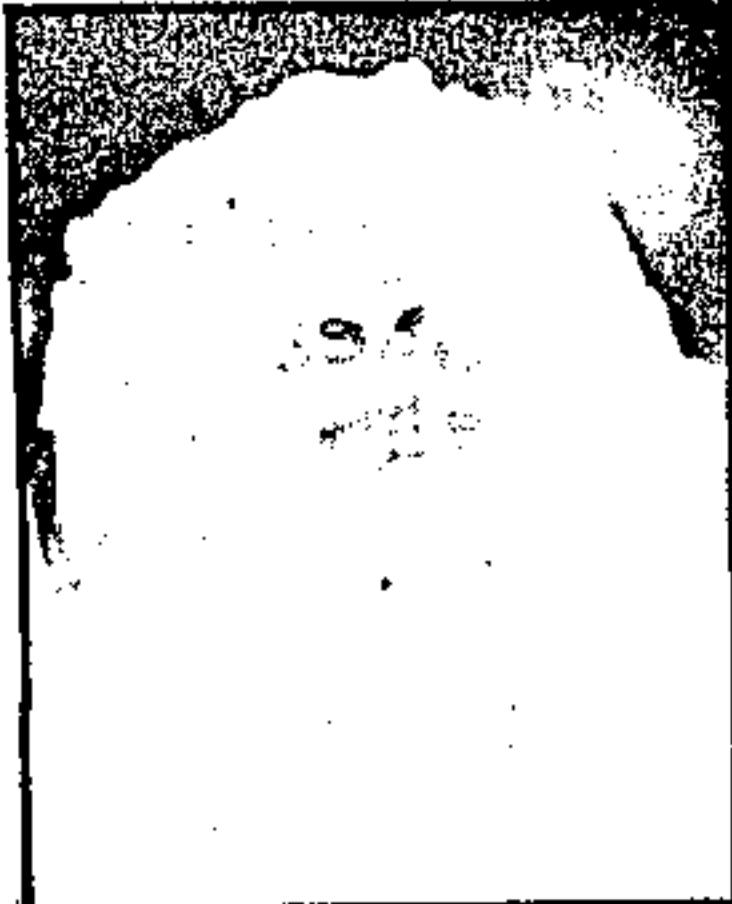
By SY MAKARINGE

Detained woman has baby

A WOMAN detained under the emergency regulations since March this year gave birth to a baby boy in Pietersburg recently.

She is Miss Daisy Matlou (18), a fiancee of the president of the South African Youth Congress (Sayco), Mr Peter Mokaba, who is also in security police detention.

A telex inquiry sent to the police on Thursday had elicited no response by late yesterday.



BABY Kgomotso Matlou.
Pic: MATHATHA TSEDU

The boy, named Kgomotso, was born at the Pietersburg Hospital on Friday, August 5. Miss Matlou is under guard at the hospital.

Kgomotso is said to be suffering from jaundice — a disease caused by the malfunctioning of the bile which is marked by the skin turning yellow and disordered vision.

Miss Matlou was detained in Johannesburg on March 26 and later taken to the Northern Transvaal. Staff members of the Northern Transvaal Council of Churches last week visited the hospital to bring clothing and foodstuff for the baby.

In a similar case last year, a girl who gave birth in detention was released and placed under restrictions.

THE black security guard who tried on Saturday to "defuse" a bomb at a busy northern suburb shopping complex, yesterday said that he would not have risked his life had it not been for his fear of his white superior.

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Mr Biyela told the *Sowetan* yesterday that he guarded the mysterious-looking object after he was instructed to do so by his white supervisor.

Mr Biyela was one of three people who were injured in the blast. The other two are Mr B W Clegg (36) and Miss C D Hamby (28), both of Randburg.

Mine

The limpet mine has been identified by police as of Soviet origin. Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adrian Vlok, has said that all the evidence indicates that explosion has been the work of the banned African National Congress.

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'I could not refuse'



MR BIYELA . . . I was instructed to guard the bomb.

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The *Sowetan* has received information that the Minister of Law and Order and the mayor of Sandton will visit Mr Biyela at the hospital today.

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He said he would go back to his place of employment as soon as he is discharged.

"I'm not angry anymore," he said.

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Hero of Hyde Park bomb blast recovers

SAF 7/4/80 Own Correspondent *15/10/80*

JOHANNESBURG. — Hero of the Hyde Park, Sandton, shopping centre blast, Mr Moses Biyela, 32, is in a stable condition in Hillbrow Hospital, a hospital spokesman said yesterday.

Mr Biyela placed a bomb bag over a limpet mine just before it exploded on Saturday, possibly saving many lives.

He suffered head injuries and bad burns on his legs.

The other two victims, 36-year-old Mr B W Clegg and 28-year-old Miss C D Hambly, both of Randburg, sustained minor cuts in the explosion and were discharged after being treated in hospital.

● The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, has expressed his condolences to the people injured in the blast.

HERO ...
Mr Moses Biyela in hospital yesterday. On Saturday he was the hero of the Hyde Park shopping centre blast.

Police praise injured guard

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

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Catholic bishops condemn bombings

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PRETORIA. — The Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference (SACBC) yesterday strongly condemned the recent spate of bombings in shopping areas and public places in South Africa.

In a statement in Pretoria, the SACBC said: "We have witnessed a spate of bombings in shopping areas and public places.

"We have seen a large group of young men take a public stand on military service.

"We have heard the minister of information threaten church leaders for speaking out on matters which they believe have a direct bearing on the proclamation of the Gospel.

"In a very real way these are related. We have also been made aware of the initial steps that have been taken to secure peace in Namibia and Angola.

"As leaders of the church in South Africa, we object in the strongest possible terms to the recent spate of bombings in shopping areas and public places.

"Innocent people are killed, maimed or injured. Families and individuals are struck by untold and unjustified suffering.

"They cannot be held responsible for the system which we labour under in our country. Whoever is responsible, there can be no justification for these indiscriminate bombings.

"At the same time we must point out again that apartheid with its built-in

structural violence is the root cause of the violent reactions we deplore.

"Only when apartheid is ended can we hope for a situation of peace in which people can live as befits their dignity as equal citizens.

"The recent courageous stand of 143 conscripts in refusing to serve in the South African Defence Force is a clear sign of a growing awareness of the inherent injustices present in a society in which racial discrimination and the denial of human rights are so prevalent.

"We support them in their stand and join these young men in their call for constructive alternative service for all who in conscience cannot serve in the defence force."

The statement said many people had suffered over the past 20 years as a result of the conflict in Namibia and Angola. The prospect of peace in this region was therefore "very welcome".

"It is not our intention to make any comment on the political niceties of this initiative entered in to by the various parties, but we do want to support any effort that will bring about genuine peace. In particular, we welcome a situation in which the terms of UN Resolution 435 will be implemented and its conditions respected.

"For years the majority of the people in Namibia have wanted genuine independence and the freedom of running their own country. We pray that this will come about as soon as possible." — Sapa

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Appeal against extradition dismissed

Supreme Court Reporter

A MAN alleged to have been a member of an ANC military unit responsible for the bomb blasts which crippled Umtata nearly three years ago had his appeal against extradition to the Transkei dismissed in the Supreme Court yesterday.

Mr Mxwandile Vena, 32, faces charges in the Transkei of terrorism or sabotage in connection with three bomb blasts in Umtata on June 25 and 16, 1985.

Yesterday he appealed against an extradition order granted by Wynberg magistrate Mr P D Theron on May 16.

Evidence in the Magistrate's Court was that Mr Vena had signed a statement admitting that he was a senior member of a special military unit of the ANC and that he and two others blew up the Umtata fuel depot.

The Judge-President, Mr Justice GGA Munnik and Mr Justice LA Rose-Innes presided. Mr J G Gerber, appeared for the State.

Top ANC man removed

LONDON — The ANC yesterday confirmed that new national executive committee (NEC) member Steve Tshwete had been removed from his position as political commissar of its military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe.

But it dismissed suggestions that this was linked to a split in the organisation over taking the military struggle into white areas and stepping up attacks on soft targets.

The political commissar is supposed to ensure that military policy remains subservient to the political line of the ANC and it is being suggested that Tshwete, in aligning himself closely with the more militant line favoured by Umkhonto chief-of-staff Chris Hani, had failed to do this.

Tshwete was one of four Umkhonto members who were recently appointed

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to the NEC.

The appointments were seen as strengthening the hands of militants who have been advocating stepping up attacks on soft targets.

The "old guard", however, claim there has been no change in the policy of avoiding civilian casualties.

Despite these denials, bomb attacks against civilian targets have been stepped up, fuelling suggestions that not only is there a deep split in the organisation but that the old guard had lost control.

In its latest issue, the journal Africa Confidential (AC) says that following the NEC appointments Hani is "now argu-

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Tshwete no longer political commissar

ably the most powerful person in the ANC".

AC quotes sources close to the ANC as saying Hani's aim in publicly challenging the leadership was not only to force a change of military policy but to stake a claim for the eventual presidency of the movement.

With the appointment of Tshwete and Umkhonto military intelligence chief Ronnie Kasrils to the NEC, he has gained two key allies, AC says.

While Hani's position on the NEC has been strengthened, steps have also been taken to curb the influence of the younger militants.

These include the sacking of Tshwete from his post of Umkhonto political commissar as well as appointing known

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Joe Modise (a member of the Old Guard) supporters like Umkhonto head of communications, Jacqueline Molefe, to the NEC.

Asked to comment on the AC article, a senior NEC member confirmed Tshwete had been relieved of his post, but denied he had been sacked.

"He has been moved to the equally important area of mass mobilisation, looking after the political development of all members of the organisation and not just the military. The AC article ignores that political development is what the role of political commissar involves. He is playing the same role now, but in the broader movement."

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Blast hero's 'fear of white boss' — claim

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Mr Moses Biyela

Death has stilled the prancing horse

Enzo Ferrari, whose death was announced yesterday, was revered in Italy where he recently celebrated 40 years of the charismatic scarlet cars that carried his name.

An autocratic, yet reclusive, figure, he dwarfed the Italian motor racing scene with a career that saw his Formula One cars reap an unparalleled nine world championships since 1950.

And his roadgoing sports cars, among them some of the fastest and most beautiful machinery of all time, became synonymous with Italian panache, style and zest for life.

Almost to the end, the "Magician of Maranello" was more than just a titular head of his firm; as chairman, he still put in a regular working day and kept a close eye on the day-to-day running of his racing team.

But, in recent months, he had been seriously ill with kidney problems and rarely left the family home, unable to leave his bed even when the Pope visited his factory. He was 90 when he died on Sunday.

Enzo Ferrari, whose scarlet cars long dominated the racetracks of the world, died on Sunday at the age of 90. All Italy will mourn the man who made the cars that symbolised Italian panache, style and zest for life.

After active service in World War I, Ferrari raced for Alfa Romeo from 1919 to 1929 before setting up his own stable. In 1943, he moved to Maranello and laid the foundations for his post-war success.

He once said: "My real passion was never to drive cars but to create them."

A tall, silver-haired man with a commanding, and sometimes intimidating, social manner, Ferrari never lost his uncanny ability for talent spotting.

Ferrari drivers read like a motor racing roll of honour — Alberto Ascari, Juan Fangio, Wolfgang von Tripps, Mike Hawthorn, John Surtees, Niki Lauda.

Strongly affected by the death from muscular dystrophy of his adored son, Dino, in 1956, Ferrari withdrew into a semi-reclusive private life from which he never fully re-emerged.

In 1947 the first Ferraris appeared on the market and seven were sold during the year.

In 1965, Ferrari started to collaborate with Fiat on a sports car which eventually bore the name of his dead son — Dino. In June 1969, Fiat acquired a 60 percent holding in the company and took control of the sports car operation, leaving the racing business to Ferrari.

He once said of his life: "To marry an idea, to live with it all your life, to stay faithful to it — this is a fine thing. It is much more difficult to remain faithful to a woman all your life — that is perhaps impossible. But an idea..."

His wife Laura died in 1978, after a long illness. His illegitimate second son, Piero Lardi, works at the Ferrari plant.



Enzo Ferrari, giant of the world motor racing scene, was revered in Italy. He conceived the idea of making the ultimate racing car and was faithful to that idea all his life.

Security goes beyond a joke

By DAWN BARKHUIZEN

Security at shopping centres is no joke. Rather, it's a difficult and deadly serious business in a vulnerable area. The stakes are high: your lives.

"Ha ha! Where were you on Saturday?"

The question was asked of a white security guard who was armed with a pump-action shotgun and searched through handbags at an entrance to plush Hyde Park Shopping Centre — scene of the country's latest bomb attack.

He was one of a group of trained paramedic security guards brought into the centre while mopping up operations were still under way after what is now becoming commonplace on Saturdays in South Africa.

Until this week there were no checks at the centre's doors.

"Let's face it, shopping centres are extremely vulnerable targets and today the threat of a bomb is a very real one, as one can see by the fiendish pattern emerging lately," Mr Dave Kavanagh, centre manager for Eastgate said yesterday.

"Trying to balance security with public convenience is a very sensitive business, especially with one million people pouring through our doors every month."

"People often object strongly to simple bag checks and we cannot afford to chase our customers away," he said.

Security measures have to be taken in other ways. At Eastgate, unlike other shopping centres we called at yesterday, bag checkers stationed at entrances are armed with metal detectors. However, while our handbags were briefly checked, the metal detector lay untouched beside the guard. But door checks are only the tip of the ice-



Well-trained security men at Sandton City man every entrance. On guard here are Willie Shasha (left) and Matango Mpegnesi.

Search everyone say Star readers

Security at public places — in particular shopping centres — should be tightened up and metal detectors should be used to check the public entering buildings. Star readers said in Speakout! last night.

Some readers believe, however, that nothing will keep a determined bomber out of a building and others are concerned about all the unattended entrances and exits at buildings.

Several readers also pointed out that while women's handbags are cursorily searched by security guards, men go past without being stopped and parcels are not inspected.

As for body searches, only one reader said she would not like it while another pointed out that this is common practice in Italy. Here are the views of some readers:

Mrs B Kallmeyer, Berea: It is absolutely imperative that people are searched and I can't understand why anybody would object.

Menace to public

Mrs Ellen Cohen, Killarney: I feel that the men who gallily walk behind me into any shopping centre without being frisked — I don't care if they are black or white — are a menace to the public whereas every woman is obliged to open her handbag and does so gladly for the safety of others.

Mr Antonio Berardi, Bellevue: In any

trances with a scanner at each would be sufficient.

Mrs Tessa Fiddian-Green, Parkhurst: I feel strongly in favour of every shopping centre having a metal detector at every entrance. I think at the moment so-called security is a joke. For example, when one enters, the security guard gives a cursory glance into one's handbag — you can be carrying several bulky parcels and these are not searched even if they are offered for searching. Security should be a 24-hour service.

Mrs Ruth Longridge, Bellevue: I think most shopping centres can afford to put up the type of search equipment that airports and the SABC and other places like that have which would make it impossible to smuggle a bomb into a shopping centre. When security guards check ladies' handbags most of them find it quite embarrassing and I don't think they do a proper job.

Mr Louis Driessen, Blackheath: I feel that bomb blankets should be displayed and available like fire hydrants and extinguishers in shopping centres because if I were to find a bomb I wouldn't know where to get a blanket.

Not done seriously

Miss Judith Foddor, Blairgowrie: I feel not only is it feasible to have stringent checks on all people but it is

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Pictures by Karen Fletcher.

berg in security, Mr Kavanagh says. Inside the building a large number of trained patrolmen make round-the-clock checks and use electronic equipment including short-circuit television. Sniffer dogs are also brought in at intervals.

Sandton City's security manager, Mr Dave Critchell, believes that metal detectors are easy to get round and relies on a squad of about 150 highly visible patrolmen.

It was one of these men who spotted a limpet mine in the centre about two years ago, allowing for its speedy removal without incident.

Our eyes and ears

"They are our eyes and ears and constantly check numerous areas where bombs could be placed," he says.

He agrees that security guards manning entrances are not 100 percent effective but believes they serve as a deterrent.

The need for educating the public is enormous, he says.

At the Carlton Centre, where shoppers have free access, security managers emphasise the training and educating of guards to be constantly on the lookout.

"Door checks would be almost impossible at the Carlton Centre and are largely a waste of time," a spokesman said.

X-ray machines are used at entrances to the Carlton office tower and electronic scanners examine parcels found in the complex.

At Hyde Park, shopping centre manager Mr Peter Behrman conceded that it was "virtually impossible to secure any centre 100 percent".

"Our line of approach before the blast was that security guards were more effectively employed patrolling than looking in bags.

"Prior to the bomb blast metal detection machines were on order, but now we are going to revise all our security measures."

The trend is towards pu

The explosion that rocked Hyde Park Shopping Centre on Saturday brings the number of bombings in South Africa to 37 for 1988 and is the latest in an apparent trend towards bombing public places on Saturdays.

Saturday, January 23 — A mini limpet mine exploded in Kokstad. No injuries.

Friday, February 12 — A grenade blast in Thembisa. Three injuries.

Tuesday, March 1 — A bomb exploded in Benoni. No injuries.

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Thursday, March 17 — A car bomb in Krugersdorp killed three and injured 22.

April — A grenade exploded on a farm near Standerton. Three people were killed.

Monday, April 11 — A bomb exploded on the Johannesburg-Randfontein railway line. No injuries.

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Thursday, April 14 — A limpet mine blew up outside the Johannesburg City Hall. No injuries.

Friday, April 15 — Two limpet mines went off in Pretoria. One man killed.

Wednesday, April 20 — A bomb exploded near Parliament. No injuries.

Thursday, May 5 — A bomb exploded in Kagiso. No injuries.

Tuesday, May 10 — A Silverton grenade killed a 12-month-old baby.

Friday, May 20 — A grenade blast in Mitchell's Plain injured five people.

Sunday, May 22 — Three grenades hurled into a crowd in Orlando West killed two and injured 38.

Thursday, May 26 — Two bombs exploded

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ed in Pretoria, injuring four.

Friday, May 27 — A bomb in Pritchard Street injured one.

Saturday, May 28 — An explosion at Johannesburg Station. One injury.

Friday, June 3 — Four killed and 19 injured in two explosions in Roodepoort.

Monday, June 6 — A petrol bomb attack on a bus in Empangeni killed one and injured seven.

Tuesday, June 7 — A blast near Soweto's Inhlanzani Station. No injuries.

Thursday, June 9 — An explosive device blew up in a man's hands near Hillcrest killing him.

Wednesday, June 22 — A blast in a Johannesburg amusement arcade in Plein Street injured 10 people and claimed the life of a baby girl born prematurely. Her twin was stillborn.

Friday, June 24 — A bomb exploded in East London. No injuries.

Thursday, June 30 — A mini-limpet mine exploded in a Pretoria snack bar injuring 18 people.

Thursday, June 30 — A man carrying a bomb was killed when it went off outside the Johannesburg Art Gallery.

Saturday, July 2 — A massive car bomb exploded after a rugby match at Ellis Park, killing two and injuring 35.

Public places

Saturday, July 9 — A mini-limpet mine exploded behind the Cambrians Hockey Club in Turffontein. Nobody was injured.

Tuesday, July 12 — Police detonated a bomb found in the grounds of a Soweto school.

Tuesday, July 12 — A vehicle was damaged when it detonated an explosive device on a remote fire break in the northern section of the Kruger National Park.

Friday, July 15 — Four cars were damaged in an explosion in Cape Town.

DURBAN CINEMA

Friday, July 29 — A bomb exploded at a Durban cinema and another in Alexandra township minutes before the film "Cry Freedom" was due to be screened. A third bomb was found in a cinema toilet at Highgate Shopping Centre in Roodepoort before it exploded and in Korsten, Port Elizabeth, a petrol bomb was tossed at a cinema. Nobody was injured.

Saturday, July 30 — One woman was killed and 56 people injured when a bomb went off in a packed Wimpy Bar at Benoni Plaza.

Wednesday, August 3 — A mini limpet mine exploded next to the offices of Witwatersrand Command, Johannesburg. A second mine was found by police after the blast.

Friday, August 5 — A mini-limpet mine exploded after staff and guests had been evacuated from the packed gambling hall at the Morula Sun.

Saturday, August 13 — A mini-limpet mine exploded at Hyde Park Shopping Centre, injuring three.

shop in Italy the people are checked. Actually to me the check-up at the doors is ridiculous. Why check only the women — all should be checked.

Mrs Linda Curtis, Randburg: I think it is very necessary that stricter measures are taken at shops as I think it is about time something was done to make life safer for people.

Mr Stephen Lapinsky, Senderwood: I think the warning that was given at Hyde Park was inadequate. At Hyde Park there was no search. People should be searched.

Mr Jannie van den Berg, Sandton: I have a business. We feel that every shopping centre should do whatever they can do to protect their customers. Our landlord has already instituted steps to do whatever he possibly can to safeguard our customers. I think there should be metal detectors.

System is a farce

Miss Robyn Morris, Fairmount: The security is appalling and before even the public are informed about what bombs look like, security guards should be informed. The security system is a farce. You can walk in with a plastic bag and a handbag and the handbag is checked but not the plastic bag.

Mrs Veronica Els, Morningside: I do feel we should do what the airports do now and be scrutinised as we go through — parcels as well. The public is beginning to panic now. People are prepared now to do anything to try to stop the fear that has been put into everybody. There are too many entrances to shopping centres. Fewer en-

absolutely necessary. The check at the door is not done seriously at all — it is useless and as proof we have bomb scares all the time. People's attitudes should change — it is not a joke. Even if it is just a bomb drill people should take it seriously.

Mr Fred de Chermont, Sandton: I don't think metal detectors and body searches will work. It creates a false sense of security and that was proved by the attitude of people when warned about the bomb in Hyde Park — they laughed about it. A bomber who wants to bring a bomb in will obviously take the route that will give him easy access. Big shopping centres have so many entrances and exits it is almost impossible to do the stringent tests suggested. At the end of the day, the consumer entering the shopping centre will find himself being searched and as the innocent is being subjected to new security devices, the chap that should be screened is slipping in through an indiscreet entrance or exit. The cost has to be borne by somebody — ending up with the consumer.

Mr Robert Schmidt, Alberton: Without metal detectors it serves no purpose whatsoever to search people. While security people look in women's handbags, men can walk through with heavy items on their bodies — and this I have tested personally. While they looked in my wife's handbag I went past with something heavy and nobody asked me what I had — I just walked through.

Mr Fred Beytell, Florida: As a security firm we find it extremely difficult to operate as the public does not want to co-operate so far as security in buildings is concerned. We know it is difficult for people to open parcels, briefcases and handbags every time they enter buildings. It is time consuming — we are well aware of the fact, but what is acceptable? The time wasted while being searched or to stand in a shop and be blown up by a limpet mine?

Mrs Sheila Dyball, Sandton: I feel at some of the shopping centres the security is very good but others leave a lot to be desired. I think if a lot of the centres improved their security metal detectors would not be necessary but they could bring in body searches.

Men never searched

Mrs Hannah Fransman, Waverley: Security must be brought back at the doors at Jan Smuts Airport. We don't like body searches but would not object to X-ray screening and metal detectors — particularly with men who wear jackets and are never searched. The cleaners should also be searched.

Mrs Wendy Proctor, Wilro Park: They should use metal detectors at all entrances.

Miss Sonja Fuchsloch, Fairland: Shopping centre body searches and metal detectors are a waste of time. Security people should be employed only to search the shopping centre mall and pot plants for parcels or foreign objects. The public should be educated to be aware of unattended parcels and should alert the security when they come across them. Public awareness is the greatest asset in preventing bomb blasts. The public must be educated to know what different bombs look like and they should be fined if they are found leaving parcels unattended. Security people should be rewarded if they find a parcel.

Claim of poor security at blast

Staff Reporters

The Hyde Park shopping centre's security procedures have been strongly criticised by a Corlett Gardens man, Mr Brian Abrahamson, who claims that 15 minutes before the parcel bomb exploded, he spotted it and alerted security officials.

The centre's managing director, Mr Peter Behrmann, however, has vigorously defended the actions of his security staff.

Mr Abrahamson said security had "procrastinated", been "slow" and "clearly did not have a clue what they were doing".

He had walked past the bomb a second time — 10 minutes after alerting security guard Mr Moses Biyela — to fetch his wife from a shop. People were standing around looking at the bomb, he said.

"I shouted at the guard to cordon off the area and get everyone out. I was screaming at people to move. I thought — nobody's listening, I'm going to get out," Mr Abrahamson said.

Defending security procedures at the centre, Mr Behrmann lauded the action taken by both security guard Mr Moses Biyela — who was injured when he tried to muffle the blast — and his superior, Mr Danie Hancox.

In an interview yesterday Mr Hancox denied leaving Mr Biyela after handing him the blanket. He had given the blanket to Mr Biyela because he knew how to use it, he said.

He then turned around to assist another security guard in evacuating the area.

Guard will get a big reward

SECURITY guard Mr Moses Biyela, who was seriously injured when he tried to muffle the Hyde Park Corner blast at the weekend, is to be "handsomely" rewarded for his bravery, along with his superior and a third security official.

Hyde Park Corner managing director Mr Peter Behrmann said that Mr Biyela's superior, Mr Danie Hancox, would also be rewarded because he was "extraordinarily brave" at the blast scene.

Mr Behrmann was reacting to two Press reports which said Mr Biyela was ordered to throw a security blanket over the bomb by Mr Hancox, who then allegedly left the scene.

Mr Biyela told reporters he had risked his life for fear of his superior. "Just as I tried to throw the blanket over the object, it exploded. People started scattering in all directions. My supervisor was nowhere to be seen."

Mr Behrmann, who said he saw the limpet mine explode, yesterday lauded Mr Hancox's behaviour on Saturday. Mr Hancox was not at work yesterday and was not available for comment.

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Bishops speak against bombs

PRETORIA — The Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference (SACBC) yesterday strongly condemned the recent spate of bombings in shopping areas and public places in SA.

In a statement the SACBC said: "As leaders of the Church in SA, we object in the strongest possible terms to the recent spate of bombings in shopping areas and public places. Innocent people are killed, maimed or injured. Families and individuals are struck by untold and unjustified suffering.

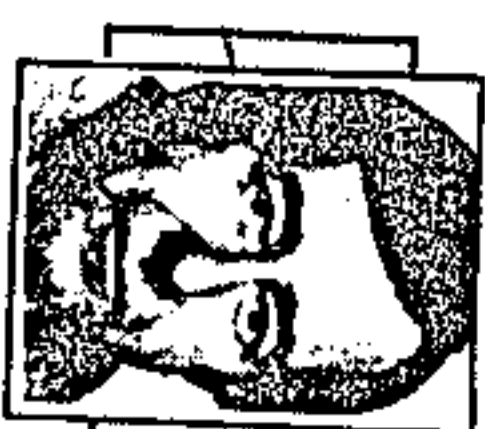
"They cannot be held responsible for the system we labour under in our country.

"Whoever is responsible, there can be no justification for these indiscriminate bombings." — Sapa.

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Conference finds that there are no universal rules on violence



By STANLEY UYS

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VIOLENCE, when it is practised by the ANC in South Africa, is acceptable, but when it is practised by the IRA in Northern Ireland it is not.

This is the knot into which the Lambeth Conference of Anglican bishops held here in London tied itself. The Bishop of Oxford, Richard Harries (author of "Should a Christian Support Guerrillas?"), described the conference's resolutions on violence as "disastrous".

The argument is familiar to South Africans: one man's freedom fighter is another man's terrorist. And there is no way in which the argument can be resolved. It simply depends on whose

side you are on. No universal rules are available — not even Christian ones, as the Lambeth Conference discovered to its cost.

Whether the conference in its three weeks of deliberation on various issues achieved anything at all has also been a matter of opinion. Bishop Harries thinks that, with the exception of the debate on violence, it was a highly successful conference.

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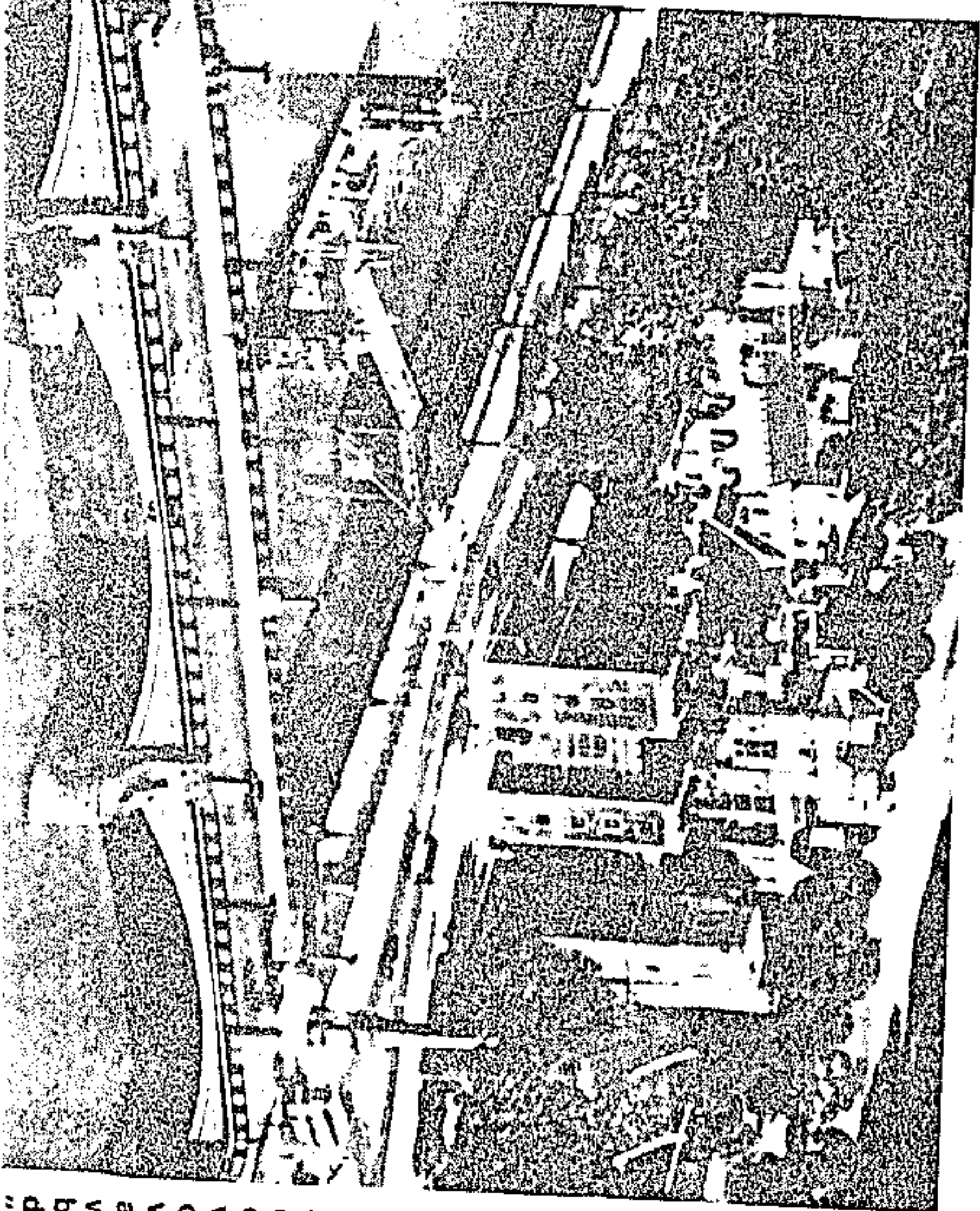
They saw Tutu as afflicted with tunnel vision: his concern, they said, was limited to apartheid. They pointed out, for example, that Tutu could not understand why the conference should spend so much time discussing the ordination of women — to which he was opposed anyway. In the eyes of some Anglican clergy and laity here, Tutu is just another African male chauvinist.

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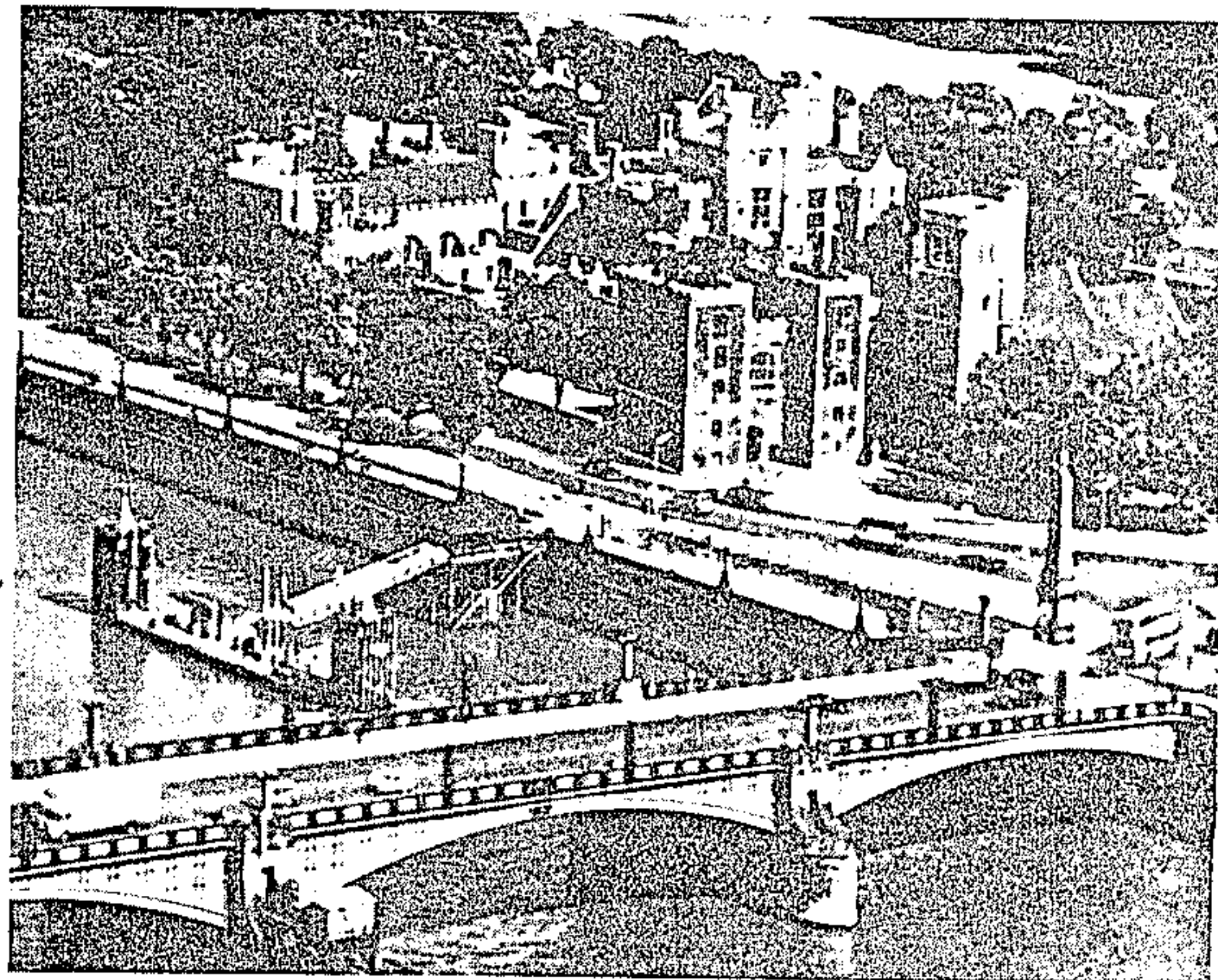
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The resolution on violence began by reaffirming "the statement of the 1930 Lambeth Conference that war as a method of settling international disputes is incompatible with the teaching and example of Our Lord Jesus Christ".

The resolution then went on to "support" those who chose the way of non-violence and 'understand' those who "after exhausting all other ways, choose the way of armed struggle as the only way to justice, whilst drawing attention to the danger of armed struggle becoming an end in itself."

NO sooner had the resolution been passed than the Northern Ireland Angli-
cans complained. The resolu-
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Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, conveyed to the conference the "distress and unbelief among many Anglicans in Northern Ireland".

"Let no one at the Lambeth Conference be in any doubt," declared Archbishop Eames, "that we are talking about murder. We are not talking about freedom fighters or exponents of any liberation theory. We are talking about a calculated campaign of murder by an organization which has been condemned by the Roman Catholic church and all the Protestant churches."

Dr Eames, who revealed that he personally had buried no fewer than 53 victims of IRA violence in a relatively small community in Northern Ireland, re-

portedly spent the entire night trying to persuade individual bishops that the resolution could not be allowed to stand unamended.

So a new resolution was introduced the following day, proposed by Bishop Edward Jones of Indianapolis and seconded by Archbishop Tutu, condemning all violence "in the circumstances of Northern Ireland".

WE know now where the Lambeth Conference stands on South Africa and Northern Ireland: it "understands" violence in South Africa and condemns it in Northern Ireland. But on what grounds? When does a freedom fighter become a murderer?

Bishop Harries has

offered certain criteria. Just as there can be a just war, he says, so there can be a just revolution, provided certain conditions are met.

These are: first, the injustice must be manifest and long-standing. Second, every other means of bringing about change must first have been exhausted and "this rules out the use of force in societies where citizens are able to express their preference through the ballot box".

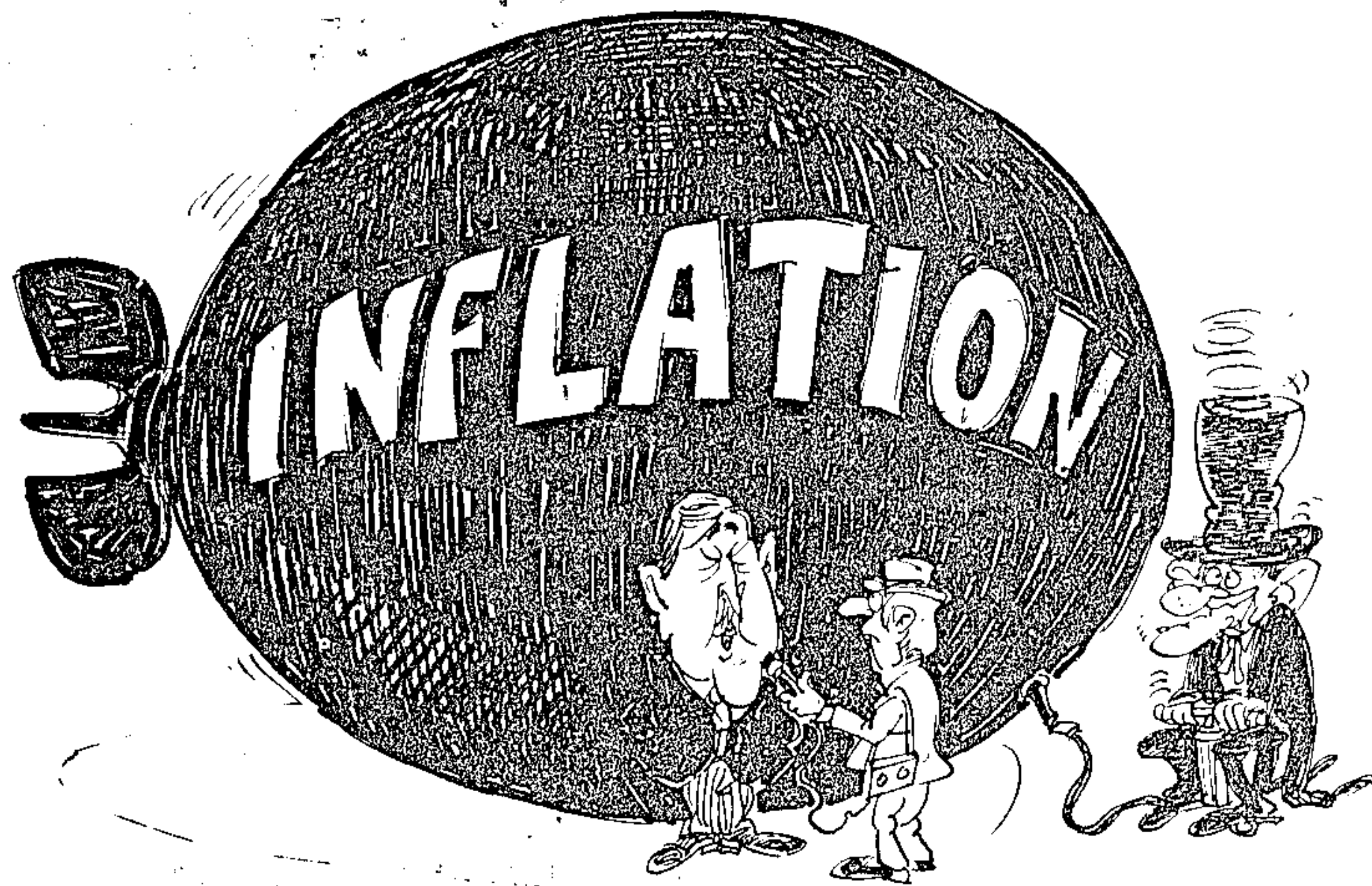
Third, the suffering brought about by the attempt to overthrow the tyranny must be less than the people are having to bear under its oppression.

This is plain enough as far as the ANC is concerned: it is given the go ahead but the criteria certainly will not satisfy

sympathisers of the IRA who will point out that Catholics are a minority in Northern Ireland and claim that, try as they might, they have not been able to secure redress of their wrongs (real or imagined) through the ballot box.

The IRA cannot be dismissed as just a small group of bloodthirsty terrorists: as Mao would have put it, the Catholic community in Northern Ireland is the sea in which the IRA swims.

AND would the criteria be acceptable to revolutionaries in South America who have the ballot but prefer the gun? Or to some of the priests in South America who are deep into "liberation theology?" In which category would the Lam-



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There is no escape for the Lambeth Conference from its dilemma. It cannot refuse to hold an opinion on violence — Christian leaders just can't do that — and neither can it condone violence without inserting conditions and exceptions which immediately provoke objections.

Bishop Harries made a brave try but no generally acceptable criteria exist and he and others will search in vain for them.

Sadly, the answer is the familiar one: one man's freedom fighter remains another man's terrorist and not even bishops can find the common ground between these two positions.

Annegarn alive, dad told

PAUL Annegarn, the 22-year-old South African security police believe was the fifth member of the alleged African National Congress "white" cell in Broederstroom near Pretoria, is alive and still a "loyal member" of the outlawed movement.

African News Agency reports that the ANC apparently assured his father, Mr Joe Annegarn, that he would be contacted by his son after he had completed an assignment.

Alleged South African spy Olivia Forsyth has also apparently told Annegarn snr through British embassy officials in Luanda that she had not seen Paul at the alleged ANC Quatra punishment camp for the movement's deserters.

Annegarn snr was reported this week to have been in contact with an ANC representative who "swore blind on our Christian God that Paul is alive".

"I was told the reason why Paul hadn't been in

contact with us was because he was on an assignment. The person who spoke to me seemed pretty genuine and I have to believe him."

He was given an assurance that, on completion of his "mission", Paul would contact him or his former wife, Joy, said to be living in London.

Forsyth - said to be a South African with British citizenship - who allegedly escaped from Quatra and has presently sought refuge at the British embassy in Luanda, Angola, has reportedly spoken to Annegarn snr through officials there.

In May the South African authorities alleged that Annegarn jnr, said to be a South African Defence Force (SADF) deserter, was being held in so-called ANC detention barracks at Quatra after he had separated from the other four alleged ANC members at Broederstroom, and was tracked down by the exiled movement after he fled South Africa.

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Shopping centres brace for bombs

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By CHRIS STEYN

POLICE and security officials at top Cape Town shopping centres are working together to beef up security in a bid to forestall bomb blasts, as a wave of urban "soft target" blasts sweeps the country.

The Ministry of Law and Order disclosed last night that police had begun "certain planning" to offer more protection to "soft targets" — but a ministry spokesman declined to disclose details.

So far the year limpet mines blasts have hit 17 "soft targets" countrywide. Only three bomb blasts aimed at "hard targets" were reported during the same period.

These statistics exclude petrol-bomb attacks and grenade explosions.

Dr Tom Lodge, University of the Witwatersrand expert on the ANC, said last

night that the recent attacks indicated "a shift towards soft targets".

Mr Harry Riddell, general manager of Cavendish Square shopping centre in Claremont, said the centre's security sub-committee would meet again this week to discuss improvements to current measures.

He said the safety of shoppers was a "prime concern". "Everything physically possible is being done, and all human resources have been put into action," Mr Riddell said.

Mr Dries Wilsen, provincial manager for Eendomme Kaapland, the owners of the Golden Acre shopping complex, said the police were co-operating with the centre's security guards to enforce "very strict" security measures.

Regular meetings were being held to discuss ways to update the measures.

Mr Edward Harrington, maintenance manager for Anglo Property, the owners of the Gardens shopping centre and the

Kenilworth shopping centre, appealed to the public to become more observant.

He said that although Anglo Property had introduced dog patrols at certain shopping centres, it preferred "a low-key" approach to security, which involved "selective" searching of bags and people.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Law and Order said the fact that four of the seven new members of the ANC executive were from the ranks of the organization's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe, indicated that the ANC would not abandon its policy of violence.

"It is clear that the executive committee condones the recent callous attacks on defenceless people since they have, so far, not lifted a finger to indicate their abhorrence of these attacks.

"The morale of the ANC and their so-called freedom struggle is so low at present that they indiscriminately attack defenceless people to try to prove themselves," the spokesman said.

ANC: Soft-target blasts unintended

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THE African National Congress said yesterday that casualties resulting from a spate of recent bomb attacks on "soft" targets were "unintended", as it was not the organization's policy to attack civilian targets.

In a statement issued in Lusaka, the organization was reported by AP to say that its leaders were concerned over the recent spate of bomb attacks on civilian targets in SA.

Some of the attacks which were not ordered by the ANC, but were carried out by ANC guerillas "inspired by anger" at the government's military actions and its "campaign of terror" against blacks.

Expressing concern over the recent attacks, the ANC executive committee said: "In certain instances, operational circumstances resulted in unintended casualties."

The Progressive Federal Party MP for Green Point, Mr Tian van der Merwe, said last night that any indication that the ANC was trying to avoid civilian targets must be welcomed.

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"The ANC underscores that it is con-

trary to our policy to select targets whose sole object is to strike at civilians," the statement said.

Permission to quote the ANC was obtained from Law and Order spokesman, Brigadier Leon Mellet.

Expressing concern over the recent attacks, the NEC said: "In certain instances, operational circumstances resulted in unintended casualties.

"Our morality as revolutionaries dictates that we respect the value underpinning the humane conduct of war. Any other course of action would play into

the hands of the enemy."

The ANC also blamed South African government agents for carrying out bomb attacks to discredit the ANC.

Our Cape Town correspondent reports Tom Lodge, an academic expert on the ANC, as saying the ANC had recently called a NEC meeting specifically to discuss attacks on civilian targets.

"There has been a shift towards soft targets — but this does not indicate a policy change. It just means the units on the ground are more willing to attack soft targets," said Lodge. — Sapa-AP

Pressure on government mounts

Targets ^{8/24} of ANC ³⁰ mines ^{18/8/88}

"SOFT" TARGETS include: A North Coast shopping centre (Aug 15), the Hyde Park shopping centre (Aug 13), the Pine-town Post Office (Aug 12), a Benoni restaurant (July 30), the Ellis Park Stadium (July 2), the Johannesburg Art Gallery (June 30), a Johannesburg amusement arcade (June 22), Standard Bank in Roodepoort (June 2), a rubbish bin in Johannesburg's city centre (May 27), a garbage truck in Johannesburg (May 27), a flowerbox at the Johannesburg City Hall (April 14), a restaurant in a Pretoria shopping arcade (June 30), a flowerpot in Pretoria's city centre (May 26), the underside of a parked car in Pretoria's city centre (May 26), the Sterland cinema in Pretoria (April 15), a Pretoria discount liquor store (April 15) and an East London restaurant (June 26).

"HARD" TARGETS:

The Houses of Parliament in Cape Town (April 19), the Krugersdorp Magistrate's Court (March 17) and the Atteridgeville Development Board canteen (April 10).

● These were limpet mine attacks and exclude handgrenade and petrol-bomb attacks.

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VICTIMS NAMED

THE *Sowetan* has established the names of two of the four insurgents killed during a confrontation with

By MZIKAYISE EDMON

the police in Lichtenburg, Western Transvaal, last month.

They were Mr Sipho Mahlaba from Katlehong, near Germiston and Mr Mncedisi Khethelo from Herschel, Transkei. Both were members of the outlawed Pan Africanist Congress.

The two others, who include a woman, have not yet been identified. Twelve policemen, all based in the Western

Transvaal, were injured during the shooting which took place on July 24 on the Lichtenburg-Mafikeng road, about 35 km from the Bophuthatswana border.

The four were stopped in their car by police at a roadblock. The occupants flung two hand grenades, injuring five policemen, police said at the time.

Police fired at the vehicle, killing three occupants. A suspect was captured and taken to be searched. While this

process was under way, he suddenly produced a grenade and hurled it at the police after pulling the pin, police added.

He was shot and killed. The grenade dropped from his hand and exploded as he fell, injuring another seven policemen, the police said.

Meanwhile, the five insurgents killed during another shootout with the police two weeks ago in Alldays, Northern Transvaal, have not been named.

It has not as yet been established whether they were members of the ANC or PAC.

ANC is to blame for terror acts

SIR — The *Comment* of August 2, 1988 in the *Sowetan* raises certain crucial issues. Firstly, the *Comment* expresses concern with the manner in which the Government and "several organisations" blame the African National Congress for bomb blasts, and expresses the opinion that while all other organisations and individuals are first proven guilty, the ANC is immediately blamed for any act of terrorism.

Secondly, the *Comment* makes the emotional claim that it is "terrifying" when a senior Cabinet minister blames the ANC for bomb blasts "even before the police start their investigations" and implies that the subsequent investigations are merely to confirm the ministerial statement.

Thirdly, claims are made that the ANC is linked to a specific community and that accusations harm race relations and finally it is speculated that "right wing elements" are responsible for the bomb blasts and not organisations "outside the Republic". It is necessary to deal with these speculations one by one.

Firstly, the *Sowetan's* concern about the placing of blame on the ANC must be seen against the historical

realities of the South African situation. Umkhonto We Sizwe, the military wing of the ANC/SACP Alliance, has carried out many terror attacks in the past three decades.

Police investigations, the subsequent trial of terrorists and more importantly in acts of terror.

Furthermore, the African National Congress and Umkhonto We Sizwe have a stated commitment to terrorism which was recently reinforced by the statements of ANC president O R Tambo, MK Chief of Staff, Chris Hani and recent UDF Border Region chairman and now Chief Political Commissar of MK, Steve Tshwete as reported in the *Times* of London, June 7, 1988.

In this interview the ANC committed itself to an escalated terror war in the urban areas of the Republic and specifically targeted "white areas" for attack. This reinforced the statement made by O R Tambo to *The New York and Herald Tribune* of January 20, 1987, in which he said that the killing of civilians "gives hope" and would play an increasing role in the ANC actions.

Surely, it is therefore reasonable to expect that in incidents of urban

terrorism in which Soviet weaponry which has been used time and time again by the ANC, is used, that this organisation is responsible for the act of terror.

Despite this, the Minister of Law and Order qualifies communiques with the statement that "indications suggest that the ANC is responsible". In the light of the facts at hand, this is surely a reasonable deduction on the part of the Minister. Secondly, the insinuation in *Comment* that the function of police investigations is merely to confirm Ministerial communiques, is at variance with the facts.

The record of the South African Police in the investigation of acts of terror and the arrest and trial of suspects is unsurpassed in the field of urban counter insurgency, a fact reinforced by the high rate of cases successfully solved by the SAP in the course of their duties and the convictions resulting from this.

It would appear that it is the *Comment* of the *Sowetan* which has lost faith in the integrity of the courts in their conviction of terrorists, and not the Minister as implied in the article.

The fact that the pre-investigation information given to the Minister



by the SAP is almost always confirmed by the subsequent investigation and trial, is a reflection of the accuracy and the intelligence capabilities of the police rather than some sinister relationship which supersedes the law.

Thirdly, the claim that the actions of the ANC are linked to a specific community and harm race relations is farcical. Recent trends and ANC recruitment patterns, indicate that Umkhonto We Sizwe draws heavily from the white, Indian and coloured communities and that terrorism affects all South Africans equally. Furthermore, the ANC has killed far more members of the black community in its terror war than whites, and therefore many of

the victims of terrorism are from the very community that the *Comment* claims is affected by the Ministerial statements.

It is superficial to shift the blame for these acts of terror from the ANC to right wing extremists. This claim ignores the many convictions resulting from previous terror attacks, the ANC's commitment to escalating the very acts of terror which the *Comment* attempts to distance it from and finally the realities of the South African situation.

The South African Police are committed to the apprehension and successful conviction of any individual irrespective of their political orientation, a fact borne out by the conviction of

various right wing terrorists in the 1970s. The insinuations and allegations made in the *Comment* are inaccurate and ignore the terror history of the African National Congress as well as bringing the integrity of the SAP into question.

Surely the journalistic integrity of the *Sowetan* is undermined by this kind of speculation. The motives of the *Sowetan*, in what appears to be an attempt to dissociate the ANC from the harsh reality of its terror war, when the organisation itself has on numerous occasions proudly taken responsibility for these terror attacks, are unclear, but the fact remains that the ANC is with a few exceptions

solely responsible for the death and maiming of people in terror attacks.

The South African Police wishes to assure all South Africans that it is committed to the prevention of terrorism and to the conviction of terrorists, whatever the political convictions of perpetrators of violence are no distinction is made in investigations by the police.

Indiscriminate acts of terrorism as experienced in South Africa pose a threat to all South Africans irrespective of race, colour or political convictions and can never be justified.

J V VAN DER MERWE
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Points from Letters

SIR — One just wonders who pays the fares for Gatsha Buthelezi's overseas tours. Every time he comes from abroad, he has something to say about our Bishop Desmond Tutu.

Way back in 1975, when I was doing Std 9, I had great expectations about the man. These were countered by my principal who said Gatsha would never make a good politician. His reason was, that Chief Buthelezi

answers everything that is said against him.

Gatsha Buthelezi, you are the leader of the Zulus, some of whom are ignorant enough to believe in bantustans. I must stress the point that not all the Zulus, but those I have mentioned. Leave our fathers alone. Leave the man of peace alone.

Bishop Tutu is no coward. Bishop Tutu doesn't and won't forsake the truth for the sake of the Reagans and Thatchers of this world. You are talking about a man you know won't stoop as low and render credence to your utterings by replying to you.

You are starting a whirlwind. Brother stay at Ulundi. You have chosen a path to lead your folk. Leave us alone. Try to alleviate the sores that appear at KwaZulu. In short, we are sick and tired of trying to get a pat from your big brother, President Botha. DISGRUNTLED

Daveyton

SIR — I am writing this letter to you because I'm concerned about what is happening in our local soccer (Southern Zone Impala League).

There is a team called Republic Promoters which gives soccer referees nightmares because of their behaviour and that of their officials. All their games do not end in good spirit but in riots, but our local association doesn't take any drastic steps against them.

Even referees are afraid to handle their games. It seems our officials are waiting for someone to be killed before they act.

Let the mother body, Sasa, take drastic steps about this Republic Promoters because our local association is afraid of them. Let them be expelled before we have a corpse on our playing fields. They are not good for the game, but bad elements.

JOHN MOKOENA
Sebokeng

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ANC to punish errant bombers

LUSAKA — An ANC spokesman said last night Umkhonto we Sizwe members ignoring a top-level directive, not to attack soft targets, could face punishment.

He added the first step in preventing attacks on civilians would be to ensure Umkhonto activists received proper instruction.

The spokesman condemned actions by ANC military wing members after the recent spate of attacks on civilian targets.

He added some attacks had been carried out by Umkhonto cadres inspired by what he termed anger at an SA campaign of terror against the oppressed.

Asked about dissension in ANC ranks over the issue, ANC sources said it had always been an area of conflict within the movement.

"The conflict has never been resolved and some of these attacks were executed without approval," he said.

He said in several attacks civilians were not the initial targets. He added:

□ The Pretoria cinema bomb was in-

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ANC to punish soft-target bombers

tended to explode at a nearby government building but went off before it could be placed;

□ The Roodepoort bomb exploded not far from the police station at which it was aimed; and

□ Circumstances surrounding the Ellis Park bomb were still being investigated but the leadership would not have approved the attack.

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"We are not trying to justify these attacks but we can explain the circumstances," the spokesman said.

The ANC accepted responsibility for about 14 bomb attacks, between January and June, aimed at government, security, police and railway targets, the spokesman said.

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ANC shows lack of control — expert

ANC
discord

on soft
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Own Correspondent
LUSAKA. — Umkhonto we Sizwe members ignoring a top-level directive not to hit at soft targets could face punishment under the organization's disciplinary code, an ANC spokesman said here last night.

ble for the deaths of defenceless people in South Africa.
"If the reason for Umkhonto we Sizwe's bloodthirsty deeds is anger at the government's effective curbing of the revolutionary onslaught against South Africa, why then does it average its anger on defenceless civilians?"
The PFP spokesman on law and order, Mr Pfan van der Merwe, said that once the path of violence has been chosen, the consequences soon become difficult to foresee and more difficult to control.
"This is a lesson that applies equally to the Nationalist government and to the ANC because the government under Mr P W Botha has clearly chosen to maintain power by repression and by violent means, rather than to negotiate towards a real sharing of power."

Dissension

Though the circumstances surrounding the Ellis Park bomb were still being investigated, the spokesman claimed the leadership would not have approved the attack.

Asked about dissension in ANC ranks over the issue, ANC sources said it had always been an area of conflict within the movement.

The spokesman denied that the removal of former Umkhonto political commissar Mr Steve Tshwete had anything to do with yesterday's statement and said that he had been promoted to the National Executive Committee in charge of "mass mobilization".

targets, with 'unintended casualties'.
"The statement implies that the ANC top structure did not give authorization for these actions. Have they totally, or to some extent, lost control over their people?"
"Is this not an attempt to get the best of both worlds?" Professor Hough asked.

Dr Tom Lodge, of the University of the Witwatersrand, said the ANC had recently called a national executive meeting specifically to discuss the question of attacks on civilian targets.
"It is safe to presume that it was at this meeting that ANC 'hardliner' Mr Steve Tshwete was removed from his post as political commissar of the military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe," he said.
While it remained unclear exactly for

"This tends to give the impression that there is pressure in the ANC for and against this type of targeting," Professor Hough said. The tendency was for the ANC not to claim responsibility for attacks when there were civilian casualties, though they apparently contradicted policy decisions.

"The ANC themselves laid the foundation for this trend at the Kabwe conference when they stated that the distinction between hard and soft targets would disappear.
"This type of terrorism is also a reflection of the future to some extent.
"The ANC decided some time ago to launch a higher phase and attack the enemy directly, but instead they attack 'unintended' targets.
"This seems to be a retrogression and they are falling back in general on to soft type of

By BARRY STREEK and CHRIS STEVN
THE ANC statement that its fighters had caused unintended casualties in recent bomb attacks showed its leadership did not have full control over its people, the director of the Institute of Strategic Studies at Pretoria University, Professor Mike Hough, said yesterday.
There was also no evidence that the ANC disciplined their people when they transgressed policy.

In at least three cases — the bombing of a supermarket in Amanzimtoti, the McBride bombings in the centre of Durban and the Silverton bank siege — the ANC indirectly claimed responsibility for attacks on "soft" targets.

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It's in the bag — SA has

by VIVIEN HORLER
Weekend Argus Reporter
A SOUTH AFRICAN company has developed a device that could take the tragedy out of many bomb blasts around the world.

It is officially known as a bomb inhibitor or bomb bag and it has already probably saved the lives and limbs of scores of people who were packed into the casino of the Morula Sun hotel when a mini-limpet mine was spotted and smothered two weeks ago.

Security experts said then that the mine's effects in the confined space would have obliterated the Pretoria car bomb explosion a few years ago. Ten minutes after the bomb bag had been placed over the mine it exploded, causing damage of R10 000. But no one was killed or even hurt. And it provided protection while the casino was evacuated.

The bomb bag, which is made of black rubber, is the size and shape of a bedroom

pillow, weighs about 16kg and contains a mixture of liquid chemicals. There are two handles on the top of the "pillow" so that it can easily be dropped on to a mine.

Metal cabinet
It is designed to fit into a yellow metal cabinet which will be displayed prominently in public buildings. To remove the bag you break a small glass panel in the box, remove the key, and unlock the box.

Stewart Munro is the Cape Town agent for the bomb bag's manufacturers. He explains how the bomb bag works.
"At the point of detonation you get a blast wave, and that's the killer, that's what causes

objects to break up and become shrapnel.
"Now if you have a bag the blast passes through it, and the liquid inside vaporises within a very short distance, about two metres, and in doing so there is an energy conversion. And it is this energy conversion that reduces the blast effect."
"Depending on the size of the bomb, our bomb inhibitor will reduce damage by between 75 and 90 percent. Before, all you could do when you spotted a bomb was clear the building. Now you can actually do something to stop the blast."

Tough rubber
The bag itself is made of a rubber tough enough to be driven over, but light enough to break up immediately a bomb goes off. When the manufacturers did tests using a tougher rubber, they found the blast lifted the pillow and was channelled out below it.

Mr Munro says the effect of limpet mines is underestimated. "People talk about bombs being 'only six kg' — in fact a Russian-made SPM2 limpet mine contains just 900g of high explosive, or a mini-limpet 380g, yet they can cause a hell of a lot of damage if correctly placed.
"Their effectiveness as weapons lies in the fact they are powerful, easy to handle — and easily hidden."
They can be set to go off in

five minutes or 300 days, but are tricky to set accurately. And every 10 deg C change in temperature can make a 15 minute difference either way in the time of the blast.

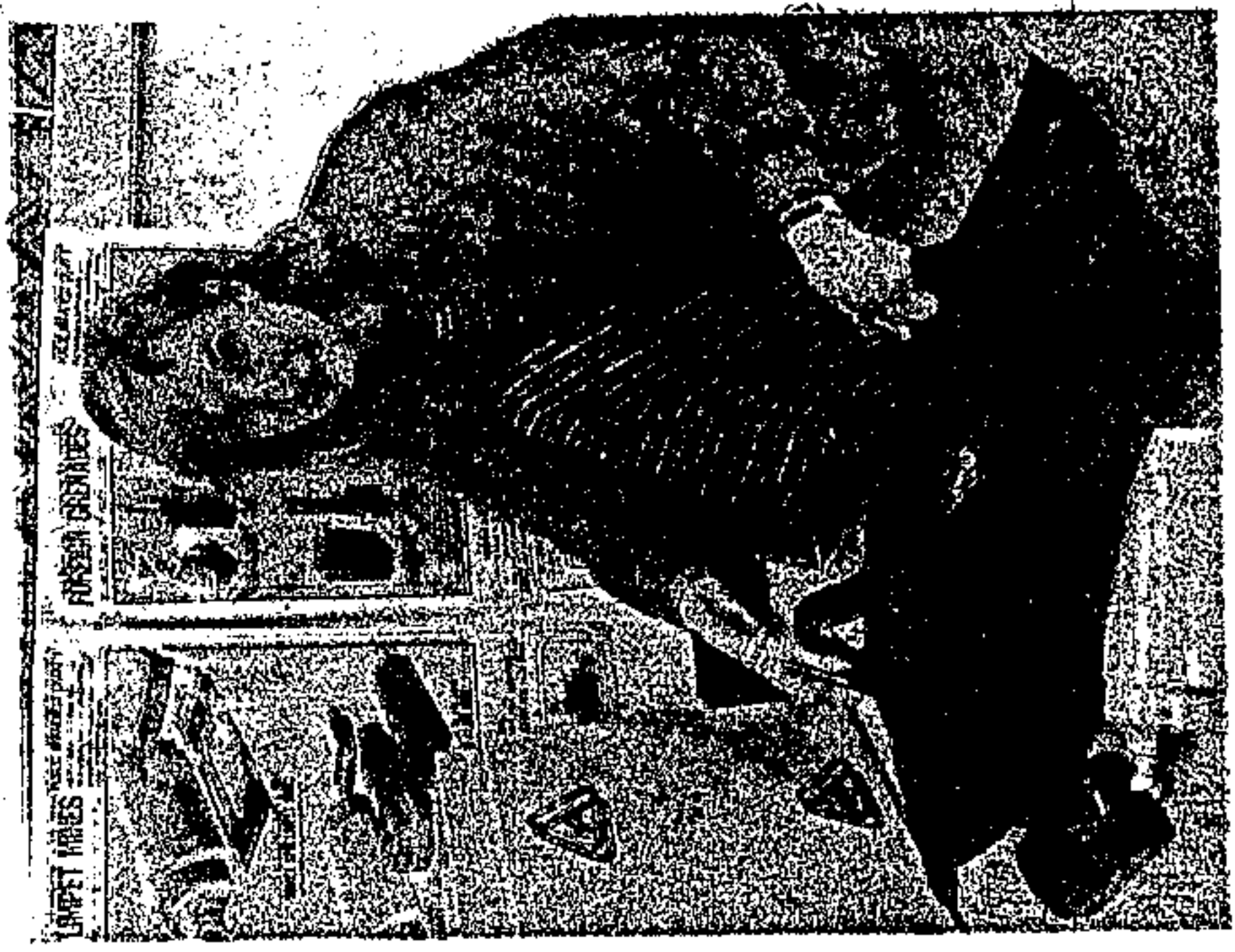
The bomb bags, says Mr Munro, douse the initial fireball, which can have a temperature of 3 000 Deg C, and dissipate the blast to such an extent that should you be standing just two metres away you would not be injured at all. They also limit the chance of fire and prevent blast damage to the building.

Inquiries
Since the Morula Sun blast the company has been inundated with inquiries about the

bomb bags from shopping and office complexes, hotels, factories and local authorities. "We've had hundreds and hundreds of queries in the past fortnight, and we hope eventually to see our inhibitors displayed in the same way as you see fire extinguishers.
"The public has a right to be protected, and a right to demand protection in the places they frequent."

The company makes three types of bomb inhibitor: a small one designed for grenades which would probably be most useful in vehicles entering riot-torn areas, the bomb bag for limpet mines, and a large inhibitor for big parcel bombs. The bomb bag, with its yellow cabinet, sells for R875.

"They are not the same as 'bomb blankets', which have been used for commercial controlled explosions," says Mr Munro. "The old 'bomb blankets' were never designed to be used on the type of high velocity explosive you find in limpet mines and other bombs."



Picture: PETER STANFORD, Weekend Argus

Rosemary Munro demonstrates using a bomb bag on replica limpet and mini-limpet mines.

EXPLOSION INSIDE THE CASTLE

Blast rocks Castle site of army HQ

By JIM FREEMAN

A LIMPET mine yesterday exploded in the Castle, South Africa's oldest historic building.

No one was injured in the blast. The device exploded in one of the oldest parts of the building, which houses the SA Defence Force's Western Province Command headquarters. It caused minor damage.

The scene of the blast was a tiny, empty room in an arched passageway, with walls several metres thick.

The room is near the section of the Castle under renovation, and the limpet mine went off about 4.30pm.

The vicinity was virtually deserted when the explosion reverberated around the foreshore, throwing a pall

of smoke into the air above the 300-year-old landmark.

The passageway is usually out of bounds to civilians, but the hundreds of construction workers and artisans restoring the heart of the Castle provide a continual flow of traffic through the archways.

Police sources said they suspected that someone posing as a construction worker could have planted the device.

The workers had virtually unlimited access to most parts of the Castle and are not searched when entering the area, said the police.

A stream of ambulances and fire engines sped to the scene, as traffic police cordoned off the area.



NO ENTRY . . . Police bomb-disposal experts leave the Castle while soldiers prevent people from entering the historic military installation after yesterday's explosion.

Picture: GLENN SHERRATT

Defector 'fit and happy' — and back with ANC

By HAMISH McINDOE

PAUL ANNEGARN is alive and apparently well, and is still an active supporter of the ANC.

An international human rights' organisation has interviewed the missing activist — suspected of being the fifth member of the all-white Broederstroom terror cell — at the movement's Lusaka headquarters.

This provided the first proof to his parents that he is alive after weeks of speculation that the ANC may have executed him.

The Sunday Times has undertaken not to name the organisation that recently visited Paul on two occasions — once without ANC supervision.

The organisation told East Rand businessman Mr Joe Annegarn that Paul, 23, was physically fit and seemed "quite happy" to be working for the ANC.

They also forwarded a letter from his father. "But he didn't care to respond," said Mr Annegarn.

Secret

Confirmation that he is alive came this week.

It is not clear what job Paul is doing for the ANC, whose stock response so far has been that he is on a "secret assignment" somewhere in southern Africa.

Paul's family originally feared he had been executed for "desertion" after breaking away from the ANC's Broederstroom cell last September.

He apparently went to Lusaka to explain his defection and it was widely believed that he was immediately interned in an ANC penal camp in Angola.

Over the past five months, the ANC has repeatedly denied reports that Paul was either dead or languishing in detention.

Slated

International pressure forced the ANC to allow the human rights' organisation to visit Paul to staunch a flood of bad publicity.

In a British newspaper this month, the International Freedom Foundation (IFF) — a US pressure group — slated the ANC for its "continuing gross violations of human rights" in an advertisement calling for Paul's release.

Said Mr Annegarn: "It's clear to me now that Paul is still following the ANC and it's a shame kids feel they have to go this route.

"But I'm just happy he is alive and hope he'll snap out of it ... the whole saga has been a very frightening experience for the family."

Denials by Pretoria are largely ignored

Terrorism report indicts South Africa

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By Alan Dunn,
The Star Bureau

WASHINGTON — The US government has issued a report on global terrorism strongly linking South Africa to several incidents in and outside the country.

The report, released today by the State Department's office on counter-terrorism, portrays South Africa as the villain in southern Africa, suggesting that agents were behind a number of violent incidents including bombings, murders and cross-border raids.

It does not call South Africa a terrorist state, but opts, in brief summaries of incidents, to recount the claims and findings of other sources blaming the Republic, largely ignoring South African denials.

'Principal supporter' of MNR

The report, "Patterns of Global Terrorism: 1987", reviews last year's deeds and culprits, indicting South Africa for incidents in Mozambique, Zambia, Zimbabwe and Botswana.

The report charged that South Africa was "the principal supporter" of the Mozambican National Resistance Movement.

It noted that there was no evidence that the South African Government was a witting accomplice to the MNR's alleged massacres.

● In Zambia, the report said South African raiders attacked ANC facilities in Livingstone in April, killing four people. Eleven bombings occurred in the Zambian capital, Lusaka, last year.

● In Zimbabwe, there were bombing attacks against

South African exiles "by groups or individuals associated with South Africa, ostensibly acting in retaliation for attacks launched against South Africa from Zimbabwean territory, which took place despite genuine efforts by Zimbabwe to control such activity".

● In Botswana, "despite efforts by the government to deny access to its territory, South African dissident groups occasionally pass through Botswana to carry out anti-South African operations. South Africa has at times used these activities as the rationale for raids against the ostensible perpetrators."

● In South Africa, the struggle had mostly been non-violent, especially since the state of emergency. It had, however, generated a cycle of violent Government repression and violent black resistance, "resulting in some terrorist actions".

The ANC disavowed a strategy of deliberately killing civilians, but scores of civilians had been victims of incidents claimed by or attributed to the ANC.

The 70-page document said the ANC had, in recent years, turned to urban terrorism. It had bombed energy and transport targets, government officials, security targets and civilians. The ANC had a strength of 4 000 to 5 000, plus sympathisers.

● Worldwide, according to the report, 633 people were killed and 2 272 wounded in 1987.

The attacks took place in 75 countries, 75 percent of them against businesses, tourists and other non-official, and frequently unprotected, targets. Attacks on government, diplomatic and military targets made up only a quarter of the total.

Bomb blast - 31 are hurt

A TOTAL of 31 people were seriously injured in yesterday's blast at a Wimpy bar in Oxford Street, East London, a police spokesman, Capt. Reg Crewe, said from Pretoria.

The injured were removed from the scene after the blast that occurred about 1.15pm. There were no immediate reports of fatalities.

The explosion shattered windows, sending shards of glass across the street. The screams of injured people inside the fast food outlet could be heard.

Police were at the scene within minutes and the area was cordoned off from hundreds of onlookers.

A worker at the restaurant, Miss Priscilla Gubevu, said she experienced a miraculous escape from the explosion.

She was toasting bread upstairs at the time of the blast. "Debris fell from the roof and when I looked outside there were glass shards in the air."

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'ANC is getting political and moral support'

By David Braun,
Political Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — The African National Congress has clandestine military and political structures in Botswana as well as facilities to make the country increasingly its most important infiltration route to South Africa.

This was stated by Security Police chief General Johan van der Merwe yesterday at a briefing for the parliamentary press, held at the Koeberg special police constable training centre.

He provided statistics which showed that 49 percent of all ANC, Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) and Black Consciousness Movement of Azania (BCMA) insurgents who had been arrested and killed in South Africa during the past 18 months had been infiltrated through Botswana.

A further 13 percent came through Swaziland, nine percent through Lesotho, five percent through Zimbabwe and less than half a percent through Mozambique. It was not known how the remaining 23 percent got through.

Of the 99 insurgents who had been arrested or killed in South Africa in the first six months of this year, 47 had come through Botswana.

He said target areas of such infiltrators were mainly the western and northern Transvaal and the northern Cape.

ANC elements in Botswana had also attempted to politically influence citizens of Bophuthatswana, with the aim of creating a

Terror trail to SA leads through Botswana — SAP

new base area for political and military activities against South Africa.

He said the Sedibelo and Mogo motels in and near Gaborone were used by travelling members of Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK), the military wing of the ANC, to stay overnight and to receive their final orders before departing for South Africa.

Meetings between ANC management members and radicals from South Africa were usually arranged at these motels.

General van der Merwe said official Botswana policy provided for political and moral support of the ANC, but stipulated that Botswana territory could not be used for armed action against South Africa.

He said: "The ANC use of Botswana as the main infiltration route must be seen against the backdrop of problems the ANC experiences in other neighbouring states.

"Infiltration through Lesotho and Swaziland was largely disrupted when General

Lehanya came to power in Lesotho and by governmental action against the ANC in Swaziland.

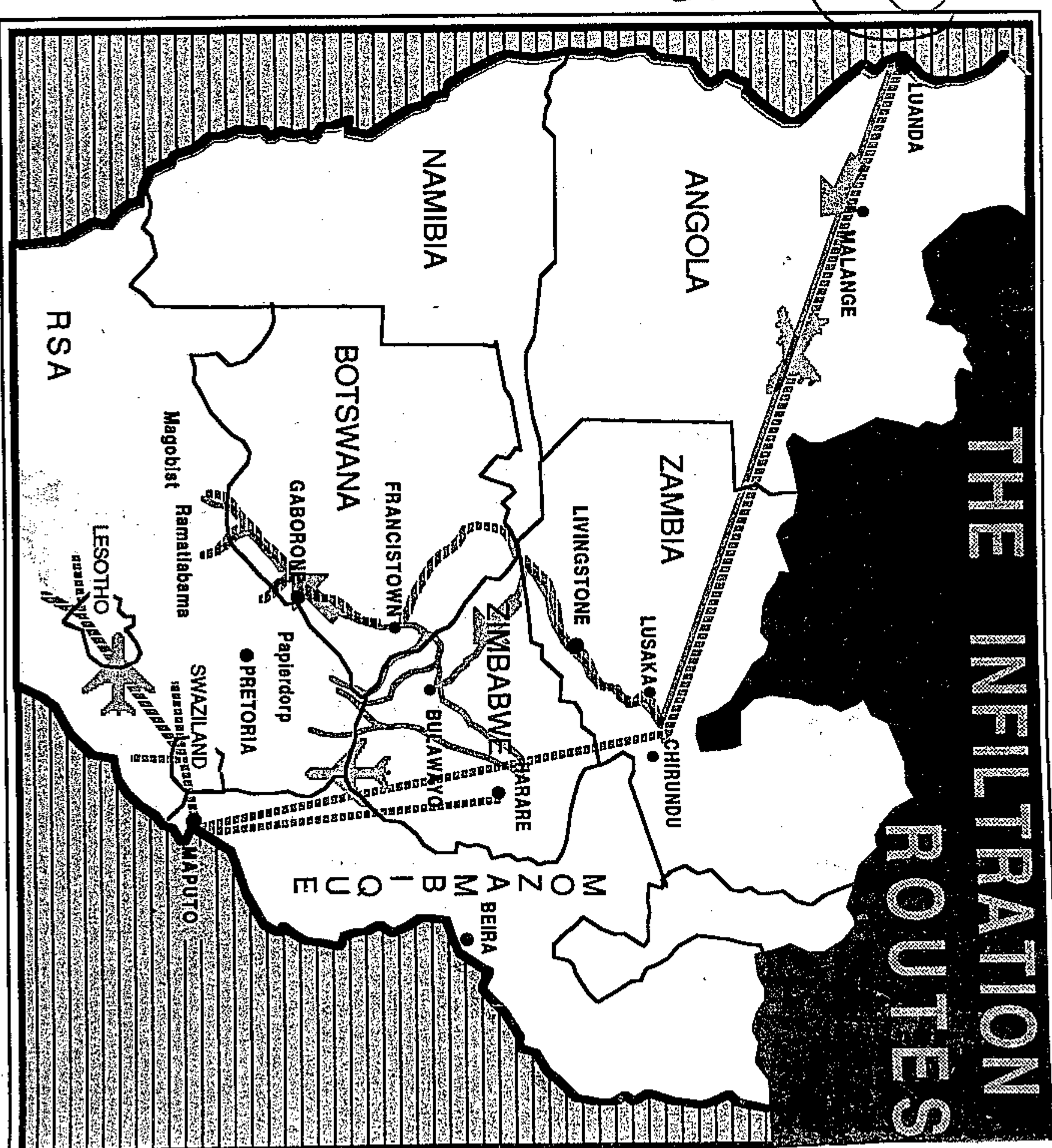
"Although this did not halt the ANC's terror efforts, it forced the ANC to seek alternative infiltration routes."

General van der Merwe said the Botswana government was cautious not to give the ANC so much free reign that it drew action from the South African security forces.

Yet information gained indicated officials or members of the Botswana security forces were either lax in the execution of their duties or allowed the ANC to openly use Botswana as a transit route as well as to establish arms caches there.

Increased infiltration of South Africa by insurgents and the serious warning issued by South Africa in this regard had prompted Botswana to implement a stricter security policy in 1987.

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The most common ANC infiltration routes into South Africa.

ed to civilian targets because it needed something highly visible to create an impression and to boost flagging morale.

According to police information, he said, the ANC had moved Mr Steve Tshwete, a former United Democratic Front regional chairman who left South Africa in 1985, to head the organisation's mass-mobilisation campaign.

Mr Tshwete, who was previously responsible, along with Mr Chris Hani, for the ANC's civilian targeting, had evidently been moved for two tactical reasons.

The first of these was because the ANC had taken a lot of flak in the West for hitting civilian targets.

Secondly, he had a good knowledge of mass mobilisation, which would be useful when it came to orchestrating the ANC campaign in connection with the October municipal elections.



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June 6, 7 and 8 and agitation and campaigns against the October elections also formed part of this programme.

'Cry Freedom'

So did protest art, such as the film "Cry Freedom", which made great headlines.

The most important agent of influence for successful mass actions remained intimidation.

● The armed offensive of Umkhonto we Sizwe (the military wing of the ANC).

● The international campaign for the total isolation of South Africa and accompanying calls for economic sanctions.

In addition to these, the campaign for "people's education" as an alternative to the existing education system in black schools was continuing, as was

ANC would li- rule, Mr X tel

KOEBERG — A former African National Congress operative, known only as Mr X, has claimed the organisation is demoralised and riven with tribal and regional divisions.

Mr X, who may not be identified in any way, addressed a group of parliamentary journalists at a special police briefing at a special-police-constable training base here yesterday.

He described how he was recruited in a neighbouring state, then sent to Angola and East Germany for special training in topography, tactics, Marxist/Leninist philosophy and "ANC politics".

After this he was admitted to Umkhonto we Sizwe, the military wing of the ANC, and later infiltrated into the Transvaal.

Mr X said he and three others had been given a selection of targets, all of them in isolated regions.

He was arrested, but managed to escape and make his way to Maputo.

GIVEN SENIOR COMMAND

Two years later he was given a senior command in Umkhonto and sent to the Soviet Union together with three other men and a white woman.

After four months' training he was slipped back into South Africa.

Mr X said the 1976 Soweto uprisings took the ANC by surprise, though it quickly realised it had fertile ground to recruit new cadres.

In 1979 ANC leader Mr Oliver Tambo and other senior ANC leaders went to Vietnam to learn about revolutionary warfare. It was there that they were taken with the idea of mass mobilisation, especially of the black community.

Mr X said he became disillusioned with the ANC when he saw how people sold clothing and used funds on prostitutes and drinking.

The ANC leadership was abusing the young female members of Umkhonto.

"The ANC was marking time. It was not actually doing anything. I decided to hand myself over to the SAP and tell them my story," he said.

He said that before leaving South Africa for the first time, white people had shaken him by the hand

the SA Youth Congress's "Save the Patriots Campaign" as a protest against the death sentence imposed on some of the "comrades".

General van der Merwe said radical trade unions had succeeded in continuing their activities in spite of the emergency regulations and the restrictions placed on the Congress of SA Trade Unions.

Revolutionary organisations, including the UDF and its more than 700 affiliates, also increasingly used the radical trade unions to achieve political aims.

He said the legitimacy of the Government was increasingly being made suspect inside the country and abroad with arguments that it had been elected by a minority group which enjoyed the privilege of the vote and, therefore, ruled.

With the churches playing an increasing role in

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By DAVID BRAUN
Political Correspondent

A disillusioned former member of the ANC's military wing tells a group of journalists that the organisation suffers from tribal rifts and it wants the AWB to come to power.

only twice in his life. Now things had changed and, particularly with the tricameral Parliament, there were prospects for broader discussions.

Mr X said the ANC did not attack farmers because South Africa's topography was different to that of Zimbabwe's.

The organisation had two types of operations, he said. Short-term projects involved a command structure together with units outside South Africa.

An operation was planned and a small group of people were sent in to hit a specific target. They were then told to report back.

Long-term operations involved sending in people who would stay in the country and select their own targets.

Mr X said the ANC wanted to see the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging come to power in South Africa because that would send many more blacks out of the country, where they could be recruited.

MOBILISING FACTOR

The ANC wanted Nelson Mandela in jail because he served as a mobilising factor.

"Once he is outside I think there will be chaos because Oliver Tambo won't like Nelson Mandela to be his boss and Nelson Mandela won't like Oliver Tambo to be his boss," Mr X said.

Mr X said 95 percent of the ANC's executive were also members of the SA Communist Party. There was no rift between the communists and the others.

There were divisions based on tribalism and regionalism. Quite a number of people in Umkhonto were disillusioned, he said, and a number had defected to the SAP.

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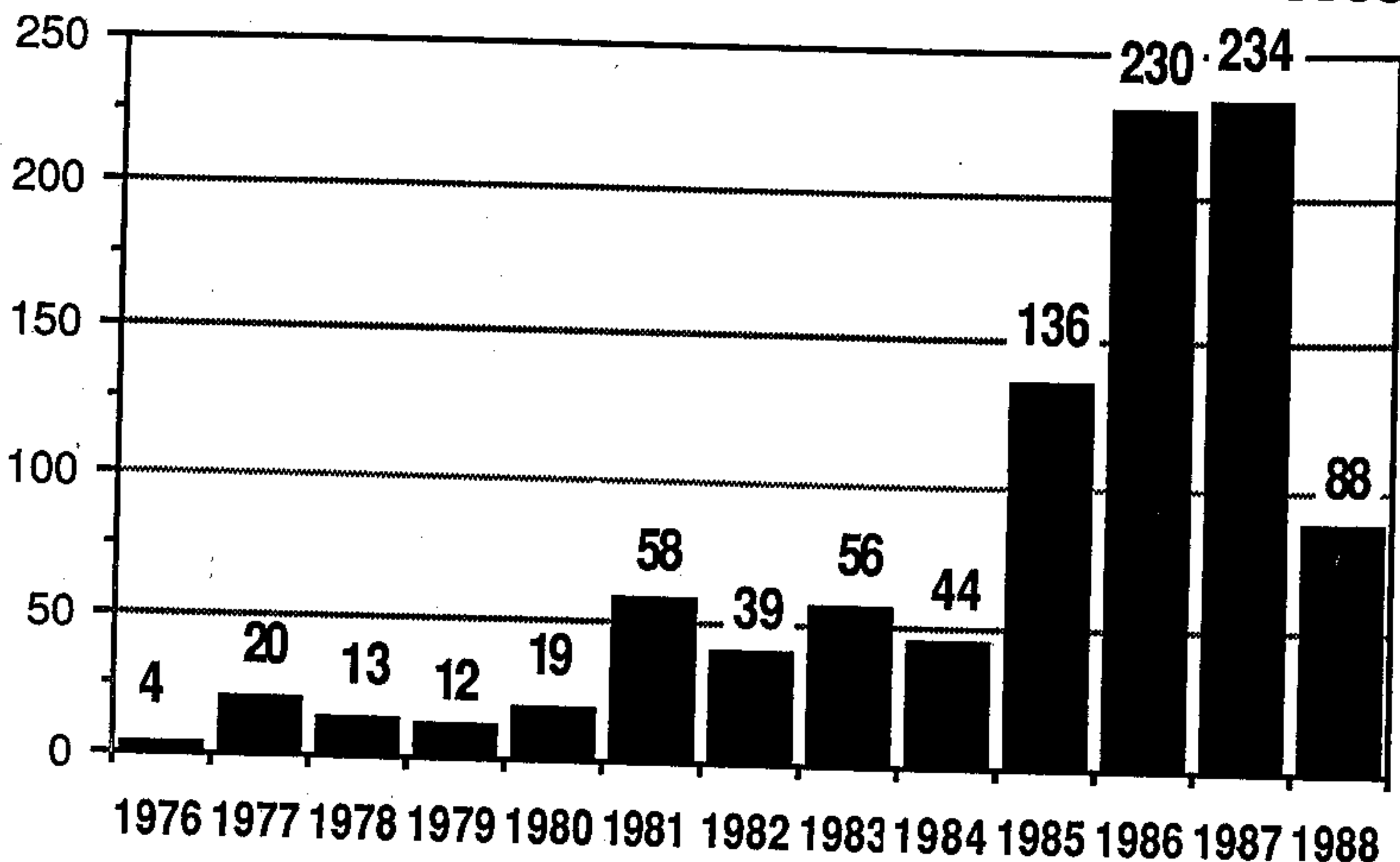
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NUMBER OF ACTS OF TERROR: 1976 TO JUNE 1988



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KOEBERG — Although the revolutionary climate in South Africa has subsided since action was taken against various organisations earlier this year, it is not in every aspect satisfactory.

This is the view of the chief of the Security Police, General Johan van der Merwe.

He yesterday gave parliamentary journalists a detailed briefing on the security situation in the country.

General van der Merwe said the number of unrest-related incidents declined substantially between 1986 and 1987 and increased very slightly again during the first six months of 1988.

The number of acts of terror was, on the other hand, down substantially in the first six months of this year compared with the previous two years, although people had the impression it had increased.

This was because the ANC had switched to "soft" civilian targets, which people were more emotional about and which stayed in their minds.

Flagging morale

The number of people killed in terror attacks was also running higher this year than in previous years.

Police statistics showed that close on half of all terror attacks had been aimed at civilian targets in the first half of this year, and about a third at the police.

General van der Merwe said the ANC had switch-

By DAVID BRAUN
Political Correspondent

Security Police chief General Johan van der Merwe briefs journalists on the current security situation in the country.

General van der Merwe said recent admissions by the ANC and by the UDF (in secret meetings) conceded that Government action in terms of the emergency regulations had seriously disrupted radical structures and hampered UDF activities.

This might create the impression that the revolutionary onslaught had been effectively rooted out, but this was not the complete picture if all the facets of the onslaught were taken into consideration.

The internal onslaught was only one of the dimensions of the ANC/SACP's so-called four pillars of the revolutionary onslaught, he said.

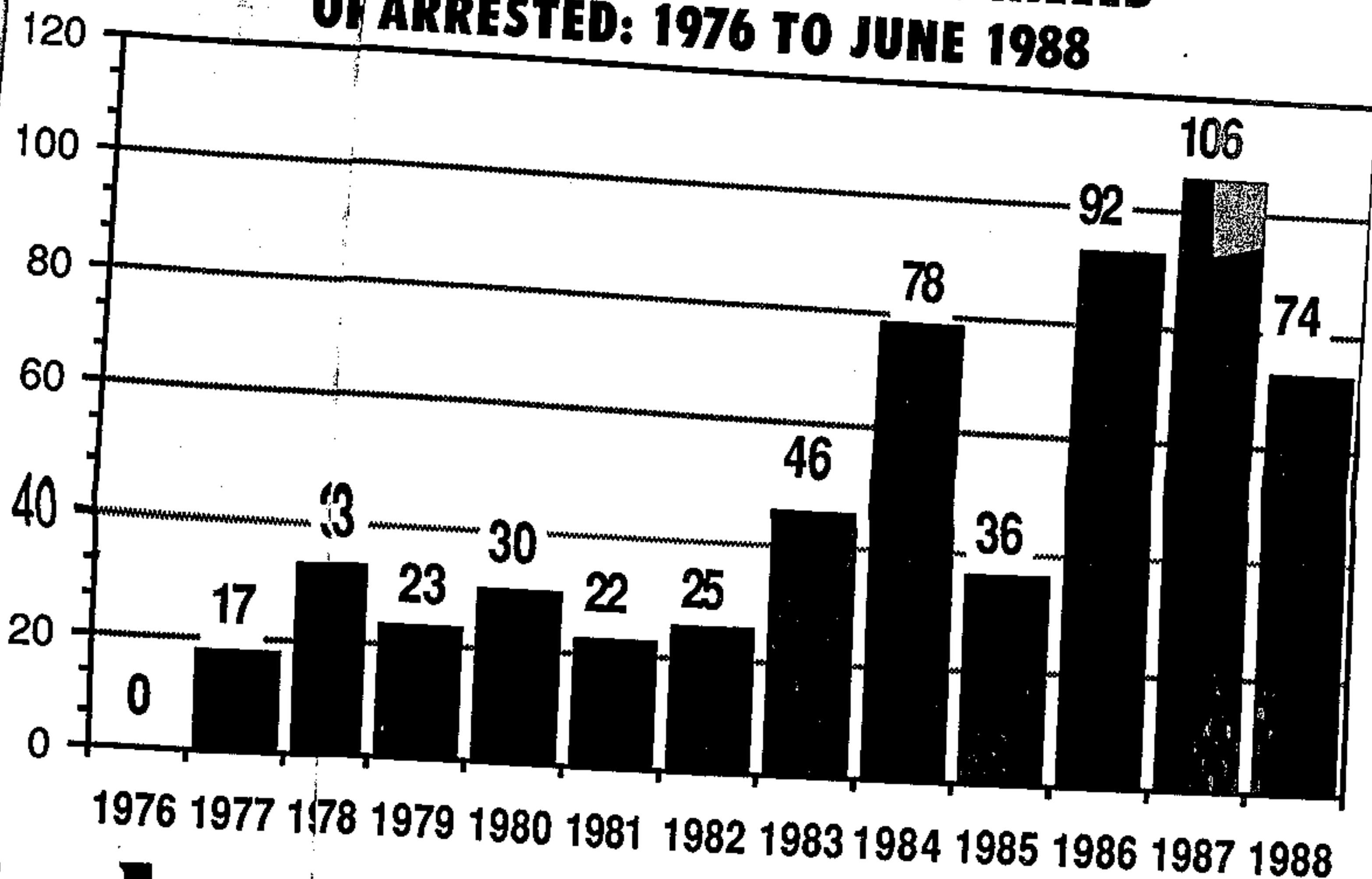
The pillars were:

- The role of the underground structures of the ANC/SACP.
- The mobilisation and unification of mass actions by the populace in the country, especially through so-called commemoration days such as March 21 (Sharpeville Day), May 1 (Workers' Day), June 16 (Soweto Day) and December 16 (Heroes' Day).

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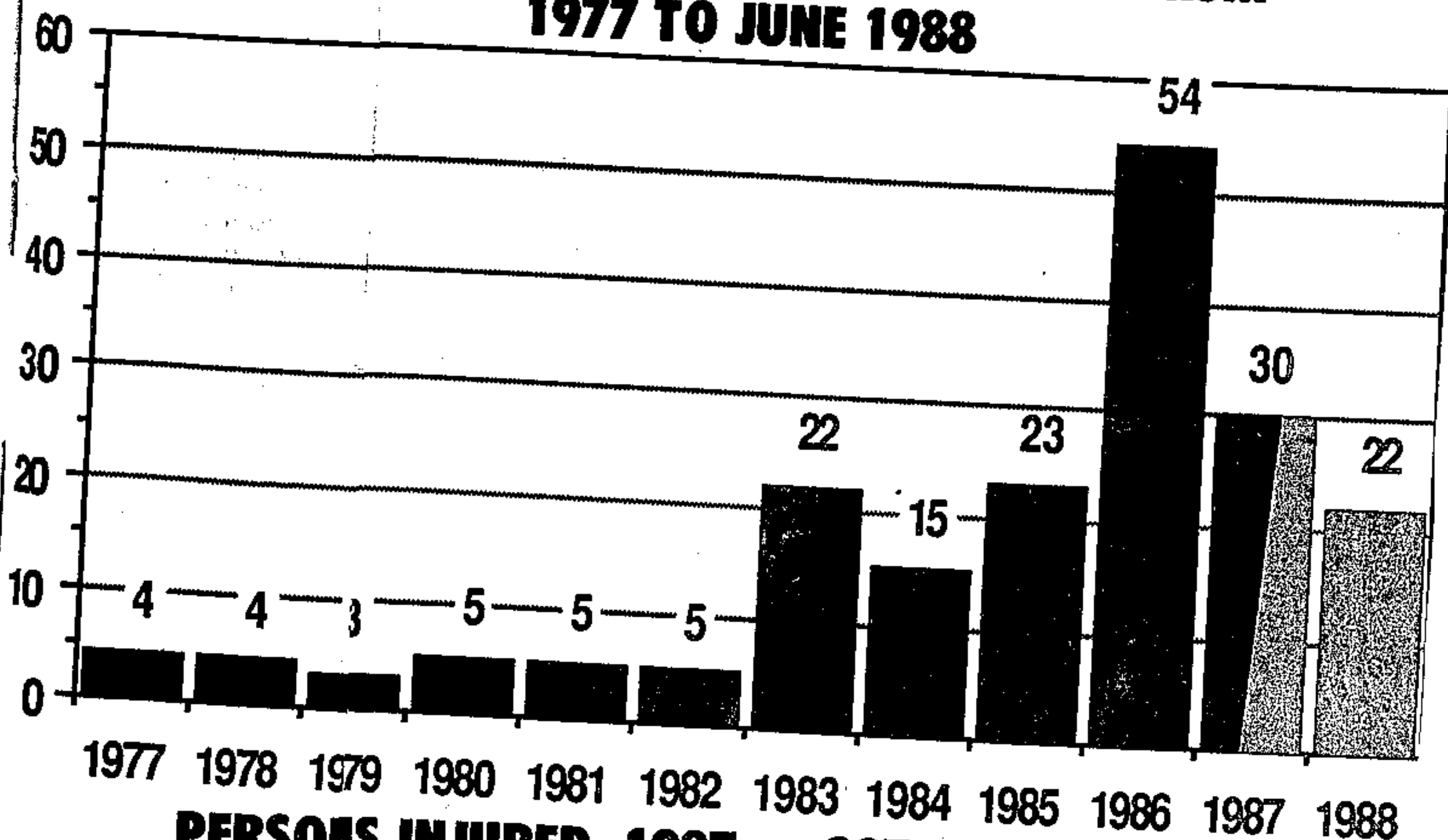
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FOREIGN-TRAINED TERRORISTS KILLED OR ARRESTED: 1976 TO JUNE 1988



Violent onslaught

NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED IN TERRORISM 1977 TO JUNE 1988



PERSONS INJURED: 1987 — 327; 1988 — 156

Wimpy Bar plans to tighten security

WIMPY Bar franchise holders from around the country will meet in Johannesburg today to discuss the tightening of security arrangements, after yesterday's limpet mine blast in an East London Wimpy.

The blast injured 23 people, two of them seriously.

Pleasure Foods MD Vincent Hays said atrocities such as the East London blast "must be eliminated forthwith".

His company had had discussions with Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok, "who has expressed his concern and has assured us the necessary steps will be taken to ensure the safety of our customers".

Fedhasa's executive committee had also been asked to call an urgent meeting to discuss additional security measures, Hays said.

Yesterday's bomb-blast was the third at a Wimpy Bar in 26 months. On July 30 this year a bomb exploded in a crowded Wimpy Bar in Benoni, killing one person and injuring 56. A blast at the Rissik Street, Johannesburg, Wimpy Bar on June 24, 1986, injured 18. — Sapa.

Angola is 'main base' for the ANC

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Political Staff

ANGOLA is the main training ground for ANC terrorists and Botswana is their main infiltration route into South Africa, General Johan van der Merwe, head of the security police, said yesterday.

Briefing political journalists on the current security situation, he said South Africa is having a "reasonable degree of success" against infiltration.

Botswana is the main conduit because the ANC has difficulties in operating from other neighbouring states, but is nevertheless still using them to varying degrees as staging posts to reach SA.

The ANC's involvement in Angola is an important aspect of the current peace negotiations concerning Cuban withdrawal and independence for Namibia. However, General Van der

Merwe said it is a sensitive situation and he could not say what the outcome of the peace talks would be.

He said Botswana had been given warnings of the activities of ANC members in its country and is attempting to take firmer action.

"However, we understand that President Kenneth Kaunda has asked Botswana not to be too tough on the ANC, which has established underground structures in that country," he said.

Botswana was careful not to give the ANC such a degree of free rein that it would entice action by the SA security forces.

"In light of the increased infiltration by terrorists, and the serious warnings issued by SA, Botswana decided in 1987 on a stricter security policy regarding revolutionary movements," he said, adding that South Africa has the impression there is a great deal of laxity or inefficiency on the part of Botswana.

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Cape Times, Wednesday,

22 killed in terror attacks this year JCA

By BARRY STREEK
Political Staff

DURING the first six months of this year, 22 people died in South Africa as victims of terrorist actions, the head of the security police, Lieutenant-General Johan van der Merwe, said yesterday.

In the whole of last year 30 people were killed in similar attacks and 54 were killed in 1985.

However, though a number of people had been killed and injured, the number of terrorist incidents was relatively lower than in the previous two years.

In the first six months of this year there had been 88 incidents, compared to 234 last year and 230 in 1985.

General Van der Merwe said the attacks on "soft" targets had increased public awareness of these incidents, though so far there had not been as many as in the previous two years.

In analysis of the most important targets during the first six months of this year, 45 involved murder or attempted murder of civilians, while 31 involved murder or attempted murder of police.

Use of limpet mines

A further seven incidents involved murder or attempted murder of members of the SADF and commandos, none in the railways and on state and public buildings.

His figures showed an increasing use of limpet mines, which were used in 36% of the incidents, compared to the 20% use of limpet mines in the first six months of last year.

In 20% of the incidents AK-47 assault rifles were used, in 8% Makarov pistols were used and in 2% home-made explosive devices.

Between January and June this year 139 ANC, PAC and Black Consciousness Movement of Azania "terrorists" had been incapacitated. Thirty-two had been killed.

Over the past 18 months, 419 "terrorists" had been incapacitated, including 200 who had been trained in foreign countries.

Thirty-two of the 419 had been trained in neighbouring states and one in a homeland.

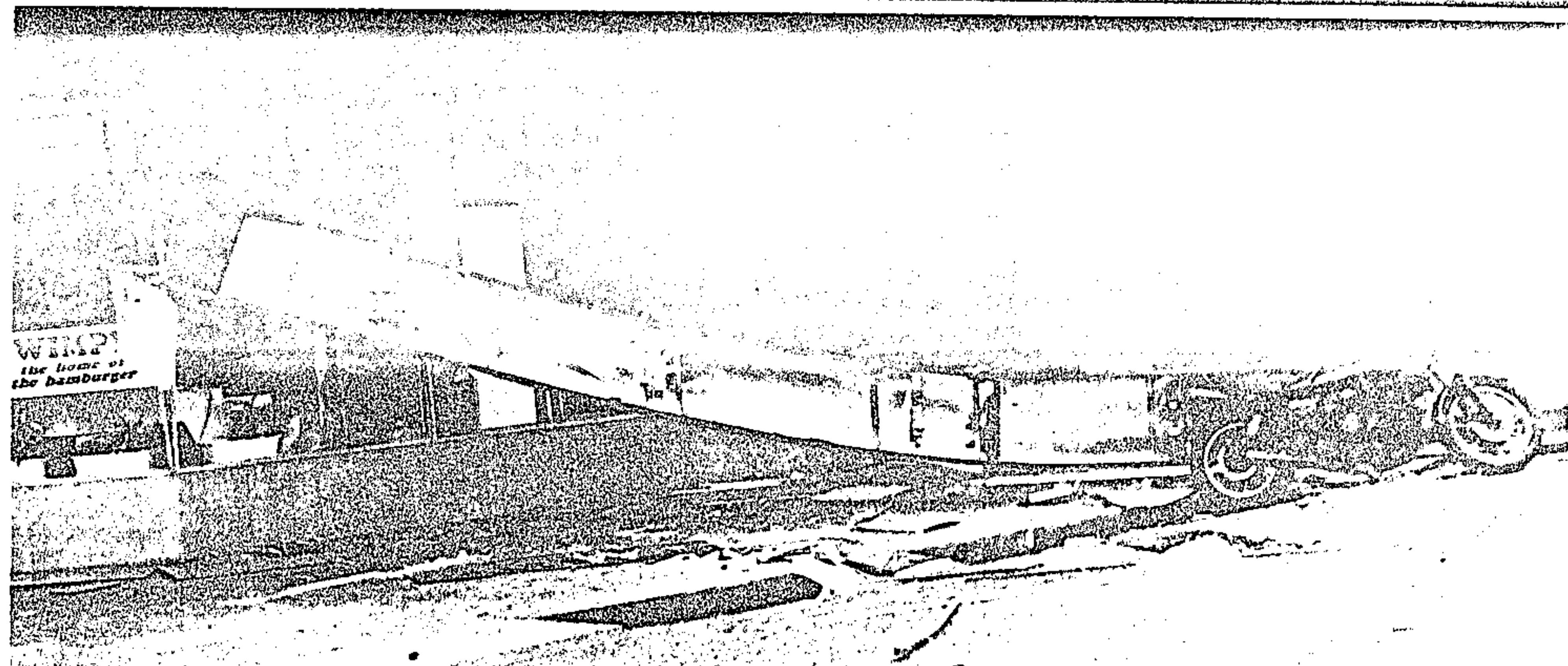
General Van der Merwe said it was not known where 30 of the "terrorists" had been trained.

He added that a total of 60 of the 419 "terrorists" incapacitated had been killed.

Wimpy blast

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Restaurant clampdown

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Staff Reporters and Own Correspondents

NEW security measures are to be introduced at restaurants country-wide after yesterday's Wimpy blast, which follows the recent bombing of popular eating places.

Late last night three of the 23 people injured in yesterday's attack on an East London Wimpy Bar were still undergoing treatment for serious injuries.

In the wake of the blast Mr Vincent Hayes, managing director of Pleasure Foods Ltd, the company which owns the Wimpy chain, said he spoke with the

Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, yesterday.

"Mr Vlok said he would ask police to enforce greater security measures for restaurants," said Mr Hayes.

He did not want to reveal what security measures Mr Vlok had discussed, as this would be "defeating the object", but said tightened restaurant security, which would probably focus on peak hours, was imminent.

Wimpy Bar customers and passers-by narrowly escaped death yesterday when a limpet mine placed under a table inside the fast food outlet exploded without warning at 1.15pm.

The outlet, in the Sanlam Building on the corner of East London's Oxford and Argyle streets, was extensively damaged in the blast and drove a deep fist-sized hole into the floor.

The three badly-injured blast victims, Mrs Maria Anna Klok, 49, of Devereux Avenue, Mrs Amanda Le Roux, 32, of Quigney, and Miss Janet Maree, 20, of Nahoon, were still in a serious condition in Frere Hospital late last night.

They were suffering from shrapnel wounds and shock, while Mrs Le Roux also sustained burns.

Other victims were treated for shock and superficial wounds caused by flying glass and were discharged from hospital.

The police liaison officer for Border, Major Trevor Hayes, said an intensive investigation was under way, but by last night no one had claimed responsibility for the blast.

Maj Hayes said there were about 10 customers inside the Wimpy at the time and the bulk of the injured were passers-by.

Police and rescue workers were at the scene within minutes as on-lookers rendered first aid to victims.

One of the victims, Mr Ference Makovindir, 35, was blown through a window by the force of the blast. He and his wife Theonie, 28, of Beacon Bay, were having coffee when the mine exploded.

"I don't know what happened," a shaken and deafened Mr Makovindir said.

"I heard this thunderous noise and saw the flames, and the next thing I was thrown out of the window. I went back into the place to look for my wife."

Wimpy's operations director, Mr Mike Hall, said from Johannesburg yesterday that the outlet had held talks with a number of security firms regarding better protection for customers.

2 jailed for bomb

EAST LONDON. - Two men have been given lengthy jail sentences in the Regional Court for their involvement in a bomb blast in a Queenstown shopping centre two years ago.

Fikile Owen Gwadana, 35, and Mziwabantu Errol Dabula, 26, turned to the public gallery and shouted "amandla", as they were led away after sentencing.

Gwadana was sentenced to ten years for terrorism, two years for the illegal possession of grenades and five years for attempted murder.

The sentences will run concurrently, and he will serve an effective 12 years.

Dabula was sentenced to three years for terrorism, for having assisted his co-accused. —

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inquest held

EAST LONDON. — An inquest, effectively held in secret, has failed to answer any of the many questions still surrounding the murder last year of IDASA official Eric Mntonga.

The inquest was held in June in the Zwelitsha Magistrate's Court, but neither the family, the lawyers nor Idasa were informed. Details only emerged when journalists made inquiries.

After an informal hearing, the court found that Mntonga's death was caused by "unknown persons". No evidence was led, and the finding was based on a series of affidavits submitted by police.

Ciskei attorney-general Willem Jurgens said his office had not yet received a file from the inquest court. There was a legal requirement that notification should be sent to the next-of-kin.

Police to keep an eye on restaurants

Staff Reporters

Police are to increase their presence and activity around restaurants in the country after a limpet mine explosion injured 25 people — two seriously — at a Wimpy bar in East London yesterday, said Mr Vincent Hays, managing director of Pleasure Foods, which runs the Wimpy franchise.

Mr Hays said he was given the information by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, who contacted him after the 1.20 pm blast.

Mr Hays said Wimpy would upgrade its existing security measures. Wimpy franchise holders would meet in Sandton today.

The blast yesterday was the second in an East London restaurant recently and, said Mr Hays, the third in a Wimpy in recent years.

Nineteen of those injured yesterday are women, two of whom were seriously hurt and admitted to the Frere Hospital. They are Mrs Amanda le Roux (32) and Mrs Anna Klok (49). The other victims, who suffered mainly shrapnel wounds and injuries caused by flying glass, were treated for shock and discharged.

The limpet mine, placed underneath a table in the middle of the restaurant, wreaked havoc and left a hole in the floor. East London police spokesman Major Trevor Hayes said there were about 10 customers inside the premises at the time and most of the victims were passers-by.

The chief of the Security Police, Lieutenant-General Johan van der Merwe, has blamed the ANC for the blast and said its leadership could not dissociate itself from the policy of hitting "soft targets".

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EX-ANC MAN DISMISSES SOFT-TARGET EXCUSES

CAPE TOWN — A former ANC field commander who is now a policeman said yesterday attacks on soft targets had been ANC policy since 1983. He added that members planned attacks independently.

His comments were made to political correspondents at a Ministry of Law and Order briefing.

The man, introduced only as Glory, dismissed as a diplomatic tactic a recent ANC statement regretting

attacks on soft targets.

He said the ANC wanted Nelson Mandela to stay in jail because he was the single major mobilisation-of-the-masses factor and a key component of the revolutionary campaign.

The former ANC commander, trained in Angola, East Germany and the Soviet Union, handed himself over to the SAP in 1986.

He is now a police constable in what was described by the chief of the security police, Lt-Gen Johann van der Merwe, as a vital role in counter-revolutionary operations.

Van der Merwe said details of Glory's activities, which might lead to his identity, could not be published.

The man was described as the most highly-trained ANC terrorist to have joined the SAP. — Sapa.

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Another bomb ^(S/A) at a Wimpy Bar ^{25/8/88 B/Day}

A LIMPET mine was detonated by police outside a Standerton Wimpy Bar yesterday afternoon while Wimpy Bar franchise holders from around the country were meeting in Sandton to discuss ways of tightening up security.

After yesterday's blast — the second at a Wimpy Bar in 24 hours and the fourth in the past two years — MD of Wimpy franchiseholders Pleasure Foods Vincent Hays said security measures recommended by the SAP during yesterday's meeting would be implemented immediately.

No one was injured in yesterday's blast at 1.30pm, but minor damage was caused to buildings in the area.

A police spokesman said the limpet mine was detonated in a street yesterday after it was found in a carrier bag in front of the restaurant by a member of the public at 12.50pm.

Sapa reports that Willie le Roux, from a nearby garage, said an English-speaking Wimpy customer, later identified as Robert Moody from Jo-

DANIEL SIMON

hannesburg, spotted "a young black man" placing the limpet mine in the carrier bag outside the Wimpy Bar.

"The man came outside and when he saw the bag lying there, he came across and asked me to phone the police," said Le Roux.

"When the police saw it was a bomb they pulled it with a rope to the centre of the street."

Commissioner of Police Gen H G de Witt has called on the public to assist police in a renewed anti-terror drive.

In a statement in Pretoria De Witt said plain-clothes and uniformed police would patrol public areas to ensure widespread protection.

The Federated Hotel Liquor and Catering Association (Fedhasa) has appealed to the ANC to stop singling out restaurants as targets for bomb attacks.

Fedhasa condemned the attacks, saying restaurants were open to all.

Bomb hero Mr Robert Moody, 56, risked his life to find out if a suspicious-looking packet outside the Standerton Wimpy Bar contained a deadly limpet mine — but patrons did not at first take his warning seriously.

Mr Moody, a door salesman and father of two daughters, said yesterday: "They looked at me as if I was speaking Chinese. Only after I told them a second time did they start moving."

Mr Moody was on a business trip to Standerton and had stopped in at the restaurant for tea.

"I was reading a newspaper report on the East London blast and thought what a hell of a thing it would be to have a bomb inside the Wimpy that I was in," he said.

"Then I noticed a man in blue overalls acting suspiciously outside. He was carrying a silver bag and was acting strangely. Then he was no longer carrying the bag.

On the step

"I actually caught his eye for a moment and tried to see what he was doing but then he was gone."

Ten minutes later when Mr Moody left the restaurant he saw the silver bag near the entrance steps.

"I looked inside the bag and immediately recognised it as a limpet mine. I ran inside to warn the patrons. After the restaurant was cleared, people moved their cars in the street and then a bomb specialist (Lieutenant Hein Durr) arrived," he said.

"He really deserves a medal. He confirmed that it was a limpet mine. I also had a second peek at it because I thought I might be making a fool of myself.

"Then he attached a cord to the mine and dragged it to the middle of the road, where it later exploded."

Fedhasa appeal

Mr Moody said he was not afraid at all — "It's one of those things you see and accept."

The Federated Hotel Liquor and Catering Association (Fedhasa) has appealed to the ANC not to attack restaurants, Sapa reports.

In a strongly worded statement issued in Johannesburg, Fedhasa condemned the attacks.

Restaurants were open to all races, the association said, and added that the attacks "are therefore indiscriminate attacks on all members of the community, both black and white".

Mr Vincent Hays, managing director of Pleasure Foods, which holds the Wimpy Bar franchise, has said the restaurant chain would upgrade its security.

Police reaction was to increase the number of plainclothes and uniformed members patrolling public areas.

The Commissioner of Police, General Hennie de Witt, said restaurants and similar venues would be searched regularly.

Mr Robert Moody . . . warned disbelieving diners about the bomb.



'I SAW him carrying a silver bag and acting strangely'

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A TOTAL of 419 African National Congress, Pan Africanist Congress and Black Consciousness Movement operatives had been arrested or killed by security forces in the 18 months that ended in June this year, according to Lieutenant - General Johan van der Merwe, chief of the security police.

He told a Press briefing in Cape Town that 86 were killed and 333 arrested.

According to General van der Merwe the 419 included insurgents who had been trained inside and outside South Africa.

Of a total of 261 of those "eliminated" and who had been trained outside South Africa, it was not known where 61 had been sent from.

However, investigations had shown that the greater majority of those trained outside the Republic infiltrated South Africa via Botswana.

Attacks in South Africa had escalated from only four in 1976 to 136 in 1985, 230 in 1986, 234 last year, and 88 up to the end of June this year.

Gen van der Merwe said that the number of people killed until June this year was 22 compared with 30 who had been killed all of last year.

However, fatalities had dropped since 1986, when the toll was 54.

Beside saying the majority came through Botswana, Gen van der Merwe declined to say how many insurgents infiltrated South Africa from Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Swaziland and Lesotho.

However, their information was that the

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GENERAL Johann van der Merwe, head of the security police.

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majority emanated from training camps in Angola, where there were 1800 recruits in four camps at Quibaxe, Caculama, Malanje and Pango.

A further 410 were being trained in the Soviet Union, East Germany, Yugoslavia, Cuba and Libya.

Libya was also training 40 Pan Africanist Congress members.

Gen van der Merwe said these figures, dated July this year, were estimates based on interrogations of arrested insurgents.

Based on similar information, as well as that obtained from informers, there were a total of 1025 insurgents present in Zambia, Zimbabwe,

Botswana, Mozambique, Swaziland and Lesotho this month.

The ANC's Mozambique organisation was operating clandestinely in Swaziland and Lesotho.

Gen van der Merwe said six monthly figures from the beginning of 1987 showed an increasing tendency of terrorists to attack and murder civilians.

In the six months to June this year, 46 percent of the attacks were on civilians, 32 percent on the police, seven percent on the SADF, nine percent on railways and only one percent on Government and other public buildings.

Decline

Referring to the decline in unrest incidents following the imposition of the state of emergency and other security actions by the Government, Gen van der Merwe said the impression might be created that the "revolutionary onslaught has been effectively rooted out."

This was, however, not the complete picture.

The country was experiencing one of the fiercest campaigns to break down the Government through lies, misrepresentation and half truths.

"The internal onslaught is only one of the dimensions of the ANC/SACP's so-called

General Johann van der Merwe, head of the security forces, this week announced that 419 operatives of the African National Congress, Pan Africanist Congress and Black Consciousness Movement of Azania had been "eliminated" (either killed or arrested). At the time of going to press the *Sowetan* had not yet verified his claims with the ANC, PAC or BCMA. They have in the past also claimed successes and given high figures showing security forces casualties.

four pillars of the revolution.

The first pillar was the role of the underground structures of the ANC and SACP.

The second was the mobilisation and unification of mass actions in the country especially through so-called commemoration days which included Sharpeville Day (March 21), Workers' Day (May 1), Soweto Day (June 16) and Heroes' Day (December 16).

The most important agent of influence for successful mass actions remained intimidation and black youths were especially used for this.

Gen van der Merwe said the armed offensive of the ANC was the third pillar and the fourth was the international cam-

paign for the total isolation of the Republic and the accompanying calls for total economic sanctions.

Agitation for the implementation of so-called "people's education" as an alternative to the existing education system was continuing "despite efforts against leader figures in terms of the emergency regulations".

Radical trade unions were continuing protest actions and the supporters of "liberation theology" were increasingly emphasising Biblical justification for the violence committed by revolutionary organisations.

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"With the churches playing an increasing role in penitent protest against the Government and their remarks in this regard, the ANC is being portrayed in the propaganda circles as a Christian organisation driven to violence.

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By CHRIS STEYN

AS A second bomb attack within 24 hours on Wimpy Bar outlets occurred yesterday, an angry hotel and restaurant industry appealed to the ANC to stop bombing restaurants.

In a strongly-worded statement, the Federated Hotel Liquor and Catering Association (Fedhasa) denounced the spate of bomb blasts which have hit restaurants and other "soft" targets around the country.

A limpet mine planted outside a Standerton Wimpy outlet was yesterday dragged into the street where it was detonated harmlessly.

The 1.30pm blast caused only minor damage to buildings in the area but blew a large crater in the road.

The blast came as three of the 23 people injured in Tuesday's bomb blast at an East London Wimpy outlet were still being treated in hospital.

'Responsibility'

The ANC has declined to deny or accept responsibility for the blasts, which brought to four the number of attacks on Wimpy outlets over the past two years.

In the wake of the blasts, police commissioner General Hennie de Witt yesterday announced an all-out anti-terror drive to protect civilians.

He said that in a bid to protect the public against terror attacks, restaurants and other public places would be searched on a regular basis for limpet mines and other explosive devices.

All available police officials would be used — including administrative staff — to keep a watchful eye on public places, even in their free time.

Uniform and plainclothes policemen would perform these duties on a rotational basis to ensure widespread protection, the general said.

When the Cape Times put the Fedhasa statement to a senior ANC official in Lusaka yesterday, he indicated that the organization was severely embarrassed by the recent spate of bomb attacks on "soft" targets.

The official was at pains to say the organization's military leaders had sent instructions to cadres and militants in South Africa to "avoid soft

Second mine blast in 24 hrs

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A limpet mine was detonated by police outside a Standerton Wimpy Bar yesterday afternoon while Wimpy Bar franchise holders from around the country were meeting in Sandton, Johannesburg, to discuss ways of tightening up security.

A police spokesman said a limpet mine was detonated in a street after it was found in a carrier bag by a member of the public at 12.50pm in front of the Retief Street Wimpy Bar.

In the wake of the blast the MD of Wimpy franchise holders Pleasure Foods, Mr Vincent Hays, said that security measures recommended by police during yesterday's meeting would be implemented immediately.

No one was injured in yesterday's 1.30pm blast, but minor damage was caused to buildings in the area and the road where it exploded.

Sapa reports that Mr Willie le Roux, from a garage across from the Wimpy Bar, said "a young black man" was spotted dropping the limpet mine in a carrier bag outside the Wimpy outlet.

A customer "came outside and when he saw the bag lying there, he came across and asked me to phone the police", said Mr Le Roux.

"When the police saw it was a bomb they pulled it with a rope to the centre of the street."

targets at all times, and to stick to policy as laid down in training".

In spite of claims that there was no direct control from Lusaka over ANC operatives in SA, he insisted that there were ways of halting soft-target attacks.

Fedhasa pointed out to the ANC that hotels and restaurants were open to all races and that attacks on restaurants were therefore indiscriminate attacks on all members of the community.

Mr Fred Thermann, executive director of the association's operations, said it was "totally beyond our understanding" how the ANC could believe it was furthering its cause by attacking soft targets.

"It is appalling to assume that restaurant chains are being singled out and innocent people killed and maimed merely for the sake of publicity in the international press."

Globally the hospitality industry was a "passport to peace", he said, but the ANC was "turning it into a passport for war".

Fedhasa had prepared comprehensive guidelines for its members on pre-emptive action to take to safeguard and protect the public and had called for an urgent meeting with the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok.

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Tales of terror

Nearly 50% of the ANC and PAC insurgents killed or captured in the 18 months up to the end of June this year infiltrated SA via Botswana. Security Police chief, Johan van der Merwe, said this to journalists at a briefing in Cape Town this week.

Van der Merwe said of the 261 terrorists killed or captured, 128 came through Botswana, 33 through Swaziland, 14 through Zimbabwe, one through Mozambique, and one on a direct flight into the country. The infiltration routes of 61 were unknown.

Botswana is being used by insurgents as the main infiltration route in spite of the Botswana government's public commitment not to allow the territory to be used a springboard for attacks against SA. Van der Merwe said police believe officials or members of the Botswana security forces are either lax in the execution of their duties, or deliberately allow the ANC to use the country as a transit route.

Although the Botswana government cracked down on ANC activities after SA government warnings last year, Zambian leader Kenneth Kaunda has appealed to Botswana not to "hunt" the ANC and to turn a "blind eye" to the organisation's activities. The appeal is being considered, said Van der Merwe.

He added that the situation in Swaziland is also "causing concern." After a period of

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relative inactivity following Swazi government action against the ANC, there is now evidence of the re-establishment of an underground structure in the country.

He said that although the "revolutionary climate" in SA is not as bad today as it was towards the end of last year, the security situation is still unsatisfactory. (His comments were made before the East London bombing on Tuesday.)

The perception that the level of terrorism is increasing is due to the type of "soft" civilian targets being selected in what is apparently an effort by the ANC to boost morale within the ranks of its armed cadres, Van der Merwe said. There was, however, a marked decrease in the rate of terror incidents in the first six months of the year (88) compared to the whole of last year (234) and 1986 (230).

The main targets of terror attacks have changed from the murder and attempted murder of policemen last year (36%) to the murder and attempted murder of civilians (46%) in the first six months of this year. This has resulted in an increase in the death rate in attacks. In the whole of last year there were 30 while the figure for the first half of this year was 22.

Angola remains the main training area for ANC insurgents with an estimated 1 800 currently undergoing training in four camps in the country. PAC insurgents are believed to be under training only in Libya. There are also believed to be about 1 025 trained insurgents based in or in transit in neighbouring states (excluding Angola).

Van der Merwe said the transfer of Chris Hani, chief of staff of the ANC's armed wing, Umkhonto We Sizwe, to head the organisation's mass mobilisation strategy

probably has two aims: firstly to appease Western governments concerned by Hani's hardline attitude towards violence inside SA, and secondly to put Hani — who has a reputation as a good organiser — into a position where he can devote attention to mobilising opposition within SA to the municipal elections in October.

Loss of control?

Recent "soft target" bombings in SA are being seen in some quarters as indicating dissent in the ranks of ANC leadership, or at least a loss of control over terrorists operating inside the country. The speculation reveals a touching faith in ANC policy as stated to date — that of avoiding civilian casualties wherever possible.

The organisation has been quick to reiterate this policy, and dissociate itself from actions committed "in anger" by individuals. This in turn has been interpreted as a rap over the knuckles for militant Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK) chief-of-staff Chris Hani. Compounding the situation has been the removal of Hani ally Steve Tshwete from his political commissar's post in MK.

Talk of a rift between moderate and militant leadership, however, may be no more than wishful thinking. According to Natal University political scientist Ian Phillips, the Tshwete move is simply a promotion, comparable with the 1986 ascendancy of Joe Slovo to general secretary of the SA Communist Party and his consequent relinquishing of the post of MK chief-of-staff.

In any event, Phillips points out, it was not Tshwete's job as political commissar to make military policy, so his removal from the posi-

tion is unlikely to have any profound effect on the conduct of "armed propaganda" in SA.

The bombings have also prompted questions about the Soviet attitude to an escalation of violence in SA. Despite the fact that the Soviets now advocate a negotiated, rather than a military, solution it seems unlikely that their arms supply to MK would be cut as a deterrent to violence.

Both the Soviets and the ANC agree that the armed struggle is not meant to take on the State militarily. The dilemma is how force may best be utilised as coercion to negotiate, without resulting in a counter-productive hardening of attitudes among whites (and blacks affected by bombings).

Government maintains that the ANC's intention to step up the armed struggle is inconsistent with its stated willingness to talk.

The ANC itself sees the armed struggle as an issue which is subject to "democratic debate" within the organisation.

Whatever uncertainty such debate may engender, there is some small comfort to be derived from the fact that efforts are still being made to stave off the hard line. ■

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**'ANC has
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Political Staff

THE ANC is using increasingly sophisticated weapons, including ground-to-ground and ground-to-air missiles — and crossbows.

This was disclosed yesterday at a press briefing by the head of the security police, Lieutenant-General Johan van der Merwe, when he provided statistics of armaments brought into South Africa from neighbouring states, particularly Botswana.

He said three RPG-7 rocket-propelling loads, three RPG-7 rockets, one portable ground-to-air Soviet SAM-7 rocket with one launcher and three rockets, and a crossbow with an optical sight and two arrows had been captured.

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A GRADUATE of the 1976 student uprisings, who has spent most of his adult life as a soldier in the African National Congress army will soon be formally named to replace its outgoing political commissar Steve Tshwete.

He is Timothy Nkoana, 35, who left Soweto in the late 1970s to join Umkhonto weSizwe (MK). Lusaka sources say he rose through the ranks to a senior post in the ANC's military structures in Angola before his elevation to the position of political commissar.

The ANC has delayed formal announcement of his promotion — and his simultaneous co-option to the ANC's national executive committee (NEC) — until he is free to return to Lusaka to take up his post, the sources say. They would not say what the delay is, nor where he is at present.

His appointment, however, could help calm the media storm raised by Tshwete's removal as political commissar two weeks ago — only a month after his elevation to the NEC.

Nkoana's co-option to the NEC means direct military representation on the committee remains at four — with MK head Joe Modise, chief of staff Chris Hani and head of military intelligence Ronnie Kasrills (co-opted to the NEC at the same time as Tshwete).

Even without Tshwete — now out of the military but still a member of the NEC — this is a higher proportion than in the past, say ANC sources. It does not support speculation of an ANC "old guard" move to muzzle the relatively young and energetic military leadership.

Coming from within the army and with past promotions either approved or suggested by Hani, Nkoana does not fit the picture of an appointment to bring the military into line, the sources say.

Any conclusion about the significance of Tshwete's relocation, they suggest, is to be found in where he has gone (to the ANC's Political Committee) rather than in his removal as political commissar — which they insist is not a demotion, as has been suggested.

They also reject speculation that he lost the commissarship over the recent spate of bombings of restaurants, sports venues and other "soft targets" — although they concede the timing of leaks to the press may have been significant.

A statement put out in the name of the entire NEC last week strongly criticised these "soft target" attacks, while acknowledging several of them had been carried out by MK fighters.

While the statement said at least some of the attacks had been carried out by

A key man is shifted sideways, a young guerrilla suddenly promoted, an unusual statement issues from the national executive ... what does all this mean? **DAVID NIDDRIE** reports from Lusaka

civilians in attacks on "hard" targets. ANC sources call this "by-standers caught in the cross-fire".

Recent attacks have gone beyond this, the sources concede. The Ellis Park attack and the mid-day bombing of an amusement arcade in central Johannesburg, are two examples indicating, several

observers suggested, a division within the ANC leadership over the issue.

Significantly, however, last week's statement was put out on behalf of the entire NEC, rather than — as is more usual — from secretary general Alfred Nzo or president Oliver Tambo. Endorsement is understood to have been unanimous.

And Tshwete is known to share growing concern within the upper ranks of the ANC at what one source called "a trend towards a predominance of soft target attacks".

Nevertheless, ANC sources admit the recent wave of bombings appears to call into question either the seriousness of the ANC's pursuit of its stated policy, or the leadership's ability to control their fighters.

"We are serious and word has gone down the line that this must stop," a senior ANC member said. "But ours is an underground struggle and our communication can take time."

More important in this regard, a senior military source added, is another consequence of Kabwe: the substantial, although uneven, increase in guerrillas infiltrating back into South Africa — "400 this year alone, as well as a (possibly) similar number of fighters trained inside the country."

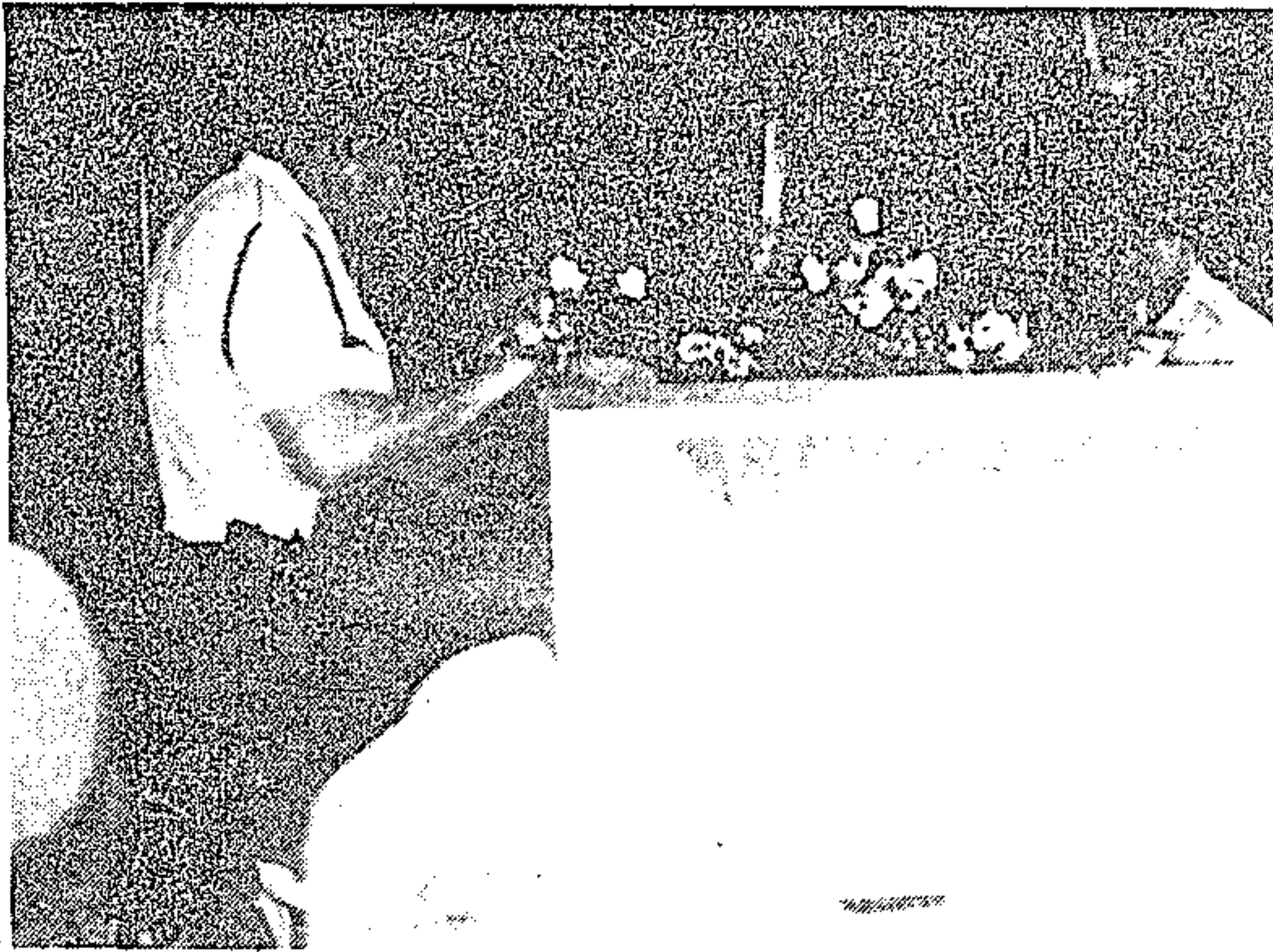
But the "people's war" thesis assumes the existence or establishment of a senior political leadership alongside the military structures — both to direct attacks and to ensure the military struggle develops along lines demarcated by long-term ANC strategy and policy.

"In those terms we got ahead of ourselves. We have not entirely succeeded in establishing seasoned political direction for the fighters we're getting in or training locally," the military source said.

"If we are serious about escalating our struggle and challenging the enemy, we have to address the problem."

Recent ANC appointments reflect a broader awareness of this, says another ANC member. The prime example is Tshwete's move to the political committee which oversees "mass mobilisation" and the development of specific ANC political structures inside the country.

Why all the post shuffling at the top of the ANC?



Fast food, soft target. Blasts in restaurants and public places provoke ANC debate

Picture: ELNEWS

"enemy agents" as provocation or to undercut ANC support (Pan-Africanist Congress responsibility was unlikely Lusaka sources said afterwards), it suggests ANC members responsible for specific soft target attacks would face disciplinary action for breaching ANC policy on military targets.

That policy derives from the ANC's consultative conference at Kabwe in late 1985. Prior to Kabwe, ANC policy was to avoid any attack in which civilians could be hurt or killed. After 1985 military policy changed in three ways by:

- Adopting the notion of a "people's war", implying a significant increase in the numbers of people involved in military action;
- Expanding what constituted a "hard" or legitimate target to include civilians involved in implementing apartheid, and
- Accepting the possibility of unintentionally injuring or killing innocent

SA spies in ANC — general

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by JOHN McLENNAN, Political Correspondent

DURBAN.— The SA Security Police has planted spies within the top executive of the ANC.

This was disclosed this week by Lt. General Johan van der Merwe, head of the Security Police, and follows the assertion by President Botha that the Government is well informed on what happens in the "inner circles" of the banned organisation.

General van der Merwe also said that the Security Police had in the past "turned" captured ANC guerillas and sent them back on missions against the organisation in order to test them.

He made the disclosures at a briefing near Cape Town this week where the Press was allowed to interview a former ANC terrorist who came in from the cold to become a constable in the SAP and hunt his old comrades.

As a former operational commander in the Transvaal he was able to provide fascinating insights into the workings of the ANC. Among them:

■ THE ANC long ago committed itself privately to attacking so-called soft targets. Publically, however, it will not admit to these atrocities.

■ IT has little control over its "cadres" in the field. Some are sent in on short term missions after which they return to base. Others have long term objectives and stay in the country indefinitely. The organisation has little communication with them and this is

why the ANC cannot immediately stop the series of restaurant blasts, even if publicity is damaging.

■ THE ANC has set up reasonably sophisticated infiltration routes and groups of support personnel right in the cities. Their "border reconnaissance" lead guerillas in and out of the country on previously scouted and safe routes. The support groups, known as "machinery", provide accommodation, security and communication.

■ ARMS and ordinance is brought in mainly through motor cars which have been equipped with special compartments.

The official story of the man, known as Mr X, is that developments such as the introduction of the tricameral system gave him hope and he then gave himself up to the police.

He is now used on anti-ANC operations and is most useful to the police because he knows how they operate.

Many of those captured — and his defection apparently enabled the authorities to net many ANC cadres — were his previous comrades.

He claims many other ANC members would like to return, but are prevented from doing so by the physical difficulties involved and not only the ANC.

Those who change their minds about supporting the organisation, he said, are kept in punishment camps.

A FORMER field commander of ANC cadres operating in the Eastern Transvaal said this week attacks on "soft" civilian targets had been the organisation's policy since 1983 and that ANC members planned their attacks independent of headquarters.

He dismissed as a "diplomatic tactic" a statement by the ANC a few days ago that it regretted recent attacks on "soft" targets in South Africa as this had not been intended by its leaders.

The former ANC commander, who was trained in Angola, East Germany and the Soviet Union, defected to the SAP in 1986.

He is now serving as a police constable in what was described by the chief of the security police, Lt Gen Jo-

ANC policy to attack 'soft' targets, says defector

hann van der Merwe, as a "vital" role in the government's counter-revolutionary operations.

Introduced to reporters at a Ministry of Law and Order briefing near Cape Town only by his first name, "Glory", the former ANC member spoke about why he left South Africa, his training as a guerrilla, his operations, and targets and how his disillusionment led to his handing himself over. Van der Merwe said for

security reasons, details of Glory's account which might reveal his identity could not be published.

Described as the most highly trained ANC terrorist to have joined the SAP, Glory said he left SA via Swaziland and Maputo in 1977 to join the ANC.

He was taken to Angola where, after a few weeks, he became one of a group of 30 sent to East Germany for six months' training. Returning to Africa, he

and three others infiltrated SA and chose a number of targets in the Transvaal which they attacked.

Towards the end of 1978, his group had a "contact" with police, which resulted in the arrest of two of the group.

In 1980 he was appointed a field commander of ANC operations in the Transvaal, and in 1983, appointed as chief of military intelligence in the Transvaal. In September 1983 he

was one of five people selected for four months of training in Moscow.

Recounting various facets of his growing disillusionment with the ANC, Glory said cadres inside and outside South Africa were demoralised, funds were being embezzled and that young girls were being "misused" in camps by commanders.

Glory said his view now was that the introduction of the tricameral parliamen-

tary system and gradual changes for the better in South Africa provided the opportunity for negotiations.

This view was held by "a large number" of ANC cadres who would probably defect if they had the chance. "Many want to come home."

The gradual changes in South Africa were bad news for the ANC leadership, who would "love" to have the Afrikaner Weer-

standsbeweging in power so that blacks would be victims and suffer more, thus producing recruits for the ANC, he said.

Asked about the continued imprisonment of ANC leader Nelson Mandela, Glory said the ANC wanted him to stay in jail because he was the single major "mobilisation of the masses".

There was also the leadership problem which would result if Mandela was released.

Asked about divisions in the ANC's executive, Glory said 95 percent were also members of the SA Communist Party and that there was little ideological or national difference.

A factor which was present, however, was tribal differences. — Sapa

'Baby terrorist' now held under security legislation

By CHARLES MOGALE

A 15-year-old "baby terrorist" paraded before the Press two months ago is now held under the Internal Security Act.

Herbert Nkosana Mshali, arrested in Hillbrow, Johannesburg, in June, hit the headlines when he claimed after his capture that he was trained as a guerrilla by the ANC in Angola, and then sent on a mission to blow up power stations and recruit youngsters for the organisation.

City Press inquiries to the police this week could only establish that Mshali is being held under security legislation. A telex response from the police public relations directorate in Pretoria said no further details would be made available.

Nkosana's father, Joseph, said from his Dlamini home this week: "We only saw him

once since he was held, but we will be seeing him again early next month."

Earlier, Mshali described Nkosana as "my favourite one", saying he was not aware of the boy's stint in the ANC, but he had disappeared from home some time ago.

His mother Beauty said: "We pray for him daily. He is our child and we love him very much."

After his capture, Mshali told pressmen at Protea police headquarters that he regretted joining the ANC and would start working with the police.

He said he was not forced to leave the country but had done so because he was a "comrade" who wanted to fight to get the land from the "boers."

The government embarked on a massive propaganda campaign after the arrest of the boy.

Why bomb Wimpy outlets?

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Three blasts in two months but is it the left or the right wing?

By CHARLES MOGALE and CP Correspondent

FOLLOWING bomb attacks on two Wimpy restaurants this week, and another two months ago, the question remains: Why Wimpy?

Wimpy was among the first major restaurateurs to open their doors and facilities to all races.

On Tuesday, a bomb blast in a packed Wimpy restaurant in East London left 24 people injured, two of them seriously.

On Wednesday, police exploded a limpet mine after a man had drawn their attention to a plastic carrier in front of a Wimpy restaurant in Standerton. There were no injuries.

On July 30, 57 people were injured when a limpet

mine exploded under a table at a Wimpy bar in Beroni Plaza.

The Minister of Law and Order, Adriaan Vlok blamed the ANC for the explosion.

Meanwhile, Elnews reports that police have remained silent about a report that a man in a grey suit was seen bending under a table just before the East London blast.

Wimpy staff reported seeing such a man, but Border police spokesman Maj Trevor Hayes would not comment. He said he did not know what leads the investigating officer was following.

Meanwhile, three people were still in hospital after the incident.

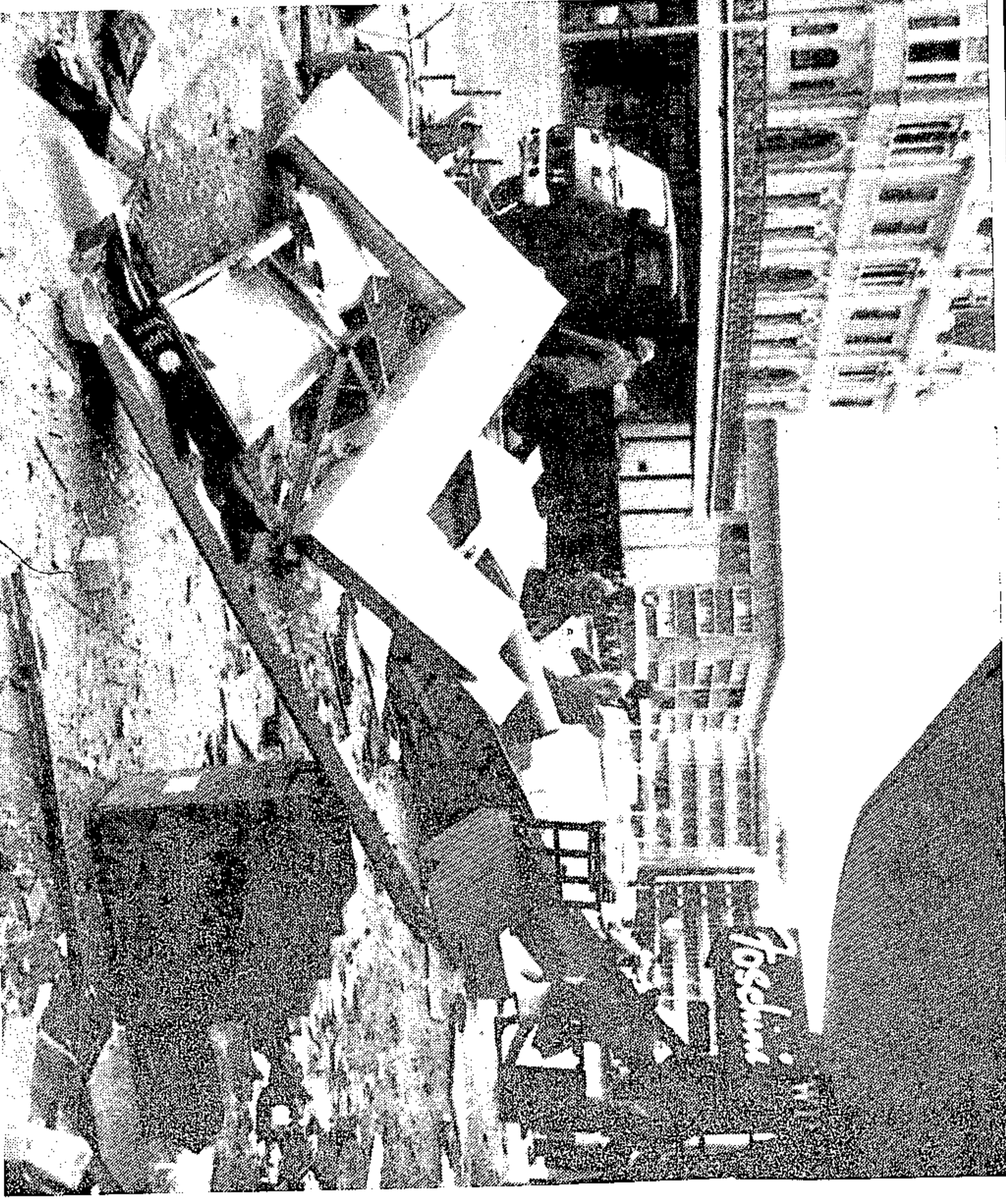
Twenty others were treated and discharged

A spokesman for Frere Hospital said one man was being treated for extensive lacerations, while two women were suffering from burns.

After the East London blast, the chief of the security police, Lt-Gen Johan van der Merwe, said the attack carried the hallmarks of an ANC attack. He said the excited movement could not dissociate itself from the policy of hitting "soft targets".

Vlok promised Wimpy's managing director Vincent Hays tighter security around outlets of the restaurant chain.

Reports from Standerton said a "young black man" was spotted dropping the "plastic carrier" with the explosives outside Wimpy.



A limpet mine placed in an East London Wimpy wreaked havoc, blowing out the front of the restaurant and leaving a hole in the floor.

No one has claimed responsibility for the attacks on Wimpy, but rightwing involvement cannot be ruled out.

A country-wide rightwing uproar erupted in 1985 when Wimpy ordered all its franchisees to bring down racial signs or leave.

Problem areas identified at that time were the northern and western Transvaal,

strongholds of the right-wing.

Although some franchisees protested at the order from head office, Wimpy stood firm on the order to open the doors to all, or quit.

Several protestors sold their businesses when faced with the threat of Wimpy not renewing their

five-yearly contracts.

Hays was reported as saying that the franchise contract stipulated clearly that all Wimpys would be opened to all races as soon as the laws of the country permitted.

This week, Hays said security would be tightened at all Wimpy outlets following the attacks.

Although Hays did not reveal what measures would be taken, he said they were recommended by the SAP and would be installed at a considerable cost to Wimpy.

Hays said he thought Wimpy was being made the target because it was frequented by many women and children who were considered soft targets.

Man injured in mystery blast

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JOHANNESBURG. — An unidentified man has been admitted to Tembisa hospital after being injured in an explosion in Craighall Park, Johannesburg, yesterday, a police spokesman said.

Police are still investigating the mystery explosion which apparently took place at the corner of Garden Street and Jan Smuts Ave at 8.30am.

Meanwhile, a few explosions rocked the suburb of Primrose in Germiston late on Saturday, but there were no reports of injury or damage to property, a police spokesman said.

He said the cause of the explosions — which occurred at the corner of Wychwood and Cemetery roads — was not yet known but police were investigating.

The Johannesburg and Germiston explosions followed a blast at Westville post office on Friday night, damaging a wall and shattering windows.

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GUGULETU BURIAL . . . Bearers carry the coffin of Mr Mncedisi Ketelo at his funeral at the weekend attended by 2 000 people. Mr Ketelo, a trained ANC guerilla, was killed in a recent clash with the South African security forces.

Picture: FANIE JASON

Bomb rocks post

AN EXPLOSION rocked the Westville Post Office outside Durban on Friday night, causing slight damage.

No-one was injured in the blast, which occurred just after 8pm. The police liaison officer for Port Natal, Major Charl du Toit, said the device had been placed outside the Post Office in Westville

office

Road, and had caused "minimum damage" to the building.

Maj Du Toit said that investigations were continuing and it was not yet known what type of explosive device was used. — Sapa.

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Bomb victim photos defended

By RENEE MOODIE

THE publication of pictures of the mutilated body of a bomb-blast victim on the front page of Rapport earlier this year was acceptable because it was in the public interest to see the dangerous realities of terrorism, the South African Media Council heard yesterday.

The council met in Cape Town to hear complaints about the publication of the picture, on April 17, of the body of an alleged terrorist who was said by police to have blown himself up in trying to plant a bomb in Pretoria on April 15.

The council reserved judgment on the hearing.

Complaints were based on section 7.1.3 of the council's code of conduct, which states that "due care and responsibility shall be exercised by the media with regard to the presentation of brutality, violence and atrocities".

Mr L J Vosloo, of Fish Hoek, who appeared on behalf of nine other complainants, said the picture was in "extreme bad taste" and that, on the front page, it could be seen by all and sundry.

'Duty to the citizenry'

Mr A W Mostert, appearing for Rapport, said a survey done after the publication of the picture by Unisa's Institute of Criminology showed that of 1 200 readers polled, 8,8% (134) disapproved of the picture for various reasons and that 1 066 readers approved, in principle, of the placing of the picture.

"At the end of the day, an editor has a duty to the wider citizenry and must choose between protecting the public from horror or respecting the public's right to know," Mr Mostert said.

Publication of the picture would alert people to the horror and danger of the realities of terrorism.

In response to a question about the affect of publication of the picture on the dead man's family, Mr Mostert compared the picture of the alleged terrorist to the hypothetical publication of the picture of the mutilated body of an SADF soldier.

"In the case of the SADF soldier, this is a person who enjoys the support of the citizenry, and the editor would take into account the affect on his family and the public.

"But this man (in the Rapport picture) has the opprobrium of the citizenry ... and this weighs heavier than the harm to his relatives," he said.

Mr Justice M A Diemont presided and was assisted by public representatives Mr G Hugo and Mrs M N Loots, and media representatives Mr Michael Green and Mr E H Linington.

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Hero waiting for reward

Own Correspondent SCA

DURBAN. — While the man who spotted the Sanderton Wimpy Bar bomb last week has been hailed a hero and will get R1 000 from the police, the security guard who was seriously injured earlier this month after covering the Hyde Park bomb with a bomb blanket is still in hospital, his deed apparently unrewarded.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, announced at the week-

end that Bedfordview salesman Mr Robert Moody was to receive R1 000 for his bravery.

Security guard Mr Moses Biyela, on the other hand, is still recovering from injuries he received after he threw a bomb blanket over the bomb, possibly saving many lives.

Police said yesterday that at the time of the incident the minister said Mr Biyela would be rewarded in some way, but the content of the award has apparently not been decided yet.

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Mystery explosions

JOHANNESBURG. — Germiston police have solved the mystery of the series of explosions at the Primrose cemetery on Saturday night. Police said the "explosions" were caused by an overload in overhead powerlines. Sparks set trees and the veld around the cemetery alight. No damage was caused to graves.

18 injured, R1-m damage

Huge blast devastates Khotso House

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

At least 18 people were injured or treated for shock after a huge explosion ripped through the Khotso House headquarters of the South African Council of Churches (SACC) in Johannesburg early today, causing damage estimated at more than R1 million to the building and surrounding shops and flats.

One woman was treated for shock at Hillbrow Hospital, police said. The other injured suffered only minor wounds, caused by flying glass.

Police said they knew of only seven injured — five men and two women — but residents and other sources put the figure as high as 32.

Basement

The explosion was the second at the headquarters of an anti-apartheid organisation's headquarters. Last year a massive explosion severely damaged nearby Cosatu House.

Last night's explosion was at about 1.10 am at the SACC's De Villiers Street headquarters apparently in the parking base-



The bedroom of a flat near the explosion, which shattered glass and mirrors, and ripped doors off hinges.

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Rush for petrol at old price began at dawn

By Melanie Gosling

The rush to buy petrol at the old price started at dawn today as Johannesburg motorists clamored to save a few rand by filling their tanks before the price increase comes into effect.

At midnight tonight the price of 93 and 98 octane petrol will increase by 13c a litre; 87 octane by 12c/l; diesel fuel by 11c/l and illuminating paraffin by 14c/l.

In a survey of garages by The Star today, 80 percent said the rush had started early today. 70 percent said they had taken on extra staff in anticipation of an even bigger rush this evening and 100 percent said they would have sufficient fuel supplies to meet the increased demand.

The manager of Great North Service Station, Mr S Schneider, had record sales yesterday.

"My tanks are filled to capacity so I won't run out."

Mr Hans Fourie of Melville Service Station said he had run out of petrol yesterday afternoon. "But I got more supplies last night so I should have enough. Cars have been pouring in since 5.30 am today. I've taken on more staff to cope."

Mr C Comaroff of Parkwood Garage said he was amazed at the rush. "I can't believe it. The cars are pouring in and some are driving away because they can't wait to be served. Human beings are funny. They will wait till the last minute to try to save a few rand."

Gooch feels sorry for SA cricketers

Graham Gooch, initially overlooked as England captain for the forthcoming tour of India because the selectors were convinced he had tied himself to South Africa, has spoken of his sympathy for cricketers of all races in the Republic.

The opening batsman, named on Monday as England captain for the India tour, led the 1982 rebel English tour to South Africa.

His inclusion in the England side has raised a storm which could jeopardise the tour of India, but he still takes a sympathetic stand on South Africa.

"Everyone still harks on about South Africa. I can't change what happened, can I? Obviously it still gets thrown back in my face all the time," he said in an interview with the *London Guardian*.

"Certainly I feel sorry for the cricketers there of every race. They are trying desperately to do the right and honest thing by themselves and their Government, but I don't think there's much hope for them as things



building and surrounding shops and flats.

One woman was treated for shock at Hillbrow Hospital, police said. The other injured suffered only minor wounds, caused by flying glass.

Police said they knew of only seven injured — five men and two women — but residents and other sources put the figure as high as 32.

Basement

The explosion was the second at the headquarters of an anti-apartheid organisation's headquarters. Last year a massive explosion severely damaged nearby Cosatu House.

Last night's explosion was at about 1.10 am at the SACC's De Villiers Street headquarters apparently in the parking basement.

It set off a fire in the basement after gas pipes were destroyed.

The force of the explosion was so great that the foyer collapsed into the basement and a large section of the facade was blasted open. One of those injured was a security guard who fell into the gaping hole and suffered injuries to his ribs.

The blast also severely damaged shops opposite Khotso House. The entrance to Cornerstone House was severely damaged and littered with rubble after the explosion.

Johannesburg security police chief Brigadier Gert Erasmus last night inspected the blast site, as did former SACC president, the Rev Peter Storey.

Residents of nearby Chiltern House said they were woken by a huge explosion which ripped doors from the hinges and shattered mirrors and windows.

Caretaker Mr Jan Nortje and his blind wife, Mara (51), were hurled from their beds by the explosion.

"The whole building shook as if it was going to collapse and the door was ripped away," said Mrs Nortje.

Tragic

Another elderly resident, who did not want to be named, said she was woken "by the most shocking, shocking, shocking noise".

"Everything caved in. The windows shattered and the front door was ripped off. The force was so great that it smashed a door inside my flat," she said.

Mr Storey condemned the explosion and said it was a "tragic commentary on our times".

"Any bomb planted by anyone in the centre of a city is a bestial act quite unworthy of humanity," he said.

● Khotso House was this morning officially closed because the severe structural damage caused by the blast was a danger, said Johannesburg Fire Chief Mr Frikkie Kotze.

"The building is out of bounds to everybody. The main reason is that people who now enter Khotso House will be in danger. There is in any case no safe way of entering or leaving the building because the foyer floor has collapsed."

Witwatersrand police spokesman Captain Pierre Louw said today police would bring in forensic experts from Pretoria to establish the cause of the blast.

An "extremely intensive" investigation was underway.



The explosion punched a hole through the facade of Khotso House and showered shops opposite with bricks and rubble.

Explosion calls to mind Cosatu sabotage

Although the cause of the massive blast which ripped through Khotso House this morning is not yet known, spokesmen for organisations in the building say the explosion calls to mind the sabotage of Cosatu House in May last year.

Khotso House belongs to the South African Council of Churches — which has its headquarters there — and accommodates the Black Sash, the Transvaal Rural Action Committee and several church organisations.

Until their virtual banning earlier this year, the Detainees' Parents Support Committee and the United Democratic Front also had offices there.

SACC general administrative secretary, the Reverend Francois Bill, was on the scene about an hour after the explosion, which blew a hole in the roof of the basement.

"We will not be abandoning our work just because this has happened," said Mr Bill.

He said there were simply not enough facts available yet to assess the meaning of the explosion. But he was

By Jo-Anne Collinge and Jovial Rantao doubtful that it might have been a gas blast. "One has to put it in the present context," he said.

About six months ago Community House, which housed the Western Cape Council of Churches and the UDF in the Peninsula, was bombed. More recently a staff member of the SACC was held hostage at gunpoint earlier by a man claiming to be angered by the churches' socio-political role and alleging that he was a police former.

Mrs Laura Pollecott, co-chairman of the Transvaal region of Black Sash, which has premises in Khotso House, said: "We are appalled at the attack on Khotso House — the 'House of Peace'."

"Who is to gain by this attempt to disrupt the peaceful work done by the tenants in this building where hundreds of people seek us out daily for advice for their problems as blacks living in an apartheid society? This attempt to silence us will not succeed and our work will go on."

She added: "We question the authori-

ties as to why the perpetrators of the bombings such as those Cosatu House and the offices of the Community Research and Information Centre have never been brought to book."

Mr Bill said it was hoped that SACC officials would be allowed into the building later today when general secretary the Reverend Frank Chikane returned from Cape Town.

Many tenants of the blocks of flats around Khotso House said they had woken with the sensation that their homes were being imploded.

The security guard at Chiltern Court, Mr Alfred Ngubane (26), said: "I was sleeping with five visitors when it happened. It was very dark. There were screams everywhere. We tried to find our way out but we couldn't. We had to wait for the smoke to clear."

Mrs Joyce Welkin (45), caretaker of Manhattan Court, directly behind Khotso House, said she and her sister-in-law, Mrs P D White, were sleeping when the explosion occurred. She rushed to evacuate other tenants in the building.

SA troops beat ceasefire deadline

By Claire Robertson and John Ryan

Cuban Colonel Jesus Falcon told newsmen there was good understanding between the two groups.

He said he believed the JMMC would go about its business in a "very good spirit" in a preventive, rather than reactive, way.

General Gleeson echoed the Cuban sentiments. He said, as far as the ceasefire was concerned, all appeared to be going according to plan. There had been no incidents involving the Cubans or Angolans since June 24 and no violations by Swapo since August 12.

The general said he expected that Swapo forces would adhere to the general ceasefire agreement from tomorrow — the deadline proposed by South Africa for an end to hostilities.

The JMMC, he said, would start its operations in earnest on the same day. "We must go step by step," he said.

There were almost as many journalists on hand to see the final withdrawal from Angola as there were South African troops crossing the border.

The military hardware from the Cuito Cuanavale region — Ratel armoured cars, Samils, howitzers, trucks and the occasional Buffel — were manned mainly by one or two soldiers.

South African troops poured across the Angolan border in a motorised convoy yesterday in fulfilment of ceasefire and withdrawal agreements reached at the Geneva peace talks.

Yesterday's border crossing completed a withdrawal operation of South African and South-West Africa Territorial Force (SWATF) troops.

Sapa reports that yesterday's South African withdrawal, through Rundu and Ruacana, was emphasised as "total" by the SADF's Chief of Staff, Lieutenant-General Ian Gleeson, at a press conference on the bank of the Kavango River. Fewer than 1 000 troops crossed the river at Rundu yesterday.

At no time since last year had more than 3 000 South African troops been deployed in Angola, he said.

Returning troops were met by members of the Joint Military Monitoring Commission (JMMC) which was established to check possible violations by Cuban, Swapo or SADF forces. In terms of the agreement, these forces may not be deployed between the 16th parallel and the Angolan-Namibian border.

On the bridge over the Kavango River, while remnants of South African artillery from positions east of the last battleground of Cuito Cuanavale were moving across, South African and Cuban officers shook hands.

South Africa's pull-out programme began three weeks ago. It involved 1 000 troops from the Cuito area, who took 11 days to cover the 300 km. They have been coming through the Rundu border in dribs and drabs.

Few of the soldiers showed emotion at the prospect of an end to it all.

Asked if the South African forces had left any armaments behind for Unita to use, General Gleeson said: "We have left no military equipment. We are taking out what we took in."

South African troops have been in Angola intermittently since 1975. They withdrew in 1976 after a major offensive against Swapo of which the South African public was unaware.

There was a formal troop withdrawal in April 1985 but the proposed ceasefire — in terms of the Lusaka Agreement of February 1984 — did not hold.

During talks at Ruacana on August 16 the parties engaged in negotiations over Angola and Namibia agreed on the establishment of the JMMC to oversee the withdrawal of South African troops from Angola.

Last Monday, military representatives from South Africa, the SWATF and a joint Cuban-Angolan delegation signed a treaty at Ruacana to end hostilities between the two sides.

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Arms found
at Mandela
home — cop

JOHANNESBURG. — A Soweto security policeman told the Rand Supreme Court yesterday that an AK-47 rifle and a Scorpion machine-pistol were found at the Orlando West home of Mrs Winnie Mandela in February last year.

Lieutenant A Kritzingler was giving evidence in the trial of Mr Oupa Seheri, 33, Ms Patricia Mkhonza, 29, Mr Ben Dlamini, 27, Mr S Butjelize, 25, and Mr Charles Zwane, 18.

They have pleaded not guilty to murdering Mr Xola Ngubeni on January 24 last year in Soweto. They have also pleaded not guilty to attempting to murder Mr Collin Dlamini and Mr Jeremiah Nkosi.

Lieutenant Kritzingler told the court Mrs Mandela's home was searched after information had been received that a wanted person was at the house. Sapa

SHOCKED



POLICE in front of Khotso House which was damaged following a huge explosion early yesterday.

Pic: ROBERT MAGWAZA



REV Chikane . . . SACC secretary general.

But we are not surprised says Chikane

TWENTY-ONE people were injured or treated for shock after a massive explosion rocked Khotso House, the Johannesburg headquarters of the South African Council of Churches, early yesterday.

Among the injured was a three-month-old white baby. No one was seriously injured. Police said 19 of those injured were blacks who were taken to the Hillbrow Hospital for treatment.

The other person injured was a

white woman. No one was inside Khotso House when the explosion took place.

One of those injured, a security guard at Khotso House, was standing next to the foyer when the blast took place.

Yesterday's explosion was at about 1.30am at the SACC's De Villiers Street headquarters, apparently in the parking basement. It set off a fire in the basement after gas pipes were destroyed.

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Khotso House has been officially closed because of the severe damage to the building. All roads leading to the building were yesterday closed while debris was being removed and nearby buildings repaired.

● Last year, a massive explosion caused extensive damage at Cosatu House, the headquarters of the Congress of South African Trade Unions.

THOSE slightly injured or treated for shock after the Khotso House blast were Ms Eliza Ramoneth (31) of Diepkloof, Soweto, Ms Matilda Mazhuko (19) of Drummond House, Ms Zola Phakise (28) of Drummond House, Ms Dophine Sheepers (38) of De Villiers Street, Ms Constance Kubeka (47) of Soweto, Ms Maria Dlamini (28) of George Street, Ms Elise Posa of Drummond House, Ms Florence Msaambi (31) of Drummond House, Mr Frans Lagobal (37) of Soweto, Mr Vincent Mbebe (26) of Kensington, Mr Philemon Khanyike (53) of De Villiers Street, Mr Jolly Mphela (41), of Kenridge, Mr Welcome Ntumpa of Soweto, Mr Victor Rabebe of Plain Street, Mr Johnson Hammans (26) of De Villiers Street, Mr Mossie Mhewi of Drummond House, Mr Anthony Tollins of Drummond House, Mr Zala Metlala (25) of Bree Street, Mr Vivian Mhalele, Clarence Mxole, Mr Marius Pretorius (27), of Rodepoort, three-month-old Langsant Mazhuko and seven-year-old Emmarentia van der Hoven.

Khotso House blast

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The blast caused severe damage to the building which had part of the front wall and the roof ripped off and all the windows shattered. The foyer collapsed into the basement.

A number of cars, mostly belonging to officials and employees of the SACC were badly damaged. They were parked in the building's basement.

The blast also severely damaged flats and shops opposite Khotso House. Residents staying in flats near the building said they were woken by a huge explosion which shattered windows and shook buildings.

Miss Nomsa Khumalo who lives in a flat said: "The explosion hurled me out of my bed. The whole thing was horrifying. I was so scared."

Captain Pierre Louw of the Witwatersrand police yesterday said police were still investigating the cause of the explosion.

Explosion

The police had not established whether any person or organisation was responsible for the explosion.

The Reverend Frank Chikane, general secretary of the SACC, said: "We are shocked but not completely surprised at the attack on Khotso House.

"We are grateful to God that no people were killed or seriously injured. We have no doubt that the darkest forces of evil are arranging themselves against the church of God."

Khotso site too dangerous to enter, say investigators

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By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Police investigations into what kind of explosive device caused yesterday's huge Khotso House blast — which injured 23 people — are being held up because it is too dangerous to enter the blast site.

The site, apparently in the parking basement of the De Villiers Street, Johannesburg headquarters of the SA Council of Churches, is also covered in rubble and flooded by water from burst pipes, police forensics expert Lieutenant-General Lothar Neethling told The Star.

His assessment was that an explosive device had caused the damage.

"I have not been to the blast site itself because it is too dangerous at present. There is no way one can get into the place," the general said.

The Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok yesterday expressed his condolences to the injured.

Those injured in the 1.20 am blast include a three-month-old boy, Langisani Mazibuko, who was treated for shock. He was asleep in a nearby flat.

A diabetic schoolgirl, Emmarentia van der Hoven (7), went into shock after the blast but later recovered.

Khotso House is the second headquarters of an anti-apartheid organisation in Johannesburg to be bombed. Last year, an explosion resulted in Cosatu House being condemned.

The force of yesterday's explosion caused the foyer to collapse.

Witwatersrand police liaison officer Captain Pierre Louw said the possibility of a link between the blast and the Cosatu House bombing would be investigated.

Khotso House was officially closed yesterday because of structural damage, said Johannesburg Fire Chief Mr Frikkie Kotze.

Security was lax in blast-site garage

The blast that tore through Khotso House appeared to have occurred in the basement garage — which several people who used it regarded as the Achilles heel of the building's security system.

Callers using the main foyer of the building had to check in at a reception desk, supply particulars and have the receptionist check their stated appointments, but the restraints on those entering the garage were less stringent.

Sources said this was especially so in the late afternoon, when staff left work and the normal pressure on parking was relieved. The guard at the garage ap-

parently kept no record of vehicles entering.

The organisations using Khotso House are run by committees and boards — and there were always after-hours meetings, attended by a wide variety of people.

Provided that some reasonable explanation could be given to the guard, such people might easily gain access to the garage, The Star was told. It was unlikely that any vehicle would be searched. The garage was linked by lifts to all floors of the building.

It would be quite possible to enter the garage, leave a vehicle there and depart via the main entrance.

Blast rocks municipal offices

East Rand Bureau
An explosion occurred at the municipal offices in Actonville, Benoni, early today shattering several windows in the building.

No one was injured in the blast which shook the building at 1.30 am.

Police suspect a limpet mine had been placed in

one of the offices in the building in Khan Street.

Damage has been estimated at about R7 000.

Twenty-eight windows were shattered but minimal damage was caused to offices.

No arrests have been made. Police are investigating.

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Support for blast victims

YESTERDAY's "bombing" of Khotso House represented a new low in the behaviour of those who sought to destroy the witness of the church against "the evil and unchristian policies of the South African government, the Archbishop of

Cape Town, the Most Reverend Desmond Tutu, said yesterday.

The plenary session of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference also issued a statement of support and sympathy to the Reverend Frank Chikane and the members of staff of the SACC.

"Our hearts go out in deep sympathy to all those injured in the blast and to those organisations which use Khotso House for their work which is now severely curtailed."

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The general secretary of the SACC, the Reverend Frank Chikane said of the blast: "It is very clear the blast is connected to our witness and commitment to the opposition to apartheid."

Staff

Meanwhile, about a hundred members of staff of organisations working in Khotso House, gathered in the Central Methodist Church yesterday for their prayer service.

The workers stressed they would not allow the

violence to disrupt their work or deflect them from their course.

Cosatu deplored the blast as "part of a continuous campaign of bomb attacks against the property of opponents of apartheid."

"The bombers of Khotso House would probably never be brought to justice," Frank Meintjies, the union's information officer said.

And at Wits University, the newly elected SRC expressed their support for those organisations whose offices were affected by the blast.

"We note with concern that the perpetrators of a similar attack on Cosatu House last year have not yet been apprehended," the Wits statement said.

POLICE ON WHY TSHWETE WAS MOVED

SECURITY police believe the transfer of Steve Tshwete from the position of political commissar of the African National Congress' armed wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK), may have been a tactical move rather than a demotion.

Tshwete remained on the ANC's national executive committee and was appointed to a political sub-committee. Recent press reports raised the possibility that Tshwete had been moved from MK because of opposition within the ANC to the increasing trend towards attacking "soft" targets.

But the head of the security police, Lieutenant-General Johan van der Merwe, expressed doubt this week. According to police information, "it looks like a strategical change".

He gave two reasons: the ANC had been criticised in Western countries for attacks on civilian targets.

In addition, "Tshwete has a good knowledge of mass

mobilisation" and this would be useful in orchestrating the ANC's campaign to disrupt the municipal elections on October 26.



Steve Tshwete

He argued that Chris Han, the head of MK, and Tshwete, a former Border president of the United Democratic Front, were responsible for the shift to "soft" targets because they realised ANC morale was so low that if it did not have visible successes it would become thoroughly demoralised.

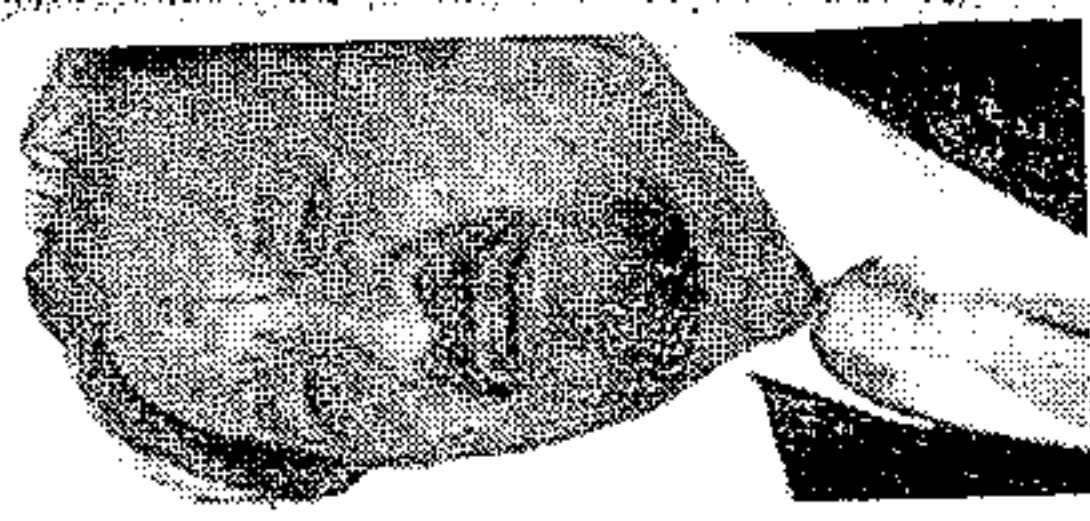
However, the number of violent incidents during the first six months of 1988 was down compared to the previous two years, although people had the impression they had increased because "soft" targets attacks were more emotional and stayed in people's minds.

Van der Merwe said there had been 88 acts of terror in the first six months of 1988, compared to 234 the previous year, 230 in 1986, 136 in 1985 and 44 in 1984.

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Grenade attack on Hendrickse's home

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The Rev Allan Hendrickse

Crime Reporter

A HAND-GRENADE was thrown today at the Uitenhage home of the Rev Allan Hendrickse, leader of the Labour Party and of the House of Representatives.

Mr Hendrickse was not at home and damage was minimal.

The blast was confirmed by his son, Mr Peter Hendrickse, MP for Addo.

Mr Hendrickse said his brother Michael, his sister Arlene and a three-year-old niece were in the house.

"We don't know who was responsible — whether it was someone from the far left or the far right," he said.

Thrown from vehicle

A spokesman for the police directorate of public relations in Pretoria said the grenade was thrown from a moving vehicle.

The spokesman said it was too early to establish the motive or what kind of grenade was used and he could not describe the vehicle.

The explosion slightly damaged a bakkie parked outside the house.

● Sapa reports that a limpet mine exploded outside Standerton's post office on the corner of Piet Retief and Burger streets early today as police were trying to pull it away from the building.

Serious damage

Police spokesman Captain Reg Crewe said from Pretoria that serious damage was caused but there were no injuries.

The police were notified after a postal employee spotted a black package outside the post office. They cordoned off the area.

The mine exploded at 7.40am as police were trying to pull it away from the building.

The explosion follows the limpet-mine blast outside Standerton's Wimpy Bar — also in Piet Retief Street, the main street — on August 24.

● The Argus Foreign Service reports from Washington that the United States government has urged the South African authorities to "pursue vigorously" those behind the blast at Khotso House in Johannesburg, headquarters of the South African Council of Churches and other anti-apartheid groups.

"We strongly condemn this senseless act," said a State Department official.

"We remain deeply concerned about the recent escalation of bombings in South Africa, which can only further discourage advocates of peaceful change."

By CHRIS STEYN

A COFFIN containing the body of a guerilla killed in a shoot-out with police was opened at Jan Smuts Airport and searched for explosives, after a police sniffer dog drew attention to it, police confirmed yesterday.

Mr Mncedisi Ketelo's family and a Guguletu undertaker told the Cape Times that his body also appeared to have been mutilated, but police said the wounds described by them "appear to be consistent with the post-mortem findings".

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Shot guerilla's coffin searched for explosives

Mr Simon Maqwholeni, a driver at Mahlubi Funeral Services who fetched the body at DF Malan Airport, confirmed the family's claims to the Cape Times.

Police spokesman

Colonel Vic Haynes said a post-mortem examiner specified the cause of Mr Ketelo's death as "multiple shrapnel wounds and bullet wounds to the right shoulder".

"Mr Ketelo was killed on July 24 in a shootout

with security forces at a roadblock on the Lichtenburg-Mafikeng road. He was shot and fell on a handgrenade, which he had in his possession. This exploded under him," Colonel Haynes said.

Three other insurgents were killed and 12 members of the security forces wounded. Two other insurgents escaped, but one was later arrested. Police are still looking for the sixth suspected member of the gang.

Two days after Mr Ke-

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Coffin searched

telo's death, police identified him as a Libyan- and Yugoslav-trained PAC member.

However, the family denied the police claim that Mr Ketelo was fighting with the PAC, insisting that he left the country to fight with the ANC.

Following his death, the family received a telegram of condolence from a senior ANC official, Mr Alfred Nzo.

Mr Ketelo's family also claimed that on August 5, the security police visited the family home in Guguletu and demanded R3 000 for his body.

They said they refused to pay and Mr Ketelo's sister, Miriam, traveller

to Lichtenburg. The body was released by the local police mortuary to a Soweto undertaker who took it to Jan Smuts Airport.

Colonel Haynes said police rejected as false the allegation that money was demanded for the release of Mr Ketelo's body.

He said allegations that the body had been mutilated were — in the opinion of the police — made for propagandistic purposes.

"However, the family are more than welcome to lay a charge in this regard," said Colonel Haynes. No complaint had been received by police.

According to the police, Mr Ketelo's body was put into a sealed coffin for transport to DF Malan Airport.

"Before the coffin was loaded into the aircraft, however, an explosives dog identified it as possibly containing explosives (possibly because of the handgrenade explosion).

"As is standard practice in such cases, the coffin was opened and a careful search made of the contents. When no explosives were found, the coffin was again closed and placed on a flight to DF Malan. Because of the delay caused by the search, it was transported on a later flight which arrived at 5pm the same day," said the police statement.

Deaths as blast hits Windhoek hotel

By JIM FREEMAN in Windhoek and
ANDRE KOOPMAN in Cape Town

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TWO powerful explosions rocked Windhoek last night, the first killing at least two people and maiming and injuring 17 others.

The blasts came a day after a ceasefire agreement was signed between Angola, Cuba and South Africa and on the day that Swapo voluntarily announced that it would immediately abide by the ceasefire.

Swapo made this announcement — in terms of which instructions had accordingly been given to its military wing, Plan — even though the cessation of hostilities does not apply to the organization.

The first explosion occurred when a bomb ripped through the ground-floor public bar of the Continental Hotel at 7.07pm, blowing out windows and sending mortar flying across Windhoek's main Kaiser Street.

It was feared the death toll could rise as firemen battled to control the blaze that engulfed a large section of the building.

The second blast rocked the city about 8.30pm when a limpet mine was detonated on the railway line that runs through the centre of the city.

In the hotel blast, two walls collapsed and a car parked nearby was hurled across the street, which was littered with glass and rubble. Police cordoned off the centre of the city while ambu-

lances ferried the dead and wounded to the capital's State Hospital.

A large pall of smoke hung in the air. Hotel staff members described the scene as "absolutely horrifying".

"There were flames and pieces of people everywhere," said a barman.

The Continental has in recent years been a favourite haunt for off-duty policemen and soldiers.

One of the barmaids who collapsed in tears said at least two people had their legs blown off in the explosion.

She said one of the injured in the blast was Mr Wimpy Rust, the manager of the "Republikein", Windhoek's leading newspaper.

A police spokesman said both the dead were men. There were unconfirmed reports that one was an Australian tourist.

Police said no one was injured in the second blast and damage was minimal.

While Namibian administrator-general Mr Louis Pienaar immediately blamed Swapo for the explosions, a Swapo spokesman said from London last night that the movement was caught "completely by surprise" by the twin blasts.

The spokesman said he was "horrified" at the news and that Swapo had seriously undertaken to honour the ceasefire.

Asked whether a "renegade" could have planted the bombs, he said: "Plan is a disciplined force which is, of course, made up of people."

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KHOTSO House after it was bombed on Wednesday morning.

Why was the 'peace house' blown up?



Khotso House, a six-storey building on De Villiers Street in Johannesburg has been destroyed by saboteurs, thereby rendering the South African Council of Churches homeless.

It means that the Black Sash, a group of women who occupied the second floor of the red brick building helping scores of black people through the myriad of South Africa's race laws, has to start afresh elsewhere after almost four decades of dedication.

By **THEMBA MOLEFE**

It may take a while to see people walk up the steps on to the foyer of Khotso House where visitors would be greeted by a brightly coloured banner on the ground floor which read: "Khotso House — the House of Peace — Die Huis van Vrede".

This is the building which housed the Detainees' Parents Support Committee (DPSC), an organisation which until its restriction in terms of state of

emergency laws on February 17 meticulously monitored detention-without-trial in South Africa.

Hundreds of families will recall how those offices used to be a hive of activity, as desperate relatives wanted news of their detained children, wives, fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters.

The United Democratic Front, also banned on February 17, once occupied the fifth floor of Khotso House.

Workers at the SACC will also miss the daily morning sermons in the ground floor chapel led by general secretary, the Rev Frank Chikane.

Strength

These sermons provided the SACC staff with the spiritual strength they needed to go through the day.

The church organisation which, in the words of Mr Chikane, worked for freedom and to pursue worship, ministry and evangelism, still continues with its mission temporarily housed elsewhere in Johannesburg.

Who bombed Khotso House, and why?

Answers have not been given yet and the police are investigating. A look

at the organisation may probably shed some light.

The SACC this year saw itself coming head-on with the State as reflected in its annual conference resolutions two months ago.

It resolved to take radical action against apartheid and decided to embark on a programme of non-violent action against "the system".

The conference theme was "Church Action in the South African Crisis".

The SACC has also drafted a document, the "Church/State Conflict", in which it gives a background to what it called the State and Church position.

It said: "The Government has embarked on a reform programme in which people who are powerful at present implement what they see as necessary changes.

"The Government says these changes must occur under conditions of stability and thus they cannot tolerate forces such as the ANC (African National Congress) and the UDF — because they upset the stability of reform".

Giving a background to the Church position the SACC noted: "While

the Government's actions have served to widen the gap between black and white South Africans, many church denominations have begun to take seriously their responsibility to address the concerns and divisions in the community".

Was the bombing of Khotso House therefore a correct reflection of the SACC's concern about the widening gulf between the people of South Africa?

One could argue that the Khotso House saboteurs could be anyone — from the white rightwing to even those black elements who have in the past openly discredited the SACC.

Stand

The council's stand against the Government has been widely publicised.

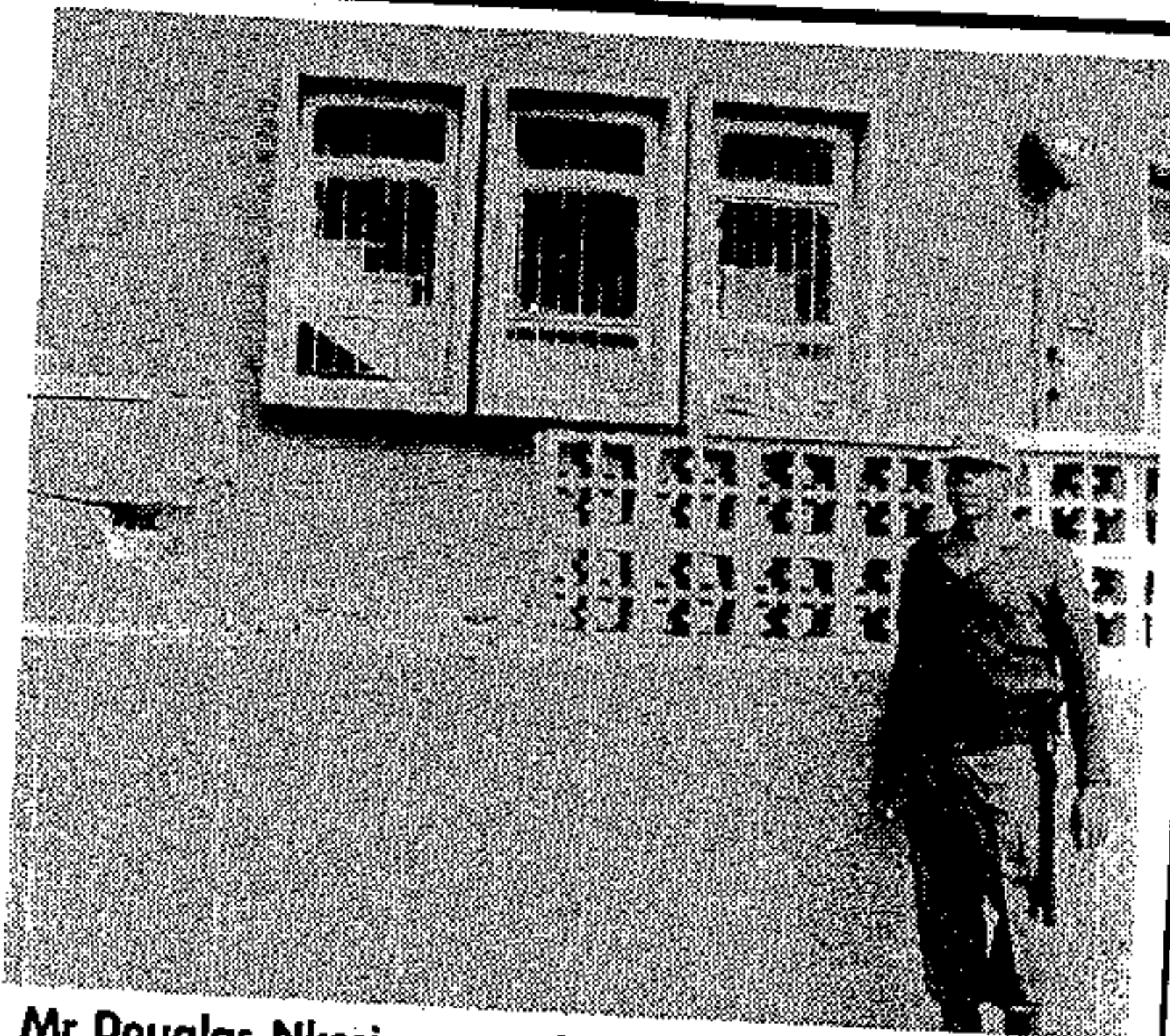
The council has openly criticised the controversial Group Areas Act, which has caused an uproar in Parliament.

"The Government has structured people's lives such that loving your neighbour in practice means loving your own group," the SACC said in the document on State/Church conflict.

It said the Government saw the ANC as a violent, terrorist organisation which wanted to subvert existing society and undermine the reform programme."

The Church sees the ANC as an African national movement with widespread support. It represents the views of many South Africans. It cannot be excluded from a political solution to South Africa."

Were these beliefs the reasons why Khotso House was blown up?



Mr Douglas Nkosi, a security guard at the Actonville Administration offices stands next to the scene of yesterday's blast.

Blast rocks admin offices in Benoni

By Jovial Rantao

A blast rocked the Actonville Administration Offices in Benoni early yesterday, shattering several windows and damaging doors in the building.

Police suspect a limpet mine was placed inside an office in the building in Khan Street.

No one was injured in the blast, which occurred at 1.30 am.

An employee at the building believes the explosion was intended to discourage council employees from participating in the October 26 municipal elections.

"There are people who are against us for doing our job. When the tricameral parliamentary system was introduced four years ago, windows and doors at the council offices were broken", he said.

Two months ago a bottlestore in the area was badly damaged by an explosion.

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Swapo denies responsibility for Windhoek hotel blast

By Brendan Seery,
The Star's Africa News Service

WINDHOEK — Swapo today denied accusations by the Administrator-General of Namibia Mr Louis Pienaar that it was responsible for the bomb blast at the Continental Hotel in Windhoek last night which killed two people and injured at least 15.

A spokesman at Swapo's headquarters in Lusaka this morning blamed the blast on "South African dirty tactics".

"It is not Swapo's policy to attack soft targets.

This bomb attack was aimed at demoralising white Namibians and setting them against Swapo," the spokesman said.

In blaming Swapo last night Mr Pienaar said it was ironic that the incident had occurred on the very day in which Swapo was to begin honouring a ceasefire agreement in Namibia.

An unidentified man made two telephone calls late last night to the SWABC studios in Windhoek claiming responsibility on behalf of Swapo's armed wing, the People's Liberation Army of Namibia.

Two people died in the blast. One was an English tourist and the other is believed to be a black Namibian. At least 15 were injured.

The tourist is Mr Andrew Cocker, a Somerset writer and farmer. His main interest was ethnic minorities and he has written two books on the subject. He travelled to Windhoek to make contact with southern African San people.

The bomb exploded just after 7 pm in a function room normally used for discos.

It blasted a hole in the floor of the second floor room immediately above the hotel's public bar.

The blast is believed to have caused serious structural damage to the building and the fire that followed the explosion gutted the second floor and took firemen more than three hours to bring under control.

The Continental is one of the four biggest hotels in Windhoek and is a popular multiracial drinking place.

The area of the blast, on Windhoek's main thoroughfare, Kaiser Street, was still cordoned off this morning, having been under armed military guard throughout the night.

Police forensic experts, who initially could not enter the building for fear it would collapse, were expected to begin sifting through the rubble today for clues about the bomb.

About 90 minutes after the hotel bomb, a limpet mine blew up on a railway line about one kilometre away.

The attack on the hotel is the second major blast in Windhoek's central business district in the past year.

Last year a massive car bomb wrecked a parking garage attached to the Kalahari Sands Hotel. There were no injuries.

Early release of Mandela 'not on cards'

By Dawn Barkhuizen

There were no firm indications that the release of African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela was on the cards, his lawyer Mr Ismail Ayob said this morning.

His was speaking amid renewed speculation that Mandela's move from Tygerberg Hospital to the Constantiaberg Medi-Clinic was part of a gradual process that would lead to his release.

Predictions that Mandela would be released following the October municipal elections were simply "safe predictions" that reached far into the future and were without substance, he said.

Earlier today, another lawyer connected to the family, Mr Essa Moosa, said Mandela's transfer indicated strongly that he would be released after the municipal elections.

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But Mr Ayob said if the Conservative Party took many seats in the October elections, Mandela might "sit there indefinitely". Renewed unrest in the townships could also mitigate against his release.

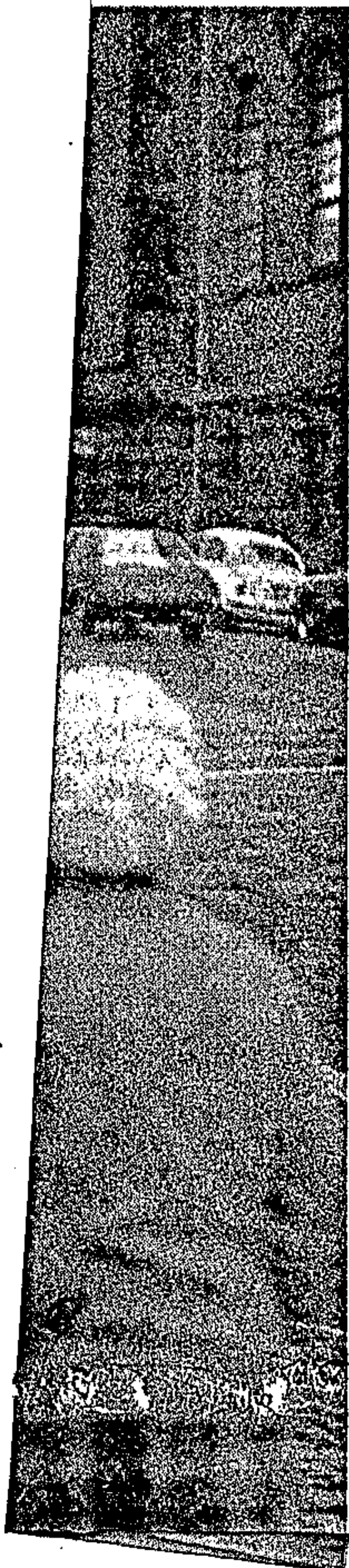
A South African Embassy spokesman in London interviewed on the BBC also cautioned against speculation that Mandela's release was imminent.

There have been renewed calls for his release from the United States.

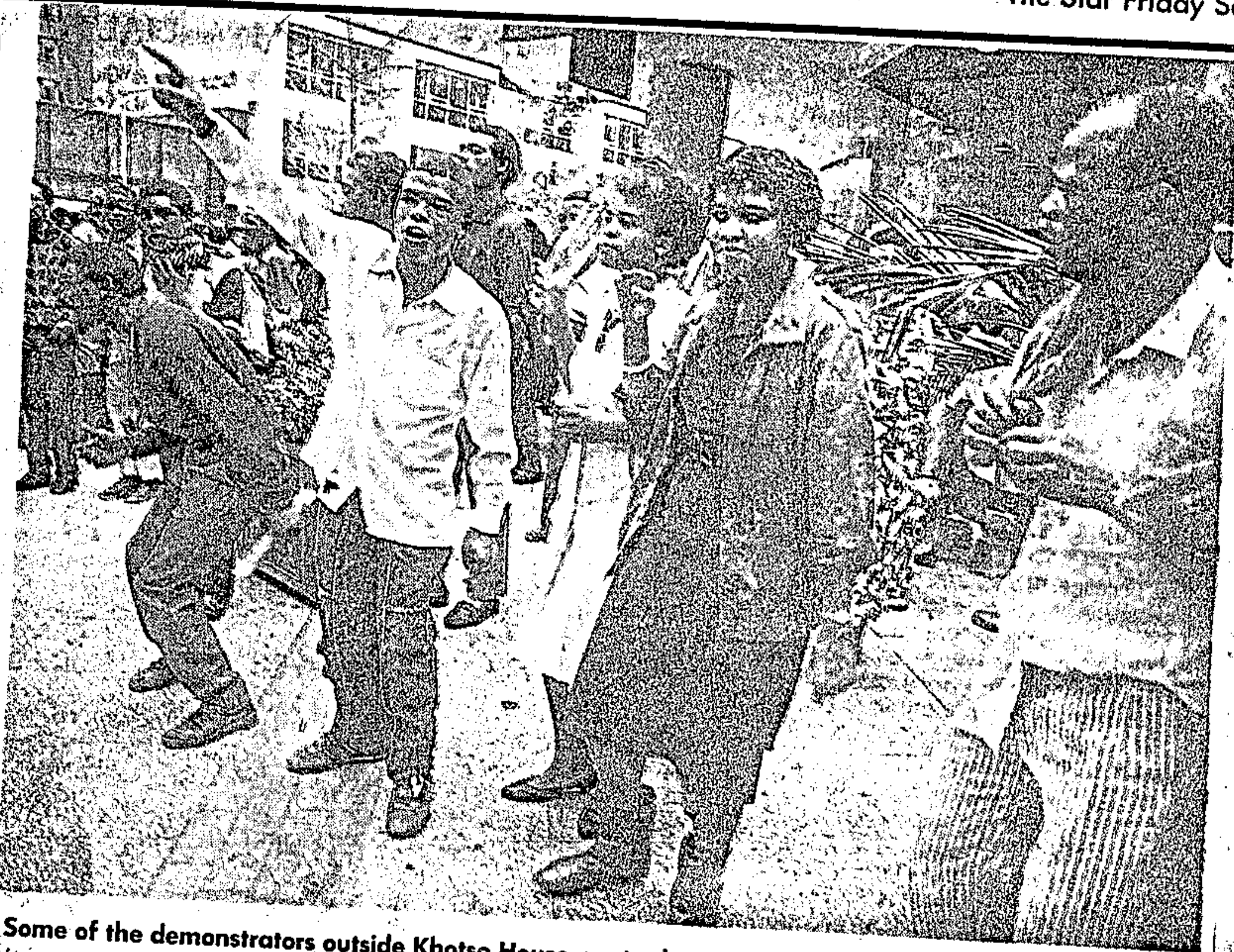
A State Department spokeswoman, Mrs Phyllis Oakley, said: "We are certainly pleased to hear that Mandela's health has improved, however the main issue is his release."

"The unconditional release of Mandela, which we shall continue to advocate strongly, would do much to improve the prospects for resolving the country's profound political problems."

National Democratic Movement leader. Mr



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Some of the demonstrators outside Khotso House yesterday.

● Picture by Stephen Davimes.

Youths march to Khotso House

By Helen Grange

A march by about 100 black youths through Johannesburg to Khotso House, which was damaged in an explosion this week, took place yesterday after a lunch-hour service held by the South African Council of Churches (SACC) at the Central Methodist Church.

On reaching Khotso House, the youths, who were singing, faced several policemen guarding the wrecked and cordoned off building.

The crowd turned into Kerk Street to gather at Cosatu House, bombed in May last year, where they were met by two minibuses.

MARCHED BACK

The youths dispersed but quickly congregated again when the buses moved off.

They marched back along Jeppe Street to the Methodist Church.

There, the Reverend Peter Storey, superintendent of the Central Methodist Church and former president of the SACC, told police: "The congregation got a little excited, and it would help the situation if you left."

The gathering broke up shortly afterwards.

The president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, the Reverend Alan Boesak, also visited the scene of the demonstration but left soon afterwards.

SACC and Black Sash seeking new quarters

Religion Reporter

The South African Council of Churches (SACC) will decide today where to move to after its headquarters, Khotso House, was badly damaged in an explosion early on Wednesday.

The blast, in the parking basement of the De Villiers Street premises, has made the building unsafe to enter and this is hampering a probe into the cause of the explosion.

The SACC administrative secretary, the Reverend Francois Bill, said today that an engineer had visited the site yesterday.

"The SACC is working from the Central Methodist Church at present and we will make a decision today as to

what to do next.

"We have had offers of office accommodation from various organisations and churches. We are considering renting or leasing a place on a short-term basis if it is acceptable to the owners."

Mrs Ethel Walt of the Black Sash — which also had offices in Khotso House — said the Sash will also decide today where to move to.

"We are planning to move to new premises as soon as possible — we hope early next week — and have two places in mind."

She said the Post Office had been very helpful and immediately after the blast transferred the Black Sash telephone to their lawyers' offices.

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5 blasts in 24 hrs

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DURBAN. — An explosion rocked the centre of Durban during rush-hour yesterday — the fifth suspected guerilla attack in the past 24 hours.

The last of the four blasts occurred at 5.50pm yesterday, injuring three people and causing substantial damage to Smith Street buildings in the central business district here.

The blast occurred outside "Apples", a women's fashion store. According to eye-witnesses a middle-aged woman, who was lying on the opposite side of the glass-littered road from the blast site, was taken to King Edward VIII Hospital but police could not identify her. They did, however, say her injuries were not serious.

Two men closest to the blast escaped with only slight injuries.

Blown off feet

The blast threw Mr Clive Kearey, 38, a dental technician, over a bench at a bus stop. He was deafened and received cuts to his hands, leg and face. "The explosion happened right behind me and I was blown off my feet," a shaken Mr Kearey said.

Mr Tony Patel, manager of Apples, was in the store when the blast happened. The extent of his injuries was not known last night.

Police were on the site within minutes and cordoned off the area. In the other three incidents in the past 24 hours:

- An alert postman, Mr Willie Coetzee, prevented a tragedy when he found a limpet mine minutes before it exploded in the foyer of Standerton's post office.

The area was immediately cleared by police and no one was injured.

Many nearby shops had all their windows blown out by the blast.

It was the second limpet mine found in Standerton in the past 10 days.

- A handgrenade was lobbed from a passing car at the Uitenhage home of Labour Party leader the Rev Allan Hendrickse early yesterday morning.



FIRE ... Windhoek's Continental Hotel burns after Thursday's explosion.

Picture: REUTERS

It caused slight damage to two vehicles and the house.

- In Windhoek police released the names of the two men killed in a blast in the cocktail bar of a hotel on Thursday night. The blast injured 15 other people and touched off a fire that destroyed the three-storey Continental Hotel.

An hour after the attack a second bomb ripped up a railroad track a mile away in the city, but caused no further injuries, police said.

The dead were Mr Andrew Crocker, 43, an Australian citizen living in Maritzburg, and Mr Thomas Gabriel, 30, of Ovambo.

In a statement from Luanda, Swapo denied responsibility for the blasts.

- Meanwhile, security forces in northern Namibia shot dead nine Swapo insurgents in a series of skirmishes yesterday, the first day that Swapo said it would voluntarily abide by a ceasefire, the SWA Territory Force said in Windhoek last night. — Sapa, UPI and Own Correspondents

Rocket launcher found in cache

PRETORIA. — West Rand police shot dead a suspected guerilla armed with an AK47 rifle on Thursday night.

A police spokesman, Captain Reg Crewe, said another suspected "terrorist" was wounded and two more were arrested when riot police stopped a car in Krugersdorp during a routine police check. One passenger escaped.

Meanwhile, police yesterday said that in July they had foiled terror attacks planned for the centre of Johannesburg, arrested a man and taken possession of arms and ammunition.

The arms included an RPG7 launcher, three RPG7 projectiles, three RPG7 booster charges and three AK47 rifles.

SAP Commissioner General Hennie de Wit said members of the Soweto

Vehicle Theft Branch had noticed five "suspicious" men standing near a BMW.

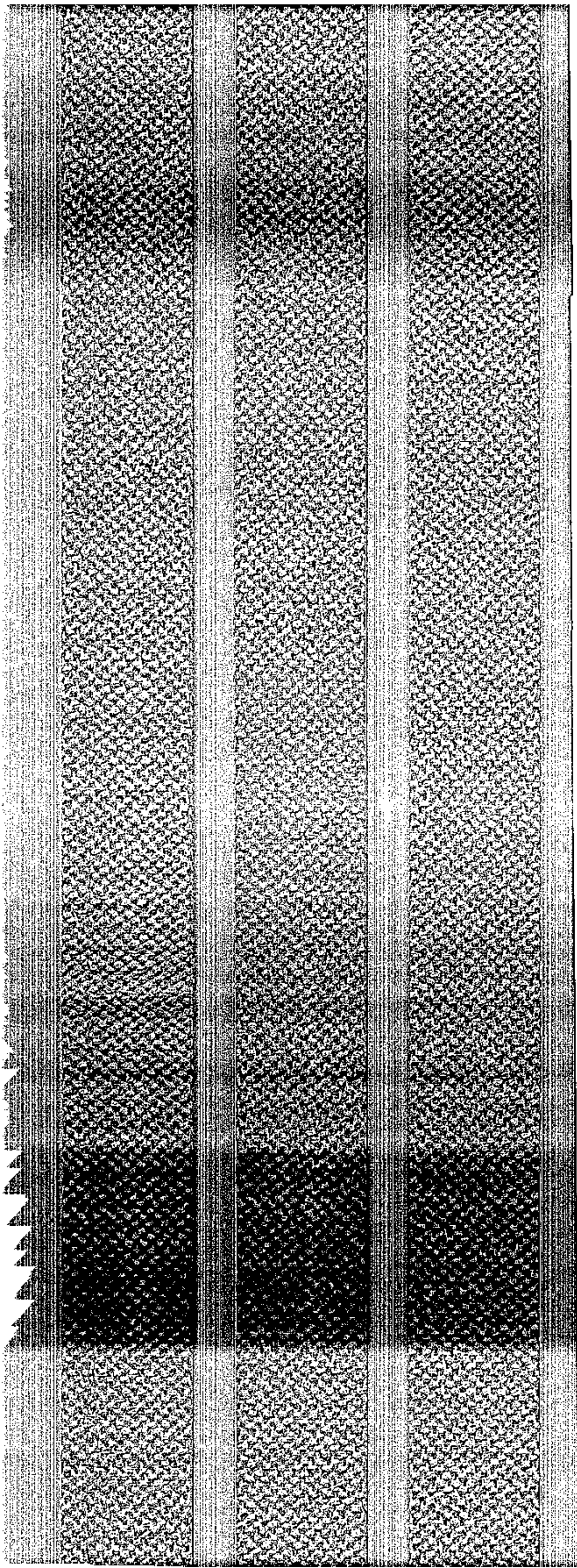
Four of the men fled while a fifth rolled under the car.

He said one of the fleeing men hurled a handgrenade at the officer pursuing him. The officer was not hurt.

The man under the car was arrested and the arms in his possession and in the car were confiscated. The other men escaped.

General de Witt said investigations indicated that the car's registration was false and that the five men were "planning and were on their way to launch terror attacks on identified targets in the Johannesburg city centre". — Sapa

Battling the bomb-triggered inferno



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Events this week have again fuelled sus

PATRICK LAURENCE

ONLY hours after a powerful explosion ripped through the Khotso House headquarters of the SA Council of Churches, Lieutenant-General Jan van Loggerenberg, former Chief of Staff (Operations) for the Defence Force, declared that South Africa was in a state of war and that some defence force actions fell beyond the jurisdiction of the courts.

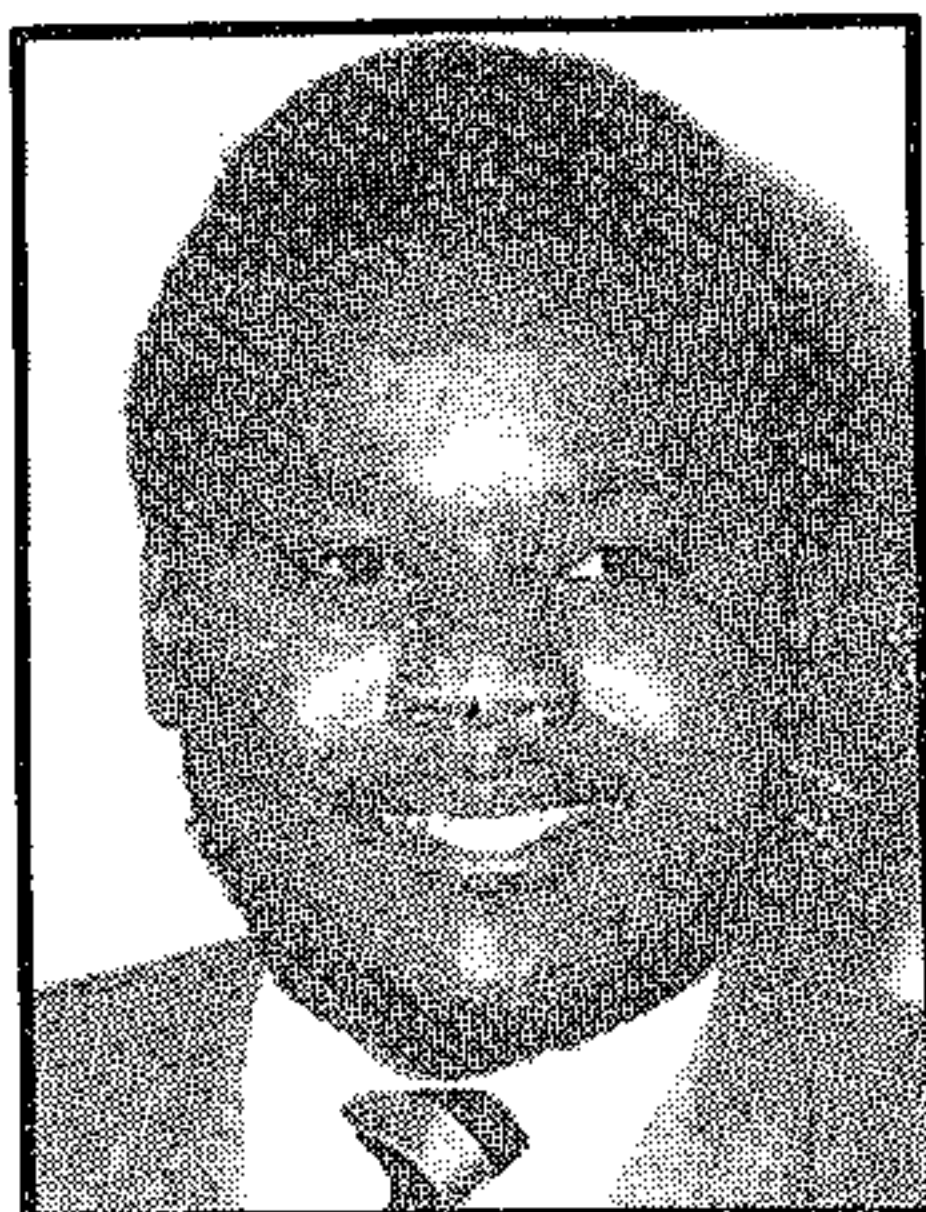
The convergence of the two events was, of course, coincidental. But General van Loggerenberg's testimony before the Supreme Court in Cape Town, submitted in justification of a covert SADF propaganda campaign against the End Conscription Campaign, did little to allay suspicions that the blast may have been the work of "government agents".

Those suspicions were fuelled, perhaps unintentionally, by the Rev Frank Chikane, general secretary of the SACC, at a press conference shortly after the explosion had destroyed parts of Khotso House and left the remaining sections unsafe. "We are shocked but not completely surprised at the attack on Khotso House," he said, blaming the blast on the "darkest forces of evil".

As *New Nation* pointed out, Mr Chikane's remarks should be seen in the context of his statement a year ago after unknown saboteurs attacked Community Centre in Cape Town. Unless the culprits were brought to book, the suspicion would remain that they were government agents,



Lieutenant-General Jan van Loggerenberg submitted to the Supreme Court this week that some defence force actions fell beyond the courts' jurisdiction. This was in justification of the clandestine defence force smear campaign against the End Conscription Campaign. It raises the question of whether special units take the law into their own hands in some kind of direct action.



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speculations of the role of 'mysterious agents'



that Robert van der Merwe, a former police sergeant now under sentence of death for murdering two men and attempting to kill a third, tried to justify his actions on the grounds that he had been told by a superior officer that the victims were African National Congress gun runners and drug smugglers.

In a further bid to explain his actions he told the trial court that he had been indirectly influenced by four security policemen near the border with Swaziland.

They informed him, he averred, that they were on a secret mission to Swaziland and that he would read about it soon in the press.

Later, in July 1987, two senior ANC men, Mr Cassius Make, a member of the ANC national executive, and Mr Paul Dikeledi, a member of its armed wing, were assassinated in Swaziland, reportedly by white men who forced them off the road and gunned them down.

But, if there is circumstantial evidence that "government agents" may sometimes take the law into their own hands, it does not follow that they were responsible for the Khotso House bombing.

A shadowy organisation, the White Wolves, has claimed responsibility. Whether it exists, or whether it is an attempt by the perpetrators to distract attention, remains to be seen.

The police are often accused in left-wing circles of either conniving with, if not actually sponsoring, right-wing vigilantes or of dalliance in bringing right-wing zealots to justice.

Certainly there are a plethora of unsolved murders where the victims have been prominent opponents of apartheid, the grisly killings of the husband and

he said then.

The Khotso House blast was but the latest in a series of explosions at buildings occupied by extra-parliamentary opposition organisations, including Cosatu House, the headquarters of the Congress of South African Trade Unions. Like Khotso House, Cosatu House was declared unsafe.

For Mr Chikane, a former vice president of the now restricted United Democratic Front, the explosion was not a new experience.

His Soweto home has been petrol bombed in the past, in 1985, when he was still with the Institute of Contextual Theology, his office was gutted by fire, more recently a Soviet grenade was wrapped in a parcel and sent to his father's home, where it was later detonated by the police.

General van Loggerenberg's affidavit to the Supreme Court confirmed what many people have long suspected: that the ADF deploys soldiers to wage

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Khotso House: more than a horrifying bombing

THE bomb that destroyed Khotso House on Wednesday morning horrified many city dwellers, but to people in the rural areas who rely on long-distance telephone calls to reach advice and support groups, the destruction has far deeper implications.

Home of the Black Sash, SA Council of Churches and Transvaal Rural Action Committee (TRAC) among others, Khotso House was but a (sometimes vital) telephone call away when legal advice or assistance was needed by people living in outlying areas.

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The point was driven home all too clearly while visiting Mrs Beauty Mkhize (wife of the Driefontein community leader Saul Mkhize, killed in 1983) who is the key liaison figure on the Council Board of Directors for Driefontein with TRAC.

A day after the blast, Mrs Mkhize shook her head in dazed resignation at the fact that the Khotso House-based groups would be there no more. "Before I would just go to Piet Re-

tief and phone TRAC and know that things would be taken care of, now what are people going to do?"

"They've really done it to us this time. What will all those people do who knew where the Advice Office was and came for help? Where are they going to move?" she asked.

For Mrs Mkhize, like many other people countrywide who rely on the legal assistance and support of the Black Sash and related groups, the destruction of their headquarters is more

than a structural setback.

The dedication of those organisations based in Khotso House resulted in the building coming to symbolise hope and sympathetic advice to people threatened with resettlement, or struggling to secure wages, disability grants or workmen's compensation due to them.

Not that these services will now be terminated, but for the time being at least, they will be sorely hampered and perhaps more importantly, will be that much more difficult to reach by those most in need.

questions about the security forces in general.

Do the actions of their special operations units extend beyond propaganda against allegedly subversive organisations or leaders to more direct action? Does the existence of covert units encourage soldiers or policemen to undertake their own

unauthorised campaigns?

These questions were given added relevance by the juxtaposition of a third event in the same week as the nocturnal explosion at Khotso House and General van Loggerenberg's sworn statement: a Supreme Court hearing in Windhoek concerning the behaviour of South

African soldiers in Namibia in two separate but not dissimilar cases.

In the first case four soldiers were accused of murdering a civilian, Mr Frans Uapota, in the war zone near the Angolan border in late 1985. In the second six soldiers were accused of killing a former

Robben Island prisoner, Mr Immanuel Shifidi, at a Swapo rally at Katutura township, near Windhoek, in November 1986.

Evidence heard at the inquest into Mr Shifidi's death was that the soldiers had been bussed to the rally for the express purpose of wrecking it. In both cases prosecution was

halted on the orders of the State President, Mr P W Botha, who issued certificates under the Defence Act indemnifying the soldiers on the grounds that they had acted in "good faith" against terrorism in the "operational area" (a soccer field in the Shifidi case).

It is perhaps pertinent to note

wife legal team, Griffiths and Victoria Mxenge, in 1981 and 1985 being a particularly glaring example.

But, in fairness, it should be noted that some ultra-rightists who have crossed the line separating bigotry from violence have ended up behind bars. They include members of former members of the Wit Kommando and the Afrikaner Weerstandbeweging.

So far the SACC has refrained from pointing accusing fingers at any specific organisation, preferring, as its general administrative secretary, the Rev Francois Bill, told Saturday Star, to await the findings of investigations by experts into the explosion.

Police inquiries aside, by law the SACC has to appoint a structural engineer to probe the blast. Insurance companies have to make their own assessment. "One can have all sorts of suspicions," Mr Bill said. "But we want a complete factual picture."

2 hurt in rush hour blast

DURBAN — An explosion in Durban's main street yesterday afternoon injured two people slightly and damaged a number of buildings.

The blast, at about 5.50 pm, was at "Apples", a women's fashion store at the corner of Smith Street and Fenton Road.

The people hurt were Mr Clive Kerry, a dental mechanic, and the manager of "Apples" — whose name is not known yet.

The owner of a restaurant in Fenton Road said the explosion was "massive".

Mr Kerry was on his way to my restaurant when the explosion happened," he said. "He was blown off his feet and lost his briefcase."

Police were at the site quickly and cordoned off the section of Smith Street between Field and Broad streets.

The large police presence included some top officers, dog handlers and bomb experts.

The restaurant owner said police "temporarily closed his premises" immediately after the blast.

An hour after it happened, police had still not issued an official statement, though the Port Natal liaison officer, Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, was one of many officers at the scene. — Sapa.

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Lichtenburg shootout guerrilla buried in Gugulethu

More than 2 000 people buried Mcedisi Ketelo, 27, from his home in Gugulethu last weekend. He and two other alleged guerrillas were shot dead by police in Lichtenburg on July 24, but his family was only informed of his death on August 5.

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Guguletu siege: *CAT*
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Court Reporter *6/9/88*

IN A sequel to the fatal shooting of a suspected guerilla in Guguletu in July, four women and a man appeared briefly in Cape Town Regional Court yesterday in connection with harbouring members of the ANC. *Stop*

Ms Ethel Thenjiwe Loza, 44, Ms Maureen Mandisa Loza, 19, both of Guguletu, Ms Sindiswa Beauty Dhawu, 27, of KwaZakewe, Port Elizabeth, Mr Xolile Mini, 30, and Ms Khungeka Gloria Mali, 30, both of Khayelitsha, were not asked to plead. *Stop*

Bail of R1 000 each was extended.

Their appearance follows the police shooting of a suspected guerilla after a four-hour siege in Guguletu on July 5.

The hearing was adjourned to September 30.

Mr J P Vermaak was the magistrate, Mr D J Brand prosecuted. Mr B T Ngcuka appeared for the accused.

HUNDREDS of Western Cape uniform and plain-clothes policemen have been mobilized for the biggest anti-terror drive in the city.

Bomb-disposal experts, security policemen, uniform staff and office personnel have been drafted to mount the massive operation, calculated to prevent bomb attacks on "soft targets".

A Western Cape police liaison

Police anti-terror drive in city

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officer, Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, yesterday spelt out the newly-introduced measures:

● Bomb experts are giving security lectures on urban terror at well-known restaurants and places of entertainment. The lectures include practical demonstrations on the features of differ-

ent kinds of terrorist weapons, specifically limpet mines and other explosive devices.

● Office staff are drafted on a rotation basis to patrol the city centre during peak hours to "keep an eye" on flower pots, dustbins, bus stops and shop entrances.



KHOTSO House . . . scene of bomb blast.

COPS STILL BUSY

POLICE investigating the cause of a bomb that exploded at Khotso House last week were yesterday awaiting a go-ahead from the city engineer before they could enter the building's basement.

The police spokesman for the Witwatersrand, Captain Pierre Louw, said forensic experts had not completed their investigations because they had to get the city engineer's clearance to enter the basement.

He said it was "unsafe" to enter the basement because of structural damage done to the building during the explosion.

Captain Louw said claims that a group of

rightwingers calling themselves the "White Wolves" had claimed responsibility were not true.

Conclusion

Captain Louw said every possible clue was being investigated and would be followed to the conclusion.

Barricades placed in De Villiers Street, in front of Khotso House,

were being removed yesterday as a team of council cleaners swept away broken glass.

The South African Council of Churches (SACC), which occupied Khotso House, said it would also conduct its own investigation. The SACC intends to engage experts to conduct an independent investigation along with the police.

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JOHANNESBURG. — A man was blown apart when a bomb exploded at an entrance to a shopping centre in an exclusive white suburb here yesterday. Shoppers and journalists who rushed to the scene saw parts of the man's body scattered in a five-metre radius over the sidewalk outside the main entrance of the North Park Plaza in the suburb of Northcliff.

The dead man was the only casualty, police spokesmen told reporters.

Bomb blows man to bits

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An eyewitness, Mr Len Humphris, who was inside the centre when the blast shook it at 7.25pm, said: "The body I saw was in pieces... no nothing, just pieces."

A police spokesman at the scene

said the dead man could have been carrying the bomb, but this had yet to be proved.

Colonel J H Labuschagne said the origin of the bomb was not yet known.

Crowds were leaving two cinemas in the complex when the blast occurred on the pavement immediately outside the main entrance, scattering shards of glass and debris into the street, wit-

nesses said. No other people were seriously injured.

Damage to the shopping centre appeared minimal, although several store front windows were shattered.

Police cordoned off the area within 10 minutes of the explosion and shops were asked to close.

The attack on the three-storey shopping centre in the middle-class white suburb was the latest in a series of attacks on civilian targets. About 30 people have died this year in more than 100 bombings around the country, which have included several in city-centre shopping malls.

Police have said the ANC was responsible for most previous attacks. — Sapa-AP-Reuter

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'Insurgent' blows himself to bits

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A suspected insurgent blew himself up while planting a limpet mine at the crowded North Park Plaza in Northcliff, Johannesburg.

Police believe the device detonated prematurely, killing the man and scattering parts of his body over a 100-metre radius.

The bomb went off at 7,25pm outside the northern facade of the complex. There were no other deaths or injuries and police said little damage was caused.

Police evacuated a crowded cinema and ten-pin bowling alley and cordoned off the area.

Residents in the area said they heard a bang and then saw smoke pouring from North Park Plaza.

HORROR AND SHOCK

Mr Neil Oelofse was playing squash in the centre when the blast went off.

"I felt and heard the explosion and ran downstairs and out of the centre. I ran straight into the scattered remains of the man. I felt horror and shock and all I saw were pieces of flesh.

Members of the bowling club in the centre heard the bomb go off but went right on bowling.

It was the first game of the new season and members of the North Cliff Strikers said they did not want to lose their high scores. Others were glad of the interruption.

Mrs Karin Slabbert explained that many thought it safer to stay where she was rather than venturing out into the street.

The bowlers did not get an opportunity to finish their games, though. Soon after the bomb went off the security guards asked them to evacuate the building.

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HOUSE BOMBED

A look of pure suffering



THE house of two Soweto municipal workers who did not join the strike by about 3500 was attacked with a hand grenade. The grenade injured a nine-year-old girl, Aelaine Modiko (left), in Naledi township on Tuesday night. The family had just gone to bed when the hand grenade was lobbed into their dining room and blew out the windows. Mrs Leah Modiko and her husband Edward are employees of the council at Tladi Training Centre. Police have confirmed the incident and are investigating.



Miss Maggie Modiko (19) holds her injured sister Aelaine.

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A YOUNG man was blown to pieces by an explosive device at the North Park Plaza, the shopping centre of the Northcliff suburb, Johannesburg, yesterday at about 7,25pm.

Clothes the man was wearing were blown onto the rooftop of the

By MOJALEFA MOSEKI and SAPA

building and advertisement boards. Several shop windows were shattered by the explosion.

A police spokesman, Captain Pierre Louw, said: "The specific target

of the bomb was innocent civilians." Asked whether the victim was a "terrorist" by one of the reporters, Captain Louw responded by saying that police were still investigating the blast.

Captain Louw said several people were in the shopping complex and a

nearby cinema when the explosion occurred. No other person was reported injured in the explosion.

About 30 people have died in more than 100 bomb attacks around the country this year, many of which have been

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Group Areas
talks postponed

TALKS between the leadership of the two opposition parties in the House of Delegates and the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis, ended inconclusively yesterday.

The talks concerned the group areas legislation that was approved by the House of Assembly during the short session but was subsequently withdrawn.

Sources say the discussions will resume on September 16. — Sapa

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Extradited ANC man in Kei court

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By LOUISE FLANAGAN,
East London

MORE than three years after the Umtata bulk fuel depot was destroyed in a bomb blast, one of five guerrillas allegedly involved in the incident has appeared in a Transkei court.

Mzwandile Vena, also alleged to be the Western Cape commander of the African National Congress's military machinery, appeared in an Umtata court on Monday to face charges of terrorism and sabotage.

His appearance follows his "extradition from South Africa" a few days earlier — which Transkei requested after Vena was arrested in Cape Town earlier this year.

Vena recently lost an appeal against the extradition. In terms of the agreement, Transkei undertook not to execute him if he was found guilty, as similar offences do not carry the death penalty in South Africa.

Transkei has claimed Vena was one of a group of ANC guerrillas responsible for bombing the fuel depot on June 25 1985, one of only two such depots in the homeland.

At the same time, members of the group bombed Umtata's main power station and water lines

In a statement Vena allegedly made to a Wynberg magistrate days after his arrest, he admitted his role had been to blow up the fuel depot, together with guerrillas Zola Dubeni and Sisa Ngombane.

Of the five involved, Vena is believed to be the only one already brought to trial.

South Africa has alleged Vena subsequently moved to Cape Town, where he took over the command of the Western Cape branch of Umkhonto weSizwe to replace recently jailed Lizo Bright Ngqungwana.

Dubeni was killed in a shootout with South African police in March last year.

It is not known what happened to Ngombane.

The trial is scheduled to resume on September 8. — elnews

ANC making good bloody bomb boast

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Seventeen people have been killed and nearly 200 injured in bomb blasts in South Africa this year. Now there has been another explosion at a white shopping centre in Johannesburg — the second within less than a month. In this one the bomber himself is thought to have died alone. Is the ANC carrying out its threat to take its campaign to white areas?

Last night's Northcliff blast was the second in less than a month in a white suburban shopping centre in Johannesburg, and at least the 40th in the country since the beginning of the year.

Three weeks ago an explosion rocked the exclusive Hyde Park Shopping Centre as shoppers completed their morning's purchases.

Injured

Three people, including a security guard, were injured in the blast.

These two blasts and others at restaurants, cinema complexes and entertainment centres follow a declaration earlier this year by the ANC that it would take its fight to the white neighbourhoods.

Nearly 200 people have been injured and 17 killed in nearly 40 bombings in South Africa this year.

There have been more than 100 explosions, 31 deaths and about 565 in-

juries since the state of emergency was declared on June 12 1986.

Six of this year's explosions have taken place on Saturdays — four of them in six weeks — and several others have been on Friday nights, often in entertainment centres.

Two blasts at Wimpy Bar restaurants occurred within two days of each other.

Explosions directed at "soft targets" this year included:

● The massive car bomb explosion at Ellis Park on July 2 minutes after a rugby match. Two people died and at least 39 were injured.

● Friday April 15 - Two limpet mines went off within minutes in Pretoria. One of the explosions rocked a cinema complex. One man died.

● Friday June 3 — Four people died and 19 were injured in two explosions at a Roodepoort shopping centre.

● Wednesday June 22 — A blast in a Johannesburg amusement arcade in Plein Street injured 10 people and claimed the life of a baby girl born prematurely. Her twin was stillborn.

● Thursday June 30 — A mini-limpet mine exploded in a Pretoria snack bar injuring 18 people.

Biko film

● Friday July 29 — A bomb exploded at a Durban cinema and another in Alexandra township minutes before the film "Cry Freedom" about Steve Biko was due to be screened. A third bomb was found in a cinema toilet at Highgate shopping centre in Roodepoort before it exploded and in Korsten, Port Elizabeth, a petrol bomb was tossed at a cinema. Nobody was injured.

● Saturday July 30 — One woman was killed and 56 people injured when a bomb went off in a packed Wimpy Bar in Benoni.

Terror suspect killed in blast at shopping centre

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

A suspected terrorist blew himself up last night outside the North Park Plaza shopping centre in Northcliff, Johannesburg, just as scores of cinemagoers and other people were about to leave the centre.

Had the device exploded slightly later, the result could have been a bloodbath in the confined entrance to the D F Malan Drive centre.

Police are investigating whether the black man was on his way to plant the device in the centre when it detonated prematurely. There were no other casualties.

Should the man be identified as an ANC member it would be about the seventh or eighth ANC member to have blown himself up in South Africa this year while on a terror mission. Over the past few years, about a dozen ANC members have met the same fate.

Witwatersrand police spokesman Captain Pierre Louw said the explosion

occurred at 7.25 pm outside the northern facade of the complex, which houses a large sport and recreation centre, restaurants and a supermarket.

Police said damage was mainly to windows and other breakables.

"We are investigating the possibility that the man who was killed was on his way to plant an explosive device. We will also investigate the possibility that this device was a limpet mine," said Captain Louw.

● The blast was the second narrow escape in less than a year for Auckland Park couple Mr Leon Cramer and his wife Susan.

Two years ago, they were only metres from Johannesburg's Main Street blast, and last night they were walking to their car, on the roof of the plaza, when the explosion occurred.

After the blast the couple saw the dismembered body of what looked like a black teenager lying in front of the Metro dry cleaners.

Minister allows statement to be published

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Revolutionary violence only solution — Slovo

"THE choice of revolutionary violence as part of the struggle was forced by the intransigent stubborn refusal of a minority to extend democracy to the majority."

Information Minister Stoffel van der Merwe said in Pretoria yesterday this statement was made by exiled ANC executive member Joe Slovo and gave permission for it to be printed.

Van der Merwe referred to the statement, allegedly broadcast on Radio Moscow on August 5, in order to demonstrate the "process of intimidation" that was underway to hinder participation in the October 26 municipal elections.

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According to Van der Merwe, Slovo said: "All avenues towards peaceful transformation have been closed and the choice of revolutionary violence as part of the struggle is a choice that was forced upon us by the intransigent stubborn refusal of a minority to extend democracy to the majority."

Directly

Van der Merwe said although Slovo's statement did not refer directly to the municipal elections, it dealt with the SA situation.

He also released part of an alleged

Radio Freedom report which called for the destruction of the Soweto council. According to Van der Merwe, the broadcast said: "The role of the puppet council led by Nelson Botile and Nico Malan has emphasised the urgency of the total destruction of puppet councils throughout our townships."

"The council must be destroyed and the time is now for us to launch one more offensive to ensure that finally the puppet council is destroyed."

Van der Merwe said the state of emergency and the banning of boycott calls against the elections were, therefore, promoting democracy and not restricting it.

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Explosion

AN EXPLOSION blew at least one person into bits and pieces at Northpark Plaza, D F Malan Drive, Johannesburg, at about 7.30pm last night.

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The blast was felt throughout the shopping centre by evening browsers.

The explosion occurred at one of the entrances. Witnesses rushed to the scene and found several pieces of a black person on the pavement.

Man ^{84A} blown to ^{CPIER} pieces ^{11/9/88} by bomb

A BOMB at a Johannesburg shopping centre filled with evening window shoppers and cinema-goers blew up a black man on Wednesday, witnesses said.

The dead man was the only casualty, a police spokesman told reporters.

"The body I saw was in pieces... No nothing, just pieces," said Len Humphris, who was inside the centre when the blast shook it at 7.25 pm.

Police Col JH Labuschagne said: "It was a bomb of some sort, we do not know the origin yet."

Crowds were leaving two cinemas in the complex when the blast exploded in an entrance, scattering shards of glass and debris into the street, witnesses said.

The attack on the three-storey Northpark Plaza Shopping Centre in the middle-class white suburb of Northcliff was the latest in a series of blasts against civilian targets in South African cities.

A police spokesman said the dead man could have been carrying the bomb, but this had yet to be proved.

- Sapa

Govt is blamed for Khotso blast

The Star's Foreign News Service

AMERSFOORT — Dr Allan Boesak, chairman of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, told a church gathering at the weekend that he held the Government directly or indirectly responsible for the attack on Khotso House in Johannesburg.

At an inter-denominational "Day to Share" religious gathering, Dr Boesak described why so many South African churchmen had come into direct conflict with the Government over apartheid.

"The South African Police, who are usually so unfailingly quick to find their culprits, still have not found the people responsible for the attacks on Khotso House and the Western Province of Churches building," he said.

"I hold the South African Government directly or indirectly responsible for what happened to Khotso House.

"In his first speech since after this bomb explosion, the Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok launched a direct attack on South African church-

men, thus creating an even greater climate of hatred against church leaders such as Archbishop Desmond Tutu, the Rev Frank Chikane and myself."

But, Dr Boesak said, God had left churchmen no choice when they advised South African blacks on the forthcoming municipal elections.

"The State says: 'The churches must do what we want' — but we say to the State: 'You are not God, we cannot do anything else.' This does not mean that we challenge the State, we are simply listening to the call from Jesus Christ.

"We cannot tell the people to participate in voting for the very system which suppresses them."

Asked by a member of the audience how he felt about the many young white men who had recently openly defied conscription for military service, Dr Boesak replied:

"I am very proud of those young men. I hope that more young white people will step forward who will say openly: 'We are prepared to renounce the privileges of our white skins.'"

Blasts in Lenasia, Soweto: no injuries

By Shirley Woodgate
and Craig Kotze

Four powerful explosions rocked targets in Lenasia and a police barracks in Soweto at the weekend but no one was injured.

Three blasts, in Lenasia early on Saturday, were caused by Soviet-made limpet mines.

The Moroka police barracks in Soweto was blasted at 6.10 am yesterday but the device used has not yet been identified, said Pretoria police spokesman Captain Ruben Bloomberg.

No arrests had yet been made and intensive police investigations were under way, he said.

The Lenasia targets were the home of Lenasia management committee chairman, Mrs Rashida Ebrahim, the offices of the House of Delegates and the offices of the Lenasia Bus Service.

Damage was not extensive in any of the blasts, according to police.

Mr Miley Ebrahim, former husband of Mrs Ebrahim, said damage estimated at R10 000 had been caused by a limpet mine placed under a concrete washbasin next to the back door of the house.

Members of the family asleep inside the house at the time were Mr and Mrs Ebrahim and their daughter-in-law, Soraya, all of whom are independent candidates in the October 26 elections.

Mr Ebrahim said the attack was the third at the house in the past two years. On previous occasions the house had been petrol-bombed.

He said the family planned to ask for council protection after the latest incident. "Lenasia pays Johannesburg R50 000 a day for administration and none of the management committee members have any form of protection. The time has now arrived that we must insist on protection," he said.

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Bomb explodes in Soweto

JOHANNESBURG.— A bomb exploded outside the boundaries of the Moroka Barracks in Soweto early on Sunday morning, slightly damaging the building, Captain R Bloomberg, SAP liaison officer, confirmed yesterday.

At Imbali, Maritzburg, a group fired a number of shots at a house, injuring three people, police reported.

Three people were injured in a clash between two groups at Dassenhoek, Pinetown. — Sapa

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Lenasia is rocked by three blasts

By BOETI ESHAK

THREE explosions rocked Lenasia early yesterday, damaging three properties.

The explosions hit the Lenasia Bus Service (LBS) offices in Camelia Street, a house in Sirkon Avenue and the Hollyhock Street offices of the House of Delegates.

Nobody was hurt.

A police spokesman confirmed the blasts, saying it was not yet known what devices were used.

The first blast occurred at 4.10am at the back of the LBS offices, ripping a hole in the

security fence and shattering windows.

LBS director Nicholas Smuts said: "Fortunately, nobody was in the offices at the time.

"Not a single vehicle was damaged and the bus service continued as usual."

The second blast, at 4.30am, caused damage estimated at R10 000 to the Extension 5 home of Mrs Rashida Ebrahim, 42, chair-

woman of the Lenasia Management Committee.

She and her ex-husband, Mr Miley Ebrahim, 40, are members of the LMC.

Candidates

Their son, Shiraz, 23, daughter-in-law Soraya, 21, and daughter Shenaaz, 14, were also in the house at the time.

Mrs Soraya Ebrahim and her in-laws are candidates in the forthcoming management committee elections.

The third blast, at 6.30am, caused minimal damage to the House of Delegates offices. Only windows were shattered, but no one was injured.

End of 40-hour fast

AT NOON today about 60 000 South Africans will break a 40-hour fast. The celebrity campaign organised by World Vision aims to raise R700 000 for the underprivileged of all races. Celebrities fasting include Kepler Wessels, Jomo Sono, Gary Bailey, Sipho "Hotstix" Mabuse, Karl Kikillus and Sunday Times columnist Jani Allan.

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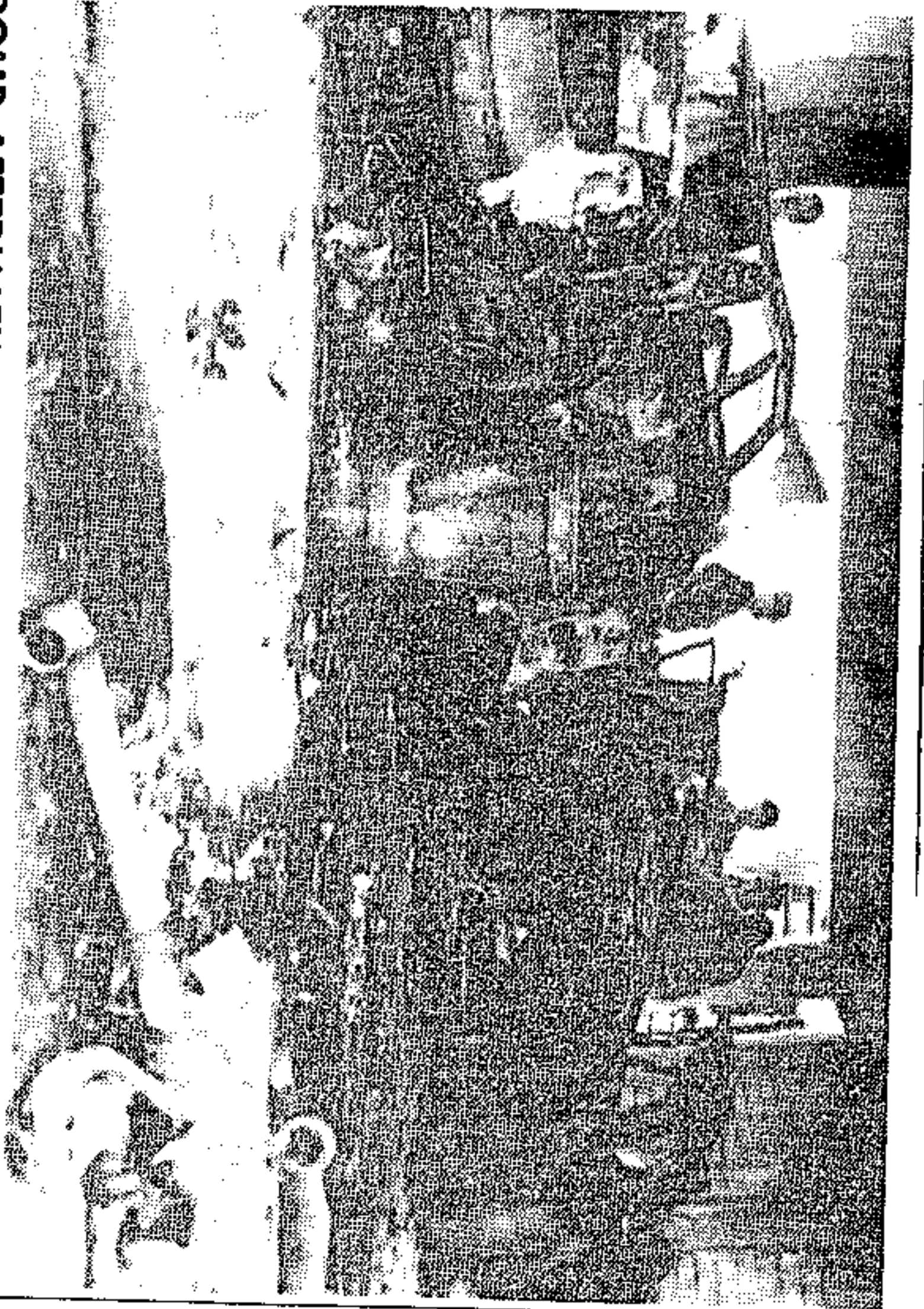
The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The huge car-bomb that devastated a four-storey block of flats in Benoni this morning, causing damage estimated at R750 000 to cars and property, may have been intended for the nearby police single quarters.

Police are investigating the possibility, among others, that the bombers, believed to be ANC members, who planted the device had identified the wrong building.

A police spokesman said: "We don't have specific information but we're investigating all possibilities."

Another spokesman said the blast was evidence of the ANC's policy of hitting soft targets. "Even if they had hit police quarters, it would still have been a soft target because other people would have been present."



BOMB AFTERMATH: Security forces inspect wreckage in the parking garage below a Benoni block of flats where a powerful bomb exploded today.

The explosion, caused by about 15kg of limpet and mini-limpet mines packed into a car, happened less than 100m from the Benoni police station and directly opposite the central fire station.

At least 32 cars were extensively damaged in the blast.

The bomb, described today as one of the largest on the Reef, exploded in the parking area underneath Atholbrook Flats on the corner of Kimbolton street and Harpur avenue at 3.20am, police said.

Cut by glass

A six-year-old boy was treated for slight lacerations caused by flying glass and the caretaker of the flats, Mrs Emma Hattingh, slipped and cut her knee leaving the building.

Several residents were treated for shock by paramedics and firemen.

More than 300 dazed residents of Atholbrook were evacuated by firemen and housed in an emergency centre at the fire station.

Police said the limpet mines were packed into a car which had been stolen in Boksburg during the night.

The car was destroyed in the blast and police were able to identify it only from its number plates.

A fireman, Mr Johan Smit, 27, said he saw a man rush from the building and jump into a combi-taxi 2½ hours before the explosion.

Hooted in code

"I had awakened with my baby crying. I heard a hooter blowing in a kind of code and saw a combi outside with a man behind the wheel.

"A second man came running round the corner of the station and climbed into the combi, which sped off."

The caretaker, Mrs Hattingh, said she and her husband were awakened by the explosion.

"My husband fell out of bed. He said it was a bomb," she said.

Police and military personnel cordoned off the area with barbed wire.

Double blast rocks Soweto

TWO limpet mines exploded at the Naledi power station, Soweto, on Saturday morning, causing slight damage, the SA Police said in the unrest report yesterday.

Another two limpet mines were defused by the police.

A police spokesman said in Pretoria yesterday there were no casualties in the explosions that occurred at 6am.

He could not give further details but said police were investigating.

Business Day Reporter

An Eskom spokesman said there had been no disruption of Soweto's power supply and the "slight damage" was fixed on Saturday.

The unrest report added that at Sweetwaters, near Maritzburg, two black men were killed by a group of people and at Nduzuma, near Durban, arsonists extensively damaged a private dwelling.

Man seen running from flats hours before blast

300 evacuated after car bomb

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By Craig Kotze and
Bernard Gunzenhauser

A massive car bomb explosion early today rocked a four-storey central Benoni block of flats, slightly injuring two people and causing damage estimated at R750 000 to cars and property.

At least 32 cars were extensively damaged in the blast.

Described today as one of the largest on the Reef, the bomb exploded in the open parking area underneath the Atholbrook Flats at the corner of Kimbolton Street and Harpur Avenue at 3.20 am, police said.

The explosion was less than 100 m from the Benoni police station and directly opposite the central fire station.

A six-year-old boy was treated for slight lacerations caused by flying glass and the caretaker of the flats, Mrs Emma Hattingh, slipped and cut her knee while vacating the building.

Several people were treated for shock by paramedics and firemen.

More than 300 shocked and dazed residents of Atholbrook were evacuated almost immediately by firemen and housed in an emergency centre at the fire station.

Police said the explosion was apparently caused by a number of limpet mines packed into a stolen car which was then parked under Atholbrook after being stolen in Boksburg during the night.

Police had not yet established how many mines were in the car.

Identified

The car, which belonged to Mr H Muller of Boksburg, was destroyed by the blast and police were only able to identify it from its number plates.

East Rand police spokesman, Lieutenant Willie Meyer, said it was not yet known who was responsible for the blast.

A Benoni fireman, Mr Johan Smit (27) said he saw a man rush from the building and jump into a taxi 2½ hours before the explosion.

"I woke up because my baby was crying. When I got back into bed, I heard a hooter blowing and saw a vehicle outside with one man behind the wheel.

"He seemed to be hooting in a kind of code. A second man dressed in overalls came running around the corner of the station and climbed into the kombi, which sped off," said Mr Smit.

He said a second smaller explosion went off after the main blast.

The caretaker, Mrs Hattingh, said she and her husband were awakened by a terrific explosion.

"My husband fell out of bed. He said it was a bomb and I said it was right underneath us," said a shocked Mrs Hattingh.

Police and military personnel cordoned off the area.

● Early on Saturday afternoon a dummy bomb was found on shelves at a Checkers store in Brakpan.

An eyewitness to the incident, Benoni Methodist minister the Reverend Colin Andrews, said everyone inside the store was asked over the public address system to vacate the premises immediately.

The incident was confirmed by Lieutenant Meyer.

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Benoni blast: Cop quarters target claim

Own Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — A man wearing overalls and hat ran and scrambled into a metallic blue and white minibus 2½ hours before a powerful car bomb exploded at a Benoni block of flats early yesterday morning, an eyewitness said.

"The minibus then sped off at high speed," said Mrs Elfie Smit.

She and her husband, a fireman, saw the incident from their flat in Benoni Central Fire Station, 50m from the scene of the multi-limpet mine blast which structurally damaged Atholbrook Flats when it exploded at 3.20am yesterday in a parking lot under the building, destroying six cars and seriously damaging 26 others.

Police said the explosion which devastated the block of flats and resulted in damage estimated at R750 000 to cars and property may have been intended for the nearby police single quarters and was caused by 10 mini-limpet and three larger SPM limpet mines — packed in the boot of a stolen Ford Escort.

The latest blast came amid news that the Federated Hotel, Liquor and Catering Association, Fedhasa, government and the SAP have held discussions on action to combat the recent spate of attacks on restaurants.

Immediate action arising out of the discussions is a police commitment to visit any Fedhasa member requesting advice on methods to combat terrorist attacks.

Anti-terrorist guidelines already issued by Fedhasa to its members will also be upgraded by the SAP and an additional detailed check list on likely bomb hiding places will be made available by the SAP.

Fedhasa meets Vlok and police on restaurant terror

FEDHASA, government and the SAP have held discussions on action to combat the recent spate of terrorist attacks on restaurants.

A top-level meeting in Pretoria was attended recently by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok, senior SAP officers and a Fedhasa delegation led by president David Wigley.

As a result of the discussions, police have undertaken to visit any Fedhasa

member requesting advice on methods of combating terrorist attacks.

Anti-terrorist guidelines already issued by Fedhasa to its members will be upgraded by the SAP and an additional detailed checklist on likely bomb hiding places will be made available by the SAP.

Fedhasa seminars on the subject will be continued in an upgraded form to include more input from the

SAP. The SAP has undertaken to keep Fedhasa up to date on its latest information.

Checking of guests, customers and staff at entrances was felt to be a good deterrent. This system had already been instituted at some restaurants and had been generally well received by the public.

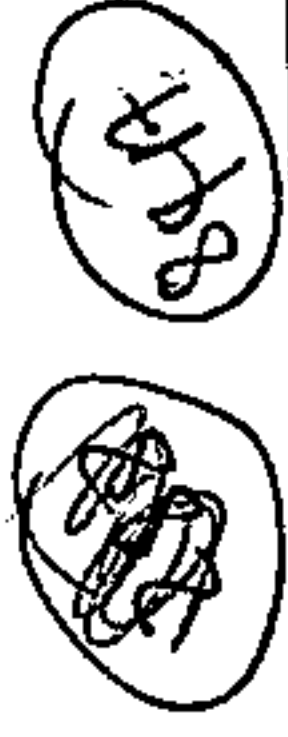
It was felt that full body-searches with the use of electronic equipment

were not yet necessary.

Wigley said: "I would appeal to staff as well as the public to be alert at all times to a possible threat."

It was ironic that Fedhasa, which has been at the forefront of dismantling apartheid in hotels and restaurants, should find that some of its members were the focus of attacks.

— Sapa.





Top level meeting held about restaurant bombs

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Fedhasa seminars on the subject have already been introduced and will now be continued in an improved form to include additional advice from the SAP and the SAP has undertaken to keep Fedhasa informed on the latest information it has on the terrorist situation.

REWARD SYSTEM

Moreover, Fedhasa will sound out its members on the question of a reward system for spotting terrorists or bombs — such rewards to be paid by the hospitality industry employers quite apart from the government system that already exists.

Checking of guests, customers and staff at entrances to premises was felt to be a good deterrent. This system had already been instituted at some restaurants and has been generally well received by the public. It was felt at this stage that full body searches with the use of electronic equipment

was not necessary, except in acknowledged high risk situations, but such procedures may be necessary in the future.

Fedhasa president David Wigley said: "I do not believe that the public is ready for full body searches at this stage, but I would appeal to staff as well as the public, to be alert at all times to a possible threat. An alert staff and public undoubtedly go a long way to minimising terror attacks."

SAP officials told Fedhasa there was no apparent pattern to the recent spate of terror attacks. These were random and not aimed at any particular restaurant or chain. Restaurants were selected because they were "soft targets".

The SAP and Minister Vlok had promised the fullest co-operation and availability of the latest information, said Mr Wigley. "The SAP have told us they are prepared to visit any Fedhasa member to provide him with information and advice." — Sapa.

Full body searches forecast by Fedhasa chief

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

The public is not yet ready for full body searches with electronic equipment, but these measures may be necessary in future to prevent bomb attacks, says Federated Hotel, Liquor and Catering Association (Fedhasa) president Mr David Wigley.

"I do not believe the public is ready for full body searches at this stage, but I would appeal to staff as well as the public to be alert at all times to a possible threat.

"An alert staff and public undoubtedly go a long way to minimising terror attacks," said Mr Wigley, quoted in a Fedhasa statement issued after talks in Pretoria between the organisation, the police and the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, on how to combat terror attacks on restaurants.

Checking guests, customers and staff at entrances to premises was felt to be a good deterrent and had already been instituted at some restaurants. It was generally well received by the public.

"It is felt at this stage that full body searches with the use of electronic equipment are not necessary, except in acknowledged high-risk situations, but such procedures may be necessary in the future," said the Fedhasa statement.

Decisions reached at the Pretoria conference were:

- Police were committed to visit any Fedhasa member requesting advice on methods of combating terrorist attacks.
- Anti-terrorist guidelines already issued by Fedhasa would be upgraded by the police, who would also make available a detailed list of likely bomb hiding places.
- Fedhasa seminars on the subject had already been introduced and would be continued in an upgraded form to include additional police input.
- The police had undertaken to keep Fedhasa informed on the latest information on the terrorist situation.
- Fedhasa would ask its members about a system of rewards to be paid by the hospitality industry, alongside the existing police reward system, for spotting terrorists or bombs.

Fedhasa said it was ironic that its members should be a focus of terrorist action as it was in the forefront of dismantling apartheid in hotels.

The police told Fedhasa there was no apparent pattern to the spate of attacks on restaurants. They were not aimed at any particular restaurant or chain. Restaurants were selected because they were "soft targets".

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THIS is the condition five white men left the Leeuw family furniture in. The incident took place at Dlamini 1 on Monday night. Mr Herbert Leeuw (76) and his wife, Violet were stunned by the event.

meat and cabbage stew and sold it to residents of Wolhuter hostel, near Jeppe, in Johannesburg on Monday. The chef, Mr Ernest Cele, told police he found the clot and, mistaking it for salt, added it to the stew.

Victims

Police liaison officer, Colonel Frans Malherbe, said Mr Cele prepared the stew at lunchtime on Monday with the help of Mr Richard Khumalo (40) who died soon after arrival in the hospital's casualty ward.

The remaining victims, including Mr Cele, had responded to treatment, were in a stable condition

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Whites attack homes

FIVE white men attacked the homes of two Black Consciousness activists in Soweto on Monday night — leaving one of them injured.

The families of Mr Thami Mcerwa and Miss Thenjiwe Leeuw said the attacks occurred within five minutes of each other in Dlamini 1. Mr

By MOKGADI PELA

Mcerwa is a legal unit official of the National Council of Trade Unions while Miss Leeuw is the former minute secretary of the Azanian Students Movement.

Mr Mcerwa said about 11.20pm on Monday the

white men driving a white car broke the front windows of his home and immediately drove off.

About five minutes later Mr Victor Leeuw (40), in the same area, was awoken by the sound of shattering glass.

"When I went out to check, I was confronted by five white men. One of

them grabbed me by the neck and pushed me inside the house where they started assaulting me. I was injured in the head, wrists and I was cut on the left thigh."

He said R270 which was in his briefcase was missing. Almost all the

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windows were damaged and furniture in the dining room and bedroom was scattered around. *Sowetan 21/9/88*

Mr Leeuw said he reported the matter at the Moroka police station while Mr Mcerwa's family was still seeking legal opinion in connection with the matter.

Soweto public relations officer, Major Fanyana Zwane, confirmed that the Leeuw family had reported the matter to the police and said the matter was being investigated.

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Four hurt in Soweto shootout

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

A suspected foreign-trained ANC member, a three-month-old baby and two men were injured in a shootout with police in Diepkloof, Soweto, early yesterday, say police.

Pretoria police said the suspected ANC member was taken to hospital after the shootout.

The other three injured people were caught in the crossfire, said Captain Kurt Marais.

"During the pursuit of a foreign-trained ANC terrorist in Diepkloof, Soweto, several shots were fired," Captain Marais said.

"The terrorist and two members of the public — two men and a three-month-old baby — were wounded.

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"All are being treated while the terrorist is under police guard in hospital," said Captain Marais.

"The SAP regrets members of the public were injured," he added.

Captain Marais did not release the names of the victims or of the alleged ANC member. He would also not say at which hospital the suspect was being treated.

Five bomb blasts

38 hurt — 'Huge blue
flash, blood and smoke'

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Five bomb explosions have rocked the country — two in Johannesburg and one each in Pretoria, Fort Beaufort and King William's Town.

Thirty-eight people were injured.

LATEST

Fourth escaper granted asylum

JOHANNESBURG. — A fourth escaper has joined three men granted temporary refuge in the offices of the United States Consulate in Johannesburg, the US Information Service confirmed today.

Spokesman Mr Barry Walkley said Clifford Ngcobo escaped from detention yesterday and went to the consulate "seeking temporary refuge."

Nineteen were injured about 1am today when a bomb exploded in the Why Not discotheque in the heart of Hillbrow flatland.

Half an hour later, a blast shook the home of Mr Shakes El Goolam in Scarlet Street, Laudium, Pretoria. He is a candidate in the forthcoming municipal elections.

A police spokesman said a bomb was placed at the front door and had caused extensive damage. Nobody was injured.

Rush hour

At Fort Beaufort, an explosion damaged the fence, roof, water-pipes and windows of the public library in Campbell Street last night. The bomb was placed in open ground at the back of the library. There were no injuries.

Earlier, during yesterday's rush hour in Johannesburg, 19 people were injured when a limpet mine placed in a rubbish bin at a city centre bus terminus exploded.

Sixteen of the injured were treated and discharged from the Johannesburg Hospital, but two were admitted.

The fifth explosion, "probably caused by a mini-limpet mine", occurred in front of the magistrate's court in Alexandra Street in King William's Town at 11pm.

Police said nobody was injured in the explosion and little damage was caused.

The Johannesburg blasts left pandemonium and terror in their wake.

Terrified

Witnesses said the discotheque bomb was planted next to the bar. It went off amidst 170 patrons.

Terrified men and women ran from the first-floor premises, leaving behind a trail of shoes, valuables and torn clothes as they piled through exits.

Bouncer Mr Mervyn Resant was only a few metres from the bomb when it went off.

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Mr Ricky Marx was standing at the disco entrance when the blast flung him on to a parked bakkie.

"People came pouring outside, screaming and shouting. Others were so panic-stricken that they smashed into shop windows in an attempt to get away. It was chaos," he said.

The explosion at the bus terminus showered concrete, glass and metal fragments on people, four double-decker buses, at least four cars and the facades of a cafe and other buildings.

Cafe owner Mr Paris Boyiatjis said: "I saw a red cloud rise into the air and then heard a massive bang. My windows and mirrors shattered. There was pandemonium, people running all over the place. One girl I saw was badly hurt."

● Picture, page 3.

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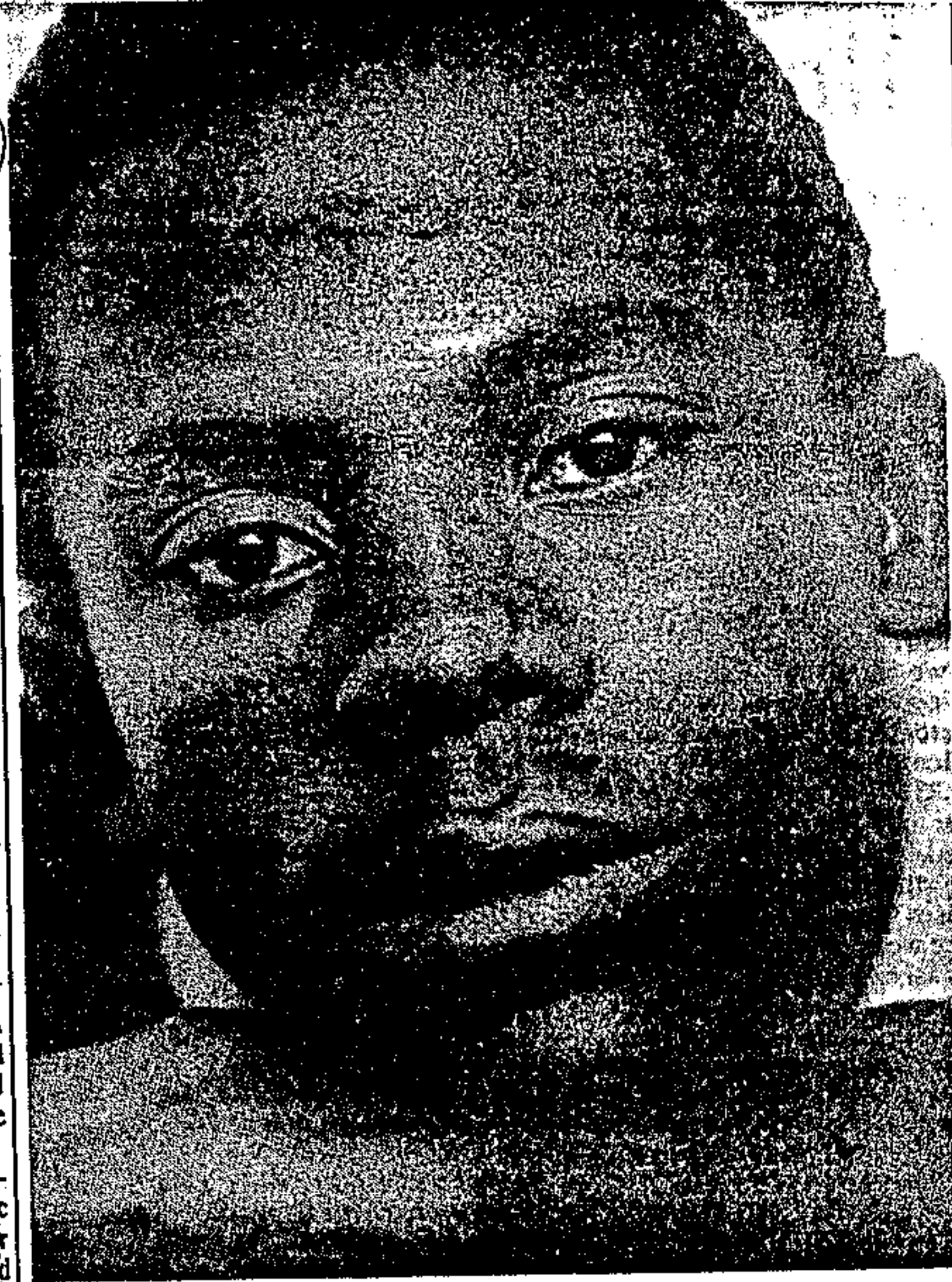
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The bomb — an SBM limpet mine — went off on the south side of Van der Byl Square where dozens of rush-hour commuters were queuing for buses.

The Johannesburg Hospital's chief superintendent, Dr Reg Brookman, said last night that only two patients, Ms Julieta Whiting, 26, and Ms Sharon Cochrane, 22, would be admitted.

A Witwatersrand police spokesman, Colonel Frans Malherbe, said the device had been placed in a concrete dustbin under a bus shelter.

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Sibusiso Mthombeni: 'Oupa Mabutja was a victim' Picture: ANNA ZIEMINSKI, Afrapix

I knew Northcliff 'bomber'

BY VUSI GUNENE

A MAN who claims to be a friend of the young man killed in last week's Johannesburg shopping centre bomb blast has blamed the blast on "agents of apartheid".

Sibusiso Mthombeni, 20, told *Weekly Mail* he saw William Oupa Mabutja, 18, two hours before the Northcliff explosion at 7.25pm last Wednesday.

Shortly after the blast police said they were investigating the possibility that the bomb's only victim was the bomber. However, police subsequently identified the victim only as a "teenager".

Mthombeni said he did not believe his friend would have planted the bomb, or that he was a guerrilla.

He said he and Mabutja were members of the Zola Junior Birds football club and the Soweto Students Congress (Sosco).

Mthombeni said Mabutja came to see him last Wednesday: "He said he had an appointment with someone he did not name at the nearby shopping centre at 5.30pm. As it was already 5.30pm he told me he had to rush to the appointment and we bid farewell to each other.

"I did not know he was going to meet his tragic death."

Mthombeni claims ever since the death earlier this year of Sosco's Sicelo Dhlomo, Sosco members have fled their homes and schools for fear of being harassed by police.

Mabutja was not living at his parents' home as he feared he was being sought by police, Mthombeni said.

He had also stopped attending Prudence High in Tladi, Soweto, where he was in Std 10, after police visited the school looking for him.

Mthombeni described Mabutja as "reserved and intelligent. He upheld Christian morals and spoke a lot against violence.

"His death has left his teammates and colleagues in Sosco miserable.

"I believe his death — like Sicelo's — is an indication that agents of apartheid are out to wipe out Sosco activists."

Mthombeni said he feared the mysterious deaths of activists would fuel violence in the community if they continued without satisfactory investigation.

A representative of Mabutja's family said yesterday police had visited them to enquire about arrangements for his funeral this Saturday.

A church service is scheduled to be held at the Dutch Reformed Church in Tladi at 10am. The funeral procession is due to go to the Avlon cemetery at 1pm.

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A victim of yesterday's bomb blast at Johannesburg's central bus terminus is comforted by a fellow pedestrian.

Johannesburg bus terminus limpet mine blast injures

NINETEEN people were injured, two seriously, in a peak-hour bomb explosion at Johannesburg's Van der Bijl Square bus terminus at 5.10pm yesterday.

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Johannesburg Hospital chief superintendent Dr Reg Brookman said last night only two patients, Julietta Whiting, 26, and Sharon Cochrane, 22, were expected to require admittance. The

By MANDY JEAN WOODS, DAN SIMON and ELSABE WESSELS

others were treated for minor injuries and 16 had been discharged by 8pm.

At the scene, Witwatersrand police spokesman Col Frans Malherbe said the device had been placed in a concrete dustbin under a bus shelter.

The concrete refuse bin is a new type installed throughout the city last year to stifle the effects of bombs. The bin was intact after the explosion, which shattered windows of a four-storey building

and a car nearby, Sapa reports.

Malherbe said that damage to the bodywork and windows of four double-decker buses and three cars parked in the immediate vicinity was extensive but not serious. Buildings facing the terminus had dozens of windows broken.

Eyewitness Denis Jacobs, 22, a naval officer, said the bomb went off close to where people were queuing for the Glen Vista and Mondeor bus.

Johannesburg Hospital has released a list of victims: Adriana Barbousa, 30, Zela de Carvalho, 33, Simon Makgago,

41, Coenraad Groenewald, 49, Pieter Ferreira, 63, Joanne-Anna Lambert, 38, Michelle van Vuuren, 22, B Allison, 27, Kim Heytmayer, 21, Linda Pillay, 30, C Madeira, 41, Hilda Grobler, 40, C Davidson, 18, Robin Els, 20, Denis Jacobs, 22, William Ryan, 51. Sapa reports Col Malherbe released the name of another victim, a Constable Stapelberg.

Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said last night that the blast was a further indication of the reckless manner in which terrorists without consciences dealt with defenceless people.

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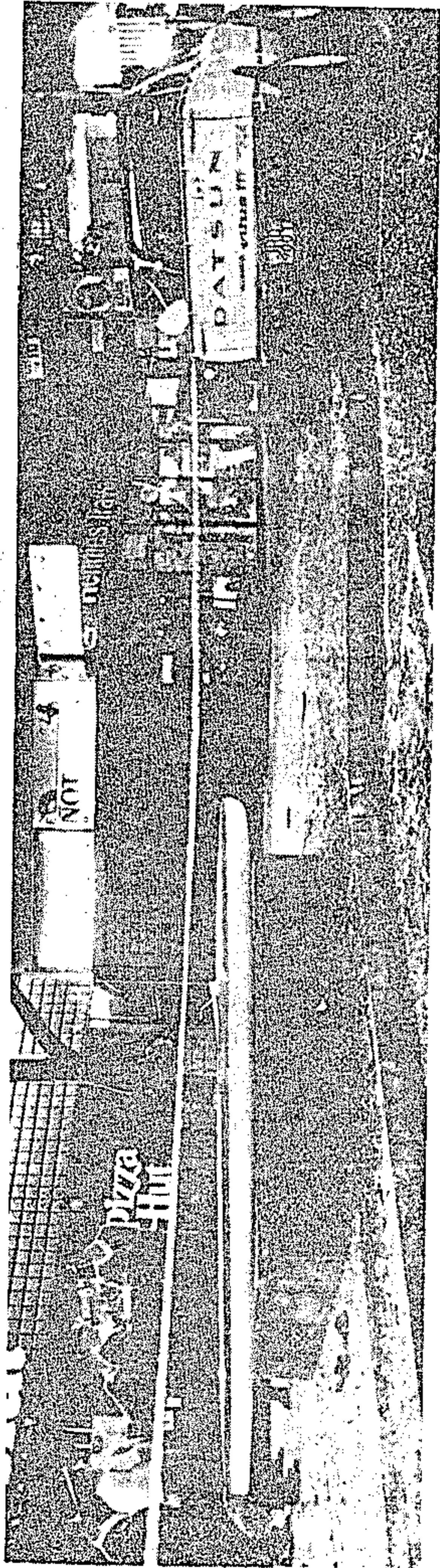
A USIS spokesman, Mr Barry Walkley, said Clifford Ngcobo escaped from detention yesterday and went to the consulate "seeking temporary refuge".

He has been allowed to stay in the consulate with three other detainees who escaped from hospital on September 13 and have been holed up in the consulate since then. — Sapa.

● See Page 2.

Why Not Discotheque owner Mr Graham Diekeriks was at his bakkie working on his canoe when the blast went off in Hillbrow this morning, showering the street with glass. He was not injured.

● Picture by John Hogg.



38 injured in SA bomb blitz

Limpet mine blasts Hillbrow discotheque

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Terror attacks on a crowded Johannesburg bus terminal and a Hillbrow discotheque yesterday afternoon and early today left 38 people injured. Three more bombs went off in the Eastern Cape and in a Pretoria township.

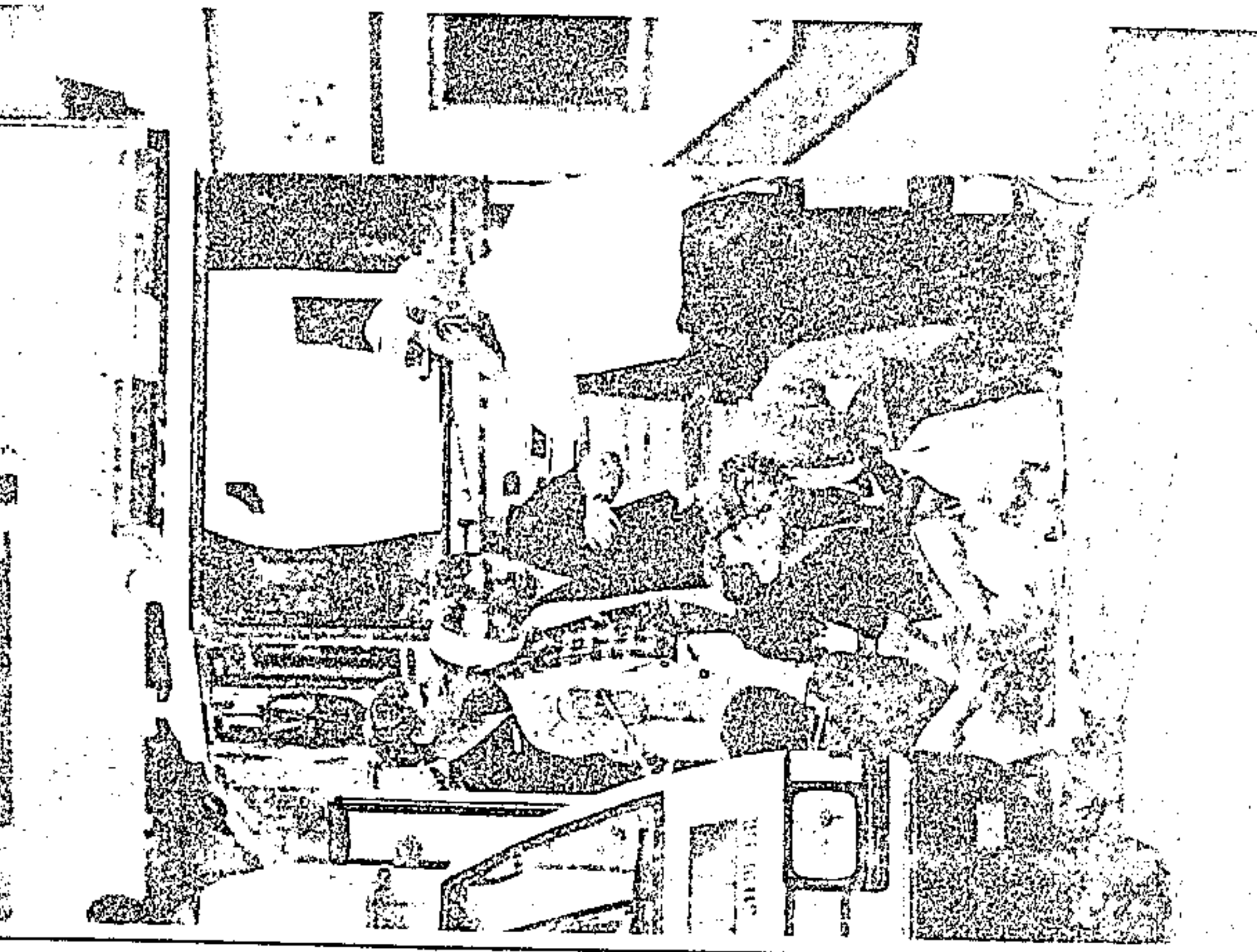
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The bus terminal was destroyed by a...



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Nobody was injured in the blasts outside Johannesburg, police said.

The bus terminus was bombed by a limpet mine placed in a concrete dustbin at 5.14 pm yesterday as commuters waited for buses.

The discotheque bomb went off at 1.05 am today. All 19 injured, including three children, were blacks, said eyewitnesses. The bomb was planted next to the bar, crowded with 170 people, they said.

Bouncer Mr Mervyn Resant (24) was only a few metres from the bomb when it went off.

Collapsed

"All I saw was a huge blue flash, blood and smoke. Then the rush to get out started and people collapsed on to the floor."

The names of the victims have not yet been released.

Victims of the bus terminus blast said the limpet mine showered concrete, glass and metal fragments on people, four double-decker buses, at least four cars and the facades of a cafe and several other buildings.

Those injured in the terminus blast were Mrs Audrey Barbarosa (30), Mrs Zeza Decarvalino (33), Mr Simon Makgato (41) of Plumville, Soweto, Mr C J Groenewald (49), Mr P Ferreira (63), Mrs J Lambert (38), Miss M van Vuuren (22), Mrs Bev Allison (27), Mrs K Heytmayer (26), Mrs L Pillay (30), a Mr Madeira (41), Mrs H Grobler (48), Miss C Dawson (18), Mr R Ryan (51) and Miss Ann Goutchild-Brown.

The King William's Town and Fort Beaufort blasts were at 10.10pm last night and Mr Goolam's home was bombed at 1.05am today, police said.

The three people admitted to the Johannesburg Hospital following the Vanderbijl Square bus terminus blast were in a stable and satisfactory condition this morning, a hospital spokesman said.

They are: Mr William Ryan (51), Mrs W Whiting (26) and Miss S Cochrane (22).

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Ambulance men attend to the injured after the limpet mine explosion at Vanderbijl Square. ● Picture by Sean Woods.

Anglo in row over bid for Consolidated Gold

By Sven Lünsche and Neil Behrmann

Anglo American's battle for control of UK-based Consolidated Gold Fields has sparked a political and financial row that could lead to a long and bitter battle over Britain's biggest mining company.

After leaks that began in Johannesburg and Switzerland, and could set British regulators on to the track of insider traders, Anglo, through its international investment arm Minorco, launched a record UK bid of nearly 'billion (£12 billion) for Britain's leading mining company.

Yet the real political flak is expected to come from the US and UK, because of Minorco's South African connections.

The Minorco bid, spearheaded by the company's South African-born deputy chairman and chief executive, Sir Michael Edwardes, is aimed at buying up the 71 per cent of ConsGold which it does not already own.

ConsGold, which has been the subject of take-over rumours in recent years, immediately snubbed the bid, saying it "lacked financial justification and is devoid of commercial logic".

London analysts believe the bid is the first step in a grand strategy.

of Anglo American and the Oppenheimer dynasty to build up an international empire that could ultimately involve De Beers' huge operation controlled from London.

The company is also endeavouring to counter sanctions, they said.

Sixty per cent of the world's gold is mined in South Africa. The acquisition would raise South African control to about 70 per cent of the non-communist world's production, analysts said.

The *Evening Standard* in London said yesterday that the Minorco move had started a row over £20 million (£80 million) profits made by speculators in early share trading on ConsGold. It said Minorco had already made a formal request for a full London Stock Exchange (LSE) inquiry into recent share dealings in ConsGold shares.

At a press conference, Sir Michael Edwardes insisted that Minorco, a Luxembourg-based company, would be independent of Anglo American.

Sir Michael also said Minorco planned to dispose of ConsGold's extensive interests in South Africa if the bid succeeded. He said it would negotiate to sell its 38 per cent stake in Gold Fields of South Africa to the Rembrandt Group.

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Price of gold still dropping

By Sven Lünsche

Gold slipped further below \$400 in the Far East today, raising fears that it could fall to well below this level in the next few weeks.

The South African Reserve Bank indicated yesterday that, while no further measures would be taken at this stage, a protracted downward trend in gold could well force the authorities to take action to protect the foreign exchange reserves.

Bullion was around \$397.80 in early Tokyo trade after closing at \$398.25 in New York yesterday.

The gold price briefly dipped below \$400 in London yesterday — its lowest level since February 1987 — but recovered later to a London afternoon fix of \$400.65 — \$10 down on Tuesday's close.

The rand price of gold fell below R1 000 for the first time in four months to close at R992. Platinum, also used as a hedge against inflation, fell under \$500 for the first time in six months to close at \$490 in London, \$18.50 down for the day.

The drop in precious metal prices is raising the spectre of renewed increases in interest rates, including bond rates, to stop the inflow of imports, which is draining the foreign exchange reserves.

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30 die in SA blasts

ABOUT 30 people have died in South Africa this year and hundreds have been injured in more than 100 urban guerilla attacks across the country.

The Government has blamed most of the assaults on the African National Congress.

The movement, which is based in Lusaka has acknowledged responsibility for hundreds of attacks since 1961, but said earlier this year it would no longer comment on each incident inside South Africa.

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White men linked to blast

JOHANNESBURG. — Security police are investigating allegations that three white men were seen acting suspiciously in the Why Not discotheque in Hillbrow immediately before the explosion early yesterday in which 19 people were injured.

John Vorster Square security police have received information on the three men and have appealed for any information on them, a Pretoria police spokesman confirmed.

On Wednesday a limpet mine explosion at Vanderbijl Square bus terminus at 5.14pm injured 19 people. The terminus is used mainly by whites.

Three more bombs went off in the Eastern Cape and in a Pretoria township on Wednesday night.

Forty-seven people have been in-

jured in the bombing blitz across South Africa. Pretoria claims the blitz is due to an all-out campaign by left-wingers to disrupt municipal elections.

The Why Not discotheque is patronized by blacks in Hillbrow's "grey area". Mr Graham Diedericks, the owner, said security guards allowed the three men to enter the premises without being searched because they were white.

Inside, the men bought beers but did not touch them. One of the men went to the toilets and then all three left the premises. The bomb went off soon afterwards, he said.

Yesterday five people were still in the Johannesburg and Hillbrow hospitals. — Sapa-Reuter

Countrywide blasts leave 38 people injured

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FIVE bomb attacks, injuring 38 people, have hit SA since Wednesday afternoon, with police investigating the possibility of involvement by white rightwingers in the blast early yesterday in Hillbrow.

CP leader Andries Treurnicht called for terrorist bases in neighbouring states to be wiped out, while PFP law and order spokesman Helen Suzman condemned the "mindless violence" and called for the perpetrators of the bomb-

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DANIEL SIMON

ings to be brought to justice.

At 5.14pm on Wednesday, an SPM limpet mine placed in a concrete dustbin exploded at Johannesburg's Van Der Byjl Square bus terminus, injuring 19 people.

At 1.20am yesterday morning a mini-limpet mine exploded at the Laudium home of election candidate Danood

Goolam on the outskirts of Pretoria.

In Fort Beaufort, an explosive device damaged the back of a public library, and in King William's Town, a suspected mini-limpet mine exploded in the front of the magistrate's court building.

Police directorate spokesman Capt Reg Crewe said police were aware of allegations that three white men were seen behaving suspiciously just before the Hillbrow blast.

Police aid in terror fight

MARITZBURG — Two major security operations were launched here this week as part of a national bomb awareness programme organised by the police after fears of renewed terror attacks in the country.

Lt-Gen Bert Wandrag, chief deputy commissioner of police, said yesterday the police expected renewed efforts by the ANC/SACP alliance to increase their terror attacks against South Africans.

At the same time, he issued a plea that the public join the police in a policing partnership "in order to eradicate the curse of terrorism".

The bomb awareness campaign was being conducted with local traffic authorities, fire departments and ambu-

lance services.

A police spokesman said a major operation was launched in the Maritzburg city centre on Tuesday evening when a bomb alarm was activated by the riot unit and police and other protection services moved in to help cordon off the Longmarket, Burger and Pietermaritz Street area.

Another aspect of the awareness campaign was impromptu security checks during the day. Sniffer dogs were used to search for bombs in vehicles and a police helicopter gave aerial assistance.

Policemen on the scene told people the exercise was for their own safety and said the operation was conducted in terms of the Internal Security Act. — Sapa.

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Seven held after ^{Arrests 23/9/88} Rand blast

PRETORIA. — Seven African National Congress suspects have been arrested by police in connection with Wednesday's Johannesburg bus terminus limpet mine explosion, which injured 19 people, and other terrorist activities, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said today.

Mr Vlok said the arrests had taken place over the past 24 hours and that police had seized "a number" of limpet mines and hand-grenades.

Some of those arrested had been allegedly trained in Angola and were sent to South Africa by the ANC with orders to violently disrupt the October 26 municipal elections, Mr Vlok said.

Investigations regarding the involvement of those arrested in other terrorist activities were under way.

Mr Vlok said he was "convinced" the arrests and seizure of the weapons would play a role in preventing further bloodshed. — Sapa.

Three whites are linked to 'Brow disco explosion

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

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"We will investigate all possibilities," he said.

The Why Not discotheque blast in Pretoria Street was the second terror attack in Johannesburg within nine hours. A limpet mine explosion at Vanderbijl Square bus terminus at 5.14 pm on Wednesday also injured 19 people.

Other bombs went off on Wednesday night at the Laudium home of a Pretoria municipal election candidate Mr Shake Del Goolam, the Magistrate's Court in King William's Town and a library in Fort Beaufort. No one was injured in these blasts, although there was damage to property.

NO SEARCH FOR WHITES

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Mr Diederiks was outside the disco getting his paddleski off his bakkie when the bomb went off.



Miss Juanite Whiting (26) ... suffered a lacerated tendon and shrapnel wounds in Wednesday's bus terminal blast.

Convicted ANC terrorist defends attacks on police

Own Correspondent

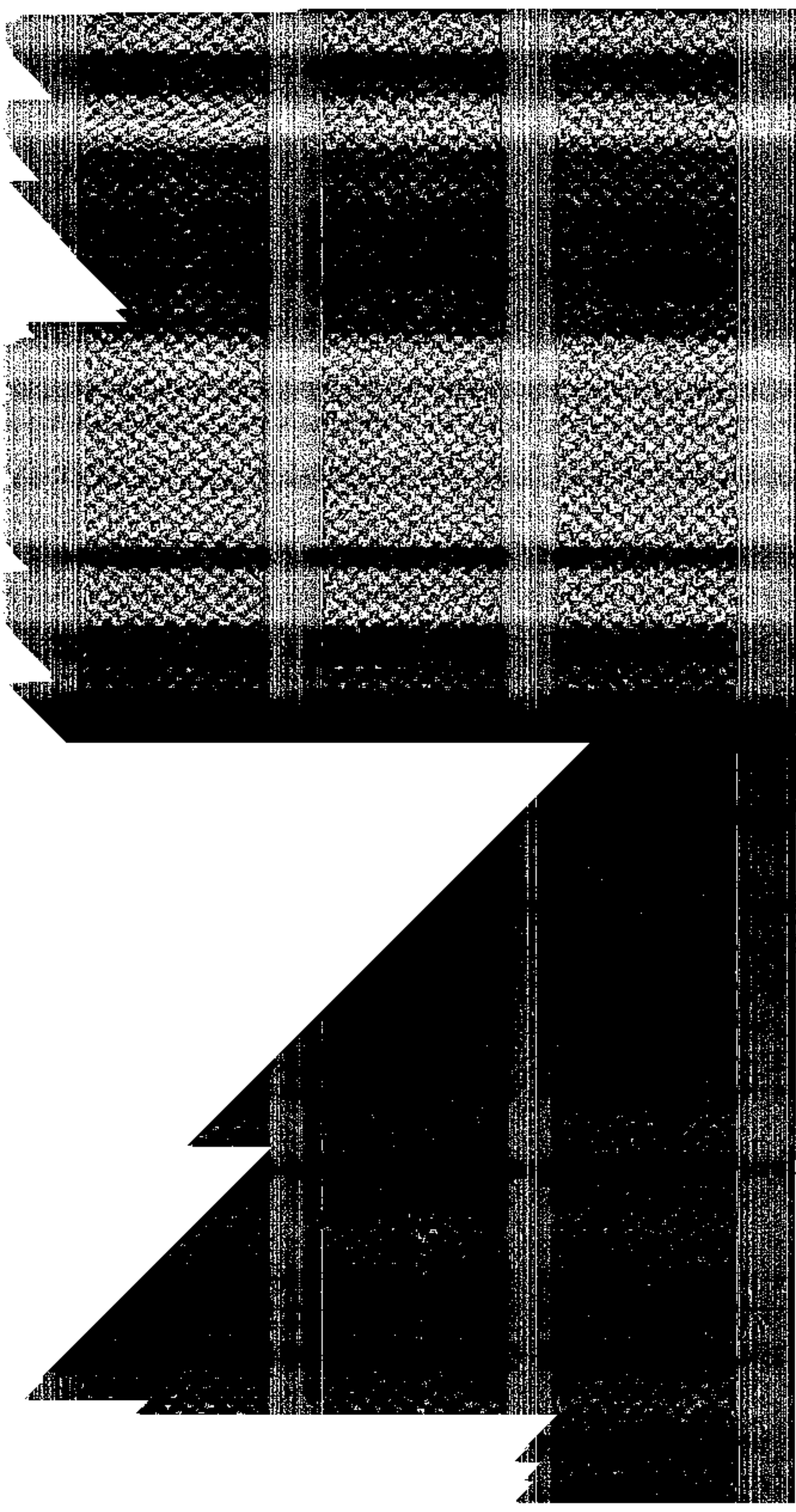
CAPE TOWN — A convicted African National Congress commander, Ashley Forbes, said yesterday that attacks on the police were legitimate because the police were the cause of oppression and brutality in the community.

He was explaining in the Cape Town Supreme Court why he participated in a grenade attack on the Manenberg

ism. His evidence in mitigation was later postponed until today because he was feeling ill.

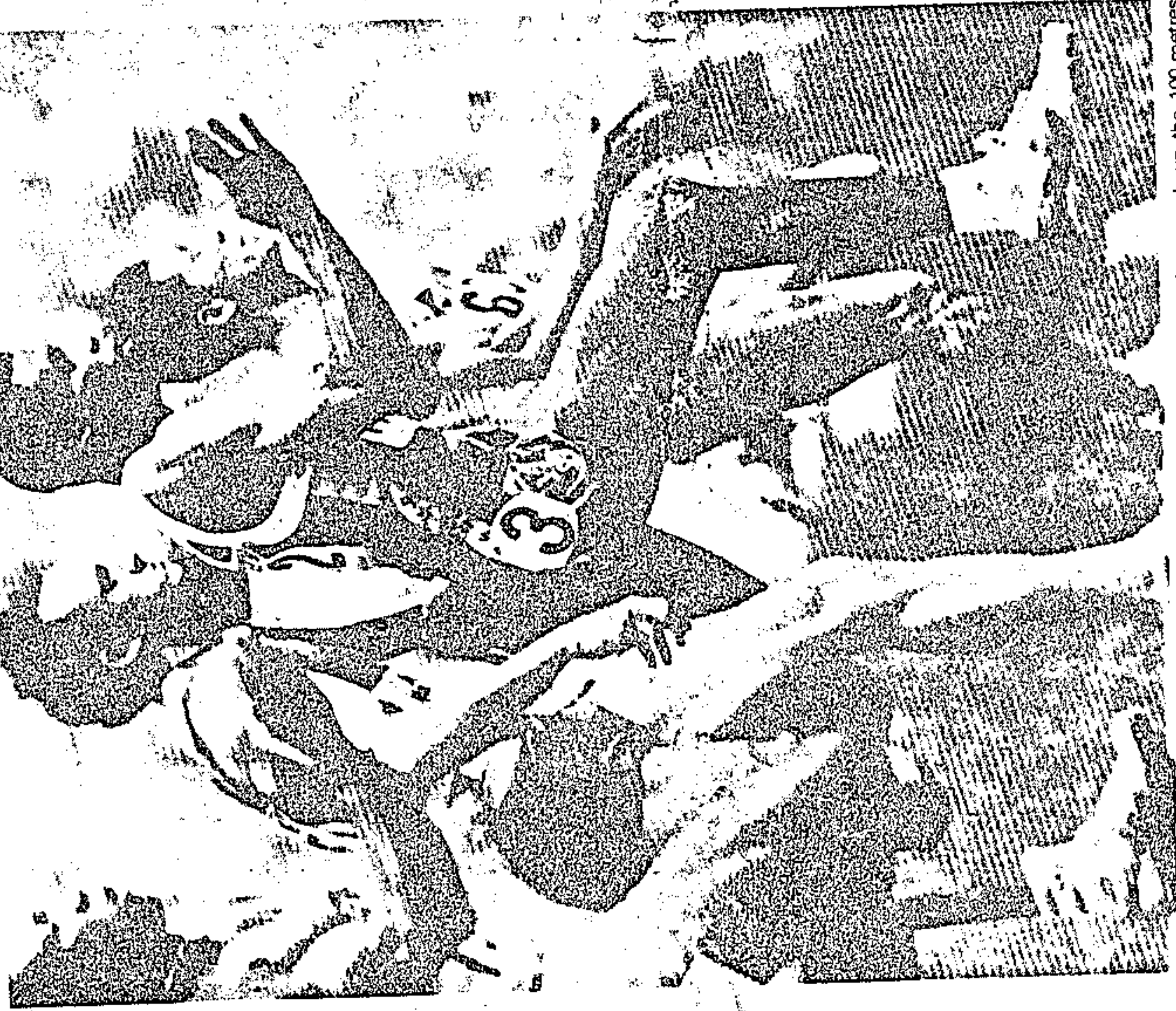
Forbes said the state of emergency amounted to a declaration of war by the Defence Force and the police, who had occupied the townships.

The Manenberg police station was being used as the "nerve centre" for troops and police operating in the



3 ANC SHOTS

SHOWDOWN IN SEOUL TODAY



ABOVE: Carl Lewis tears down the 100-metres straight in Seoul yesterday, gliding past his opponents. Today he meets his arch-rival, Ben Johnson, in the final, which is expected to be the highlight of the 1988 Olympic Games. Johnson yesterday almost did not make it when he finished third in the second round, but still advanced to the final as one of the four fastest losers.
RIGHT: Lewis eases up after clocking 9.99secs in his second-round race.

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JOHANNESBURG. — Soldiers and farmers killed three insurgents in bushveld gunfights yesterday and security police captured seven suspected members of the African National Congress believed to be linked to a spate of terrorist bombings, police and Defence Force officials said.

Authorities announced the shootings and a total of 14 arrests after several bombing incidents this week and a security clampdown around the country.

A Defence Force statement issued in Pretoria said three "ANC terrorists" were killed and seven captured in two incidents early yesterday.

One of the incidents occurred near the Swaziland border when a minibus was stopped by an army roadblock and the passengers ordered out of the vehicle.

One of eight passengers in the minibus threw a hand grenade and fired an AK47 at the patrol, wounding four soldiers, the statement said.

The soldiers returned fire, killing one man. One escaped and six others were captured, the Defence Force said.

All of the wounded soldiers are in a satisfactory condition in a Nelspruit hospital, from where they were scheduled to be moved to 1 Military Hospital in Pretoria.

'Suspicious' men reported

They are: Sgt S du Preez of Nelspruit, L/Cpl J S Hendrina and Rfn A J Lombaard of Durban.

The incident took place on the Barberton-Koap Midden road.

In a separate incident in the Northern Transvaal, near the Zimbabwe border, a farm worker, whose name has not yet been released, reported the presence of three "suspicious" men on a farm.

A gunbattle took place yesterday morning in Augustyn, was wounded. Two insurgents were killed and the third was arrested.

A police sergeant's van was stopped late on Thursday night at Thembisa, between Pretoria and Kempton Park.

One of four men tried to shoot him, but the weapon did not fire and the men fled into the darkness as the sergeant fired on them.

Yesterday morning weapons left behind by the men were found.

A large variety of weapons, arms and ammunition are understood to have been recovered in the various incidents.

The spokesman for the Ministry of Law and Order, Brigadier Leon Mellet, said seven suspected ANC members were rounded up in Johannesburg late on Thursday after being linked to at least two bombings in the city this week in which 38 people were injured.

"They were sent to South Africa by the ANC with the task of disrupting the forthcoming municipal elections by means of acts of terror," Brigadier Mellet said.

He added that police found limpet mines and hand-grenades.

— Own Correspondent and UPI

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'Bomb-cushion' dustbin worked

INCREASING numbers of bomb blasts, with a spiralling litter problem at the same time, is giving the Johannesburg municipality a hard-to-resolve headache.

While a new "bomb cushioning" dustbin was thought to have saved lives at the Vanderbijl Square blast on Wednesday, there was debate over the wisdom of having litter collection containers in the city, the acting-Town Clerk for Johannesburg, Mr George Grant, said yesterday.

"Tossing a bomb into a dustbin is far less likely to attract attention than placing one into a flowerpot or leaving a parcel in a public place where you would seem suspicious.

"But at the same time, if people are going to leave bombs in the city they will find some way of doing it."

The bomb in a new concrete dustbin at Vanderbijl Square on Wednesday caused a lot less harm than one would have had it been left in a package next to the queue of commuters, he said.

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"There were people standing only metres from the blast who were unharmed. Under normal circumstances they would have been maimed or killed.

"The bus driver even saw one man standing right next to the bin run away after the blast and then rush back to fetch his cap."

The dustbin had been designed to absorb and deflect upwards the body of the blast in order to protect people standing nearby. On impact the concrete crumbled to a powder rather than shattering.

These dustbins were being used at various points throughout the city along with translucent plastic bins with small openings for depositing rubbish (fixed to poles).

A dustbin designed with a slit on top through which litter could be deposited was under consideration, but these were not successful litter collectors, he said.

Last year all steel dustbins had been removed from Johannesburg as these caused missiles of steel shards to spray the surrounding area when a bomb exploded inside, he said.

Following the removal of the bins last year sharp criticism was levelled at the authorities as a mammoth litter problem developed overnight — a problem exacerbated by an increasing population.

"What we are faced with now is the twin problem of trying to safeguard the public while keeping the city clean," Mr Grant said.

"Under normal circumstances bins would be located where people concentrate, but now we have to weigh this up against the safety aspect. We are walking on a very fine line and constantly reviewing the situation."

The municipality had employed extra garbage collectors to constantly clear litter from bins.

A full report on Wednesday's blast will be handed to Johannesburg Management Committee on Monday.

18 attacks this month

SEPTEMBER has already seen the highest number of "terror" attacks in our history and as the October municipal election campaign heats up, so the number of bomb attacks is expected to increase.

Calculations from news reports for September indicate there have been an estimated total of 18 "terror" explosions so far.

This may be only the tip of the iceberg as, according to the South African Police public relations division, they do not keep count of ex-

plosive devices detonated or defused before exploding.

And a number of explosions are not reported because there are no injuries and minimal damage.

Only one fatality caused by an explosive device was reported this month — that of an alleged bomber at the Northcliff shopping centre.

But over 250 people have been injured since January 1 by explosive devices in about 60 incidents. These involved limpet mines, mini-limpet mines or grenades.

Three blasts rock Lenasia

MINI-LIMPET mines caused the three explosions which hit Lenasia early on Saturday, a police spokesman said yesterday.

Capt Ruben Bloomberg said police were conducting follow-up operations.

The first blast went off at the Lenasia Bus Services offices in Camelia Street at 4.10am.

The second explosion took place at the house of Lenasia Management

 GLEN SHELTON 

Committee chairperson Rashida Ebrahim twenty minutes later. Ebrahim's daughter-in-law Soraya Ebrahim is a candidate in the Lenasia Management Committee elections.

The Hollyhock St offices of the House of Delegates was the site of the last explosion at 6.30am. Windows were broken.

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Anti-violence stand taken by De Jonge

ROTTERDAM. — Dutch communist and anti-apartheid activist Klaas de Jonge, in an interview with the Dutch Communist Party mouthpiece *De Waarheid*, last week declared himself against the use of anti-apartheid violence in Holland.

Since his return from Pretoria, De Jonge has toured the Dutch lecture circuit — and run into massive local opposition among the radicals he spoke to on the use of any local violence against Dutch companies (such as Shell) which trade with South Africa, he told journalist Lex Loos.

Shell spokesmen said that activists had caused "several million Dutch guilders" worth of damage in 180 economic sabotage acts against its 950 sales outlets thus far. De Jonge said he wanted increased pressure — but no more local violence — on the Dutch government for a total ban on investments in South Africa. — Sapa

Technikon blast riddle: ⁸⁴⁷ How did bomber get in?

Crime Reporter ^{ARGUS 26/7/88}

A BOMB has damaged a door and windows of the controversial new home of the Cape Technikon in District 6.

Police would not say what kind of explosive device was used in the bombing last night, but it is thought to have been a mini-limpet mine.

By early today the scene of the blast — an emergency exit next to the civil engineering department test laboratory — was back to near-normal with the debris removed by explosive experts who will sift through it for clues.

The device had been planted inside the building which, according to technikon authorities, should have been locked on Friday night and not reopened until today.

As there were no signs of a forced entry, police are understood to be concentrating their investigations on how the bomber got into the building.

The District 6 site, because of its controversial history and the normal dangers faced by educational institutions, has a number of guards.

One reported the bombing to police but none appeared to have seen the bomber.

Police said the explosion happened at 11.09pm and emergency personnel, including the fire brigade and the Metro rescue service, were on the scene within minutes of being notified.

Policemen from around the Peninsula sped to the site and by 12.35am the area had been sealed off.

A sniffer dog was used to patrol the area in case a second bomb had been planted.

The bomb ripped a hole in the left of the wood and metal door. It would appear that most of the blast was directed at the door.

Shrapnel hit a cupboard door eight metres away and lighting equipment was damaged.

Six panels of reinforced glass in a laboratory were cracked.

MORE MINES

The East London Holiday Inn was bombed late on Saturday night, The Argus Correspondent writes. A mine was detected in a car and the area was evacuated before it exploded, damaging eight other cars, police said.

In Durban a limpet mine exploded at Berea Road railway station just after 3am yesterday, slightly damaging an office.

No one was injured in the explosions.

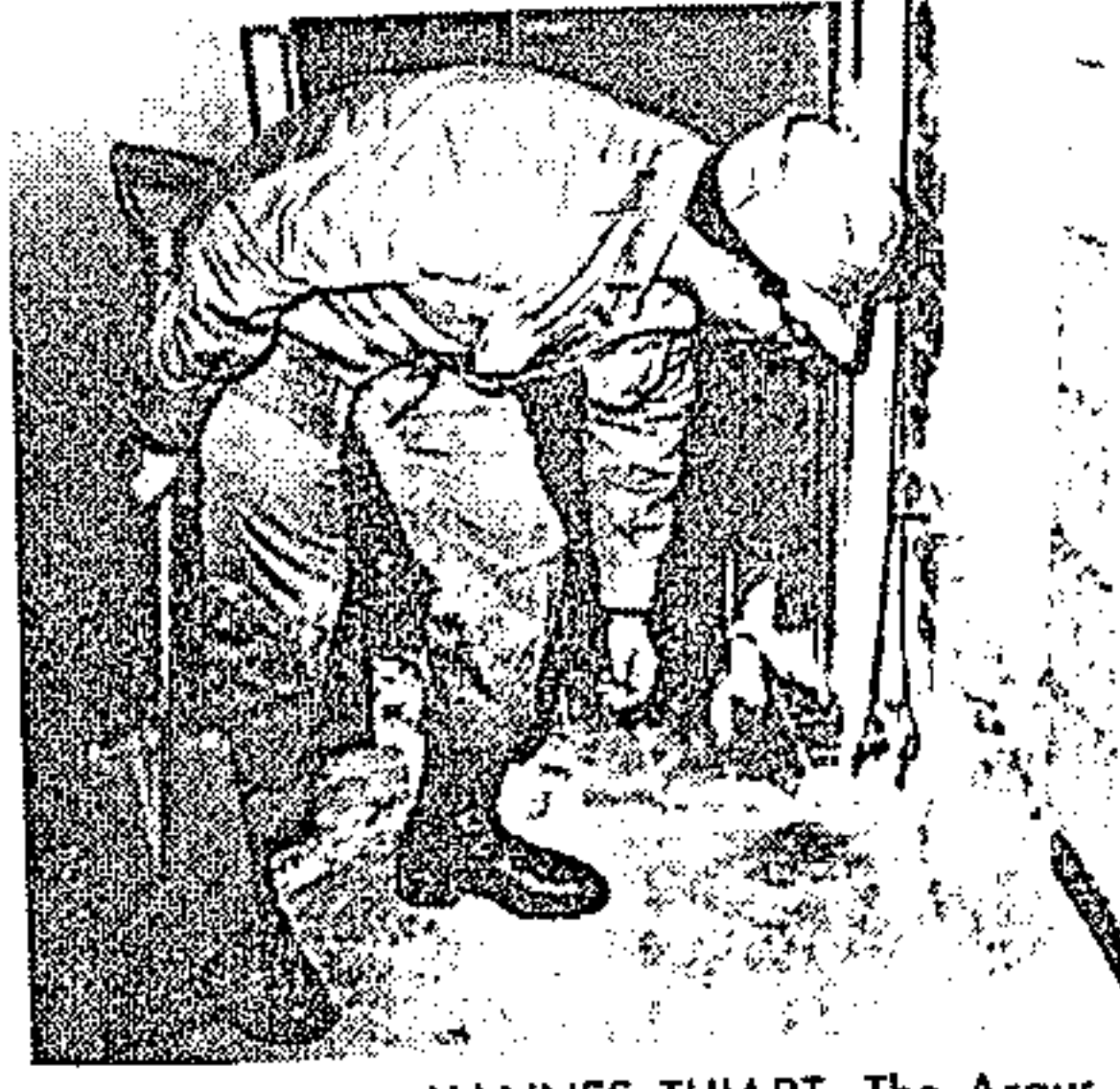
Police have warned of more ANC terror attacks on soft targets as the October municipal elections draw near.

VIGILANT

The warning was given last night by Brigadier Leon Mellet, Press secretary to the Minister of Law and Order. He was reacting to the two blasts at the coast and the uncovering of an arms cache on the East Rand.


"The public has to remain vigilant and aware at all times," he said.

Seven suspects were arrested by Witwatersrand security police on Thursday night and were said to be members of a highly trained combat group sent to disrupt the elections.



Picture: HANNES THIART, The Argus.

BLAST SCENE: A policeman inspects the spot where the bomb exploded, blowing a hole in the door.

Voting Tables  SOME PEOPLE

Blasts rock two cities

TWO explosions rocked two South African cities on Sunday morning — Durban and East London — in which nobody was injured.

At Durban there was minimal damage and at East London nine cars were damaged.

An SABC report suggested that a limpet mine could have been the cause.

A large police presence

immediately moved into the area.

Berea Road station is situated just off West St, the city's main commercial road close to the old Natal Technical College.

In East London the cars were damaged when a bomb, believed to have been a limpet mine, exploded in the parking area of a beachfront hotel. SABC radio news reports.

A police spokesman said there had been no injuries, thanks to the quick action of a member of the public who spotted the explosive device under a car at the Holiday Inn, SABC radio news reports.

Police had evacuated all people from the area by the time the blast occurred. — Sapa.

Defence headquarters announced in Pretoria

that a total of three ANC guerillas were killed and seven captured in two separate incidents on the Northern and Eastern borders yesterday morning.

Four members of the Defence Force were injured in one of these incidents. Their conditions are satisfactory. A farm worker was killed and a farmer slightly injured in the other incident.

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More attacks than ever before

SAP strikes back as terror hits new peak

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By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

There have been 21 known terror blasts countrywide so far this month — the highest in a single month in South African history.

The latest blast — caused by a mini-limpet mine — was at the New Cape Technikon in Cape Town's District Six at 11 pm last night. Damage was limited, police said.

Investigations are continuing and no arrest has yet been made.

Two more limpet mines exploded at the weekend, one at the East London Holiday Inn late on Saturday night and the other at Durban's Berea Road railway station early yesterday. No one was injured in the explosions but nine cars were damaged in East London.

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Captured

The security forces have recently shot dead one alleged insurgent and captured 14 others.

Two ANC suspects were also shot dead by Lord's farmers.

Yesterday the Defence Force was still hunting an insurgent in the far northern Transvaal after a farm worker was killed and his employer injured in a clash on Friday.

Two terrorists were killed in the skirmish near Pontdrif, said a spokesman for the Defence Force. In the Eastern Transvaal, another ANC suspect was killed and six were arrested after four soldiers were injured in a grenade and AK-47 attack, also on Friday.

Brigadier Mellet said: "Despite our recent successes, further terror attacks and attempts at infiltration can be expected as the October 26 municipal elections draw near."

Seven of the suspects were arrested on Thursday night. They were linked to the Vanderbijl Square blast on Wednesday.

The Eastern Transvaal clash took place on Friday at 9.30 am after a minibus was stopped at a roadblock and eight passengers were ordered to disembark. One of them hurled a grenade and opened fire on soldiers with an AK-47 rifle.

Soldiers shot dead one man. Six others were arrested but one escaped.

At 11.30 am the same day, a worker was killed in a grenade blast after spotting suspicious men on a farm near Pontdrif. A farmer, Mr Willie Augustyn, was injured and two alleged ANC members were killed. A third man was captured.

● A resident of Tembisa, Kempton Park, found an arms cache in her backyard on Friday afternoon, police said.

Department or the State in connection with their election campaigns; if so, (a) in respect of which population groups, (b) on what conditions and (c) what amount per candidate;

- (2) whether any such amounts have been paid to candidates; if so, what are the relevant details?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION, BROADCASTING SERVICES AND THE FILM INDUSTRY:

- (1) I can answer only with regard to The Bureau for Information. The structure of the budget of the Bureau for Information is such that it would be impossible to give financial assistance to any candidate. If any such promises were made at any time by officials of the Bureau, then these would not be in accordance with either the financial regulations or the budget structure of the Bureau for Information and could therefore not be realized. The answer is therefore "No".

- (a) to (c) fall away.
(2) Falls away.

SADF: visit to St Lucia

1480. Dr W J SNYMAN asked the Minister of Defence:†

- (1) Whether any members of the South African Defence Force visited St Lucia with four-wheel drive military vehicles between 16 and 20 August 1988; if so, what are the (a) names and (b) ranks of the members concerned;
- (2) whether they visited St Lucia in an unofficial capacity; if so, what was the purpose of the visit;
- (3) whether any action has been taken in respect of these members; if so, (a) what action, (b) when and (c) by whom; if not, why not?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE:

- (1), (2) and (3) Various members of the SA Defence Force visit the vicinity of St Lucia in the execution of their duties. With the limited particulars supplied by the honourable member it is, however, not possible to reply to the questions.

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death and (c) executed in 1984, 1985, 1986 and 1987, respectively?

†Indicates translated version.

For written reply:

General Affairs:

Necklace murders: sentences

969. Mr P G SOAL asked the Minister of Justice: How many persons charged with murder resulting from the so-called "necklacing" method were (a) found guilty, (b) sentenced to

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THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

The information furnished is in respect of persons who were sentenced to death for unrest-related offences. Unrest-related offences in this regard includes murder by the so-called "necklacing" method, burning, stab wounds, stoning, terrorism incidents, i.e. bomb attacks, shooting incidents and land mine explosions. The information regarding persons in respect of whom other sentences were imposed, is not readily available in the Department:

	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988* TOTAL
Sentenced to Death	0	8	13	48	32
Executed	0	0	5	4	8
Committed	0	0	0	0	1
Pending	0	6	6	32	32

* The information for 1988 is until 14 September 1988.

Learning Technologies: shareholders

1420: Mr K M ANDREW asked the Minister of Economic Affairs and Technology:

- (1) Whether he will furnish information on the shareholders of Learning Technologies (Pty) Ltd; if not, why not; if so,
- (2) whether this company has any foreign shareholders?

THE MINISTER OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND TECHNOLOGY:

- (1) No. The Registrar of Companies has no information available with regard to shareholders of companies. However, in terms of section 105 of the Companies Act, 1973 each company has to keep a register of members and in accordance with section 113 of the said Act that register shall during business hours be open to inspection by any person upon payment for each inspection of an amount not exceeding twenty-five cents.
- (2) Falls away.

Group Areas Act: instructions/directives

1471. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Justice:

Whether any attorneys-general have issued any instructions or directives with regard to the Group Areas Act since 1 January 1988; if so, (a) which attorneys-general, (b) what is the nature of these instructions or directives, (c) (i) to whom and (ii) why were they issued and (d) in respect of what date is this information furnished?

THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE:

The Honourable Member is referred to my reply to Oral Question No 14 of 23 February 1988. The Attorney-General, Grahamstown has since sent out a directive to prosecutors under his control, drawing attention to his instructions which had been issued in 1985. The information is furnished for the period 1 January 1988 until 31 August 1988.

Group Areas Act: alternative steps

1472. Mr S S VAN DER MERWE asked the Minister of Justice:

With reference to his reply to Question No 308 on 14 March 1988 in regard to alternative steps taken against persons occupying premises in contravention of the provisions of the Group Areas Act, (a) (i) in terms of what statutory

City bomb: Probe into mystery figure at scene

Cape Times 27/9/88 Crime Reporter *SLH* *27/9*

POLICE are investigating reports that a security guard at the Cape Technikon saw somebody run away from the premises shortly before a blast rocked the building on Sunday night.

Meanwhile, Sapa reports that police said tables and chairs at a Bishop Lavis school were set alight at the weekend.

In other incidents of unrest, all reported by Natal police in their unrest report, three people were killed.

A man and woman were stabbed to death at Elangeni. Their house was then set alight.

In incidents reported from Edendale a man was stabbed to death.

At Nxamalala three homes were stoned. Seven men were arrested.

At Dassenhoek a group petrol-bombed a home. An unidentified gunman fired a shot at the group.

Rise ^{CAP Times}
in bomb ^{27/9/88}
blasts ⁸⁴⁴
this month

PRETORIA. — There has been an escalation in terrorism in SA when measured by the 21 known bomb blast so far this month, observers say.

But security sources said security force successes should also be considered.

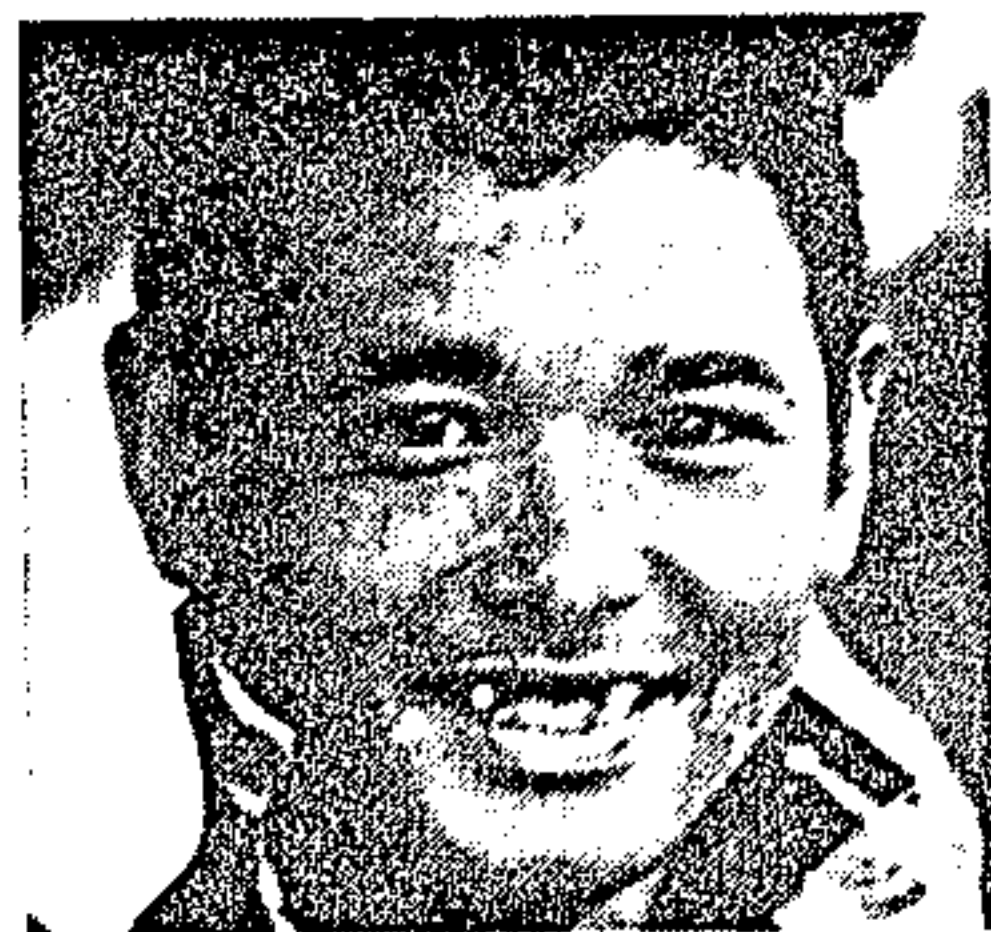
Security forces had arrested 14 alleged ANC members in the past few days, and shot dead a guerilla.

Eastern Transvaal farmers shot dead a further two guerillas.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, warned at a public meeting in Pretoria last night of a planned escalation in terrorism as the municipal elections on October 26 approached.

He told the public not to panic, and said security forces would do everything possible to prevent voters from being intimidated into not voting. — Sapa

Tighter security at police stations after bombing



Mr Igsaahn Jappie — was near the bomb blast site.

Crime Reporter

POLICEMEN have been told to tighten security at police stations after yesterday's bomb attack in Woodstock.

A police spokesman said the acting divisional commissioner of police for the Western Cape, Brigadier Frans Loots, issued the instruction soon after the explosion which damaged the Woodstock police station and a hairdressing salon across the road.

Police believe the same bomber may have been responsible for the blast at the Cape Technikon in District Six on Sunday night.

Security branch police were hunting the bomber today but no arrests have been made.

Sources said they did not think it likely that the man shot dead in Guguletu yesterday by police and who was labelled an "ANC terrorist" by the Commissioner of Police, General Hennie de Witt, had any connection with the blasts.

Police said the similarities between the explosion at the police station yesterday and the blast in the civil engineering section of the Technikon on Sunday night were too great to be dismissed.

Storeroom

The bombs were of similar size and in both cases had been placed at the corner of doors.

No-one was injured during the blast in Cavendish Street at 5.28 pm yesterday but damage was caused to a storeroom, the office of the station commander and a building across the road.

The bomb was placed outside a seldom-used door of a storeroom next to the office of the station commander, which was unoccupied at the time.

It was metres away from the non-commissioned officers' club, which is used frequently.

Mrs Maureen Robertson, owner of a hairdresser's salon opposite, said she was cutting a client's hair when the bomb exploded.

She heard a loud bang and everyone in the salon started running for a back door.

Mrs Robertson turned and saw the windows of the salon breaking.

Another woman, who declined to be named, said she had been sitting next to one of the windows shortly before the blast.

Mrs Armina Haroun, who was in her house less than 20 metres from the blast site, said she heard an explosion and rushed to a window.

"There was a lot of smoke," she said.

Mr Igsaahn Jappie was at the bus-stop outside the police station.

Police rushed out and within minutes the area was sealed off, he said.

Police said sniffer dogs were called in and they, as well as members of the uniformed branch, were used to search cars in the area for further bombs.

Emergency personnel were called to give medical help if required.

Police could not say what had caused the blast and declined to say who might have been responsible.



Pictures: LEON MULLER, The Argus.

BLAST SITE: A policeman stands guard at the storeroom outside which the bomb exploded.

'ANC man' who fired on police is shot dead

Crime Reporter *SCA*

POLICE shot dead a man they described as "an ANC terrorist" after he opened fire on them in Guguletu early yesterday morning.

The Commissioner of the Police, General Hennie de Witt, said police took possession of a Makarov pistol and ammunition after the shooting.

The man was shot on the corner of NY1 and NY121, Guguletu, at 7.50am.

General De Witt said investigations showed the man was a member of the ANC and had undergone training in Angola and Tanzania. The general added that the man was part of a group sent to South Africa to disrupt next month's municipal elections.

General De Witt said further investigations were being undertaken by police to establish the insurgent's possible involvement in recent acts of terror.

Police would not comment on whether the man was linked to the September assassination of Crossroads leader Mr Willie Soga, 42.

Woodstock police station hit by blast

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Crime Reporter

AN EXPLOSIVE device that detonated during rush-hour traffic yesterday rocked the Woodstock police station, destroying a door and badly damaging the station commander's office and an adjoining storeroom.

The device exploded at 5.28pm. It was placed against wooden doors leading on to a side stoep in Cavendish Street, which runs off Main Road. The spot is only metres from the station's police social club, which was occupied at the time.

Police said cars parked along the Main Road and in side streets were searched for more explosives after the area surrounding the station had been sealed off.

Emergency vehicles, including fire tenders, ambulances and metro rescue vehicles, waited in the Main Road as bomb experts and security policemen sifted through the debris.

Sniffer dogs double-checked parked cars and neighbouring shops.

The device, believed to be a minilimpet mine, tore a large hole in the one of the stoep's double doors, ripping it from its hinges. Inside the storeroom a filing cabinet was bent and buckled at its base and there were several shrapnel holes in it.

By 7pm, bomb experts had finished examining the scene and Main Road was opened to traffic.

This is the second explosion in Cape Town within 48 hours. The first rocked the Cape Technikon in District Six late on Sunday night.

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State involved in some blasts, claims terrorist

Own Correspondent

CAPE TOWN — The African National Congress has detailed information linking the State with bomb blasts on civilian targets, it was claimed in the Cape Town Supreme Court.

The claim was made by ANC member Ashley Forbes, who has been convicted of terrorism.

He was being cross-examined by Mr M Stowe, for the State, while giving evidence in mitigation of sentence.

Mr Stowe referred Forbes to a pamphlet which called on people to attack the enemy in Epping, Goodwood and Newlands, and asked who the enemy was.

Forbes said the enemy was the police, police stations, army personnel and military installations.

He said it was not the ANC's policy to take the war into the white areas.

The intention was to thin out the enemy by luring them into those areas.

Mr Justice Williamson asked Forbes about his attitude towards blasts in Wimpy Bars and Ellis Park rugby stadium.

"In other countries where people are moving towards war, the State discredits the liberation movement," Forbes replied. "Look at the attacks on Khotso House and Community House.

"The ANC has detailed information that such acts are perpetrated by the regime."

Asked if the bus shelter outside the State President's home, which Forbes directed should be attacked, was a hard or soft target, Forbes said he did not know.

"(It was) just before the white elections. It was a message to whites who were going to vote."

The hearing continues on October 18.

Suspect hurt as 3 bombs go off in Cape

29/9/88 By Craig Kotze
Crime Reporter

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Three Cape Town local government buildings were bombed last night, leaving one man — possibly one of the bombers — seriously injured, police said.

The man, in his 30s, was injured in the explosion outside the Bonteheuwel municipal rent offices in Kiaat Road at 8.05 pm. Damage was slight.

He is under police guard in a local hospital and possible charges are being investigated against him, said a Cape Town police spokesman. The suspect suffered leg and arm injuries.

The other blasts were in the Strand. Only five minutes after the Bonteheuwel explosion, a bomb exploded outside the municipal offices of the quiet community.

This was followed by another blast at 8.40 pm at the Strand Magistrate's Court. Police said damage in both blasts was negligible.

On Tuesday evening, a mini-limpet mine also exploded outside the Woodstock police station. No one was injured.

The latest blasts have pushed up the total number of terror blasts in South Africa in September to 26 — a record for a single month.

On the Reef, one or more limpet mines exploded on a Krugersdorp railway sideline early yesterday.

No one was injured in the explosion, said Pretoria police spokesman.

Police have warned of an intensified offensive by the ANC to disrupt the October municipal elections.

Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok also said this week that many ANC terrorists were about to enter South Africa from Botswana with the aim of disrupting the elections.

Unrest:
Limpet
blast
at siding

JOHANNESBURG. — One or more limpet mines exploded on a siding at Luipaardsvlei railway station early yesterday morning, but no one was injured, police said.

A police spokesman said the blast, the 23rd known terror blast in South Africa in 28 days, occurred about 3am, and speculated that "more than one" limpet mine was used.

The blast occurred at a private siding. One crosstie was destroyed and damage was "not serious".

Meanwhile, police report that a man was stabbed to death and a woman injured in unrest-related incidents overnight.

The SA Police Public Relations Division reported in Pretoria yesterday that a group attacked and stabbed a man to death at Sweetwaters, Natal, while a group stoned buses at Klaarwater, Pinetown, injuring a woman.

Arsonists set fire to a private house at Inanda, Durban, and at Kettlehong on the East Rand a man tried to set a private house alight. The occupants arrested him.

Rajbansi
'asked not to
be mentioned'

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — A witness giving evidence to the James Commission of Inquiry here testified yesterday that Mr Amichand Rajbansi, chairman of the Ministers' Council in the House of Delegates (HoD), had telephoned him on Tuesday night and asked him not to mention his name in connection with proceedings concerning Raj Investments.

Mr Paraw Seebran was being cross-examined by Mr Rajbansi at the time the disclosure was made.

Advocate Mr Anton Ackermann, representing the commission, then told Mr Rajbansi that he had been told not to contact witnesses giving evidence before the commission.

Mr Rajbansi said he had been given a list of certain witnesses who were not to be contacted. He said he disputed what Mr Seebran had said.

Questioned by Mr Colin Mann, who is representing the administration in the HoD, Mr Seebran said he had not been too surprised when he received Mr Rajbansi's telephone call.

He said Mr Rajbansi knew that he was going to give evidence and was "very nervous" about it.

Mr Seebran said he had received three telephone calls from the chairman of the Ministers' Council on July 14 this year, on the eve of his going to Cape Town to give evidence before the Thaver Committee of the HoD.

Mr Rajbansi had "pleaded" with him to come to his office and he had finally agreed to see him on Friday, July 15.

Mr Seebran said Mr Rajbansi had told him not to mention his involvement in Raj Investments to the Thaver Committee.

He was rather to involve two or three of Mr Seebran's sons and to say they had formed a company with Mr Seebran's nephew, Mr Jiven Seebran, and operated Raj Investments in this way.

Mr Seebran said he had told Mr Rajbansi that he could not do such a thing and that he had no confidence in him.

The hearing continues at 10am today.

Lisa Bonet rejoins

Blasts hit Peninsula, Strand

Cape Times

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Staff Reporter

THREE bomb blasts hit the Peninsula area last night — one in Bonteheuwel and two in the Strand — leaving at least one man seriously injured.

The blasts bring to five the number of explosions in and around Cape Town since Sunday.

According to police figures there have been 25 blasts round the country this year, 10 of them in the Peninsula.

The injured man received severe wounds to his face, arms, legs and chest after a device exploded near Bonteheuwel Civic Centre just after 8pm. He was taken to Groote Schuur Hospital under police guard.

At 8.40pm a second bomb exploded on the southern side of the Strand Magistrate's Court, causing minor damage and shattering two windows. This was followed by a third explosion just after 10pm, near the court building.

The Bonteheuwel blast appeared to have been aimed at the rent office near the Civic Centre.

A bystander, who declined to be named, said he was approaching the rent office in Kiaat Road when he heard "a big bang" coming from an access street to Kiaat Road.

"After a while I walked towards the rent offices and saw this man lying there. He was crying 'help, help' and after a time he was silent," said the witness.

The possibility that the man was carrying the explosive device, believed to be a mini-limpet mine or a hand grenade, is being investigated.

Residents later reported having seen a second person scurrying from the scene.

ALL police leave has been cancelled for the run-up to next month's municipal elections.

This was confirmed today by a spokesman for the ministry of Law and Order who said the African National Congress was attempting to disrupt the elections.

An example of these attempts were the five bomb attacks in Cape Town in the past three days, he said.

"The ANC does not want the elections to succeed," he said.

"All police leave has been cancelled and we have taken a host of other steps, some of which are visible and some of which we cannot disclose," the spokesman said.

"This is being done to prevent disruptions."

Among measures being taken was placing more policemen in the field.

Planned to disrupt

"Policemen who are normally desk-bound now have to do outside policing as well."

"We have identified a number of people who planned to disrupt the elections and they have been arrested. A number of people have been killed," he said.

"But we would be naive to believe the ANC will not continue their attempts and we appeal to anyone with information about intimidation to come forward."

"This information can be given anonymously," he said.

A man is under police guard in hospital after three blasts in Bonteheuwel and the Strand last night.

Police declined to name the man, who is in his early 30s.

Lieutenant Attie Laubscher, police liaison officer for the Western Cape, said the man was injured when a bomb exploded near the Bonteheuwel rent office in Klaat Road last night.

He is in a serious condition with leg and arm injuries.

Police said he was being guarded but was not under arrest. Possible charges were being investigated against him.

Debris

Lieutenant Laubscher said the bomb caused slight damage to the rent office.

While explosive experts were sifting through the debris at the blast site, a second bomb exploded, at the Magistrate's Court in the Strand.

Captain Gys Boonzaaier, police liaison officer for the Bolland, said it was not known what kind of bomb was used in the explosion at 8.40pm.

Damage was estimated at R1 000.

Soon after 10pm there was an explosion at the Strand municipal buildings, about 300m from the Magistrate's Court.

Damage was estimated at R2 000.

He said no arrests had been made in connection with these explosions, thought to have been caused by mini-limpet mines.

Press curbs

In terms of the emergency regulations reports, comment and pictures may be restricted. Among others, restrictions apply specifically to reports and comment on the October 26 municipal elections.

By STEPHEN WROTTESELEY, Crime Reporter

Bombs: All police leave cancelled

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Petrol bomb near SA minister

WEST BERLIN. — The Minister of Finance, Mr Barend du Plessis, yesterday narrowly escaped a Molotov cocktail (petrol bomb) thrown by demonstrators here.

He is attending the annual conference International Monetary Fund.

Mr Du Plessis was travelling in car which was "some distance" behind another vehicle at which a petrol bomb was thrown.

Mr Du Plessis said the attack had not been aimed at him.

He and other delegates to the conference have effectively been prisoners in their hotels after renewed unrest in the streets of the city.

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Four appear in court after Guguletu shootout

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Court Reporter

A GUGULETU woman, her daughter and two others appeared briefly in the Cape Town Regional Court today in connection with an allegation that they harboured a terrorist.

Mrs Ethel Thenfiwe Loza, 44, and Miss Maureen Mandisa Loza, 19, of Nokwanda Street, Miss Sindiswa Beauty Dlawu, 27, of Kwazakele, Port Elizabeth, and Mr Yolile Mini, 27, of G 251, Khayelitsha, were not formally charged and were not asked to plead.

Mr Frank Silbert, for the State, told the court the State had withdrawn charges against Ms Khungeka Gloria Mali of Khayelitsha.

He said the Attorney-General had decided to prosecute un-

der section 54 of the Internal Security Act.

Their appearance follows an incident in July in which police surrounded a house in Guguletu in which a suspected guerrilla was staying.

A man known as "Solly" was killed in a shootout.

Defence counsel Mr A Albertus asked the court for a postponement on the grounds that the charge sheet had been provided by the State only two days ago, leaving inadequate time to prepare a defence.

The magistrate, Mr P M A Louw, adjourned the hearing to January 16 for trial and told Miss Loza that next time she was not to bring her baby to court.

Bail of R1 000 was extended.

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BOMBS beget BOMBS

IN the last 30 days, 28 bombs have exploded in South Africa. This is a stark statistic: it is not unthinkable that soon on every day, somewhere in this country, a blast will occur.

And it is little wonder that observers are beginning to draw parallels between South Africa and battle-scarred Beirut or Belfast.

The apparent haphazardness of the targets — discotheques, restaurants, bus stops, private homes, sports stadiums, church premises and cinemas, as well as police stations and railway lines — fuels this fear.

It is further exacerbated by the nature of the blasts themselves: no-one claims responsibility and, viewed together, they fail to produce a logical political pattern — in anyone's terms.

The question, "Who stands to benefit most from this?" will draw very different responses depending on whether one is referring to the Ellis Park or Khotso House explosions.

The real fear — cutting across racial and political divides — is that the upsurge of blasts has opened the way for a ghoulish "free-for-all". Indiscriminate bombings by indeterminate groups or individuals would become the order of the day, allowing practically anyone with the minimum know-how and access to explosives to exploit the prevailing confusion.

They would also be safe in the knowledge

that the African National Congress is routinely blamed anyway, irrespective of the particular target or its victims.

This knowledge must press on the ANC's military planners, for it is to an extent an offshoot of the blurring of the distinction between "hard" and "soft" targets which occurred three years ago.

Once a guerrilla war shifts from its "classical" form — trained (usually uniformed) insurgents entering a country and engaging military or quasi-military forces and installations — the "rules" change dramatically.

"Bombs beget bombs," says Professor Michael Hough, director of the Institute of Strategic Studies at Pretoria University, and he can invoke substantial historical evidence to back this up.

Hough claims "the vast majority (of bombings in South Africa) can be linked to the ANC", but agrees the possibility of retaliatory or maverick action exists.

He declined to speculate about the perpetrators of either the Khotso House blast or that which ripped apart a Hillbrow nightclub, frequented largely by black people. However, rumours about them having been planted by the militant right-wingers abound — even in parliament.

Telling the Labour Party he had "a good understanding" of their concerns, National Party parliamentarian Piet Coetzer said this week "white sensitivities" were also important — and cited "speculation that the bomb in a Hillbrow disco was placed by a rightwing group".

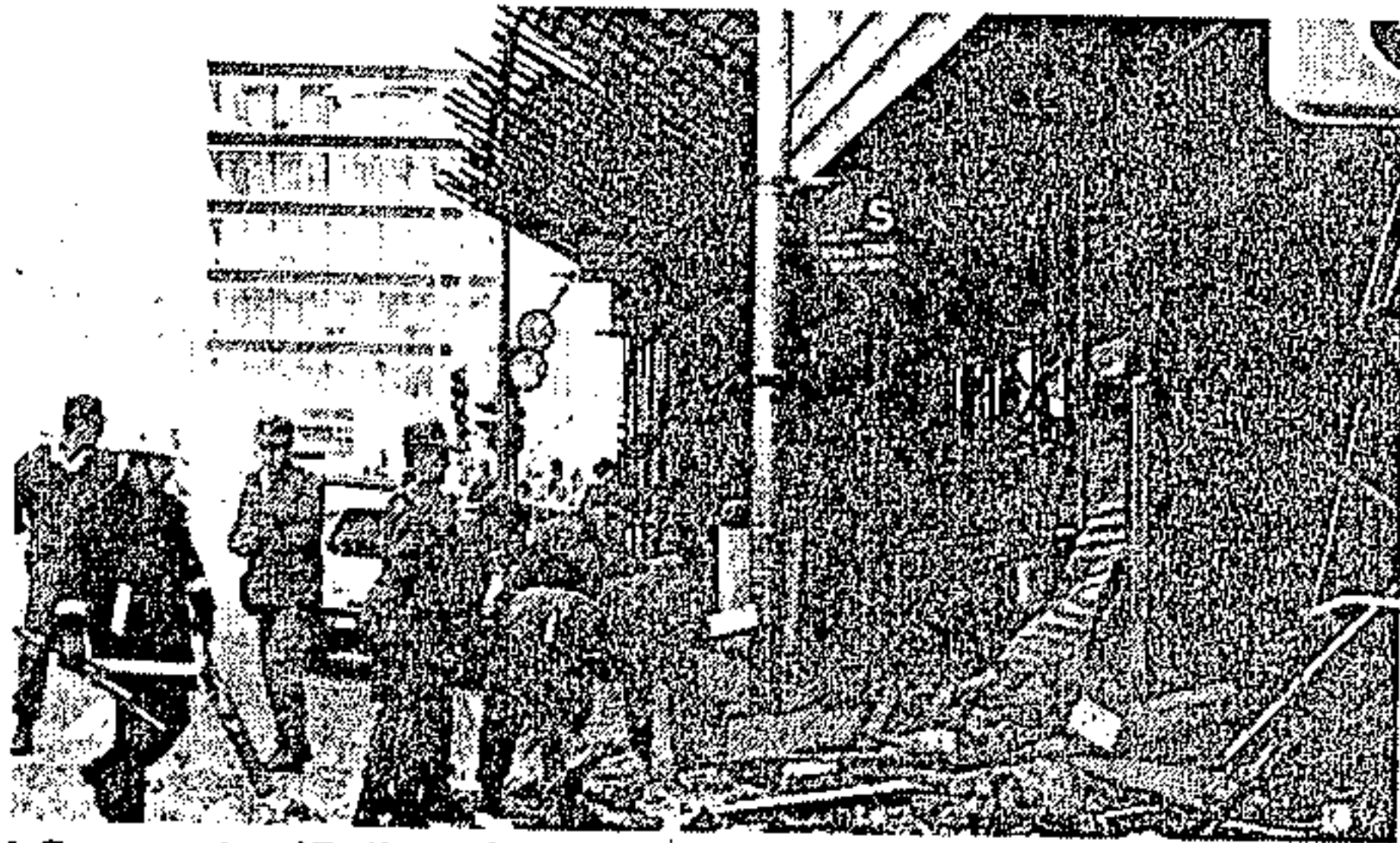
Even where an explosion can be traced back to the ANC, there are indications that the organisation is itself concerned by some of the patently

The ANC is blamed for most bomb blasts, but some seem the work of right-wingers.

The upsurge of blasts, almost one a day, may have opened the way for a ghoulish

free-for-all, one blast retaliating for another.

By CHARLOTTE BAUER and SHAUN JOHNSON



Police pick through the rubble of a Johannesburg blast

Picture: ANNA ZIEMINSKI, Afrapix

"unstrategic" bombings, in shopping centres, for example. ANC President Oliver Tambo has appeared to distance himself from some of the occurrences on several occasions.

Hough theorises that the ANC is experiencing what he calls a "strategic regression".

He believes the Lusaka leadership is obviously worried about the placing of some bombs and the inevitable lack of direct control over targets.

"There was a time when ANC-linked bombings were aimed specifically at, for instance, police stations. As these sorts of strategic targets became better protected, they have to hit the less protected, 'soft' targets."

Were they allowed to explain and debate their position fully in South Africa, ANC strategists would no doubt dismiss this characterisation.

But they cannot, and the one-sidedness of the debate makes it even more difficult to analyse the significance of the current spate of blasts.

While, as Hough says, such "waves" are often linked to specific events on the calendar — June 16, for example — there is really no way of telling yet whether this month's unprecedented upsurge is directly tied to the October elections.

The ANC officially adopted a policy of silence on bombings over a year ago and, among other side-effects, this allows groups to claim responsibility for bombs they haven't placed.

Hough believes the Pan Africanist Congress, for example, has sometimes

done this in the belief it could derive propaganda benefits from a particular "hit".

Alternatively, there is little to stop a group from "framing" an enemy by planting a bomb in such a way that it leads people to believe someone else is responsible. This is reputed to have been a favourite tactic of the Rhodesian Selous Scouts during Zimbabwe's war of independence.

Despite the almost-daily blasts this month, however, Hough believes "we are not yet living in a Lebanon situation".

This may be so, but the signs of an endemic climate of fear are becoming evermore evident in South Africa's cities. There is undoubtedly a distinct public "psychology" which attaches itself to this form of guerrilla warfare, and it is difficult to pin down in an atmosphere of repression,

fear and recriminations.

There is no handy, accessible research on the social and psychological effects of living in a "bomb culture", but the strain is already showing in South Africa.

One of its most evident manifestations is grim familiarity.

News reports of bombs often don't make the front page anymore. The

injuries must be particularly grotesque, or the target well-known, for a blast to fix itself in the public memory. Who, for instance, can recall all 26 explosions this month, let alone those that went before?

This, according to one sociologist, is a "process of normalisation" at work — a human defence mechanism for blocking out horror.

In the process, people develop psychological tools to help them deal with an increasingly dangerous environment — and these often consist of humour and trivialisation.

One needn't look much further than the wealthy white suburbs of northern Johannesburg for examples. Last weekend, panic-stricken shoppers evacuated from the Rosebank Mall because of a bomb scare found some relief at the sight of several women who had fled a boutique's changerooms in their underwear.

And there is the story of a woman who, regardless of a shoe shop bomb scare, banged on the window, demanding to be let in to buy a pair she needed for a function that night.

Or the snack-bar owners who complain that after bomb-scare evacuations few customers return to pick up the tab for their toasted sandwiches.

Macabre humour is, as the sociologist pointed out, the simplest refuge from reality. And that reality is grave, unforeseeable risk where none would normally be expected.

Or, put another way, the risk that is the price of living in a society which is at war with itself; where the tormented pick up the most convenient weapons to inflict pain on their tormentors.

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Necklace killer's appeal is rejected

THE appeal of Henry George Burt, of Laezonia, Pretoria, against his conviction and death sentence for the "necklace" murder of a black policeman on the Hennops River road in the Erasmusia area on June 6, 1986, was dismissed yesterday.

Mr Jacob Johannes Boti Ndimande was stationed at the Police College in Pretoria. His body was found by a passing motorist, with the tyre round it still burning.

Burt was convicted by Mr Acting Justice W J Human in the Transvaal Supreme Court on May 20, 1987. No extenuation was found for the murder.

Burt, who was employed at the Atomic Energy Corporation, was the first white person convicted of a "necklace" murder.

Mr Justice Viljoen (acting Judge of Appeal) said that, in his view, the trial court had rightly found that the only reasonable possibility to be inferred from the proffered evidence was that Burt was involved in the death of Mr Ndimande. Seen cumulatively, the proven circumstances could lead to only one conclusion. That was that Burt alone, or that he and Mr Roger North (who left South Africa on July 18, 1986), had seriously injured Mr Ndimande, possibly in the course of an interrogation process, and that he and North decided to get rid of the body in a manner that would create the impression that it was a "necklace" murder.

Mitchell's Plain bomb blast

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by STEPHEN WROTTELEY
Weekend Argus Reporter

A BOMB exploded at the Mitchell's Plain rent office in Beacon Valley last night.

It was the sixth bomb blast in less than five days in the Western Cape.

Police said they had not yet established what type of bomb had exploded.

A spokesman said the explosion happened at 10.10pm last night next to a building in the rent office compound close to Chrysler Crescent.

There were no injuries.

Emergency personnel raced to the scene while police cordoned off the area.

The dog unit was called in not only to control the crowd but also to search for further bombs.

Police combed other buildings in the area and also searched roofs.

Mr David Swarts, of Rambler Street, said there was a tremendous blast and everyone ran from their homes to see what was happening.

"Our whole house was shaking," he said.

Other residents said the blast had been so bad that the television service had been interrupted.

Police last night could not confirm whether there was any connection between the blast and earlier explosions at the Cape Technikon, Woodstock police station, Bonteheuwel rent office and two incidents in the Strand.

Police escape second blast

SEVERAL policemen had a narrow escape when a bomb exploded in a cordoned-off area where they were investigating an earlier blast.

The explosions, 27 minutes apart, occurred

at the Austerville Post Office in Durban on Friday night.

Police said nobody at the scene had been injured. The post office was not seriously damaged.

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Blasts hit record high

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By REVELATION NTOULA

SOUTH Africa has been hit by at least 25 bomb blasts this month - the highest in the country's history.

A Western Cape man was seriously injured on Wednesday night when a bomb rocked Bonteheuwel coloured township outside Cape Town.

Within 90 minutes, two other explosions went off in the Strand, a coastal resort about 50km from Cape Town.

The first blast occurred at 8.10pm at the municipal offices in Bonteheuwel, causing slight damage to a door and a number of windows. Police found an injured man at the scene.

The victim, who suffered serious injuries, is speculated as being responsible for the explosion. He is in hospital under police guard.

The second blast occurred at 8.40pm at the magistrate's court at the Strand. Slight damage was caused, possibly by a minilimpet.

While police and journalists were on the scene, a second blast occurred at 10.08pm at the municipal offices. Nobody was injured.

Another recent blast in Cape Town was at the new technikon in the city's District Six. Police reported minimal damage.

Two more limpet mines exploded at the East London Holiday Inn, while another rocked Durban's Berea railway station. No one was injured but several cars were damaged.

Meanwhile, alleged rightwing vigilantes are reported to have firebombed the Durban printing unit of Cosatu. The incident occurred shortly after a meeting of the organisation was banned.

Eye-witnesses reported seeing people leaving the offices and driving off in a car in the early hours of the morning. Damage was minimal.

September was record bomb month

Police warn of more blasts as poll nears

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By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

There were a record 29 bomb blasts in South Africa during September, and police say more are expected as the October 26 municipal elections draw nearer.

The latest explosions were in Durban and Cape Town at the weekend. Two blasts rocked Durban while another bomb went off in Mitchell's Plain on Friday night. The Durban explosions happened within 27 minutes of each other at the Austerville post office.

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● Sept 28 — Three blasts rock Cape Town — one in Bonteheuwel and two in The Strand.

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29 SA bomb blasts during September

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — The total of known bomb blasts for September is a record 29 and police say more are expected as the October 26 municipal elections draw nearer.

Last night a bomb, the first in October, exploded in Austerville near Durban, damaging the campaign headquarters of Wentworth municipal candidate Mr Lennie Buckley. Damage was slight and no-one was injured.

There were two bomb blasts in the same area on Friday night as well as one in Mitchell's Plain. No one was injured.

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Third bomb in days in Durban

DURBAN. — Austerville here was rocked by another blast at 8.50 last night — the third since Friday.

Last night's explosion slightly damaged a prefabricated hut in Clinic Road being used as campaign headquarters by Mr Lennie Buckley, a candidate in this month's municipal elections, about 500m from the scene of Friday's blasts.

Nobody had been arrested last night.

Limpet mine spotted near Durban court

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The Argus Correspondent
DURBAN. — A sharp-eyed pedestrian averted possible disaster when he spotted a limpet mine placed against a wall about 20m from the Durban Supreme Court today.

Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, police public relations officer for Port Natal, said the explosive device "which could have caused widespread damage", was spotted about 10am on the Victoria Embankment.

Police cordoned off the area while the limpet mine was taken away by bomb experts.

The discovery of the bomb came hours after a similar device exploded outside the Red Hill post office in North Coast Road, damaging the roof and shattering shop windows.

Police said no-one was injured in the blast, which went

off last night. It is suspected a limpet mine was used.

Police sealed the busy North Coast Road.

Five people were arrested after a stolen car crashed through the police cordon near the blast site today.

On Friday night a limpet mine damaged the Wentworth post office in Austerville Drive and a second blast went off a little while later about two metres from the Wentworth police station.

Press curbs

In terms of the emergency regulations reports, comment and pictures may be restricted. Among others, restrictions apply specifically to reports and comment on the October 26 municipal elections.

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Hostage case accused Denzil Mellors (left) seen leaving the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday after alleged hostage victim Beverly Fasser (right) gave evidence.

Pictures: ROBERT BOTHA

Secretary tells court of remark about Tutu

ALLEGED kidnapper Denzil Mellors told his alleged hostage victim he would have shot Archbishop Desmond Tutu if he had been in the room, the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court heard yesterday.

SA Council of Churches (SACC) secretary Beverly Fasser told the court of her more than two-hour ordeal on April 11 this year when she was allegedly held hostage at Khotso House by Mellors, a trainee prison warder.

Mellors, 19, of Brakpan North, pleaded not guilty yesterday to kidnapping Fasser at Khotso House, pointing a firearm at her and her boss, Mlungisi Ntsele, stealing a 9mm pistol and 31 rounds of ammunition from his brother Vernon Mellors and telling SACC gener-

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al secretary Frank Chikane that Khotso House was going to be blown up.

He admitted being in the unlawful possession of a 9mm pistol and the 31 rounds of ammunition.

Fasser identified Mellors in court as the man who had entered the room adjacent to the library on the third floor of Khotso House and had told her to "sit down and keep quiet".

"I thought he was joking so I didn't sit down. I then saw the gun in his hand," Fasser, 21, said.

Throughout the court proceedings, Mellors stroked a cross attached to a silver chain and played with a beaded rosary.

Man accused of SACC kidnap tells court:

'I joined AWB, PFP'

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ALLEGED Khotso House kidnapper Denzil Mellors told the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court yesterday he had joined the AWB, the PFP and the Black Sash to get both sides of the story, and subscribed to various publications that held divergent viewpoints.

He had gone to Khotso House because he knew it housed the SA Council of Churches and he wanted some answers on the Methodist Church's anti-conscription views.

Mellors, 19, said he was a trainee prison warden at the time of the alleged kidnapping of SACC secretary Beverly Fasser on April 11 this year.

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He was suspended after his arrest and would be dismissed from the prison service if convicted.

Mellors pleaded not guilty on Monday to kidnapping Fasser, pointing a pistol at her boss Mlungisi Ntsele and falsely telling the SACC general secretary Frank Chikane that he had a bomb and was going to blow up Khotso House.

He admits being in the unlawful possession of a 9mm pistol and 31 rounds of ammunition, but has pleaded not guilty to stealing the pistol and ammunition from his brother Vernon Mellors.

Mellors said he had become interested in politics when he was in Std 8 in 1986. He had been nicknamed "politi-

cian" and "future state president" by his schoolmates.

He said he had felt superior to his schoolmates in the area of politics.

He had written letters to US President Ronald Reagan and UK Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher thanking them for their anti-sanctions stance. He had also written about 12 complimentary letters to President P W Botha.

Mellors said he would not describe himself as a radical right-winger, but rather "open minded".

He was very religious and was a member of the Methodist Church. He said he had disagreed with the Methodist Church's anti-conscription view as he thought it was up to each individual to make that choice.

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'Freeze' searches by cops in city

Crime Reporter

POLICE conducted a number of "freeze searches" in the city during lunch hour yesterday, body-searching everyone found in the freeze zones.

In one of the searches, traffic and pedestrians were "frozen" in a section of St George's Street between Church Street and Longmarket Street while police searched people and cars were scrutinized for possible hidden explosives.

Using two armoured personnel carriers, including the new Nong-quai personnel carrier, police sealed off a section of St George's Street while uniform policemen and detectives body-searched people in the street.

Suspicious parcels

Female pedestrians were searched by female police officers.

While pedestrians were being searched a policeman, using a loud-hailer, told them that the operation was routine and that police were searching for "suspicious parcels".

The search lasted only about three minutes before the street was opened to traffic.

People involved in the search said they were very impressed at the speed with which the street was sealed off and the search conducted.

A police liaison officer confirmed that there had been a number of "freeze searches" throughout the Peninsula yesterday.

Lt Denise Benson said the searches were part of an ongoing countrywide operation. She also thanked members of the public for their co-operation.

Blast victim

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loses leg

By AYESHA ISMAIL

A YOUNG Bonteheuwel epileptic had three fingers blown off, a leg amputated and suffered severe burns in the explosion at the rent office last week.

Ms Naboweya Bartlett, sister of the victim, Mr Moegamat Noeroedien Bartlett, 20, said her brother was on his way home from a friend when he passed the rent office and saw a box lying on the ground.

He picked it up but it fell from his hands and exploded.

Ms Bartlett said they were in the house when they heard a loud noise "like a bomb exploding".

"My mother went to the scene and came back to tell us that a young boy was injured in the blast," she said.

"My mother said he was burning and was shouting 'mommie, mommie, help, help'."

Cordoned off

Her mother could not get a close look at the person because of the crowd and a police cordon.

"We did not know it was my brother until the police told us just before midnight," she said.

Her brother was taken to Groote Schuur Hospital where a leg was amputated.

Bartlett was under police guard for a few days. The family was allowed to visit him and he was able to talk to them.

Ms Bartlett said her unemployed brother often suffered from severe epileptic fits.

Western Cape police liaison officer Lieutenant Attie Laubscher said Bartlett was not under arrest and no charges against him were being investigated.

Two blasts rock magistrates' courts

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By Craig Kotze and Lloyd Coutris

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Limpet mines exploded at two magistrates' courts last night, one in Wynberg near Alexandra township north of Johannesburg and the other in Stellenbosch.

Nobody was injured in either blast and damage was limited.

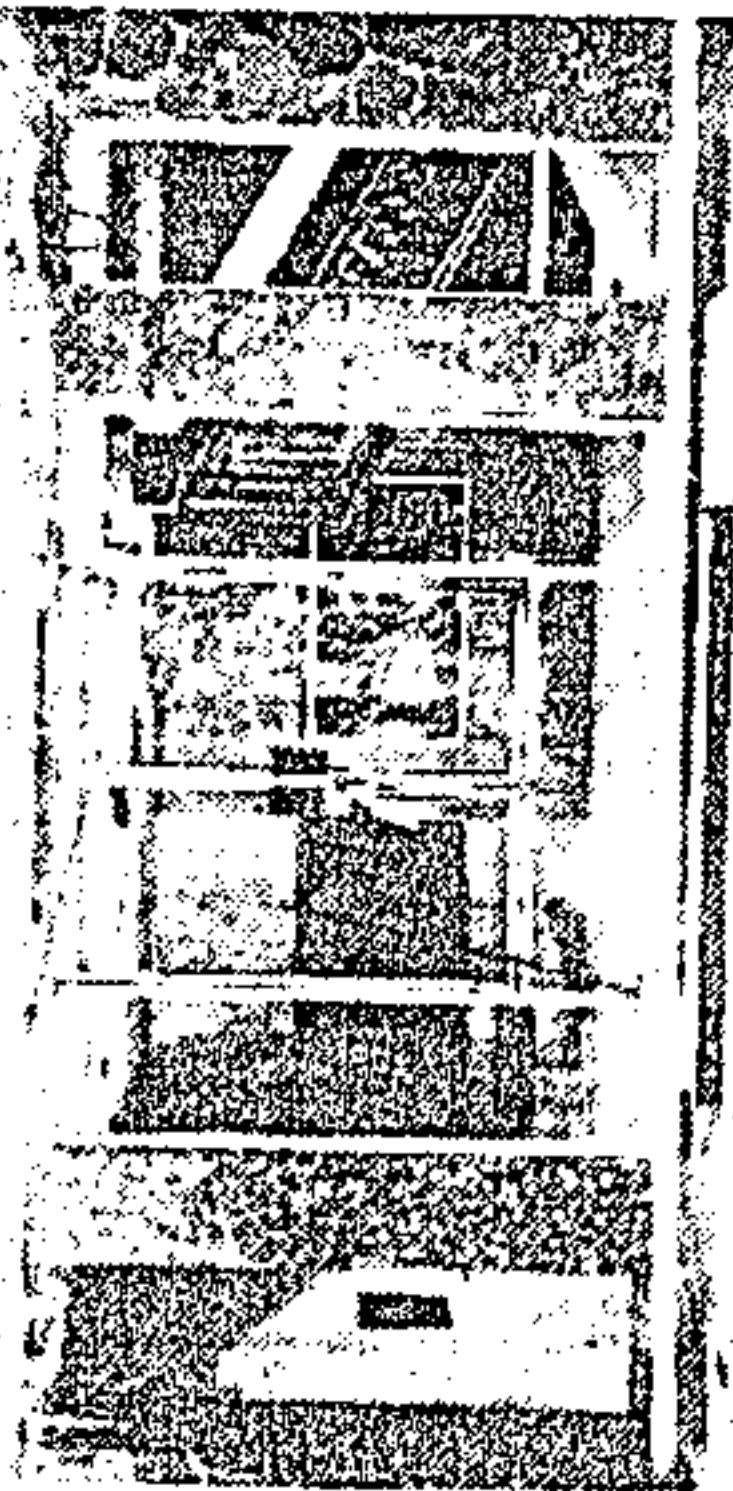
This brings the number of explosions in the country this month to four and police say they are part of the ANC's plans to disrupt the upcoming municipal elections.

The Alexandra blast, caused by a Soviet-made SPM limpet mine, occurred close to the Alexandra police station.

The 8.30 pm explosion damaged the foyer, breaking metal panels, doors and parts of a passage, and shattered windows.

Lieutenant-Colonel Frans Malherbe, Witwatersrand police liaison officer, said at the scene last night that the mine had apparently been planted in the foyer of the court building. None of the surrounding buildings was

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Police believe a limpet mine was placed in the foyer of the Alexandra court building.

● Picture by Herbert Mabuzza.

damaged, he added.

Police cordoned off the area and bomb experts were called in. Investigations are continuing, but no arrests have yet been made.

The blast was heard several kilometres away.

Residents of Sandton and Johannesburg as far away as Bezuidenhout Valley called

The Star to report a loud bang.

One man said the explosion rocked the foundations of his house.

In the Cape a limpet mine exploded outside the Stellenbosch Magistrate's Court at about 7 pm.

The door was ripped off and windows were shattered.

Many local government offices, including post offices, municipal offices, courts and even a library, have been the targets of terror attacks in recent weeks.

The homes of municipal candidates have also been attacked and one Durban candidate's campaign headquarters has been attacked.

● A R5 000 reward is being offered by police for information leading to the arrest of terrorists before the elections. The offer was made last night by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adrian Vlok, and expires on October 27, the day after the elections.

Information can be given at any police station and the identities of informants will not be disclosed, said Mr Vlok.

Patients are still sleeping

Amnesty International

Ministry warns AWB

THE Ministry of Law and Order issued a stern warning yesterday to the AWB and others that they would endanger themselves and the whole country by taking the law into their own hands.

Lt Peet Bothma, a spokesman for Minister Adrian Vlok, was responding to a speech on Tuesday in which AWB leader Eugene Terre'Blanche said Vlok was incapable of stopping an imminent revolution.

"The onslaught of the international communists and the march of the ANC cannot be stopped by this government. In SA the only ones who can come to the rescue are the sons and daughters (of the AWB) who will restore SA's honour with violence in the name of God," Terre'Blanche said.

Bothma said groups such as the AWB

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 were not trained to maintain law and order. "We would issue an urgent warning to people thinking of taking the law into their own hands that they will pose a danger to themselves and to the rest of the country".

Police spokesman Col Steve van Rooyen said police did not know of any crimes committed at Tuesday's meeting in the Pretoria City Hall or of an incident in which a Union Jack was reportedly burnt by AWB supporters. He said he doubted whether publicly burning a foreign flag was a criminal offence.

Terre'Blanche promised the AWB would prevent blacks taking part in official celebrations to mark the 150th anniversary of the Great Trek.

Culpable homicide docket on crash

Limpet mine damages court in Stellenbosch

Crime Reporter *RR645 6/10/88*
A MINI-LIMPET mine has caused minor damage to the Magistrate's Court in Stellenbosch.

No-one was injured in the explosion which happened about 7.20 last night.

The blast was the seventh in the Western Cape in 10 days and the third in the Boland in a week.

A police spokesman said today the bomb had been placed next to the main door of the court. Two large and one small window pane had been damaged.

Police said no-one had been arrested after the series of blasts.

● The police public relations division in Pretoria reports the following incidents of unrest overnight, reports Sapa.

In Soweto, arsonists caused damage to a high school. In another incident in the area a black woman was injured when she was assaulted by a group of students.

At Kwathema, East Rand, a bus was damaged when a petrol-bomb was hurled at it.

At Fredville, Natal, arsonists caused damage to a house.

Arson attack follows threats

DANIEL SIMON

THE Pretoria home of Publications Appeal Board chairman Prof Kobus van Rooyen was the target of an arson attack on Tuesday morning, a police spokesman said yesterday.

The attack occurred at 6am at Van Rooyen's Waterkloof home.

Police spokesman Lt Hennie Crowther said: "Prof Van Rooyen woke up to find his front door on fire. He managed to extinguish the blaze before any serious damage was caused."

Crowther said Van Rooyen had received numerous telephone threats informing him that his home would be set on fire.

"The calls started occurring shortly after the banning of Sir Richard Attenborough's film 'Cry Freedom' on August 29", Crowther said.

He added that police were still investigating the incident.

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Blasts at courts

BOMBS exploded at magistrates courts in Stellenbosch and near Alexandra township in Johannesburg last night.

The blast at the Stellenbosch court went off at 7.20pm and no one was hurt. Doors were blown away and windows damaged, police said.

At 8.45pm a bomb exploded at the court in the Johannesburg suburb of Wynberg, near Alexandra township. — Sapa

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6 injured in Tembisa bomb blast

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Six people were injured — one critically — when a limpet mine exploded outside the Tembisa municipal offices on the East Rand yesterday afternoon, police said.

A woman was last night still fighting for her life in the Tembisa Hospital after the 1.30 pm blast.

The other five were treated and discharged. Of those injured, three were women.

No names have yet been released.

Windows and walls were damaged in the explosion.

The spokesman said the Soviet-made SPM limpet mine was placed in a rubbish bin which was then pushed down a passage at the municipal housing offices.

Guerillas will break SA, says Fraser

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Own Correspondent

HARARE. — Former Australian prime minister Mr Malcolm Fraser yesterday predicted that South Africa's power to protect lives and property could be broken by guerilla techniques "within months".

Mr Fraser told a meeting of the Commonwealth Press Union he did not think a world war would break out but a terrible conflict would occur in Southern Africa unless economic pressure, particularly from the Western world, forced the South African government to abandon apartheid.

The Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group, of which he was co-chairman during its unsuccessful 1986 mission, believed more than two million people could be killed, he said.

"The boer, the Afrikaner, has never changed as a result of reasoned argument put to him by an Englishman," said Mr Fraser, rejecting suggestions that "quiet diplomacy" could achieve change.

He did not elaborate on what "guerilla techniques" he was referring to in

predicting a rapid erosion of SADF power.

Mr Fraser said the South African government thwarted the 1986 initiative, after it had come close to starting a dialogue with "legitimate leaders" because it had suddenly realised it would not be able to "manipulate and control the negotiations" in the face of a united front by black representatives including Mr Nelson Mandela, ANC president Mr Oliver Tambo and the Inkatha leader Chief Gatsha Buthelezi.

Mr Fraser disclosed that the advocate son of Mr Chris Heunis, at that time also Minister of Constitutional Development, had been present at the Commonwealth team's final meeting with Mr Mandela. He suggested the younger Mr Heunis might have been responsible for the sudden realisation by the South African government that it would not be able to exploit the talks to "get the world off its back" without making serious changes. This was the only explanation Mr Fraser could find for the May 1986 SADF raids in neighbouring frontline states which effectively curtailed the mission.

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Mellors scared staff would attack him

gistrate's Court yesterday he had not wanted to give himself up to Khotso House staff as he was scared they would attack him.

Mellors, 19, of Brakpan North, has pleaded not guilty to kidnaping SACC employee Beverly Fasser on April 11 this year and telling SACC general secretary Frank Chikane he had a bomb and was going to blow up Khotso House.

The suspended trainee prison warden has also denied pointing a gun at SACC hunger and relief director Mlungisi Ntsele and stealing a 9 mm pistol and 31 rounds of

ammunition from his brother, Vernon Mellors, the day before the alleged incidents took place.

He has admitted being in the unlawful possession of the pistol and ammunition.

Mellors said he had contacted the Flying Squad at the start of the two-hour hostage drama because he wanted it to come and get him.

He said he had also called the SA Press Association because he wanted the media to come to Khotso House.

The trial continues today.

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6 injured as blast rocks office block

CAPE TOWN 7/10/88
Own Correspondent *SCA*

JOHANNESBURG. — Six people were injured — one seriously — when a limpet mine exploded at the Tembisa municipal offices yesterday afternoon and a grenade blasted a police single quarters in Windhoek last night, according to police spokesmen.

East Rand police spokesman Lieutenant Willie Meyer said the limpet mine blast occurred at 1.23pm and caused damage estimated at R8 000.

Lt Meyer added that the injured were in the Tembisa Hospital. Police are still investigating.

SATV reported last night that the seriously injured person — a woman — was fighting for her life.

And a South African-made grenade exploded outside local police single quarters in Katutura township last night, police said.

They said a man had been detained for questioning.

No casualties were reported and damage was minimal.

Meanwhile, Sapa reports that two incidents of arson and an assault on a woman took place on Wednesday night, according to the police unrest report.

At Soweto arsonists damaged a high school. In another incident in the area, a woman was injured when she was assaulted by a group of students.

At Fredville, in Natal, arsonists damaged a private house.

At KwaThema, on the East Rand, a bus was damaged when a petrol bomb was hurled at it.

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Police offer rewards for information on terrorists

AN intensive pamphlet campaign to gain information from the public on terrorists and their activities has been launched by the police, who have already captured about 20 and killed another four in their efforts to prevent the disruption of the October 26 elections, a spokesman said.

In another move, police said yesterday they were considering a fund for public contributions to bolster the R5 000 offer made this week by Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok for information leading to the arrest of terrorists.

According to Brigadier Leon Mellet, Mr Vlok's press secretary, police have launched an "intensive and comprehensive" pamphlet campaign — in five languages. He said the campaign had already met

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with considerable success.

Pamphlets are already being distributed all over the country at roadblocks, at border posts and at all other police actions.

"We call on the public to join hands with us to combat this senseless violence and terrorism. We are absolutely determined to crush violence," said Brigadier Mellet.

Rewards ranging from R500 to R5 000 will be paid for information on terrorists, intimidators and those who commit general acts of violence.

The following rewards will be paid:
● R5 000 for information which leads to the tracing of a trained terrorist.

● R1 000 for information on anyone who makes or uses petrol and acid bombs, promotes unrest through agitation or incitement or who orders someone to take part in violence such as "necklacing".

● R500 for information on anyone who commits an act of violence which injures anyone or which damages property. Theft is also included.

● Rewards for information on arms or explosives will be considered on merit.

The contact numbers are: Pretoria (012) 26-2998; Johannesburg (011) 838-7111; Cape Town (021) 24-3780; Durban (031) 37-4998; East London (0431) 54-684; Port Elizabeth (041) 33-5052 and Soweto (011) 852-3940.

Letters can be sent to The Commissioner, SAP, Private Bag X94, Pretoria 0001.

Two hurt in Natal blasts

DURBAN — Two "small" firebombs exploded at Central News Agency (CNA) branches in Pietermaritzburg and Durban yesterday afternoon.

A police spokesman said two people, a Mr Blake of Amanzimtoti and an unidentified child, suffered minor injuries in the 2 pm blast in Pietermaritzburg. *dy 8/10/68*

Nobody was injured in the other blast at the CNA branch in 320 West Street. — Sapa.

Six hurt in limpet mine explosion

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PRETORIA. — Six people were injured in a limpet mine explosion at the Tembisa municipal offices on Thursday afternoon.

Police said one of the injured was in a serious condition.

The injured people were taken to Tembisa Hospital.

Several windows were shattered and the ceiling and roof of the building were badly damaged.

The mine exploded under an asbestos bench in a corridor in the centre of the building, which is about 200m from the Tembisa police station.

"I just heard a great sound, then looked at my arm which was bleeding, and turned and ran away," said Mr Efrom Motlhaga, 23, who was hurt in the blast.

He was one of three people walking in the corridor of the building when the mine exploded. Two people with him were also hurt.

Mr Motlhaga had shrapnel wounds in his back and the bone in his lower left arm was shattered.

Security force members used batons to disperse an illegal gathering in Johannesburg on Thursday, police said. One security force member was slightly injured.

At Tselete Mine in Vryheid two men were arrested after a crowd stoned police. Police said they used batons and tear smoke to disperse the mob.

And in Edenvale this week three homes were petrol-bombed.

No one was hurt and damage was minimal.

A police spokesman in Pretoria said the attacks happened in Edenglen and Highway Gardens suburbs on Wednesday night and early on Thursday.

The first attack happened about 9.50pm at the home of Mr Terrence Havell in Highway Gardens, the second in Edenglen at the home of Mrs Ann Zeeman and the third at the home of Mr Raymond Erington in Edenglen.

None of the victims is politically active. The only seeming link is that the daughters of two of them go to the same school. — Sapa

Where home is a dangerous place to be

By VASANTHA ANGAMUTHU

NIGHT had crept over Emachobeni, Inanda, and the Ntombela family were asleep when they heard a loud bang on the door.

Alone with six children, Catherine Ntombela awoke frightened and peeped through a window in the kitchen.

A group of about nine men stood outside, one of whom was emptying the contents of a five-litre container around the house.

In a matter of minutes the house was engulfed in flames. Fortunately Ntombela and the children managed to escape through a small window with only minor bruises.

Her house is one of 13 that have been set on fire in the past two weeks in Emachobeni.

The attack on Ntombela's house resembles the attacks on homes of people suspected of being UDF supporters or members.

According to Ntombela, her two sons were UDF activists before they moved out to be closer to their places of employment.

With the house went the furniture and her sewing machines, her only source

Ntombela and her children are now staying at a friend's place. They sleep in the lounge and the kitchen of the small two-bedroom house.

"My home is gone. Years of saving to buy furniture and the machines went up in flames in one night. They attacked my

home because they thought my sons were there," said Ntombela.

"Did they not think of the children inside or that we will be homeless?"

Ntombela knows of at least 13 homes in the Emachobeni area that have been burnt out in the past two weeks.

In the wake of escalating violence in the area,

hundreds of residents have fled.

"We know they want to know where we are staying. My friends have told they've been looking for me.

"Wherever they suspect there are UDF supporters, they attack and they never leave anyone who has seen them," Ntombela said.



Catherine Ntombela standing in the ruins that were once her home.

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Blasts rock courts in Jo'burg and Stellenbosch

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TWO bomb blasts rocked magistrates court buildings in the Transvaal and the Cape on Wednesday night.

No one was injured and damage was not serious.

Police confirmed that an explosion just after 8.30pm rocked the Magistrates' Court in Wyn-

berg, Johannesburg, near Alexandra Township.

The explosive device used was identified by police as an SPM limpet mine which had been placed outside the main entrance to the court.

Police said windows were blown out and the front door was damaged.

A blast also rocked the

Stellenbosch Magistrates Court at 7.20pm, causing structural damage, but not injuries. Doors were blown away and windows damaged, said the police.

Police suspect the blast might have been caused by a limpet mine, also planted at the main entrance.

News reports indicate there have been 148 bombings in the country since June 1986, when the state of emergency was imposed.

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Campaign of violence in SA 'will be stepped up'

By Bruce Cameron ^{SW}
Political Staff 10/10/86

LUSAKA — Claims by the South African Government that the current spate of bombings in the country is aimed at disrupting the coming municipal elections have been confirmed by ANC sources in Lusaka.

At a meeting between the ANC and members of the South African Indian community, the question of the "armed struggle" was raised on a number of occasions. An ANC spokesman was adamant that it would continue and step up the campaign of violence.

At a press conference, Natal Indian Congress spokesman, Mr Zac Yacoob, said both the Natal and Transvaal Indian congresses were opposed to violence but understood the motivation of the ANC.

The Indian delegation was told the ANC executive had given firm instructions that there were to be no attacks on civilian targets.

Attacks on such places as Wimpy restaurants were disobedience of orders by people who were trained within South Africa and had not received sufficient training or had been carried out by unnamed people.

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8 murdered in wave of political violence

By Craig Kotze
Crime Reporter

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injuries for Sunday.

At least eight people were murdered and another six injured in political violence amid a wave of bombings, grenade and arson attacks in various parts of the country over the past three days, police said last night.

Seven of those killed were murdered in Natal unrest — where clashes between the UDF and Inkatha over the past year have left almost 1 000 dead — and the eighth victim was found in Naledi, Soweto.

The death toll does not include possible deaths and in-

There were bomb blasts in Duduza township on the East Rand on Friday and at the Bishop Lavis Magistrate's Court in Cape Town on Saturday.

The blasts bring to seven the number of terror bombs so far this month and police say the bombings will intensify as the ANC seeks to disrupt the October 26 municipal elections.

It is believed the Duduza blast was at the home of a municipal candidate, whom police would not identify.

In further violence in the township, two grenades were hurled at another house, also on Friday, but no one was injured.

On Friday afternoon, two people were slightly injured when firebombs exploded at CNA branches in Pinetown and Durban. Structural damage was minor, police said.

In Natal, five men were killed and another stabbed and seriously injured in feuding in kwaMakhita township near Durban. Four homes in the area were damaged in arson attacks.

Another two men were stabbed to death and another two wounded in separate attacks in various Natal townships.

On Friday, a woman was stabbed and her home burned in Hammarsdale.

Near Maritzburg, a member of the security forces was slightly injured when a mob hurled stones at them as they approached an illegal gathering in Edendale. A youth was arrested.

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Limpet mine blast at police barracks

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SPRINGS. — A limpet mine exploded at Thembisa police barracks near Springs early this morning slightly injuring four members of the South African Police.

A police spokesman said the mine exploded near the barracks at 1.55am. The four injured police members were treated for shock and slight injuries.

The bomb caused minimal damage to the building, the spokesman said.

● A bomb has caused minor damage at the magistrate's court in Bishop Lavis.

It was the eighth mini limpet mine explosion in the Western Cape in less than two weeks.

Police said the explosion occurred at the front entrance of the magistrate's court in Myrtle Road, Bishop Lavis, about 9.15pm on Saturday.

Damage was caused to window panes, the door frame and the ceiling in the foyer.

● According to the police unrest report, issued in Pretoria, police found the body of a black man who had been stabbed to death at Nxamalala (Natal).

At Fredville (Natal) five private houses and a church were damaged by stone-throwers.

At Mpumalanga (Natal) two private houses were damaged when petrol bombs were thrown at them.

At Kwamakita (Durban) two unknown gunmen fired shots at two members of the public and two black men sustained gunshot wounds. —Argus Reporter and Sapa.

CAPE TOWN 10/10/88 (SAPA)

Blast at Lavis courts

THE Magistrate's Courts in Bishop Lavis were rocked by an explosion at the weekend.

There were no injuries. The explosion apparently occurred soon after 9pm on Saturday. Police liaison officer Major Jan Calitz said police had not yet ascertained the extent of the damage.

An eyewitness said a fire broke out after the explosion. Police have

cordoned off the area.

Capt R H V Bloomberg, of the SAP Directorate of Public Relations, confirmed that the explosion happened at 9.15pm. He said it was not known what type of explosive was used. He confirmed that there had been no injuries. — Sapa

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Blasts in suburbs (84 A)

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DURBAN — Two powerful explosions, 30 minutes apart, rocked the coloured suburb of Wentworth last night.

Crowds had gathered in cordoned-off Auster-ville Drive after the first blast near the post office at 8.40.

They ran screaming when a second blast, thought to be from a limpet mine, exploded near the courthouse.

No injuries were re-

SATURDAY STAR CORRESPONDENT

ported, but windows were shattered and broken glass littered the street.

In Cape Town, two explosions rocked Mitchell's Plain about 10.15 last night, one of them at the Beacon Valley housing office behind the suburb's police station.

It was not known if anyone was injured, reports Sapa.

Nine killed (849)
12 injured by
bombs and ~~unrest~~
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11/10/88

Crime Reporter

Four policemen were hurt by a limpet mine blast in Tembisa on the East Rand early yesterday in one of many explosions and other politically related attacks which left nine dead and 12 injured over the long weekend.

Yesterday's explosion happened at 2.05 am at the police barracks in Tembisa. Damage was slight. Those injured were hit by flying glass and discharged from hospital after treatment.

The explosion, the eighth terror blast so far this month, was the second in Tembisa since Thursday when a limpet mine exploded outside municipal offices and injured six people.

It follows other blasts at Duduza, also on the East Rand, on Friday, and in Bishop Lavis in the Cape on Saturday.

Two grenades were also thrown at a house in Duduza.

Police said one of the nine dead was found in Naledi, Soweto. Two men were stabbed to death and another two injured in Natal townships.

Five of those killed were murdered in feuding in kwaMakhita township near Durban. Another was found dead at Mxanalala in Natal.

Two people were slightly injured when firebombs exploded at CNA branches in Pinetown and Durban on Friday.

Four cops hurt in limpet mine blast

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FOUR policemen were hurt in a limpet mine blast in Tembisa on the East Rand early yesterday in one of many explosions and other politically-related attacks which left nine dead and 12 injured over the long weekend.

Yesterday's explosion happened at 2.05am at the SAP barracks. Damage was slight. Those injured were hit by glass fragments and were treated in hospital and discharged, said a Pretoria police spokesman.

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Their names were not released.

The explosion, the eighth terror blast so far this month, is the second in Tembisa since Thursday, when a limpet mine also exploded outside municipal offices, injuring six people — one seriously.

The latest Tembisa blast follows other blasts at Duduza, also on the East Rand, on Friday and in Bishop Lavis in the Cape on Saturday. In addition, two grenades were also thrown at a house in Duduza.

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Nine in Naledi

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It is believed the Duduza blast was at the home of a municipal candidate whom police would not identify.

More blasts are expected and ANC sources in Lusaka reportedly confirmed at the weekend that the bomb offensive would continue.

Eight of those killed were murdered in Natal unrest — where clashes between the UDF and Inkatha over the past year have almost 1000 dead.

Police said one of the nine victims was found dead in Naledi, Soweto, while another was found at Mxanalala, also in Natal.

Stabbed

Another two men were stabbed to death and another two wounded in separate attacks in various Natal townships.

Also on Friday, two people were slightly injured when firebombs exploded at CNA branches in Pinetown and Durban. Structural damage was minor, police said.

Five of those killed were murdered in feuding in KwaMakutha Township near Durban. In the same township, two unknown gunmen shot at people, injuring two members of the public on Sunday.

Four homes were damaged in arson attacks in the same area.

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In other attacks on houses, five homes and a church were damaged by stonethrowers in Fredville, Natal, while two houses were petrol-bombed in Mpumalanga near Maritzburg.

On Friday, a woman was stabbed and her home burned in Hammarsdale.

Also near Maritzburg, a member of the Security Forces was slightly injured after a mob hurled stones at them as they approached an illegal gathering in Edendale. A youth was arrested.

4 hurt in barracks bomb blast

FOUR policeman were injured early yesterday when a limpet mine exploded at an SAP barracks at Tembisa on the East Rand.

This brought the number of bomb incidents around the country since early last month to 37.

Eight bombs have exploded since the beginning of October, injuring at least 12 people.

On Saturday, a bomb exploded at Bishop Lavis in Cape Town and on

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DANIEL SIMON 11/10/88.

Friday another exploded in Duduza on the East Rand at, it is believed, the home of a municipal election candidate. There were also two grenade attacks in Duduza on Friday.

Also on Friday, two firebombs exploded at CNA branches in and near Durban. Two people were slightly injured in one of the incidents.

Petrol ⁽⁸⁴⁾ bomb ^{Swethu} attacks

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PETROL bombs, and vandalism marked the start of prior voting in Durban for the local government elections.

Two petrol bombs were hurled at the Chatsworth home of an independant candidate early yesterday.

The petrol bombs damaged the car of Mr P A "Johnny" Govinthu and blackened a wall of his house Crossmoor Drive, Chatsworth.

This was the second attack on a candidate in the forthcoming election. On Monday night the Phoenix home of Progressive federal Party candidate, Mr Omi Singh was fire-bombed.

No one was injured and only the verandah and a bullet-proof patio door were damaged.

Mr Govinthu said he only came to know about the attack at about 7am when he awoke today: "I slept right through it as I was quite tired with my election campaign yesterday."

Arms found in burnt out shell of SACBC hall

By Claire Robertson and
Deborah Smith

Two limpet mines covered in plastic explosive, several empty AK47 magazines and a hand-grenade were found in the burnt-out wreckage of the SA Catholic Bishops' Conference headquarters in Pretoria.

A police spokesman said the arms were found by policemen searching the building for clues to the suspected fire-bombing of the building early yesterday.

A spokesman for the SACBC, Brother Jude Pieterse, said the arms were found by a worker, who called Brother Jude.

"He came to me and said there was a mysterious package in the documentation centre. I looked at it and decided to call the police who in turn called explosives experts, who evacuated the building.

"They later called me in and told me they had found two limpet mines enclosed in stable plastic explosives."

Brother Jude said he rejected "in the strongest possible terms any insinuation that the Church had an arms cache in the building".

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"This is totally inaccurate, as it is clear the intention was to completely destroy the building," he said.

Brother Jude surmised that the device was intended to be detonated by the heat of the fire.

Six people narrowly escaped death yesterday when the Khanya House building in which they were sleeping burst into flames after at least one explosion at about 2.30 am.

The Pretoria Fire Brigade plucked four from the balcony after they had been trapped for about half an hour. The others left through the fire escape.

Two cans containing petrol and two with paraffin were found in the building.

A Volkswagen Kombi with false license plates was seen near the building at the time of the fire.

No one was injured in the fire. Dr Lambert, Ms Rosemary Cook, Sister Briget Flanagan, Bishop Daniel Verstraete and Bishop Paul Nkhumishe were rescued from the building.

SACBC workers said the archives were destroyed and some of the offices on the upper floors were burnt out.

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Fire bomb attack on Bishops' HQ

By MONK NKOMO

THE gutting of Khanya House in Pretoria and an attempt on the lives of people who seek justice and are against racism, will not stop the struggle for democracy in South Africa, Dr Rod Lambert, one of the people who were trapped inside the burning building, said yesterday.

He and six other people, including two Roman Catholic bishops and an elderly nun, narrowly escaped death when the building — headquarters of the Southern African Catholic Bishop's Conference — was set alight yesterday morning.

Police are now looking for 11 black and white people who were seen leaving the scene in Visagie Street, shortly after the explosion about 2am. The spokesman for the police said the alleged arsonists travelled in a blue Volkswagen

kombi whose registration numbers — DNW 845T — were later found to be false.

In a statement released yesterday, a spokesman for the South African Catholic Bishop's Conference (SACBC), said seven people, including Bishop P Khumiso of Witbank and Bishop D Verstraete of Klerksdorp, were sleeping in the building after a meeting when they were awoken by the smell of benzine or petrol.

Both bishops and Mr Jonathan Williams, managed to run out of the burning building through the fire escape. The other four people were trapped on a second floor balcony. They were rescued by the fire brigade at about 2,10am, according to the SACBC spokesman. The printing room, the information officers' room as well as the documentation and resource centre were almost completely gutted.

Damage has not yet been addressed.

Dr Rod Lambert, a University of Natal lecturer, who also works for the SACBC, was one of the four people trapped inside the burning building. He slept about midnight after the meeting on Tuesday.

"I was awoken by a large explosion and the smell of petrol. The four of us including Mr Brigid Flanagan, Mrs Rosemary Cooke and Mr Roddy Nunes, escaped through a window," Dr Lambert said.

He said: "We were trapped for about 20 minutes because of flames behind and beneath us. We could not jump to safety. We were ultimately rescued by the fire brigade who used an extension ladder to bring us to safety. We are lucky to be alive." They were on the third floor.

Dr Lambert said those responsible for the attack had no respect for human lives. "These

actions will never stop the struggle for justice and democracy in this country. Instead the attack will make people more determined to work hard for change in South Africa."

A spokesman for the police yesterday said that four petrol and paraffin containers were found by the police on the second floor of the building.

• The fire-bombing must be seen in the context of the "tragic mess in which our country and its people find themselves," the SACBC said yesterday.

In a statement the conference said the "mess" was a "result of policies of racial discrimination and apartheid which have fostered ignorance, suspicion, resentment and fear among the people of our land and have led to a situation of repression and protest, violence and counter violence."

Bombings ^(S.A.P.) 13-19/10/88 _{South} mark polling

DURBAN —. Petrol bombs, vandalism and a fight involving a candidate marked the start of prior voting in Durban on Monday for the local government elections.

Two petrol bombs were hurled at the Chatsworth home of an independent candidate.

The petrol bombs damaged the car of Mr P A "Johnny" Govinthu and blackened a wall of his house in Crossmoor Drive, Chatsworth.

This was the second attack here on a candidate in the elections.

On Monday night the Phoenix home of Progressive Federal Party candidate, Mr Omi Singh, was fire-bombed.

No one was injured. The verandah and a bullet-proof patio door was damaged.



THE gutted Khanya House printing workshop — part of the headquarters of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference in Pretoria — which was virtually destroyed when arsonists set the building alight with petrol and paraffin early yesterday morning.

Picture: ROBBIE BOTHA.

Anger at burning of church office

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Own Correspondent

LONDON — The petrol bombing of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference offices in Pretoria's Khanya House was yesterday condemned by UK church leaders as an act of "cowardice" and "terrorism against peacemakers".

Cardinal Basil Hume of Westminster, head of the Catholic Church in the UK, cabled Bishop Reginald Orsmund with a message of support from the bishops of the UK and Wales.

The sabotage was prominently reported on UK Television and radio yesterday.

A spokesman for the British Council of Churches said the state's intimidation of SA church leaders, and now an act of naked terrorism, was profoundly disturbing. He said Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie was being kept fully informed.

Hunting

The BBC said the petrol bombing continued the "sinister trend" that started with the massive bomb blast six weeks ago that wrecked the headquarters of the SA Council of Churches in Johannesburg.

Sapa reports police are hunting for 11 occupants of a blue VW Combi who were seen at Pretoria's Khanya House just before the blaze started.

□ GERALD REILLY reports that senior Pretoria churchmen yesterday condemned the burning of Khanya House.

Anglican dean of Pretoria Robin Briggs said that, in the absence of other information, "we have to assume this was the work of some right-wing group".

Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of SA Michael Moore said it was distressing that right- and left-wing activists resorted to cowardly violence and intimidation.

By CHRIS STEYN and Own Correspondent

THE ministry of Law and Order claimed last that an arms cache had been found in the library of Khanya House — offices of the South African Catholic Bishops' Conference (SACBC) in Pretoria — which was gutted after a fire-bomb attack early yesterday.

A spokesman for the Minister of Law and Order said an SACBC employee found two limpet mines, two hand-grenades and five AK47 magazines in a cupboard in the library. The employee handed the fire-arms to a priest, Father Peter, who notified the police.

The president of the SACBC, Bishop Wilfrid Napier, said from Kokstad late last night that he had not been informed of the find.

Bishop Napier expressed "surprise" at

Arms cache found in arson offices

the find, and undertook to investigate.

Earlier, police disclosed that they were hunting 11 occupants of a blue minibus who were seen by a police patrolman outside the building before the fire broke out.

Police found four containers of petrol and paraffin on the ground floor of the building. An arson docket has been opened.

Church leaders in South Africa and England yesterday ex-

pressed "horror and outrage" at the attack in which four people escaped death.

The four — all attending a conference at the SACBC — were awoken after an explosion in the printing works next to the main building at 2.30am.

Mrs Rosemary Crooke, Mr Roddy Nunes, Dr Rob Lambert, all members of the Commission of Church and Works of the SACBC, and a nun, Sister Brigid Flanagan, associate secretary-

general of the SACBC, were trapped on a second-floor balcony of the building surrounded by smoke and flames.

Firemen hoisted a ladder and helped them to safety.

Dr Lambert said he and the other three had tried to escape by making a rope of blankets and sheets but the fire had prevented it.

"If it hadn't been for the fast action of the fire department we would have all been killed."

The Moderator of the Ned Geref Kerk (NGK), Professor Johan Heyns, extended his "fullest" sympathy to the SACBC on behalf of the NGK.

"This latest outrage merely goes to prove that we must work together for a new South Africa in which there is no violence," Prof Heyns said.

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British church leaders called the attack an act of "cowardice" and "terrorism against peace-makers".

Cardinal Basil Hume of Westminster, head of the Roman Catholic Church in England, cabled Bishop Reginald Orsmund with a message of support from the bishops of England and Wales.

The Anglican Dean of Pretoria, the Very Rev Robin Briggs, condemned the fire-bombing in the strongest possible terms.

Khotso kidnap case hears of the phone call to 'Gerhard'

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By TYLER PARRY

TWO telephone numbers requested by alleged Khotso House kidnapper Denzil Mellors during a two-hour hostage drama belonged to policeman — one a former security policeman — the Johannesburg Regional Court heard this week.

Mellors (19), a suspended trainee prison warder, pleaded not guilty on Monday to kidnapping SA Council of Churches (SACC) secretary Beverly Fasser at Khotso House on April 11 this year and assaulting her by pointing a pistol at her.

He has also denied telling SACC general secretary Frank Chikane that he had a bomb and was going to blow up Khotso House, and to have pointed a pistol at Mlungisi Ntsele, director of the SACC's Hunger and Relief division.

Mellors has also pleaded not guilty to a charge of stealing a 9mm pistol from his brother, Vernon, who testified this week that his brother was "a very politically aware and religious young man".

Testifying for the state, SACC general secretary Frank Chikane said he had been concerned when, after dialling a telephone number at Mellors' request, he had been answered by a policeman.

He said SACC staff had advised him to leave Khotso House when the police had arrived, as they did not consider it safe for him to stay.

In her evidence, Fasser testified that the accused had told her to phone the Flying Squad to say that a man was holding her hostage and would not release her until a certain "Gerhard" came to Khotso House.

He had also asked her if she knew the number of the security police, she said.

Fasser said Mellors had then told her to phone the South African Press Association to say what was happening "as he did not want the security police to storm the building".

She testified that in his telephone conversation with "Gerhard", Mellors had said he was holding her hostage and that he would not let her go until he (Gerhard) came to Khotso House. He had also told Gerhard to tell the security police not to storm the building.

Fasser said Mellors had told her he was afraid of what the security police would do to him.

She said "Gerhard" had then arrived at Khotso House and spoken to Mellors on the telephone. After the conversation, Mellors had surrendered the gun to Fasser and told her she could go.

She added that when she had asked him to explain his actions, Mellors had said he objected to the Methodist Church's anti-conscription viewpoint.

He had said his actions were part of a "counter-revolution".

The defence counsel, A Roux, said Mellors would deny using the words "security police", as he knew how the SP operated, and that knew they would not storm the building.

In his evidence for the state, an East Rand Murder and Robbery Squad policeman and a former SP member, Johannes Gerhardus Kruger, confirmed that he was the "Gerhard" referred to by Mellors.

He said he had known Mellors before the incident. They had discussed politics.

Questioned by Roux, Mellors said he had joined the Black Sash, the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging and the Progressive Federal Party, and had campaigned for the PFP in Springs during the general election.

After he had let Fasser go, and had been arrested by "Gerhard", the latter had put his arm around him and said he "hoped no one was going to try and shoot me, and we ran for the police van".

The trial continues.

Terror suspects shoot six policemen on Rand

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The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Suspected terrorists last night shot and wounded six policemen in Katlehong township on the East Rand, police reported.

The policemen were only slightly injured in the 10.45pm incident, said a Pretoria police spokesman.

AK-47 cartridges were found at the scene and it was believed more than one gunman was involved.

No arrests have been made.

The Pretoria police spokesman also said police had recently arrested two alleged foreign-trained ANC terrorists, a collaborator and a courier, in Welkom.

● An Alexandra municipal policeman, Sergeant Glenbo Kgapholy, last night risked his life to remove and try to defuse two Soviet-made mini-limpet mines found at the municipal offices, police said.

A spokesman said Sergeant Kgapholy was patrolling at the municipal offices in Second Avenue at 9pm when he found the two mines.

He removed the detonator from one of the devices.

Then he tried to remove the detonator from the other, but it broke off.

Both mines were then taken by Sergeant Kgapholy and placed in the road. Bomb experts were called and made the mines safe.

Press curbs

In terms of the emergency regulations reports, comment and pictures may be restricted. Among others, restrictions apply to reports and comment on the October 26 municipal elections.

Bishops' HQ 'left unguarded'

By Claire Robertson,
Pretoria Bureau

The Catholic Church has given its version of the so-called "arms cache" reportedly discovered in the headquarters of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference.

The Khanya House headquarters were apparently fire-bombed early on Wednesday morning. No one was injured.

"After the fire had been extinguished the building was left unguarded for about four hours," SACBC secretary-general Brother Jude Pieterse told a press conference in Pretoria yesterday.

He said that shortly before 8 am the police arrived to conduct their investigations which lasted until about 10.30 am. Members of the press were shown through the ground floor and the cleaning-up process began.

"It was during this time that one of the staff members reported to the secretary-general that a suspicious-looking package had been found in the documentation office.

"(I) immediately went to this room and found a



Firemen extinguish the blaze at Khanya House, the Pretoria headquarters of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference. The fire is believed to have been started by a firebomb. STA 14/11/88

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plastic package containing a whitish substance in a cupboard in daily use," he said.

A worker confirmed that the package had not been there the day before.

The police were called and examined the package. They said it contained explosives and cleared the building.

The two policemen remained in the building.

"Some 30 minutes later (I) was called back into the office and saw what appeared to be two large limpet mines on the floor of the room," he said.

He said he also saw what appeared to be two tubes or rolls labelled "enkele rolle" (single rolls).

The policemen told him they had found two limpet mines encased in "stable plastic explosives

which would have been detonated by the fire".

Police later issued a statement saying limpet mines, handgrenades and empty AK47 cartridges had been found in Khanya House — to the SACBC's surprise, said Brother Jude.

"I am not saying the other stuff wasn't there, but it wasn't in the building on the previous day."

Spate of terror attacks on Reef

By Craig Kotze

Three men were injured yesterday afternoon when a limpet mine exploded in a telephone booth at the Dunnottar Post Office on the Far East Rand in one of several terror-related incidents reported by police over the past few days.

The blast, the ninth in the country so far this month, occurred only hours after six security force members were shot and wounded by suspected ANC terrorists in Katlehong, Germiston, on Wednesday night.

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A spokesman said two of those injured in the Dunnottar explosion were admitted to Nigel Hospital. Their injuries were not serious, he said.

The injured men have been identified as Mr Johannes Kako (45), Mr Moses Khane (44) and Mr Eliot Zwane.

A Pretoria police spokesman said an SPM limpet mine was used. No arrests have yet been made.

The six wounded men in the Katlehong shootings were taken to hospital but their injuries were not serious, police said.

Their names have not been released.

GUNMEN

A Pretoria police spokesman said the six were on guard duty at a hostel when black gunmen, believed to be ANC members, opened fire on them with AK-47 rifles. The security force members were unable to fire back as the gunmen, who were on foot, fled.

Police later found AK-47 cartridge cases at the scene. No arrests have yet been made.

● Police said yesterday that two alleged foreign-trained ANC terrorists, a collaborator and a courier had recently been arrested in Welkom.

Bishop slams bombing 24

THE torching of Khanya House is a follow-up on the bombing of Khotso House and offices of other organisations which concerned themselves with the plight of the under-privileged and the poor. Archbishop George Daniel of the Roman Catholic Church told a Press conference in Pretoria yesterday.

Archbishop Daniel said it was sad to see the destruction of Khanya House, but it is far more sad to think that seven good people could have died in the asphyxiating fumes and in the flames. He said that a pattern of violence which came about through the "deliberate separation of the people who make up South African society and the denial of human rights over several decades stretching into preceding centuries and which has resulted in fear, suspicion and ignorance as well as that frustration which causes conflict and cycles of violent protest" was developing.

Both Archbishop Daniel and Brother Jude Pieterse, secretary-general of the SACBC, lashed out at reports in a newspaper and the SABC.

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Staff of gutted Namibian get on with the job

By MARK VERBAAN, Windhoek

DESPITE the firebombing of the *Namibian* in Windhoek, staff of the pro-independence weekly converted a gutted corner of the newsroom and began working to meet their deadline. A group calling themselves the Wit Wolwe (White Wolves) have claimed responsibility for the bombing in the early hours of Tuesday morning.

Amid the smoke-blackened walls, burnt carpets and a charred ceiling, journalists and lay-out artists worked through Wednesday night to get the newspaper to the printers by 4pm yesterday.

"People might as well realise now that it is going to take a lot more than burning down our offices to prevent us getting a newspaper onto the streets," said editor Gwen Lister.

Attacks of this nature are nothing new to the *Namibian*. This is the second arson attack in three years, and ball-bearings and bullets fired on numerous occasions have shattered the bomb-proof windows on the facade of the building.

The claim of responsibility by the Wit Wolwe came barely 18 hours after right-wing thugs, possibly attached to this extremist group, smashed a window at the newspaper's offices and hurled a handful of firelighters and a



Products of arson ... 'The White Wolves will hit you again' Namibian weekly is warned

bottle of acid into the newsroom. The smouldering blocks of firelighter destroyed two telex machines, a fax machine, two computers and several telephones.

The real damage, however, was caused by a thick layer of soot which covered the ceilings, walls and every piece of furniture.

Lister received a telephone call at home at 7.30 on Wednesday morning informing her that the offices had burnt down. Before breaking the

connection the caller said, "*Die Wit Wolwe sal julle weer bykom*" (the White Wolves will hit you again).

The Wit Wolwe are the same group which claimed responsibility for the recent bomb blast at Khotso House in Johannesburg.

By the time Lister heard about the bombing the fire had been burning for at least seven hours without any-one noticing.

Three fire engines were parked outside the newspaper's Leutwein Street

Picture: THE NAMIBIAN

offices but there were no naked flames by that time. The firelighters and acid continued slowly to burn office equipment and desks until late morning. Damage is conservatively estimated at R100 000.

The Namibian churches, progressive groups, and interim government Justice Minister Fannuel Kozonguizi condemned the attack and expressed a desire to see those responsible brought to trial as soon as possible.

Two grenades thrown in ^(S40) East London

Two grenades were flung at a house in Duncan Village, East London, last night. No-one was injured and little damage was caused in the attack, said the latest police unrest report. ^{Stonk 10/87}

Several unrest incidents were reported from Natal townships.

Four men were seriously injured after being set upon and stabbed by a mob in Inanda near Durban.

At Mpumalanga near Maritzburg, a mob attacked a house with stones, causing extensive damage. A baby, a youth and a woman were injured.

In Klaarwater near Pinetown, a gunman opened fire on security force members. No-one was injured and 10 men were arrested.

On the West Rand, arsonists damaged a house and a school in Sebokeng.

The mystery buried in the

Khanya

Wreck

By THAMI MKHWANAZI
and CARMEL RICKARD

THIS week's arson attack on the headquarters of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference has left behind charred wreckage — and a deepening mystery.

The SACBC yesterday cast doubts on police claims that they had found an "arms cache" — two limpet mines, a hand-grenade and an AK-47 magazine — in the conference's Pretoria building, Khanya House.

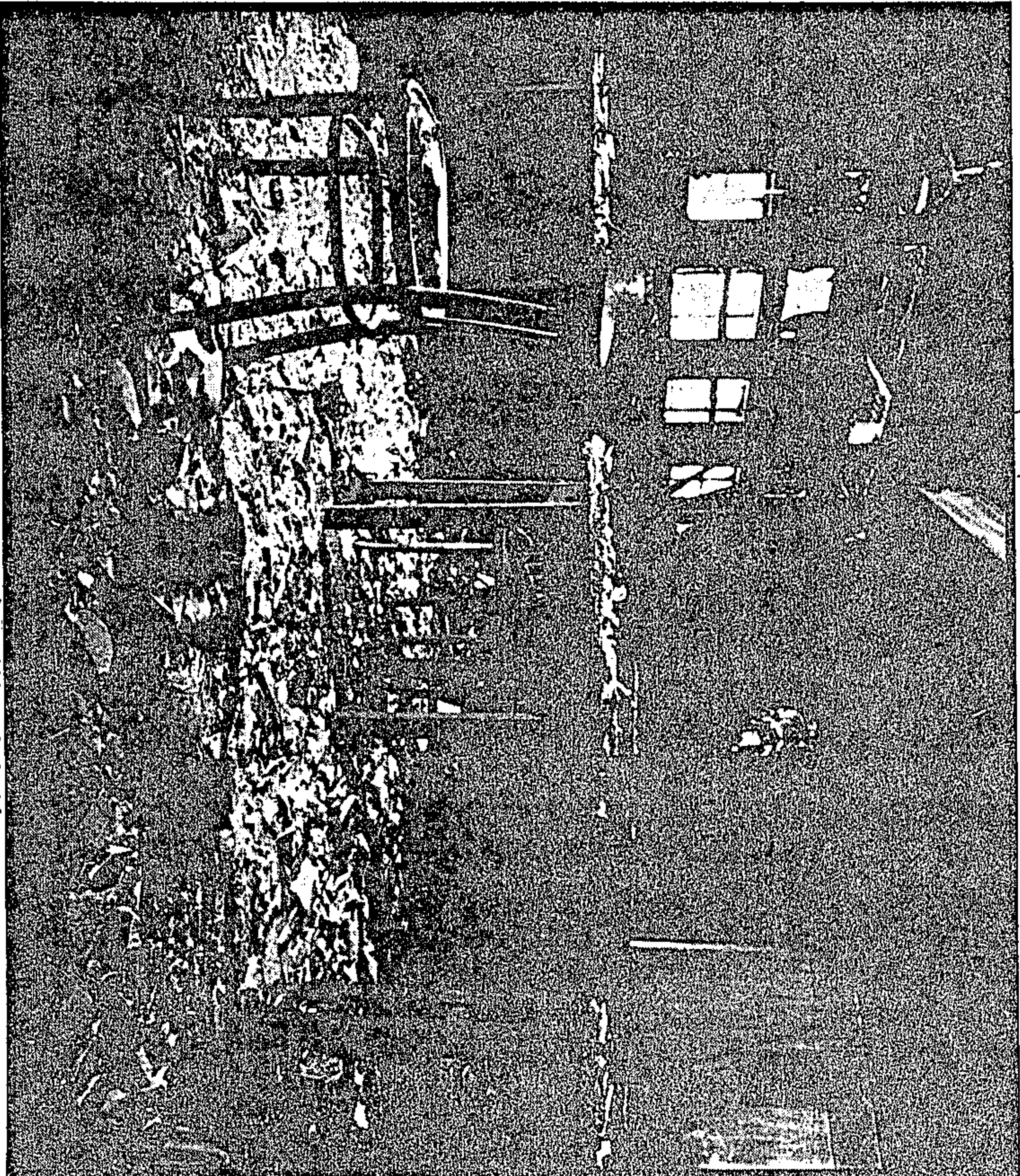
"There is no doubt that the objects of destruction found by ourselves and reported to the police were left in the building by the same persons who intended to destroy it," Archbishop George Daniel said in a statement on behalf of the conference yesterday.

If this is true, the incident could have been much more serious — if the two limpet mines had exploded, they would have "destroyed the building (and the people sleeping in it) totally", according to Brother Jude Pieterse, SACBC general secretary.

The SACBC statement has raised a number of questions about the incident:

- Why were the limpet mines wrapped in plastic with Afrikaans lettering: "Enkelle rolle" (single rolls)?
- Why did the police tell the SACBC they had only found two limpet mines?
- Why did they — and have they still — made no mention to the bishops of the other weapons?
- Why would anyone have stored an arms cache in such an unlikely place — a cupboard in daily use?
- Why has the SACBC not been asked for an explanation for the alleged find in the building?
- Why did Brigadier Leon Mallet of the Ministry of Law and Order say the press had picked the story up

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The grim irony is that if the flames had reached the bombs, it would have looked far worse

Picture: ANNA ZIEMINSKI, Afrapix

"from somewhere" and then phone for confirmation —

nesday morning fire, and he called the police. "It looked very suspicious. I told people to get out of the building."

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The price to pay for speaking out: Arson

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He said he called the police who told him they suspected it was a limpet mine and cleared the area.

When the police asked him to come back inside the building he enquired what they had found.

"They said that they had found these two limpet mines and I asked how they would have been detonated. They said they were enclosed in stable plastic explosives and that the heat from the fire would have ignited the plastic explosives which in turn would have detonated the limpet mines."

Asked whether it was his understanding that the people who set fire to the building also intended to blow it up, Pieterse answered, "Very very clearly. I can put no other interpretation on it."

"The place was absolutely saturated

on the ground floor, first floor and second floor with kerosene, paraffin or petrol. There were fuse wires leading out of the building, up the first floor on to the second floor and these limpet mines were clearly placed there in a central position, which if they had gone off would have destroyed the building completely. I can put no other interpretation on it — the intention was to destroy the building completely.

"It was a really nasty business, and I reject in the strongest possible terms any insinuations, no matter how veiled, that there were any arms or limpet mines or anything else kept on these premises."

He said he had not seen the police statement that limpet mines, hand-

grenades and magazines for AK-47 rifles had been found, but added, "I find it strange that they did not tell me (this) when I was called back into the building and I asked them what had been found."

The SACBC added in its statement that this was not a time for political point-scoring. "What has occurred at Khanya House is a tragedy, not only for the Bishops' Conference, but for the country as well ... It is time for all South Africans to realise that violence will not solve the problems of this country."

The finding of the explosives was widely reported in the media as the "discovery of an arms cache", with no reference to the probability that the arsonists planted the "cache" in the offices.

The sinister implication — that the

bishops' offices were a storehouse for illegal explosive devices — followed the pattern set after the devastation of Khotso House, headquarters of the South African Council of Churches, by a bomb in August.

According to reports at that time police were investigating whether a vehicle packed with explosives, parked in the basement of the building, had been the source of the blast.

The implication in that case was that the SACC was a depot for car bombs, an insinuation angrily dismissed by SACC officials.

The arson and bomb attacks against the SACC and SACBC indicate that the churches — the only groups now able to speak critically of the forthcoming elections — will not escape unscathed from exercising this role.

The government has announced a decision not to arrest and charge high-profile church leaders for speaking on the election boycott, but there is a steep cost attached.

There are not likely to be court cases against the president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, Allan Boesak, and Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu. However, there have been continued detentions of lesser-known church figures and the destruction of physical structures which allow the churches to function.

The SACC yesterday issued a statement complaining that 14 members of their staff were being held without trial because of their stand on the municipal elections.

Generous offers of financial assistance to the Catholic bishops have already come from local and international sources.

Statements condemning the attack have come from, among others, the Canadian secretary of state, Joe Clark, and the African National Congress.

A special message of support for the Catholic bishops has also been received from Pope John Paul II.

The message was sent through the Vatican Secretary of State, Cardinal Augustino Caseroli, and reiterated the Pope's appeal for peaceful ways to "resolve the problem connected with the political and racial divisions existing in South Africa".

Cardinal Roger Etchegaray, the president of the Pontifical Justice and Peace Commission, who recently visited South Africa preparatory to the papal tour, also sent a message, expressing his "heartfelt prayers at (the) news of (the) criminal attack against (the bishops') headquarters."

"We are closely united with this courageous episcopate which is seeking to promote justice and reconciliation by peaceful means."

Trocaire, the Irish development agency has offered £20,000 to assist and the European Community has also made offers of financial help.

● The offices of East London's Unemployed Workers' Union were burnt down yesterday morning.

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Three hurt in blast

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JOHANNESBURG. — Three men were injured when a limpet mine went off in a telephone booth outside the Dunnottar Post Office at Nigel yesterday afternoon.

Blast injures 4 ⁸⁴⁴ at bus terminal

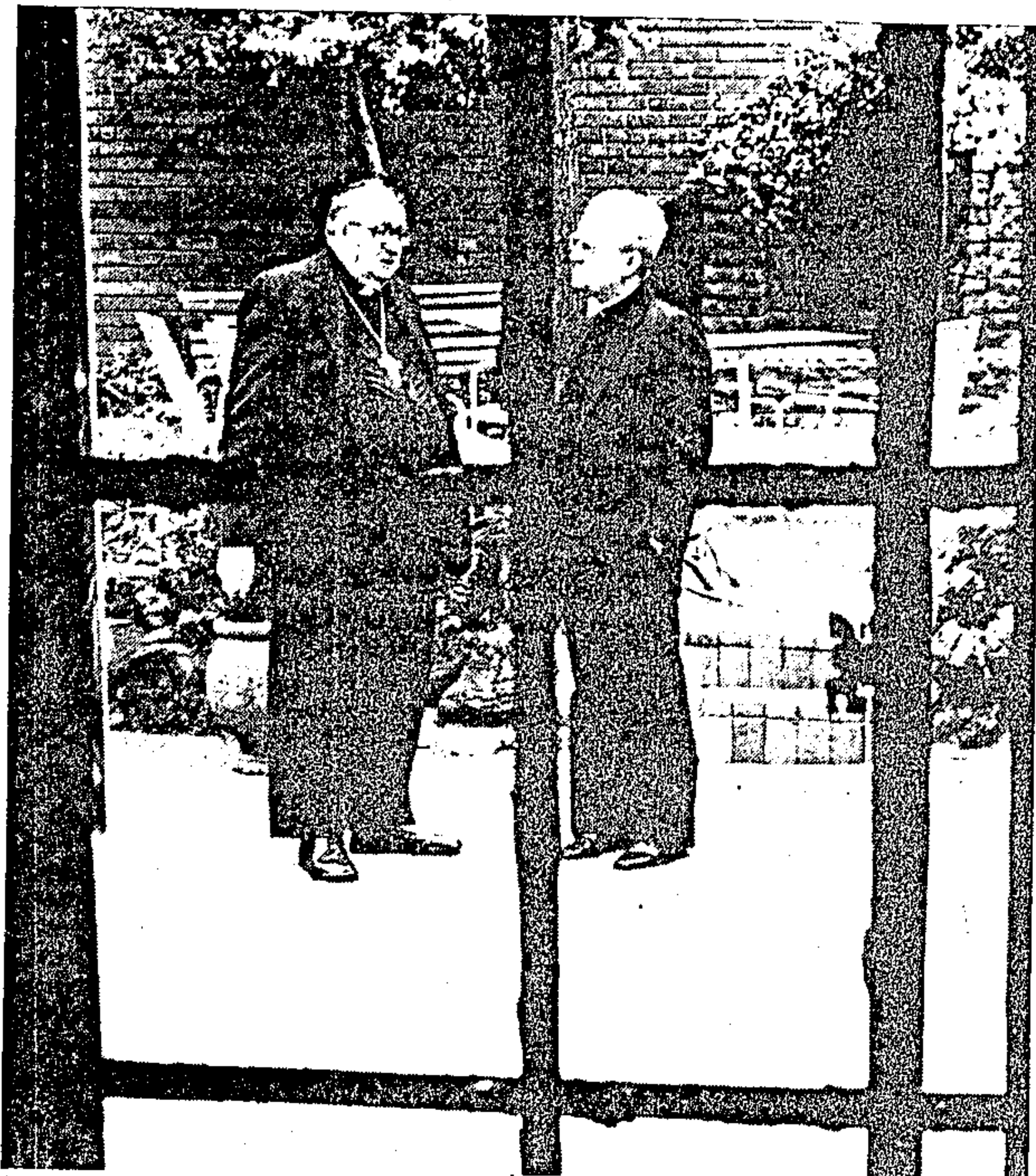
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JOHANNESBURG. — A limpet mine exploded at a central bus terminal here last night, injuring four people.

The SPM limpet mine rocked the whites-only Van der Bijl terminal — scene of another explosion on September 20 which left 19 people injured.

The explosive device went off in a concrete dust-bin introduced to muffle the force of blasts.

The explosion damaged two cars and shattered windows of a bus and of nearby buildings.

Police identified the injured victims as Mr Owen Moran, 56, of Hillbrow, Mr Johannes Kaba Mdube, 24, of Benrose hostel, Mr Jacob Molotsi, 32, of Soweto, and Miss Kabo Miriam Naka, 22, of Alberton. — Sapa



Bishop Orsmond (left) consults with a colleague after the Khanya fire. Pic: BONGANI MNGUNI

Catholic HQ gutted in arson attack

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Khanya House torched shortly after call to boycott elections

By **KERRY CULLINAN**

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THE Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference's opposition to the forthcoming municipal elections may well be the reason for the arson attack on the SACBC's headquarters at Khanya House in Pretoria.

Barely three days before the attack - which destroyed most of the important documentation housed in the building - a conference of Catholic laity had called for a boycott of the October 26 elections in defiance of the government's ban on such calls.

The SACBC itself recently sent a pastoral letter to all Catholics in which it described the elections in the black community as a farce and called on people to act on their consciences when they decide whether to vote or not.

The SACBC's parent body, the SA Council of Churches, which recently also had its headquarters at Khotso House extensively damaged by powerful bombs, has condemned the elections as well.

The Bishop of Johannesburg and vice-president of the SACBC, Bishop Ormond, while refusing to speculate on who was responsible for the attack, said the conference was in "ongoing conflict with the government".

"Our most recent conflict centres around the pastoral letter we sent out to all Catholics in which we called the elections in the black community a farce," said Ormond.

The fire - which could well have been caused by the Khotso House bombers bent on destroying all anti-apartheid churches - appears to have started simultaneously in the ground floor printing unit at about 2.30am on Wednesday.

According to SACBC staff members, explosions occurred at both points. These appear to have been caused by petrol drums placed in the building by the arsonists. The fire department removed four such drums from the building. Fuse wires had been laid around the building leading to the drums and there was a strong smell of petrol in the building.

Seven people sleeping on

the second floor of the building were lucky to escape with their lives.

Three of the people - Bishops David Verstrate and Paul Nkumishe, and Jonathan Williams - managed to escape.

However, Sister Brigid Flannagan, Dr Rob Lambert, Rosemary Cooke and Roddy Nunes were rescued by the fire brigade.

Meanwhile, staffers described the fire as "strategically well planned".

In addition to the destruction, a number of pieces of equipment, including a computer, have been stolen.

• The SACBC will be having a protest prayer service today at the Pretoria Catholic Cathedral at 1pm.

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SAP to investigate right-wing terror

THE SAP, stung by criticism of its failure to capture right-wing arsonists, has appointed a senior general to head an investigation into recent attacks.

The announcement was made by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok. His office declined to identify the general but told reporters he would head a specially formed investigating team.

Opposition parliamentarian Helen Suzman said: "As long as the police fail to apprehend the perpetrators of these disgusting, violent deeds, there will be a suspicion that they are not trying very hard."

Vlok said in a speech last week that he wanted to disprove the perception that the SAP attempted to solve only left-wing terrorism and not right-wing violence. — Reuter.

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Blast in Soweto

A BOMB extensively damaged an unused electricity sub-station in Soweto early yesterday morning, police said.

A spokesman for the South African Police liaison office in Pretoria said a mini-limpet mine was used for the blast. Nobody was injured.

Police are investigating, the spokesman said.— Sapa.

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Four injured at city bus terminus

Bombs explode on Reef over weekend

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Four bombs exploded on the Reef at the weekend, one injuring four people at Johannesburg's Vanderbijl Square bus terminus, only metres from where 19 victims were hurt in a similar explosion recently.

Last night, an unidentified explosive device detonated at the Alexandra municipal offices at 10.15. Damage was slight and no-one was injured.

Explosions also took place at Katlehong municipal offices in Germiston and at a disused power station in Soweto, police said. There were no injuries in the two explosions and damage was slight.

The Katlehong bomb, the latest of several terror-related incidents on the East Rand last week, exploded behind the municipal barracks at about 4.30 am on Saturday, slightly damaging the building.

In Soweto, a mini-limpet mine exploded at a substation, causing some damage.

The four people injured in the Vanderbijl Square blast are Mr Owan Moran (56) of Hillbrow, Miss Miriam Naka (22), Mr Johannes Medupi (24) and Mr Jacob Mototsi (32).

The explosion occurred at 6.20 pm, not long after the rush hour ended.

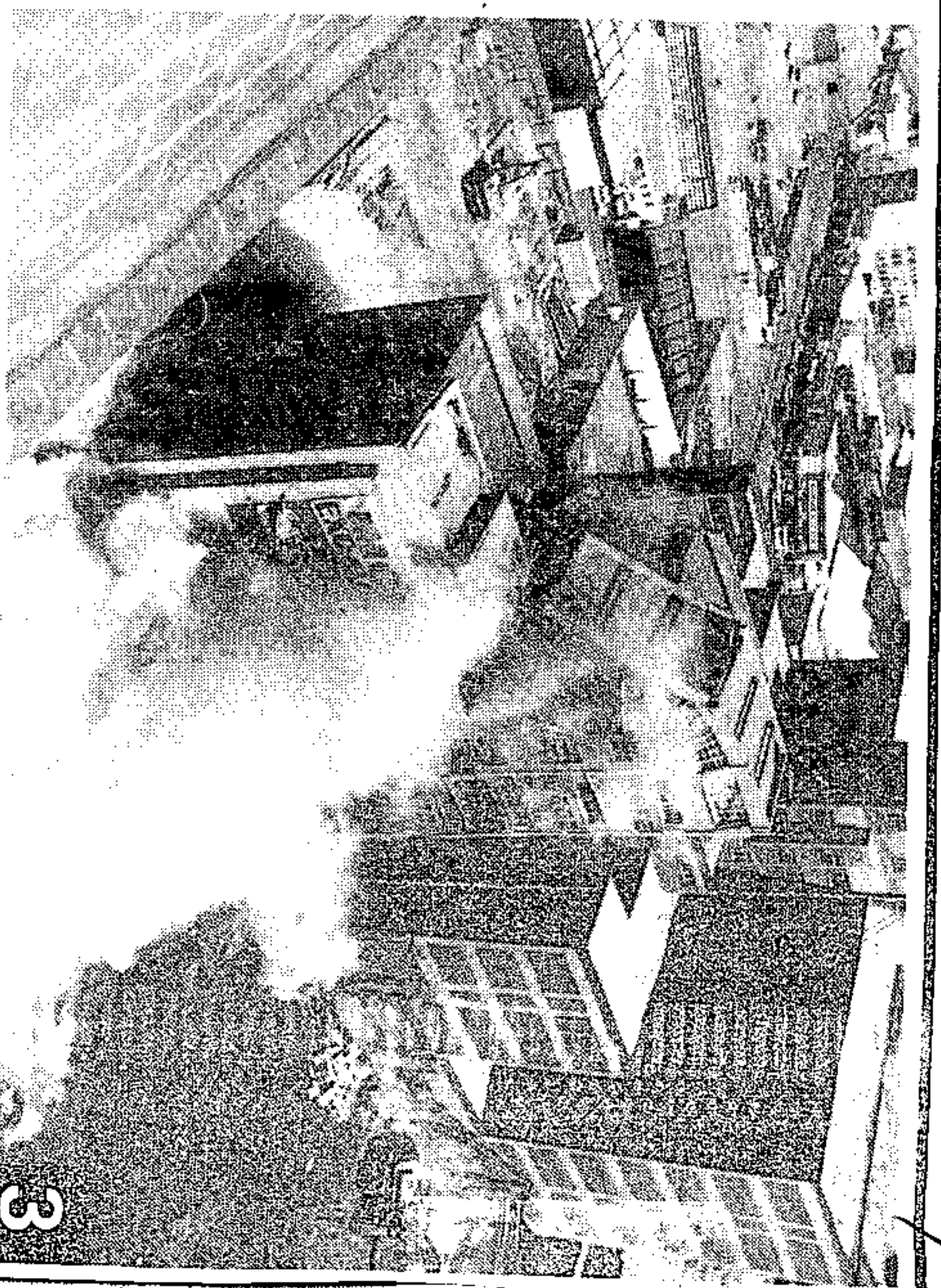
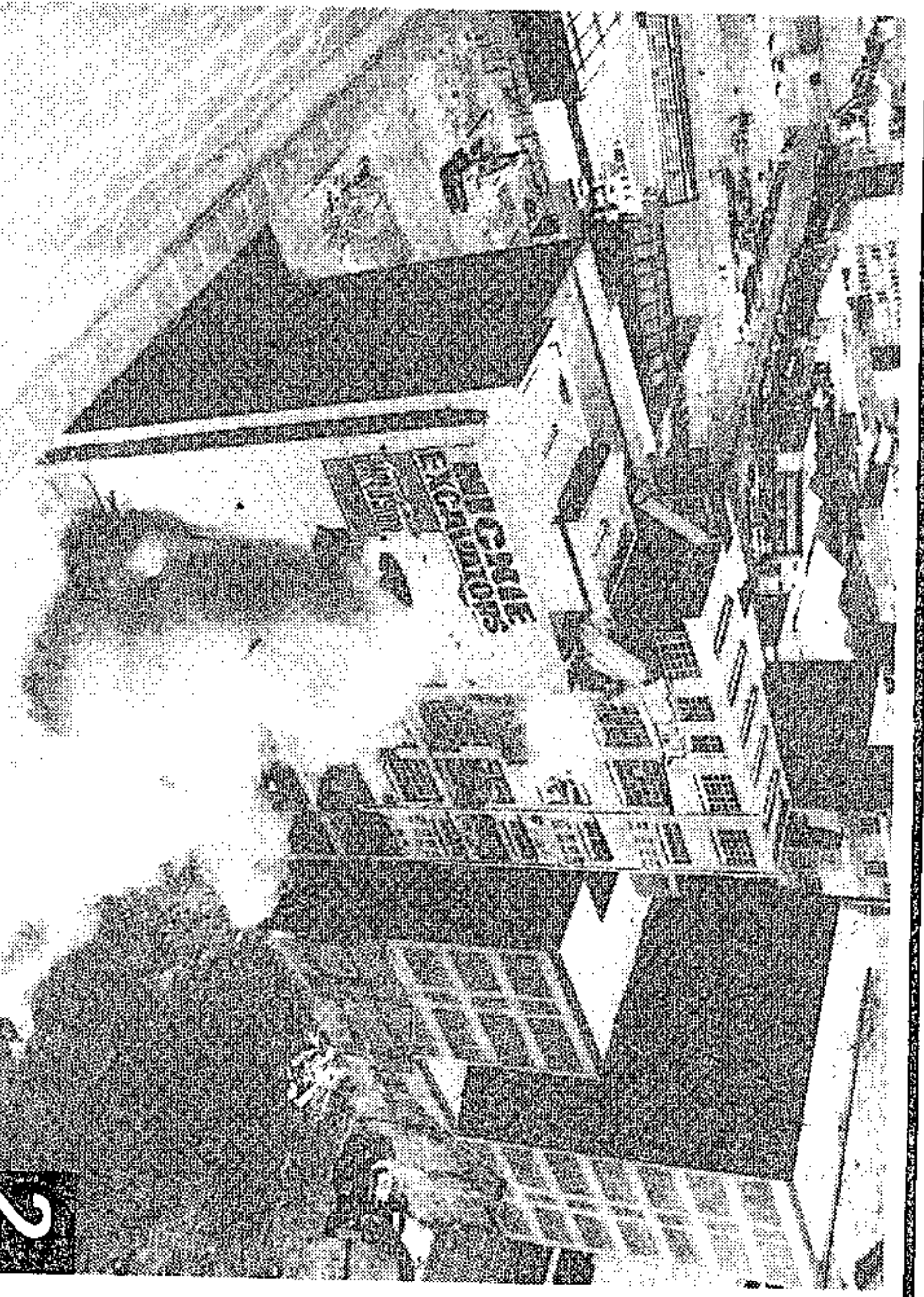
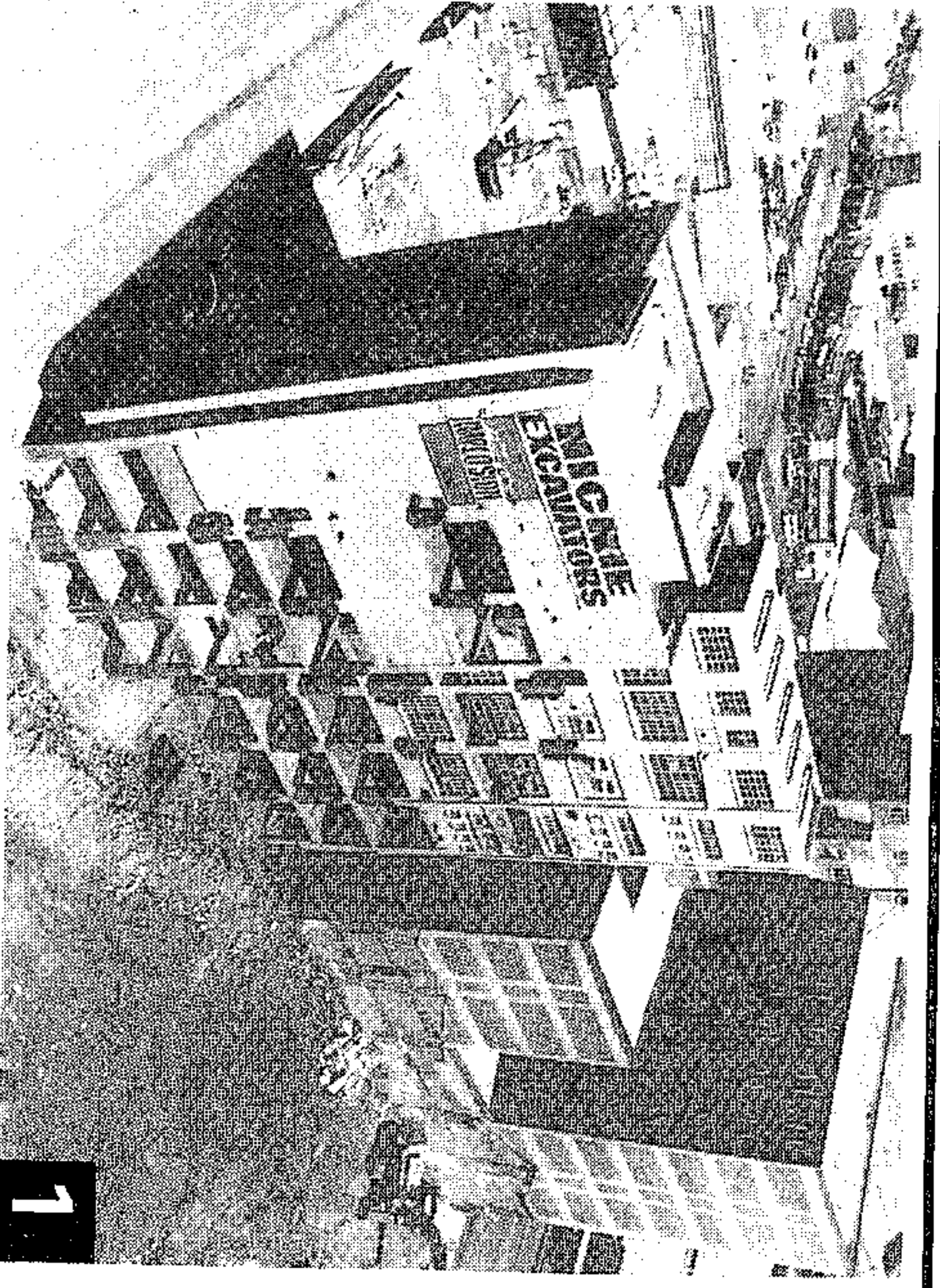
The explosive device, a Soviet-made SPM limpet mine, was placed in a concrete rubbish bin, as

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

was the previous blast at the usually crowded bus terminus.

A bus and four cars were damaged in the explosion, which also shattered windows in several nearby businesses.

In another terror-related incident at the weekend, a man was shot dead with an AK-47 rifle. Police arrested a man in connection with the killing, said a police unrest report.



Six-second finish in Jeppe Street

By Janet Heard

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Hundreds of spectators watched as a seven-storey building in Johannesburg's Exchange district shattered in pieces and tumbled to the ground within six seconds yesterday morning.

Using 30 kg of explosives which were detonated at 10 half-second intervals, the Meyerston building in Jeppe Street was imploded, leaving behind a mass of rubble and a cloud of dust. The rubble fell into a neat pile on the building's own basement.

The surrounding roads were cordoned off to prevent traffic flow into the area, and sirens were heard three minutes before the blast.

Mr Mike Bruni of Nicki Excavators, who handled the implosion, said the building, if demolished by conventional means, would have taken three or four months.

He said parts of the building were weakened before the implosion, and certain interior partition walls and

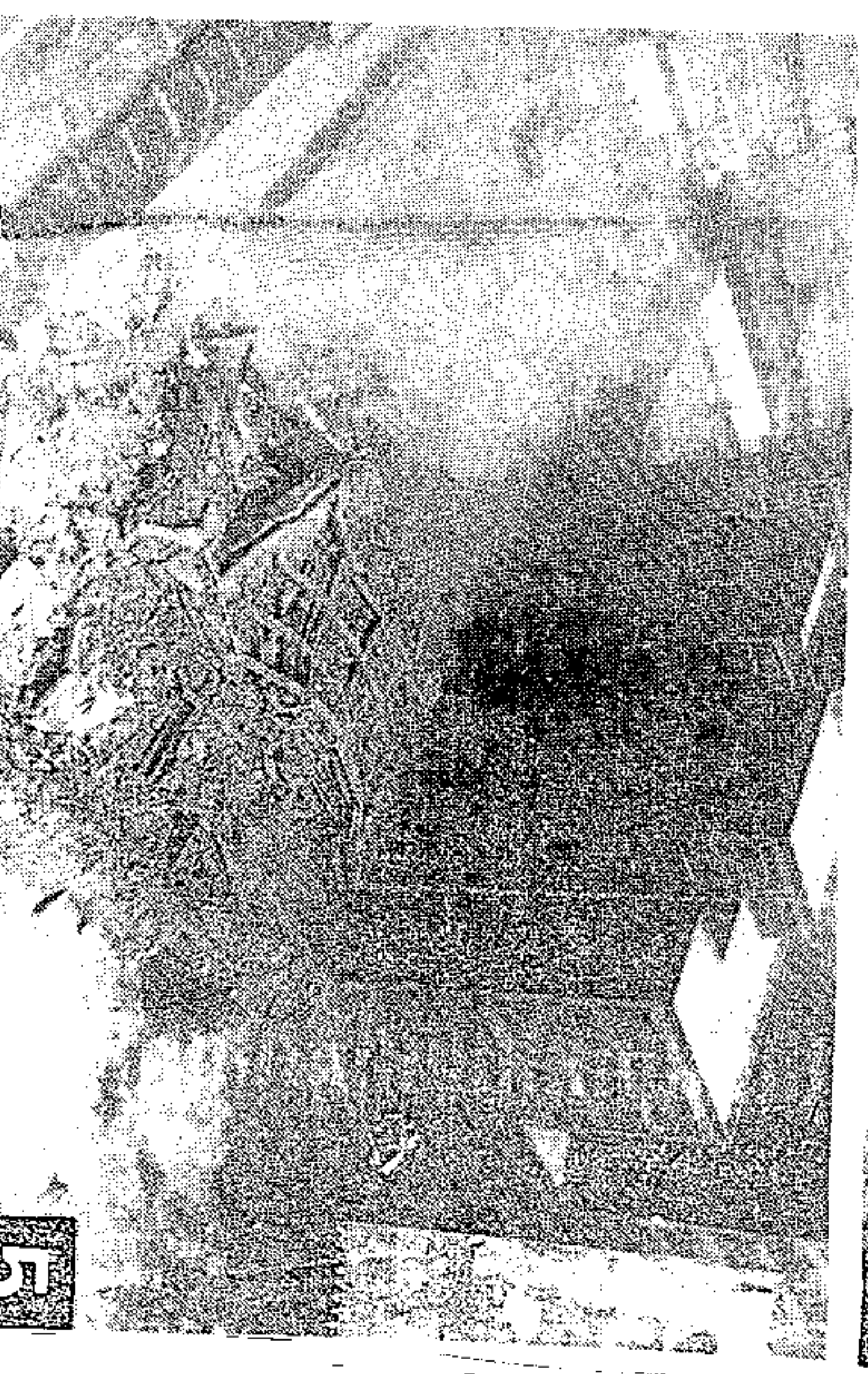
exterior curtain walls were demolished to maximise the fragmentation of resultant debris in order to facilitate the removal operation, which will take four days.

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The building is to be replaced by a R50 million office and shopping complex named Newgate, which will be completed by Christmas 1989. The development will occupy most of the city block bounded by Bree, Sauer, Jeppe and West Streets.

Newgate will also provide the area with 700 parking bays to alleviate the shortage of public parking around the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.

Greenfield Property Services are currently negotiating with the city council to construct an elevated pedestrian walkway over Bree Street, connecting Newgate to the new bus and taxi rank to the north.

Apart from massive noise and a cloud of smoke, the implosion caused no disturbance to neighbouring buildings.



By Michael Chester

Total overhauls of security systems in suburban and city centre shopping areas are being planned by the Witwatersrand Chamber of Commerce and Industry (WCCI) in a new anti-terrorism drive.

The chamber warned retailers yesterday of serious loopholes in present systems, and dismissed routine rummages through handbags and shopping baskets by security officers as "purely cosmetic and utterly ineffective".

It urged the replacement of bag searches by special gateways fitted with electronic eyes which scan everyone entering shopping and busi-

Anti-terrorism drive ^(S&A) for shopping centres

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ness complexes. Walk-through electronic gateways would flush out terrorist suspects by sounding an alarm on sensing any hidden weapons.

The WCCI also announced the launch of a R350 000 media campaign to show South Africans of all ages how to identify suspected terrorist weapons — and what to do if they spot one.

Mr Gerald Heine, who heads the WCCI task force, said: "It will be a massive security awareness campaign that will

come to a crescendo before the Christmas shopping rush.

"The recent disaster at Hyde Park shopping centre when many people, at first, refused to believe an explosive device had been uncovered, and then crowded round in curiosity rather than evacuating the complex, underlines the vital need for public education about the bomb menace.

"Many shoppers still object strongly to simple bag checks, mainly because they do not recog-

nise the magnitude of terrorist dangers.

"It's nonsense to rummage through a small handbag — when a limpet mine or an AK-47 can be waltzed in under an overcoat or raincoat worn by a trained terrorist without bother.

"There is now general acceptance that shopping centres must upgrade their security, including the training of security personnel.

"But we want everyone to become involved with security awareness. High profile security is also good business. Shopping centre owners now see that the more secure their centres look and feel, the more shoppers they will attract."

Blast rocked Harare shop complex

Man charged over car-bomb attack

By Robin Drew,
The Star's Africa
News Service

HARARE — Mr Guy Bawden (32) of Harare is to stand trial for alleged involvement in a car-bomb attack on a shopping centre in the suburb of Avondale in October last year.

This was disclosed yesterday at a hearing in a makeshift courtroom at Chikurubi Prison complex where Mr Bawden has been in custody for 10 months.

A number of people were injured in the car-bomb blast, including anti-apartheid activist Mr Jeremy Brickhill.

The prosecutor said yesterday that the bombing had also damaged buildings.

The trial will be one of a series

involving alleged South African agents.

At another hearing at the Harare Central Prison complex, a Johannesburg man, Mr Denis Charles Behan (40), was ordered to be kept in custody for another fortnight.

Mr Yunus Omerjee, for the State, said Mr Behan was facing serious charges which carried the death penalty on conviction.

The State case is that he tried to enter Zimbabwe by subterfuge at the request of South African Military Intelligence in order to rescue people in custody for bombing and sabotage offences.

The police are still investigating.

Mr Behan's lawyer said the constitution required a trial without undue delay, but Mr Behan

had already been in custody under conditions of maximum security for nearly five months.

Mr Behan, dressed in khaki shirt and shorts, sat before the magistrate handcuffed to two prison officers.

He looked pale.

Mr Omerjee said Mr Behan presented a risk to national security and had to be kept under conditions which would deter any others from a rescue bid.

"He has no reason to complain," said the prosecutor.

Mr Behan is a British subject and former member of the Special Air Service (Rhodesia) Squadron.

An official of the British High Commission attended the hearing yesterday.

It has been postponed for a fortnight.

Hillbrow man not related to fugitive believed to be in SA

By Clare Harper

A Hillbrow computer salesman, Mr Colin Bawden, has been anonymously warned to "watch his back" and asked whether he was related to fugitive Mr Christopher Bawden.

Mr Christopher Bawden fled to South Africa two days after a man was killed in a car bomb blast at an ANC house in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe.

"According to state evidence heard in a Harare courtroom last week, a bomb was detonated by Mr Michael Smith, a former Rhodesian Light Infantry soldier allegedly recruited by South African Intelligence, together with Mr Christopher Bawden, who is believed to be in South Africa.

Attempts by The Star to locate Mr Bawden have been unsuccessful.

Mr Colin Bawden said yesterday he was not related to either Mr Barry or Mr Guy Bawden, nor Mr Christopher Bawden — and he had no relatives in Zimbabwe.

He said he had received "strange telephone calls" about eight months ago and three months ago two "notes under the door".

The notes, he said, read: "Mr Christopher Bawden, please contact us" and gave a telephone number in Pretoria.

Mr Colin Bawden said on one occasion he did telephone a number left on a note and reached a security policeman in Pretoria.

Two injured in Alexandra grenade attack

Two people were injured in three grenade and limpet mine attacks on municipal police targets in Alexandra and Katlehong last night, police said.

Those injured in Alexandra were Mr P Maschi-

tela (40) and Ms Fransina Rathlogo (26), both from Alexandra. They suffered shrapnel wounds to their right sides in the 7 pm attack at the Second Avenue municipal offices.

In Katlehong, the mu-

nicipal police barracks was twice hit by limpet mine explosions, but no one was injured, police said.

The attacks were the latest in a series on municipal targets in recent weeks.

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Tighter *CV + Times 20/10/88* security *(861)* at police stations

Crime Reporter

SECURITY has been tightened outside Caledon Square police station and Police Divisional Headquarters as part of the run-up to the municipal elections.

Vehicles are no longer allowed to park outside the Thomas Boydell Building or Caledon Square.

The possibility of car bombs is apparently the reason for the extra security, though police spokesmen declined to be specific.

Traffic cones were placed in parking bays and it is understood they will stay there until after the elections.

The streets involved are Buitenkant (outside Caledon Square; Alberus (from Buitenkant to Corporation; Barrack (from Buitenkant to Parade), and Parade between Caledon Square and the Thomas Boydell building.

A police liaison officer said visitors to Thomas Boydell would be allowed to park in Parade Street for a short time.

Alternative parking is being arranged for policemen who used the parking bays.

Homes of election candidates blasted

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

Municipal buildings and the homes of municipal election candidates were hit by four grenade attacks and mini-limpet blasts in the Cape and on the East Rand last night and early today.

No one was injured.

The Cape targets were in Mitchell's Plain and the Bonteheuwel Civic Centre. These attacks bring the number of bomb blasts in the country this month to 17.

In Vosloorus, hand grenades were flung at two homes, causing little

damage, police said. They would not say whose homes were hit, but it is understood they belonged to election candidates.

The first attack was at 2.02 am and the other five minutes later.

The Cape blasts follow attacks on municipal targets on the Reef on Wednesday — a hand grenade attack on municipal police in Alexandra and two limpet mine explosions at the municipal barracks in Katlehong.

Two bystanders were injured in the Alexandra grenade attack.

2 more bomb blasts at Cape Flats buildings

Crime Reporter

TWO more bombs have been detonated on the Cape Flats in what police believe is part of a campaign against next week's municipal elections.

The first bomb — believed to be a mini-limpet mine — went off about 8.55pm yesterday at the Civic Centre in Rocklands, Mitchell's Plain.

The second went off an hour later at municipal housing offices in Bonteheuwel.

TOTAL OF 10

It was the second time a bomb had exploded at the offices in less than a month.

The blasts brought to 10 the number of blasts in the Western Cape and Boland since the latest series of bombings started on September 25.

Mini-limpet mines are thought to have caused all the damage.

Police spokesman Lieutenant Hendrik Opperman said minor damage was caused and there were no injuries.

Queried about the various bombings, a spokesman for the police directorate of public re-

lations in Pretoria said: "The strategy of the ANC, a terrorist organisation, to disrupt the present municipal elections by means of violence and other deeds, has repeatedly been mentioned by the Minister of Law and Order and senior police officers.

"This strategy has been resorted to because the ANC cannot afford the success of government initiatives.

"The facts are that the ANC's so-called 'people's war' strategy has, by their own admission, failed and as a result they have had to resort mainly to intimidation, through deeds of terror, to disrupt democratic processes.

"The express purpose of the violence and terrorism practised by the ANC is to establish a political base by means of such violence, fear and intimidation, which is in direct contrast to democracy.

"Magistrates' courts (a number of the blasts have happened at courts) and municipal offices cannot, by any stretch of the imagination, be described as 'hard targets'," the spokesman said.

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'Guerilla' attack on police — two hurt

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JOHANNESBURG. — Suspected guerillas made four attacks on police in Alexandra and Katlehong on Wednesday night, police said yesterday.

At least two people were hurt in the attacks.

Alexandra is in Johannesburg and Katlehong on the East Rand.

Two bystanders were hurt in the Alexandra handgrenade attack, but at the time of going to press no details were available on the Katlehong attacks.

Those injured in Alexandra were Mr P Maschitela, 40, and Miss Fransina Rathlogo, 26, both of Alexandra.

They received shrapnel wounds to their right sides in the 7pm attack at the municipal offices.

The attack was one of several on Alexandra municipal targets in recent weeks.

Limpet mines have exploded before at the municipal offices and at the nearby Wynberg Magistrate's Court.

Recently a municipal policeman found and defused two mini-limpet mines at the municipal offices.

Katlehong has also been hard-hit by terror attacks recently, with AK47 and limpet mine attacks on municipal policemen and municipal targets.

A police spokesman said the two Alexandra victims were treated at the Alexandra Clinic and discharged.

A vehicle was damaged, but not seriously.

The attack happened after two municipal policemen parked their vehicle outside the charge office and went inside to fetch fresh batteries for their torches.

While inside, they heard a bang and rushed outside.

Police bomb experts identified the explosive device used as a handgrenade, possibly a Soviet-made F1.

Meanwhile, a woman was arrested in Athlone, Cape Town, after a group displaying placards "gathered illegally", the police unrest report said.

In another incident in Athlone, five people were arrested after a police vehicle was stoned, the report said.

Police also arrested four men after a house was stoned in Mpumalanga in Natal. — Sapa

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Toddler killed
by limpet mine

(SUN)
KWATHEMA — A one-year-old child, Bolakele Khubeka, was killed and four people were hurt when a limpet mine exploded in the civic centre here yesterday.

The centre is being used as a municipal polling station. — Sapa

Child killed, 4 hurt in kwaThema blast

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A CHILD was killed and four people were injured when a limpet mine exploded in the kwaThema Civic Centre shortly before 2 pm yesterday, a police spokesman said.

The civic centre is being used as a polling station for the municipal elections.

The police spokesman said the limpet mine exploded in the public toilets of the building, killing one-year-old Bolakele Khubeka.

Mrs Abigail Khubeka (31), her daughter Primrose Khubeka (4), Mr Gideon Sindana (45) and Mr Deon Botha were injured in the blast. — Sapa.

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Bomber seized near Minister

By Craig Kotze,
Crime Reporter

22/10/84

Police thwarted a possible "kamikaze" attack on Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok by a suspected ANC insurgent armed with a limpet mine in Cape Town at the weekend.

Mr Vlok was opening the new Crossroads police station on Saturday when two Riot Unit policemen arrested the suspect — only 150 m from Mr Vlok. Bomb experts defused the mine.

Last night, the suspect was in Groote Schuur Hospital under police guard after complaining of dizziness. Police searched his Crossroads home and seized ANC literature.

Security sources said that, although the suspect would not have been able to get near Mr Vlok, had the mine exploded near him the incident would have generated immense propaganda for the ANC.

TIGHTEN SECURITY

It would not be necessary to tighten Mr Vlok's security arrangements as maximum security already existed for members of the government and other VIPs.

Mr Vlok praised the two policemen for their speedy action.

● In another incident on Friday, a baby was killed and four people injured in a limpet mine explosion — the 18th known blast this month — at a polling booth in kwaThema on the East Rand.

● Mr Vlok announced on Friday police had arrested 50 suspected insurgents and killed five others since the beginning of September.

● Three people were killed, including a youth shot dead by security forces, in Natal township unrest at the weekend, police said.

LATEST

Car-bomb blast at shops

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The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — At least two people were seriously injured today when a car-bomb exploded outside a shopping centre in Witbank.

A Pretoria police spokesman said the bomb went off at 8.30am in the parking area of the OK Centre in Delville Street.

The injured men were taken to hospital.

The blast was the 19th in South Africa this month.

Bomb suspect taken to hospital

AP 645 24/10/88

By STEPHEN WROTTLEY
Crime Reporter

THE man who was found with a primed limpet mine in Crossroads was admitted to Grote Schuur Hospital for examination soon afterwards because he complained of dizziness, police said today.

Police said a sudden decision to search a pedestrian led to the discovery of the mine, which they believe was timed to explode during the opening of a police station.

The celebrations followed an opening ceremony on Saturday which was attended by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, top policemen and members of the community including Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, chairman of the interim advisory board of Crossroads.

The man, in his 20s, was found 150 metres from the po-

lice station while speeches were being made.

However, few people besides members of the security branch were aware of the drama being played out and Mr Vlok was told later.

He asked for the two policemen involved in the arrest to be summoned to the police station and apparently delayed leaving so he could congratulate them.

A police spokesman said the police station — referred to as a "hokkie" by Mr Ngxobongwana during the opening ceremony — was designed to serve the immediate needs of the community during the upgrading of the area. A permanent structure would be built when this was completed, he said.

Mr Vlok had apparently completed his speech when the two members of the reaction unit, Warrant Officer J F "Tokkie" Rossouw and Constable

Ralph Smith, spotted a pedestrian carrying a black garbage bag containing what they thought was a bottle.

The man had walked past towards the police station when one of them decided to stop and search him.

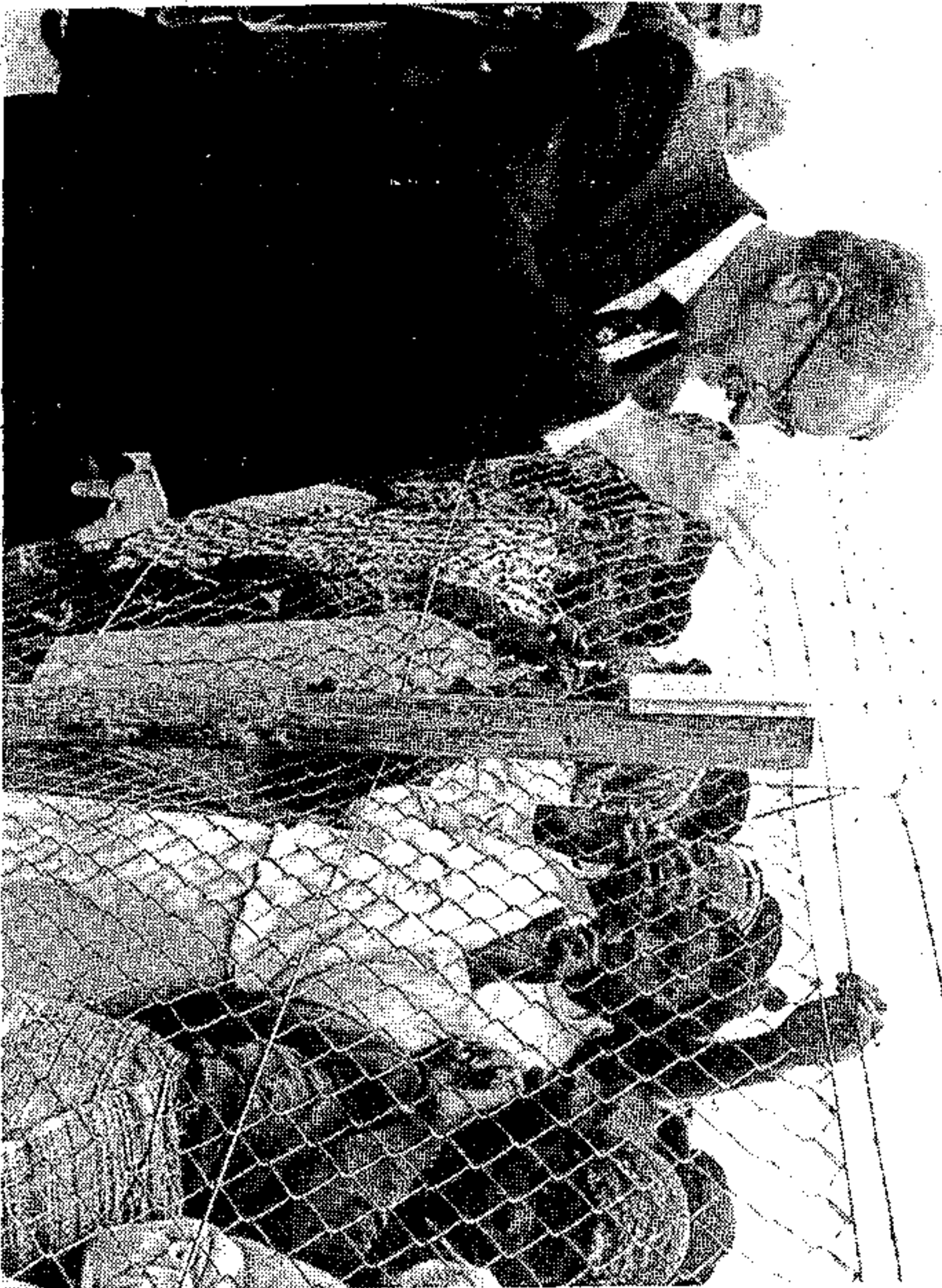
In the bag they found a primed limpet mine.

Explosives experts were called and the mine was made safe.

In follow-up operations police allegedly found subversive literature in the man's home, the spokesman said.

Press curbs

In terms of the emergency regulations reports, comment and pictures may be restricted. Among others, restrictions apply to reports and comment on the October 26 municipal elections.



FRIENDLY WAVE: Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok greets Crossroads residents after the opening of the temporary police station in the squatter camp. A man with a primed limpet mine was arrested minutes earlier.

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Bomb blasts: Police hunt 'ANC couple'

By CHRIS STEYN

PENINSULA security forces are hunting a mixed-race couple suspected of involvement in at least five of the 10 limpet-mine blasts in the Western Cape and Boland in the past month.

Senior police sources confirmed at the weekend that a young white woman and a coloured man were being sought in connection with explosions in Rocklands, Bonteheuwel, Strand and Mitchells Plain.

Both are believed to be members of a new Western Cape ANC cell established to replace the Ashley Forbes cell which collapsed when he and 13 of the network's alleged members were arrested in May last

year and charged with terrorism.

The young woman — whose name begins with an S — apparently recently underwent guerilla training for a year outside South Africa. Although she normally has light brown hair, she re-entered the country with her hair dyed black.

The following bomb attacks were reported in the Western Cape in the past month:

● October 20: Two bombs exploded, one at the Rocklands Civic Centre in Mitchells Plain and another at the Bonteheuwel Civic Centre, scene of another blast on September 29. No injuries were reported;

● October 8: A bomb exploded at the Magistrates Court in Bishop Lavis. There were no injuries;

● October 5: A bomb exploded at the Magistrates Court in Stellenbosch. No one was hurt;

● September 30: A bomb exploded at Beacon Valley housing complex near the Mitchells Plain police station. No injuries were reported;

● September 29: Three bomb blasts rocked the Peninsula, one at the Bonteheuwel Civic Centre, another at the Strand Magistrates Court, and a third near the Bonteheuwel rent office. One man suffered serious injuries;

● September 25: An explosive device rocked the Technikon in District Six. No one was injured.

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2 die in Witbank blast

Star 24/10/88

By Craig Kotze

(84A)

Two people died and at least 29 people were injured when a car bomb exploded outside a shopping centre in Witbank today, police said. A Star reporter on the scene today described the scene as "devastating."

The area has been cordoned off for several blocks and shards of glass and rubble littered the streets.

The blast happened at about 8.30 am in the parking area of the OK Centre in Delville Street. The injured were taken to hospital. The blast is the 19th-known terror explosion in South Africa so far this month.

On Friday, a boy was killed and four other people injured in a limpet mine explosion at a polling booth in Kwathema on the East Rand. Last night in Soweto, a woman was slightly injured in a hand-grenade attack on a house in White City, Jabavu.

Another grenade attack was launched at a house in Kwanobuhle near Uitenhage in the Cape. No damage was caused and there were no injuries.



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Unique designer Expo busy directing traffic three days of the nine-month parking had to be

seven designer exhibits great success with goods and caravans to come at a rapid rate. how were clearly im-

Taking a breath of tropical air this weekend in a house decorated "island style" by interior decorator Ronnie Fellows at The Star Design for Living Expo at Fourways Gardens Estates was 16-year-old Nicky Gibson (16). About 15 000 people visited the show during the weekend.

Restrictions

The Star is being produced under the severe restrictions of the emergency regulations.

Craven's initiative praised by British

The Star Bureau

LONDON — There is much sympathy and support for Dr Danie Craven in the sports pages of Britain's Sunday newspapers, following his meeting with the ANC, but little expectation that his initiative will succeed.

As Clem Thomas of *The Observer*, who calls the initiative "a desperate throw to break the log jam on apartheid", puts it: "Realistically, Craven's initiative seems doomed to fail. Nevertheless, its impact and long-term influence on wavering contemporary thought concerning the ideology of apartheid will be profound and should not be underestimated."

He adds: "When one sees men like Craven, who only 12 years ago announced that no black man would ever wear a Springbok jersey, and a rabid Government supporter like Louis Luyt, trying to break the mould of apartheid, then surely there is still hope."

"The game is not over yet, but it will only be won when not just sportsmen but the whole of South Africa dispatches apartheid to its inevitable ultimate destination — the sin bin."

Dr Craven puts his own case in one paper. John Reason of *The Sunday Telegraph* tells of telephoning Craven in Stellenbosch and finding him claiming that his telephone was being tapped.

"But they don't do it very cleverly," Craven told Reason. "I think they must have a man named Van der Merwe in charge."

Reason quotes Craven as saying: "If the ANC are prepared to admit we have done our part in making sport multiracial, we may make people realise that the boycott of South African sport is unjustifiable."

"Look at the persistent misrepresentation of the Gleneagles Agreement. It has never been signed by anybody or ratified by any parliament. It contains no sanctions and it does not forbid any sporting authority or sportsman to send teams or come here."

BOMB NEAR VLOK

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By PATRICK COLLINGS
Crime Reporter

A MAN carrying a limpet mine was arrested near the Minister of Law Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, in Crossroads on Saturday.

Police described the man as a "highly trained terrorist". He was carrying the mine in a plastic bag when two patrolling policemen of the Peninsula Reaction Unit arrested him at 11.16am. He was arrested 150 metres from where Mr Vlok was opening a new police station. Mr Vlok was accompanied by the Deputy Minister of Law and Order, Mr Leon Wessels.

'Suspicious'

The ceremony was also attended by high-ranking police officer and township leaders, including the chairman of the interim advisory board of Crossroads, Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana.

Liaison officer Lieutenant Attie Laubscher said police were investigating the possibility that the man intended using the limpet mine to "assassinate" Mr Vlok.

Lt Laubscher said two policemen, Warrant Officer Rossouw and Constable Smit, were patrolling the area near the new police

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Mayor of Crossroads launches attack on police in Vlok's presence.

Station when they saw a "suspicious looking" man carrying a black bag.

The policemen originally thought the man was carrying a bottle wrapped in the plastic, but decided to take a second look. When Constable Smit confronted the man they found the mine.

The mine, which weighs about 2.5kg and is capable of destroying a car, was taken to a safe place where it was disarmed by a bomb-disposal expert.

Police later searched the living quarters of the man and discovered many ANC documents.

Mr Vlok later congratulated the policemen for their "preparedness and their speedy action which saved many lives".

Lt Laubscher said police were investigating the possibility that the man was linked to the recent spate of bomb blasts in the Peninsula. There have been 10 blasts since the end of September.

The blasts, which have left one man seriously injured, took place at police stations, government buildings and at the Cape Technikon in District Six.

Mr Vlok added that the police would "leave no stone unturned to protect the people of South Africa during the forthcoming municipal elections".

He said that Saturday's incident was a "clear indication that the ANC stood 'aloof from all the people of South Africa'".

ORMANDE POLLOK reports that a clearly relieved Mr Vlok said afterwards: "This sort of thing is not going to make me or anyone else hide away. It only makes us more determined to rid the country of this pestilence."

'Bloodbath'

He was full of praise for the two policemen who intercepted the deadly cargo and said: "This is the sort of thing we expect of our men. The ANC and others will do everything they can to disrupt Wednesday's election and they are on their guard 24 hours a day."

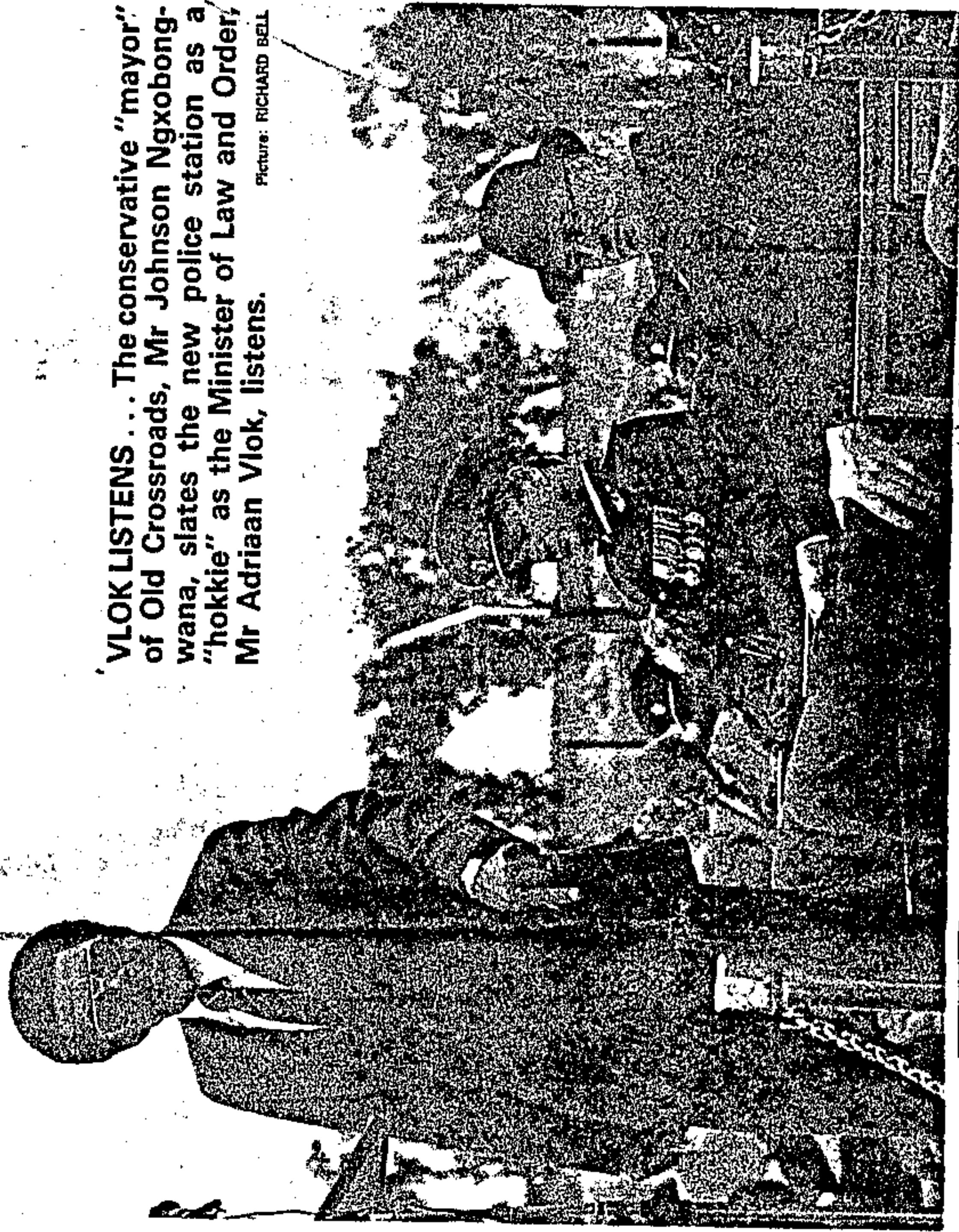
"There could have been a bloodbath if there had been time to simply lay the mine down in the midst of about 2,000 people and move on."

"I may have been the target but my real concern is not for myself but all the innocent people — and there were hundreds of them — who could have been seriously injured."

"The goodwill in Crossroads was overwhelming and I am with the ordinary people."

VLOK LISTENS . . . The conservative "mayor" of Old Crossroads, Mr Johnson Ngxobongwana, slates the new police station as a "hokkie" as the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, listens.

Picture: RICHARD BELL



Tutu ^{CAT} slams ^{25/10/88} Witbank car ^{SUA} bomb horror

JOHANNESBURG. — A powerful car-bomb exploded outside a shopping centre in a Witbank yesterday, killing two men and injuring more than 40 other people in an attack the government blamed on the ANC.

Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu strongly condemned the bombing as "abhorrent in moral terms and counter-productive in practical terms" as a way to end apartheid.

But Archbishop Tutu warned, in a statement issued in Cape Town, that violence "will inevitably continue" until the government agreed to negotiate "real power-sharing" with the voteless majority.

The explosion occurred around 8.14am, shattering facades of nearby buildings and office windows up to two blocks away. Rescue officials appealed for blood donations for the victims.

SABC-TV said the bomb, planted in a white Ford Cortina, may have been detonated by remote control.

Law and Order spokesman Brigadier Leon Mellet said he was informed that from the damage caused, the car had been packed with about 30kg of explosives.

A Police Directorate spokesman said the two people killed by the blast were Mr Jacob Samuel Matsuku, 47, an Eskom employee, and Mr Elias Masina, a Highveld Security employee.

He added that forensic specialists were still determining the quantity and type of explosives used.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, yesterday gave assurances that those responsible for the blast would be apprehended.

He gave an assurance that the police would do everything in its powers to apprehend the murderers, no matter how long it took. The dockets would never be closed, he said.

A witness to the blast, the manager of Waltons Stationery Co, Mr Chris van Veijeren, said he was busy behind the counter when he heard a "terrific bang".

"I looked round and saw a huge ball of flame before some nuts and bolts from the car came smashing through my shop window. People were running all over the place," he said.

Dr Peter Clark said he arrived outside his consulting rooms yesterday to find the Cortina parked in his bay.

"I parked a foot behind it, got out and peered into it. The car was empty and, instead of going to my consulting rooms, I went round the corner. I must have been there for about five minutes when I heard this hell of a noise. As I ran out I saw people streaming out the offices."

Dr Clark said he had been told by police that the Cortina had not been in his bay at 7.30 yesterday morning. — Own Correspondent, Sapa-Reuter and UPI



CAR-BOMB ... The devastated remains of a shop front after yesterday's bomb in Witbank.

Bomb an issue at ANC talks

BONN. — A South African delegation meeting near here with the ANC and Soviet academics will raise the issue of the car-bomb in the talks.

Dr Van Zyl Slabbert said: "We'll certainly raise the issue. But in the run-up to the election, the atmosphere has been tense and volatile. Attacks have come from both left and right."

The head of the Soviet delegation, Mr Vassili Solodovnikov, said the bomb would not affect the talks.

"On the contrary, this may help us in our talks and promote mutual understanding," he said.

The four-day meeting is being held in Leverkusen. — Sapa-Reuter

Man 'with mine' in hospital after interrogation

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25/10/88

By CHRIS STEYN

A YOUNG Crossroads man, who police claim tried to assassinate the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, was interrogated for only a short time by security police before he was taken to hospital for emergency brain surgery.

Police sources said yesterday the suspect had "no political profile", and investigators did not get an opportunity to find out whether he intended to plant a limpet mine at the New Crossroads police station.

He was also never suspected by police of being an ANC member or guerilla, until he was arrested with a limpet mine near where Mr Vlok was opening a new police station on Saturday.

At this stage of the investigation, it appeared that he was an internally trained guerilla, the police sources said. On Sunday police described him as a "highly trained terrorist".

During interrogation, the young man com-



Mr Sidney Mahlete, cousin of the man who police claim tried to assassinate Mr Vlok

plained of headaches and dizziness. He was later admitted to hospital with a suspected brain haemorrhage.

Police said that,

following the operation, the suspect was in a "satisfactory" condition.

According to his family, the young man never suffered from epileptic fits or seizures before his arrest. "He was always very healthy. He was never ill. There was nothing wrong with him", said his cousin, Mr Sidney Mahlete.

Mr Mahlete told the Cape Times yesterday that the arrested man "knew nothing" about politics and never attended political rallies.

Mr Mahlete said his cousin also never left SA, except to go to the Transkei with his mother, Minah, for his initiation ceremony.

He worked at a construction company from 1984 to the end of 1987.

He and his mother then travelled to the Transkei for the initiation ceremony.

On their return, he joined his mother's taxi service.

Because he did not have a driver's licence, he worked as a conductor in the minibus taxis.



Election protection in top gear after Witbank blast

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AFTERMATH: A policeman examines a piece of wreckage after the devastating car-bomb blast in Witbank.

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Plans by security forces to prevent disruption of the municipal elections tomorrow have moved into top gear after two people were killed and 42 were injured in a car-bomb blast in Witbank yesterday.

Security forces were working on all fronts, including protecting polling booths, according to Brigadier Leon Mellet, Press secretary to Minister of Law and Order Mr Adriaan Vlok.

"We are moving into top gear with plans which were made long in advance. Mr Vlok has also said that police will not rest until yesterday's killers are captured," said Brigadier Mellet.

"Very concerned"

"We are very concerned about yesterday's bomb and are trying our best to prevent further attacks."

A woman is still in a serious condition after the car-bomb blast.

The 42 injured included two pregnant women who were not seriously hurt, said police. But another woman's left foot was blown off.

The bomb exploded at 8.14am outside an NBS building and caused extensive damage, estimated at R2-million, to shops as far as two blocks away.

Mr Elias Masina died soon after he was admitted to Witbank Hospital. Mr Jacob Samuel Matsuko, 47, died at the scene.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu condemned the explosion, saying that while he regarded the struggle to end apartheid as legitimate, violent methods were "abhorrent in moral terms and counter-productive in practical terms".

The bomb went off within metres of an office block housing detectives and security police personnel and shattered thousands of windows in the mining town. The blast was heard up to 4km away.

The most serious damage was to the NBS, the consulting rooms of a doctor and a furniture store. Police said 18 cars were damaged.

Police said they had not yet identified the explosives used in the blast.

The bomb was the 19th known terror explosion in the country this month.

Police could not confirm an eye-witness report that the bodies of two people were removed from the wreck of the car carrying the explosives.

Witnesses said they were told by police that at least 30kg of explosives were packed into the vehicle, but this could not be confirmed by police.

Mr S C Grobbelaar, who was metres from the blast and had shrapnel wounds, said he saw two charred bodies being removed from the bomb car. The mutilated body of a woman was also lying on the pavement.

"A Mercedes behind the bomb car was destroyed. Its engine was lying all over the road.

"Everybody ran away," Mr Grobbelaar said.

The explosion followed a series of terror incidents on Friday and over the weekend.

● See pages 5 and 13.

Giant airlift plan for stranded whales

The Argus Foreign Service
BARROW (Alaska). — As two Soviet icebreakers race towards the area where two whales are trapped in the Arctic ice off Alaska, marine scientists are preparing a gigantic net to airlift them to open water.

"It will be the last alternative," said Mr David Withrow of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's marine mammal laboratory in Seattle.

"We are having it made right now, but we hope we won't have to use it. It would be a complicated operation trying to lift the whales out of a hole

RELUCTANT

The Soviet ships are coming in response to an American appeal. The United States has no ice breakers in the vicinity and the Russians have diverted the Admiral Maranov and Vladimir Arseniev to surfash through the 4.8km of ice that separates the whales from open water.

Colonel Tom Carroll of the Alaska National Guard said the

Russians were expected to arrive today.

Eskimos have cut more than 60 holes in the ice and have been gradually leading the two grey California whales towards the sea, but the operation has hit two snags.

CRUCIAL

The first is a shallow stretch that the creatures are reluctant to pass. The second is a wall of ice built by the howling wind that extends to the bottom of the ocean and lies just short of a great crack that would take them to safety. The Soviet icebreakers will try to break through it.

The National Guard helicopter swinging a seven-ton block of concrete has tackled the ice ridge, which its crew described as "house high". One crucial factor is the depth of the water near the ridge.

It may be too shallow to take the whales, but rescuers say they will at least be able to open a path for them beyond it.

More than 3 000 people have gathered to watch the rescue operation.

Death row pair's plea to all immigrants

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — Two men on death row for convictions of murder have appealed to "all immigrants in South Africa" to assist them in their struggle to have their sentences overturned.

Greek South African Dimitrios Skoularikis, 36, and his co-accused, Friedrich Brenner, 23, an Austrian immigrant, were both sentenced to death in 1987 for the triple murder in June 1986 of Mr Alfons Talpa, his daughter, Anna Maria, and her husband, Mr Costa Phakos.

NEW EVIDENCE

The two men have appealed against their sentence and the appeal will be heard in the Appellate Division next month.

The appeal has been based on new evidence that has come to light after statements and a tape recording were made by the appellants.

The tape was revealed in Athens by Mr Skoularikis's sister, Toula, at a Press conference.

Canada cuts off support to Johnson

OTTAWA. — Sport Minister Jean Charest has said the Canadian government has cut off government financial support to Canadian sprinter Ben Johnson for life.

Mr Charest said yesterday that Johnson had the right to appeal against the ruling after two years and that the government could then decide to lift the ban.

COACH SUSPENDED

In other developments yesterday Johnson, who tested positive for drugs after winning the Olympic 100m dash, was officially suspended for two years by the Canadian Track and Field Association. The association suspended indefinitely Johnson's coach, Charlie Francis.

The association left to a commission of inquiry the tough questions about alleged steroid use by Johnson and other Canadian runners. The commission of inquiry, headed by Ontario Supreme Court Associate Chief Justice Charles Dubin, is to begin its work shortly. — Sapa-AP.



Wreckage of the white Ford Cortina, packed with about 30kg of explosives, that detonated in Delville Street in Witbank's central business area yesterday morning, killing two and injuring 42.

I peered into blast car, says doctor

A WITBANK doctor peered into the explosive-packed white Cortina parked in his bay minutes before it detonated yesterday, killing two people and injuring 42.

The 8.14am blast caused serious damage to shops and offices in the centre of Witbank — including the Delville Street offices of the security police.

Dr Peter Clark said he had arrived outside his consulting rooms at 8 05am to find the car parked in his bay.

"I parked behind it, got out and peered into it. Instead of going to my European consulting rooms, I went round the corner to my non-European consulting rooms in Botha Street.

"I must have been there about five minutes when I heard this hell of a noise," he said.

Law and Order spokesman Brigadier Leon Mellet said it was believed about 30kg of explosives had been packed inside the car.

A Police Directorate spokesman said the two people killed were Jacob Samuel Matsuku, 47, an Eskom employee who lived in Witbank location, and Elias Masina, a Highveld Security employee

from Ackerville township.

In a statement to Sapa, Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok expressed his condolences to the victims' families. He gave an assurance police would do everything in their power "to apprehend the murderers".

Sympathy was also expressed by Witbank MP J D van Wyk (CP), who said it was a "detestable act which will be condemned by all proper-thinking citizens".

In Cape Town last night, Archbishop Desmond Tutu condemned the bombing, saying while he regarded the struggle to end apartheid as legitimate, violent methods were "abhorrent in moral terms and counter-productive in practical terms".

"All violence is evil. Violence was not the way of our Lord and that is why church leaders have committed themselves to a non-violent campaign to end apartheid."

He conveyed the Anglican Church's condolences to those bereaved and its sympathies to the injured.

DANIEL SIMON

'Bomb will not affect ANC talks'

BONN — Delegates to the talks in West Germany involving 17 of SA's leading liberal academics, Soviet specialists and the ANC said yesterday the Witbank bomb blast would not effect their discussions.

"On the contrary, this may help us in our talks and promote mutual understanding," said Vassili Solodovnikov, head of a five-member Soviet delegation at the four-day meeting in Leverkusen near Cologne.

"We'll certainly raise the issue," said Idasa's Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, "but in the run-up to the election the atmosphere has been tense and volatile. Attacks have come from both left and right."

The ANC has vowed to disrupt the elections, but delegates said the organisation was not necessarily behind the blast.

About 35 people are expected to attend the closed-door sessions.

The SA delegation includes National Democratic Movement leader Wynand Malan, the Institute of International Affairs' Johan Barratt, Stellenbosch academics Sampie Terreblanche and Willie Breytenbach, Unisa's Deon Geldenhuys and UCT's Herman Gilliomee.

The ANC group includes information and publicity chief Thabo Mbeki and the SA Communist Party's Joe Slovo.

Organisers of the talks, sponsored by the Friedrich Naumann Foundation, said themes to be discussed included the Soviet Union's policy regarding the conflict in SA and strategies for overcoming apartheid. — Sapa-Reuter-AP.

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Pic: LEN KUMALO

By THEMBA MOLEFE

THE powerful car bomb blast which yesterday killed two people and injured more than 42 others in Witbank, has brought to 31 the total number of such attacks in October alone.

The blast at the OK Centre in Delville Street, Witbank, occurred at about 8.14am outside the Natal Building on Society's building on the eve of tomorrow's municipality elections.

She said the scene was like a Guy Fawkes night with flames and sparks all around.

"There was a black man lying on the ground and I presumed that he was dead. There was another man in the ambulance who was in a bad way — his car was missing," she said.

Mr S C Grobbelaar, who was only metres

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Explosion

According to our correspondent at the centre, 40 people were admitted to the Witbank Hospital between 8.14 and 8.30am. One patient died shortly after admission, bringing the death toll to two. The other patients were transferred to Tembisa Hospital with serious multiple injuries.

An NBS employee, Miss Karen Pitzer, who was being treated for a perforated eardrum after the explosion, said the auto was closing the autoteiler machine when the blast happened.



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From MARLAN PADAYACHEE

LONDON. — Mrs Doris McBride, mother of Magoos Bar bomber Robert McBride, has made a personal appeal to British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to save her son from death row.

Mrs McBride, her daughter Bronwyn and a representative of the National Association of Democratic Lawyers (Nadel), were in London last week to meet support groups and to ask Britain to intervene on behalf of her 25-year-old son.

They made their appeal to Thatcher at the Conservative Party conference in Brighton, scene of the IRA bombing four years ago.

McBride's appeal against his death sentence has been turned down and if his plea for clemency is rejected he could hang at the Pretoria maximum security prison within seven days.

The campaign here is being co-ordinated by Southern Africa: The Imprisoned Society (Sais) with the help of the British Anti-Apartheid Movement.

Mrs McBride, of Wentworth, near Durban, made a desperate plea for her condemned son's life to be saved at a Free Robert McBride rally held last week at the Trade Union Congress' Hall in Great Russell Street.

About 200 anti-apartheid supporters attended the rally chaired by lawyer Geoffrey Bindman, chairman of Sais.

Mrs McBride gave a bleak sketch of her son's background, ranging from his fight against gangsterism in the coloured township to his quest for a political deal when he joined the ANC.

Bronwyn said the family would be grateful if Thatcher interceded to save Robert.

"Thatcher seems to have a lot of clout," she said.

"She is in Botha's good books. Even if it is done privately, it is our only hope. We don't know how long he has to live."

BOMB VICTIMS NAMED

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THE police have identified the two black men who were killed in a powerful car bomb explosion which rocked Witbank and injured more than 42 people on Monday.

They were Mr Jacob Samuel Matsuau (47), of Lynnville, and Mr Elias Masina (42), of Ackerville in Witbank.

Colonel J J van Rooyen of the South African Police Directorate for Public Relations said the men were employed by Escom in Witbank.

By THEMBA MOLEFE

He said that investigations into the causes of the blast which damaged buildings at the OK Centre in Delville Street about 8.14am on Monday were continuing.

A spokesman for the Witbank Hospital where most of the injured were admitted yesterday said only six people were remaining following the explosion.

She said one of the victims, Mrs Dinah Moela of Lynnville, Witbank, was in a critical condition after her leg was amputated. She also suffered severe injuries to her eye.

The other five victims are Miss S J Prinsloo, Ms N P Snyman, Mr Simon Nkosi, Ms Wilhelminah Babona and Mr James Radebe.

Miss Prieska Vilakazi is in a stable condition in the Tembisa Hospital after being treated for facial injuries.

Escom yesterday donated money to the bereaved families of its former workers and had already paid out their insurance monies, head of Escom's manpower department for the Eastern Transvaal, Mr John Hartslief, said yesterday.

He said Mr Matsuau was survived by his wife, Emma and three children aged between nine and 17. Mr Masina is survived by his wife Dinah and three children aged between three and 16.

Mr Hartslief said Escom felt sorry for the families who had lost their breadwinners in a tragic manner.

Mr Matsuau and Mr Masina had worked for Escom for 17 years each.

Fresh Press curbs may be on way

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THE government is preparing a further clamp on the Press to curb publicity for acts of terrorism, which it sees as ANC propaganda.

Senior government sources said today various options aimed at preventing future talks with the ANC were being considered, including new legislation.

New legislation could also limit reports on acts of terrorism.

The disclosure follows statements by President Botha that discussions with the ANC should be considered as treason.

He has referred to consideration by the British government of legislation preventing media interviews with the IRA.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, last week hinted at action to prevent a repetition of the Lusaka safaris.

WITBANK BLAST

One source said there was concern about the "favourable publicity" the ANC was receiving from talks with various organisations and individuals while the population was at the same time being intimidated by terrorism.

The ANC's "violent propaganda" was being helped by the way acts of terrorism such as the Witbank bomb blast were reported.

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"It is not that we want to keep information away from the public. They will be given the information but it will not be dramatised.

"Terrorism thrives on publicity. A lack of publicity could contribute towards stopping it."

Four years ago President Botha instructed the SABC to play down terrorism reports.

Sources also indicated possible charges under the state of emergency regulations were being considered against people involved in discussions with the ANC.

The main thrust of the limitations were in terms of regulations making it an offence to promote the cause of the ANC.

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Three bombs explode, students teargassed at campus on election eve

THREE bombs exploded yesterday, on the eve of today's countrywide municipal elections, bringing the total number of bombings this month to 22.

Meanwhile, police used tear gas against a crowd of about 1 000 students during a protest against the elections at Wits University. Sapa reports Winnie Mandela was among those teargassed.

A policeman was slightly injured in one of the blasts in Potchefstroom yesterday, while in Parys damage was caused to the property of two Parys township councillors, a police spokes-

man said yesterday. The blasts follow Monday's Witbank car bomb explosion in which two men died and 42 other people injured.

The spokesman said that at 12.45am a limpet mine exploded under and, seriously damaged a vehicle belonging to a Thunahole township councillor, followed an hour later by one outside another councillor's home.

The spokesman added that a bomb exploded at Eland shopping centre in central Potchefstroom at 7am yesterday, damaging shops and offices and slightly

DANIEL SIMON, BRONWYN ADAMS and PETER DELMAR

injuring a policeman.

A Wits SRC spokesman said the police action to disperse students took place on the campus. She said student leaders met police three times before abandoning the march during which two students were arrested and two were injured. She said the SRC was negotiating the release of the arrested students.

Sapa reports police in Pretoria confirmed that teargas and rubber bullets

were used to disperse students who had stoned police yesterday. He denied anyone had been injured or arrested.

Meanwhile, massive preparations were underway yesterday to post thousands of policemen at every polling station in SA for today's elections.

Law and Order spokesman Brig Leon Mellet said police would present a "high profile" presence at polling stations and would carry out random security checks to see that the lives of voters were not endangered. Sniffer dogs would also be present and roadblocks would continue

to be set up around the country. If necessary, body searches would be conducted. Cosatu information officer Frank Meintjies said the elections were controversial and affiliates' members might find themselves bound by community decisions in some areas.

Sapa reports both SA Council of Churches general secretary Frank Chikane and Anglican Archbishop Desmond Tutu appealed for a peaceful response to today's events. Tutu reiterated his call for a boycott of the elections.

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51 blasts have rocked SA since end of August

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SA was hit by a sustained bombing campaign in the run-up to yesterday's countrywide municipal elections.

At least 51 blasts have rocked the country since the end of August.

Following the earlier bombings of Wimpy Bars, SAP Commissioner General Hennie De Witt announced on August 24 that "all available manpower" would be used to monitor public places, set up roadblocks and cordon off blocks in all major centres in an effort to protect the public from "cowardly and unscrupulous terrorist attacks".

In September, there were 29 explosions, killing one and injuring at least 38.

This month there have been 22 blasts.

Many of the targets were local government institutions such as police stations, magistrates' courts, libraries and power stations but some blasts were directed at "soft targets".

Three of September's main soft tar-

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get blasts were:

- A limpet mine attack at Van der Bijl Square bus terminus which injured 19 people during afternoon rush-hour;
- A limpet mine in a packed Hillbrow discotheque injured 19;
- A car containing 13 limpet mines exploded at a Benoni, East Rand, block of flats. No one was killed.

Following September's bombing spree, Law and Order spokesman Brigadier Leon Mellet said the SAP's pre-planned strategies — devised before September to counter any opposition to the elections — would be stepped up this month.

Earlier this month, Mellet said, despite the high spate of bombings, police had achieved numerous successes against the ANC and turned its attempts at disrupting the elections into a "dismal failure".

He said since September 1, 50 ANC members had been arrested and a large quantity of arms seized.

Despite these successes, bombs continued to explode.

On Sunday, a man whom police said was a suspected ANC terrorist armed with an SPM limpet mine, was arrested within 150m of Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok at Crossroads in Cape Town.

On Monday morning, two men were killed and 42 injured when a powerful car-bomb exploded in central Witbank in the eastern Transvaal.

Early on Tuesday morning, two limpet mines exploded in Thumahole township outside the Free State town of Parys.

The blasts seriously damaged a councillor's car and another councillor's property. A suspected limpet mine also exploded in central Potchefstroom, slightly injuring a policeman.

News in Brief

Car-bomb toll now 3

JOHANNESBURG. — The death toll in Monday's Witbank car-bomb explosion has risen to three following the death of 36-year-old Diana Moela.

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MORE CLAMPS ON PRESS LIKELY

THE Government is set for a further clamp on the Press to cut back on what it sees as African National Congress propaganda, particularly in publicity for acts of terrorism.

And it is considering various options for halting future talks with the ANC, including application of state of emergency regulations or new legislation.

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Talks

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Bombings, talks with ANC targets

population was being intimidated at the same time by acts of terrorism.

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News in Brief

Swazi border closed

MBABANE. — More than 200 travellers were evacuated at a Swaziland-South African border yesterday afternoon when police discovered an explosive device at the Oshoek border post.

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Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said that by October 20 there had been a total of 262 "terror incidents" in South Africa (excluding the "independent homelands") since the beginning of the year. He said 30 of these attacks had taken place during October. Earlier this month Brigadier Herman Stadler, chief of Security Police intelligence, said in the Pietermaritzburg Supreme Court there were 31 "acts of terror" in July, 19 in August and 46 in September. This contrasted with an average of 13 incidents a month for the first six months of the year. Stadler said since 1974 there had been 1 006 "acts of terror", including 137 in 1985, 230 in 1986 and 235 last year.

Tutu queries police version of 'bomber'

CHE Times 28/10/88

By CHRIS BATEMAN

THE brain haemorrhage suffered by Mr Manah Mahlete, 22, soon after his arrest for allegedly carrying a limpet mine near the Minister of Law and Order in Crossroads on Saturday was a "surprising coincidence", Archbishop Desmond Tutu said yesterday.

Archbishop Tutu said it was "incredible" that someone was arrested and seen to have a limpet mine on them and then admitted shortly afterwards to hospital to have a brain operation.

When arrested Mr Mahlete had "mysteriously" felt dizzy and police had rushed him to hospital, Archbishop Tutu said.

He criticised the local media, asking "why don't they say 'but this is utterly improbable'? "This is apart from the fact that a highly trained terrorist, as we are told he is, would have carried a limpet mine when he would have known that the place was swarming with security forces," he added.

He said the police version stretched incredulity "beyond breaking point".


"The only way these guys (the government) are going to stay in power is by using these foul means."

He immediately added with a laugh: "I'm not suggesting that anything happened to that man but it would be very, very surprising if this brain haemorrhage just happened on its own account. He (the victim) was lucky that the police got him. I mean he might have dropped in the street."

The duty medical superintendent at Groote Schuur Hospital said last night that Mr Mahlete's condition was "satisfactory". He was under police guard.

A police spokesman in Pretoria, Colonel Lourens Haasbroek, said on being read Archbishop Tutu's comments that he had nothing to add to a statement issued on Monday.

The statement was that an "alleged terrorist" was being held in terms of the Criminal Procedure Act and that his case had been adjourned in his absence on Monday. Shortly after his arrest the man had complained of dizziness and had been admitted to hospital where he underwent an operation for a brain haemorrhage.



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Man, 48, jailed for raping two girls, 10

Court Reporter

AN Eersterivier man was jailed for 10 years by a Cape Town Regional magistrate for raping two girls aged 10 and attempting to rape another girl aged eight.

Corneels Cornelius, 48, of Karoo Street, Kleinvlei, was sentenced on Wednesday to seven years for raping a 10-year-old girl and two years for attempting to rape an eight-year-old girl on October 14 last year.

'Bomber' still in stable condition

Cape Times 29/10/88
Staff Reporter JCA

THE alleged guerilla admitted to Grootte Schuur Hospital with a brain haemorrhage after being arrested for allegedly carrying a limpet mine near the Minister of Law and Order on Saturday last week was in a "stable" condition yesterday.

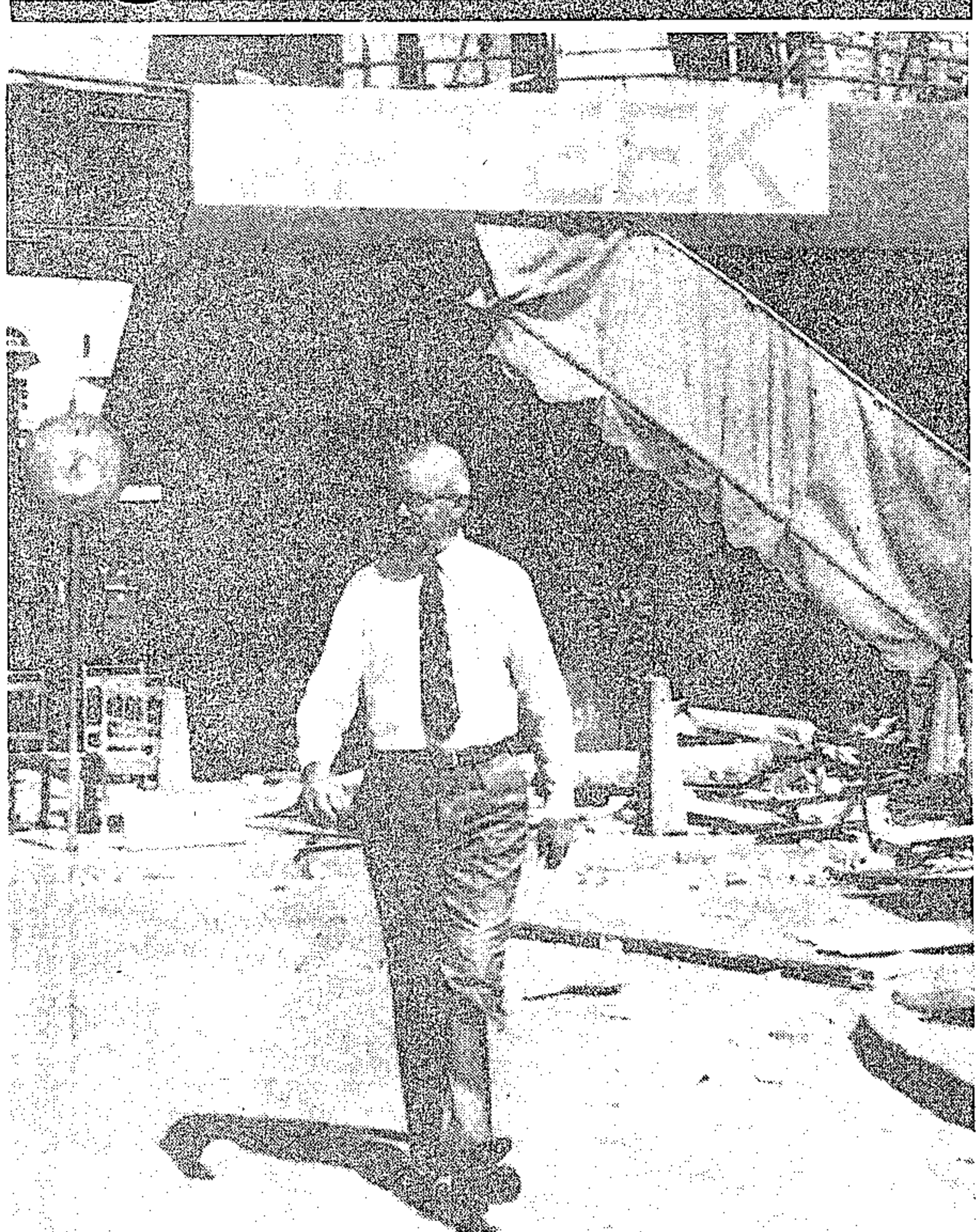
Mr Manas Mahlete, 22, of New Crossroads, underwent brain surgery soon after admission and yesterday was "still stable", a senior hospital spokesman said.

Asked whether the patient had any other injuries, the spokesman said all queries related "back to the police — he is under guard and any further information you will have to get from them".

The police public relations division in Pretoria, replying to telexed questions from the Cape Times yesterday, said Mr Mahlete was being held in terms of the Criminal Procedures Act, "with all the rights applicable to the act".

"All the other information can be obtained from his legal adviser," they added.

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Former Minister of Law and Order Louis le Grange at the blast scene.

It's the second Potch blast in 14 years

By DAN DHLAMINI

THIS week's bomb blast which destroyed a pharmacy and damaged the building housing the Potchefstroom security police, is the second in the history of the town.

Fourteen years ago, on May 17, 1974, two people died in a blast at the Potchefstroom Magistrate's Court.

This week's blast rocked the Eland building in the town centre at 7am.

Western Transvaal police spokesman Capt Ben van Heerden said two policemen were in the building, but no one was injured.

But some onlookers said a security policeman was injured, apparently by flying

glass as he fled the building.

Handyman Burnesse Campbell, 48, told *City Press* he had been chatting to a friend in the arcade near the building at about 6.55am when the blast erupted.

"After the dust settled down I saw a policeman running out of the building bleeding from his arm and above the eye.

"As I tried to help him, he told me to run for life as another bomb could go off," said Campbell.

Van Heerden said the origin of the explosives had not yet been established, but that they had been placed on the ground floor under the stairs in the four-storey building.

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Group 'a threat to the public'

BBB banned restrictions put on leader

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THE ultra right-wing Blanke Bevrydigingsbeweging (BBB) was banned yesterday by Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok, who also imposed restrictions on its leader Professor J C Schabort.

Vlok described the BBB as a "group of fanatical right-wing extremists which favours an active form of violence to take racism to its extreme".

The order, issued in terms of the emergency regulations, prohibits the self-described racist organisation from carrying out any activities whatsoever, and places it under the same restrictions as those on a number of left-wing organisations.

Schabort was restricted to the magisterial district of Brits and prohibited from attending any meeting at which more than 10 people were present.

The Law and Order Ministry said: "This action follows the minister's announcement that strong action will, in future, be taken against any form of radicalism."

Vlok said the BBB also aimed to promote an attitude of anti-Semitism among whites. He said: "The aims of the BBB pose a serious threat to the security



BBB leader Johan Schabort, pictured last year.

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of the public, the maintenance of public order and the ending of the state of emergency."

Action against the BBB was a "message" to "all radical organisations that we are serious".

Government had constantly warned those organisations to cease their activities but some had not listened.

Vlok said: "Whipping up racial emotions are responsible for the sort of action we saw in Pretoria. Barend Strydom emerged from the right-wing."

Police had been investigating various organisations and, although Vlok would not say which ones, he emphasised they were "to the right and the left".

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Yesterday's banning follows the shooting of six blacks in Pretoria earlier this week by an alleged AWB member and warnings by government spokesmen that they would act against right-wing as well as left-wing radicals.

Schabort was quoted yesterday as having warned that the BBB's banning may lead "to more serious things". While an AWB spokesman, C P Beyers, said government action against organisations such as the AWB or BBB would be "fatal", he said: "The white volks has had enough and is sick and tired of P.V.'s nonsense. We have nothing to fear from the government."

Exception

He reiterated his organisation's independence from the BBB and described relations between the two as "not unfriendly".

Sapa reports that CP leader Andries Treurnicht said he took serious exception to what he said was an attempt by National Education Minister F W de Klerk to link himself and the CP to the Pretoria shootings.

He said: "It is to be regretted that Mr de Klerk (who is the NP's leader in the Transvaal) tried to make political cap-

ital out of these tragic events, especially after I and my party publicly expressed revulsion at the shootings."

Boeresaat Beweging leader Robert van Tonder said the banning of the BBB was not unexpected. He said he thought government would take the same action against the AWB.

He said "government is creating more difficulties for anarchy. It is only creating more opposition among people. The government is driving its opposition into a corner."

PPP law and order spokesman Helen Suzman said she was opposed in principle to ministerial banning but added: "If there is anyone who should be banned it is the BBB."

"As long as they are banning left-wing groups, they might as well ban these people."

Right-wing leaders said Schabort's restrictions would have a severe effect on the organisation, which was essentially a "one-man show". The BBB's membership is not known, but Schabort has claimed it has organised structures in all four provinces. The BBB managed to fill the Johannesburg City Hall last year.

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ANC plot to kill Buthelezi — claim

Own Correspondent

DURBAN. — KwaZulu police yesterday declined to comment on a newspaper report that they had uncovered a plot to assassinate KwaZulu Chief Minister Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi.

A front-page story in the Ilanga newspaper yesterday said a plot involving the African National Congress and a KwaZulu policeman had been uncovered by the police.

The newspaper said the plan to kill Chief Buthelezi was to be put into action at Shaka Zulu's commemoration rally which took place in Mtubatuba last week.

The report claimed that the ANC had infiltrated a man into the KwaZulu Police Force with an assignment of killing Chief Buthelezi.

Ilanga said suspicion about the activities of the infiltrated policeman came to the fore when he was seen driving with a "known insurgent".

Four hurt in Soweto handgrenade attack

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PRETORIA. — A man and three women were injured when a handgrenade was thrown at a house in Soweto at the weekend.

According to the police unrest report yesterday, the grenade was thrown about 9pm on Sunday at a house in Mofolo-South, slightly injuring the four people. The house was not badly damaged.

There was an explosion at the Lenasia Civic Centre, Soweto, about 3am yesterday. Nobody was injured, but the building was damaged.

In other incidents of unrest, arsonists damaged a house at Bridgton (Oudtshoorn). A private vehicle and a caravan were badly damaged when they were set alight in other incidents in the area.

In Edendale, Natal, a bus was stoned and a number of shots were fired among a group during a fight. A man and a youth were injured.

At Mpumalanga (Hammarisdale) a private dwelling was badly damaged in a petrol-bomb attack. Police arrested five men. — Sapa

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Blasts, tight security on Reef

From MONO BADELA

JOHANNESBURG. - Election day on the Reef was marked by tight security, sporadic bombings in black townships and stayaways at some schools.

A limpet mine on Tuesday night exploded at the Zola rent office beer garden in Soweto; another exploded at a railway electrical sub-station at Katlehong on the East Rand on Wednesday and a second mine was found on the railway line; two houses in Katlehong were petrol-bombed and petrol bombs were thrown at the homes of three Soweto candidates.

Nobody was injured and damage was minimal in all the attacks.

Security was tight in Soweto and in other Reef black townships with troops and police patrolling the streets and maintaining a heavy presence near polling booths.

In Soweto, some of the troops patrolled on horse-back. Others used motorcycles while some used buffels or troop-carriers.

Casspirs, police trucks and police using private cars were all over the township.

Troops in saracens drove around Sharpeville.

The tight security however failed to lure voters to the polling booths.

There was an almost a total stayaway at schools in Soweto, Lenasia and the East Rand on Wednesday, although most Reef workers went to their jobs.

Attendance at schools in the Vaal triangle - Sebokeng and Sharpeville - was down by 50 percent.

Police had used teargas and rubber bullets to disperse demonstrating Wits University students, including Winnie Mandela, wife of the jailed ANC leader Nelson Mandela.

There was a slight drop in passengers on trains travelling between Soweto and Johannesburg.

Putco buses were prevented from entering Thokoza near Alberton by police and were turned back as they reached the perimeter of the East Rand township.

A spokesman for the OK Bazaars said more than 90 percent of workers had reported for

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Man shot ^{SAF}
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attack on cops ^{3/1/88}

PRETORIA. — A suspected terrorist was shot and fatally wounded when he attacked police with an axe at Tumahole near Parys in the Free State, according to a police statement.

The man was Joseph Mofokeng, alias Thekiso.

Four men were wounded in two separate group attacks at Mpumalanga (Hammarisdale), three of them in an attack on three special constables who were guarding a house.

In other incidents of unrest a train was stoned at Merebank railway station in Durban and a motor vehicle set alight and extensively damaged at Guguletu. — Sapa

Terrorist (S.A.) 'had part in killings'

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Own Correspondent

DURBAN — A trained ANC terrorist who was killed by a hand-grenade thrown into a Newcastle house, had been involved in the killing of a Dannhauser farmer and his mother, attempted murders of the wife and 16-year-old daughter, three other murders and several other attempted murders, according to a statement by the police.

This information is contained in a statement made by Lieutenant Colonel Paul de Kock of the Northern Natal Security Branch, in Supreme Court documents which were before the court here.

According to a police spokesman, members of the Botes family were shot 15 times with a Scorpion pistol in their farmhouse on May 30 last year.

The dead, Mrs Susarah Botes (70) and her son Mr Koos Botes, were shot three and five times respectively. Mrs Annette Botes and her 16-year-old daughter Yolande were each shot four times but survived.

Colonel de Kock said that the trained and identified ANC terrorist, named only Sipho, was killed in May near Newcastle.

Pik condemns ^(S.A.) political violence

By Lloyd Coutts ^{slv 4/11/88}

The South African Government is opposed to the use of violence for the achievement of political objectives, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, said last night.

Mr Botha's statement came after Wednesday's guerilla attack on a train en route from South Africa to Maputo in which eight people died and 38 were injured.

The passenger train, carrying Mozambicans returning from South African mines, hit a landmine and was then fired on by MNR rebels.

Mozambique's state radio blamed the attack on forces within South Africa who were trying to wreck the peace initiative between Mozambique and South Africa.

Mr Botha said the State President, Mr P W Botha, made it clear during recent negotiations with Mozambique's President Joaquim Chissano that South Africa did not support the MNR.

"The recent sabotage of the RSA-Mozambique power line as well as the attack on the Sabie-Nkomati agricultural project is strongly condemned," he said.



ANC cell in London

'nonsense'
say cops

LONDON. — British police are dismissing as "nonsense" claims by a Conservative MP that an ANC cell, trained by the IRA, is operating here and recruiting potential terrorists.

The MP, Mr Andrew Hunter, on the right wing of the party and a prominent lobbyist for the recognition of Bophuthatswana, on Wednesday night claimed Mr Ronnie Kasrils, Mrs Eleanor Kasrils and Mr Timothy Jenkins were operating a covert ANC cell in north London.

Scotland Yard would not officially comment on Mr Hunter's claims, saying it did not discuss anything to do with security matters. But a senior official said the allegations were "nonsense".

The people named were known to the police and were not involved in terrorist activities in Britain. "Our anti-terrorist squad are well aware of what is going on in London."

Scotland Yard has been providing protection for the ANC's chief representative in London, Mr Mendi Msimang, for the past two months.

Asked about police dismissal of his claims, Mr Hunter said "they are trying to play it down".

He claimed he got his information from Ms Susan Westcott, one of the four alleged ANC members arrested in Broederstroom in March.

However, in a TV interview Mr Hunter said all his information came from magazines and publications of the ANC or IRA.

The ANC challenged Mr Hunter to stop sheltering behind parliamentary privilege.

Mine blast at railway station

PRETORIA — A blast thought to have been caused by a limpet mine ripped through the ticket office of the Rosburgh railway station in Durban, damaging the roof of the stationmaster's office and shattering windows.

No one was injured in the blast, at 9.40 last night.

Two men in brown overalls were seen running from the station after the explosion.

They were thought to have run into bush near the Umhlatuzana river, chased by police patrols. No one has been arrested.

At Mpumalanga in Natal firebombs damaged two houses, according to the police overnight report on unrest.

Also in the area a crowd gathered outside a house. A member of the security force used shotgun fire to disperse them and a man was fatally wounded.

In the same area a man was fatally wounded when a security force member used shotgun fire to disperse a crowd stoning a house.

At Fredville, near Inchanga, arsonists damaged a shop and a vehicle was petrol-bombed.

At Georgedale, Natal, a group attacked and stabbed a woman, seriously injuring her. — Sapa.

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East Rand

Crime Reporter

Police on the East Rand have arrested a suspected ANC terrorist and a collaborator — believed to have been ordered to disrupt the municipal elections last week.

Captain Ruben Bloomberg, a police spokesman in Pretoria, said yesterday that the arrests were made on October 31.

He did not name the exact place of the arrests.

A Soviet-made Makarov pistol was also found.

Captain Bloomberg added: "Their mission was to disrupt the October 26 municipal elections."

Terror blasts and attacks on the East Rand before October 26 left a baby dead and many others injured.

Municipal offices were also targets, with several limpet mine blasts in various townships.

SAP backs claims on ANC 'terror' planner

Political Staff

SOUTH African Police today backed claims made in Britain that a top ANC "terror" planner, Mr Ronnie Kasrils, was operating out of London.

The confirmation follows claims made by the British Conservative Party MP, Mr Andrew Hunter, that an ANC cell trained by the IRA was operating and recruiting potential terrorists in Britain.

He claimed Mr Kasrils, a former Durban activist who fled the country in 1965 at the age of 24 after being banned five times, his wife Eleanor and Mr Timothy Jenkins, were involved.

Spokesman for the Ministry of Law and Order, Brigadier Leon Mellet, said today: "Mr Kasrils is a member of the South African Communist Party and head of intelligence and special operations of Umkonto we Sizwe, the terrorist wing of the ANC.

"As such he is the mastermind behind terrorist operations in South Africa.

"He is definitely not involved in just innocent political work in London."

Asked whether the SAP had proof of ANC/IRA links, Brigadier Mellet said members of the Cabinet, including President Botha and numerous publications had made reference to the international network of terrorism.

Asked if the information would be made available to the British Government Brigadier Mellet said: "We would certainly give information of the ANC to any responsible person. There is no reason to withhold it."

There was unconfirmed speculation earlier this year that Mr Kasrils was involved in the panning of the abortive Bophuthatswana coup.

Mr Kasril was secretary while in South Africa of the banned Congress of Democrats which was an acknowledged front for the SACP and is also now a member of the important ANC Political-Military Council.

● The ANC has dismissed claims that leading members of the organisation have received IRA training and are freely recruiting on the streets of London as "totally unfounded and defamatory", The Argus Foreign Service reports from London.

The ANC has urged the British Government to release the result of the investigation.

However, a Home Office spokesman said the matter was still with the Prime Minister's office.

New paper on streets

JOHANNESBURG. — A new Afrikaans weekly newspaper, Vrye Weekblad, was launched here today. — The Argus Correspondent.

5 new banning orders on way

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By ANTHONY JOHNSON
Political Correspondent

AT LEAST five more organisations are likely to be effectively banned.

And a number of individuals will also have restriction orders slapped on them soon, it is reliably understood. The government has already restricted 23 organisations so far this year, including the UDF, Azapo and Cosatu.

The security bosses see the major trouble areas in the country as the Western Cape, the East Rand and parts of Natal.

'Declined sixfold'

Most of the new restriction orders are likely to affect organisations and individuals in these areas.

The thinking behind the latest round of curbs is that while the number of unrest incidents such as stone-throwing and clashes with the security forces are down, the number of terror attacks remains high.

The head of South Africa's counter-insurgency operation, Lieutenant-General Bert Wandrag, said at a briefing at the Maleoskop Police Training Centre in the Eastern Transvaal at the weekend that unrest-related incidents had declined almost sixfold since mid-1986.

There has also been a dramatic drop in the number of attacks on the security forces, the destruction of vehicles and burning deaths.

However, the head of the security branch, Major-General Basie Smit, noted that the number of terror attacks using mines and handgrenades was on the increase and the 1988 figures had already drawn level with those for the previous two years.

"There will have to be further actions against organisations," he said.

He noted that some of the organisations which had been restricted had reconstituted themselves under new banners and would accordingly have to have fresh curbs placed on them.

The Pan Africanist Congress is undergoing a process of resurgence, General Smit said.

He noted that in the 22-month period up to October last year, 19 PAC infiltrators had been arrested and three killed in a relatively small 25km by 20km area known as the Groot Marico corridor, close to the Gaborone stretch of the Botswana border.

The Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, said that the number of terror attacks in South Africa "could still increase — and we can expect that it will increase because the enemy is concentrating on this."

"The revolutionary climate is still high... and there is still a long path ahead."

Mr Vlok said that a small incident could spark an explosive uprising and it was therefore necessary to keep a tight rein on the security situation.

"We stand at the beginning of a long struggle... and therefore it would be a serious mistake if we think we are through the worst."

Holding action

The security forces had by and large been involved in a holding action. "The revolutionary climate is still too high. We (the SAP) cannot at this stage say we have won the war against the revolutionaries."

Mr Vlok added: "We believe we are going to win. Those with the most stamina will win. Those who get tired will lose."

"The SAP has stamina. I want to assure you we are not going to get tired," Mr Vlok said.

According to Major "Shorty" Marais, commanding officer of the police counter-insurgency unit in the E Transvaal, illegal immigrants from Zimbabwe and Mozambique continue to stream into South Africa along the Messina border in spite of a multi-million-rand high-voltage electrical fence intended to stop them.

Since construction started in 1985 on the now 100km stretch of fence on

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both sides of Messina, it has been successfully penetrated 182 times and the number of people who crossed over is unknown.

During the past five months, 708 Mozambicans and 412 Zimbabweans who entered South Africa illegally have been arrested. Three people had been killed trying to cross the line.

SAM-7

The head of the police's Far Northern Transvaal Command, Colonel Dries van der Merwe, said the police had captured a second SAM-7 rocket launcher this year following a clash with a group of 12 ANC guerillas close to the Zimbabwean border.

Police first announced that they had captured a SAM-7 in May this year, when the Broederstroom cell was exposed. The rockets had originally been intended for shooting down a police helicopter at the Rand Show.

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Limpet blast rocks Durban railway line

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DURBAN — A limpet mine exploded on the main South Coast Railway line between Montclair and Jacobs stations on Saturday night.

Confirming this yesterday, South African Police Liaison Officer, Major Charl Du Toit, said damage was slight and nobody had been injured.

The blast occurred at about 10,40pm, Maj Du Toit said. Rail services had not been affected.

About 90 percent of commuters who travel on trains that operate on this section, are blacks.— Sapa.

Sam 7 launcher found in cache

Terrorists step up infiltration across border

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MESSINA — A Sam 7 rocket launcher and other "terrorist" equipment including heavy calibre machine guns were seized in the far northern Transvaal earlier this year, police announced yesterday.

The seizure was made after 12 alleged African National Congress insurgents were hunted down and "eliminated".

Details of the arms seizure and battles with the ANC group were released for the first time during a northern border visit by a group of parliamentarians as guests of the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok.

Briefing MPs on ANC infiltration routes from Zimbabwe, the chief of the local security police, Col Dries van der Merwe, said the ANC group and two guides, had been traced moving south in the far northern Transvaal in March.

Co-operated

Various security forces in the district, including those from the black homelands, co-operated in hunting the group down.

"In a number of contacts, some were killed, others injured and the rest arrested."

The rocket launcher with its missile was seized together with a number of heavy calibre machine guns and other arms, ammunition and explosives.

Outlining successful security force actions against terrorists who had infiltrated the area, Colonel van der Merwe said intelligence showed there were still about 15 insurgents in the district.

He said a number of arms caches — including limpet mines destined for urban use, had been unearthed.

Also in the haul so far this year were three RPG7 rocket launchers with rockets.

The parliamentary group also heard how the "Marico Corridor" on the Botswana border — crossed by ANC terrorist Gordon Webster and the alleged four-man Broederstroom cell — was one of the country's most important security problem areas.

Security Police executive commander Major-General Basie Smit said a "resurgent" Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) was also trying to revive its operations in South Africa and was using Botswana as its infiltration route, he said.

General Smit gave the following figures:

- Between December 1985 and October 20 1988, 72 ANC members were arrested and 26 were killed. Thirty-three were still being hunted.

- Over the same period, 19 PAC members were arrested and three were killed. Nine were still being tracked down.

- Large quantities of arms were seized, including 186 mini-limpet mines, 119 AK-47 rifles and 98 limpet mines.

- General Smit added police detected a further 33 known ANC and nine PAC terrorists in the area who were not arrested.

The group was also told how South Africa had failed to stop the flow of hungry refugees and terrorists across the Messina border line — despite the multimillion-rand "Kaftan" electrified high-voltage fence and the nearby "Sisal Line".

The 100 km high-voltage fence, once thought to be the answer to the refugee problem, has been penetrated 182 times, but the number of people involved is unknown.

Three people had been killed trying to cross the fence but hundreds and possibly thousands of successful crossings had been made by desperate refugees.

"It is not effective, despite the millions spent on it," said local SAP counter-insurgency commander Major "Shorty" Marais.

He said 708 Mozambicans and 412 Zimbabweans who entered South Africa illegally had been arrested between January and October.

Since January, 2 873 people were deported through Messina to countries of origin, said Major Marais.

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A SOWETO Man admits he was lookout at bombings

man who told the Johannesburg Magistrate's Court he had been shown how to use handgrenades to attack councillors' houses, was sentenced yesterday to an effective eight years in jail.

Solomon Modiselle, 21, who was arrested in October last year and had been in solitary confinement for six months, was sentenced to 10 years in jail with two years suspended for five years. He pleaded guilty to a charge of terrorism.

In an admission handed to the court, Modiselle said a man he only knew as Thabo had shown him how to use handgrenades and told him that it was important to change the hearts and minds of the people.

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He said he was told it was important to induce them to stop supporting government.

He said on October 22 last year Thabo told him to keep a look-out while Thabo threw a handgrenade at councillor SM Tshabalala's house in Emdeni township, damaging it slightly.

The following day he was told to keep watch while another man, known as Tswako, threw a handgrenade at councillor L Radebe's house in Naledi, which also caused slight damage.

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Petrol bomb attack on house

By Kaizer Nyatumba

SKW

The home of a Soweto cleric, who five months ago was expelled from a Bible college where he taught, was petrol-bombed last night.

The Reverend Lucas Ngoetjana of Zone 3 Pimville, Soweto, said the petrol bomb caused minor damage but nobody was hurt.

Mr Ngoetjana said he was with friends at Zone 1 Pimville when he received a call from his wife around 11 pm, telling him that a man who called himself

John had been looking for him.

Mr Ngoetjana said his wife told him the man looked suspicious, so she asked him to leave. He was later seen roaming around the house.

A few minutes later he received another call from his wife telling him that the house had been petrol-bombed and the man had disappeared.

Police were called immediately after the incident, Mr Ngoetjana said.

A Soweto police spokesman, Major Bafana Zwane, said they had no record of the incident.

JUDGE RAPS MAGISTRATE

A MAGISTRATE who sentenced an 18-year-old scholar to five years for arson had gone completely wrong and had misdirected himself, the Venda Chief Justice, Mr Justice DJH le Roux, found on Monday.

Delivering judgment in an appeal by Mr Piet Manamela, of Vleifontein township near Louis Trichardt, Mr le Roux also criticised the magistrate, Mr Piet Nthabalala, for overlooking important aspects of the evidence.

Mr Manamela, a former Std 9 pupil at Tshiawelo High School, was found guilty by Mr Nthabalala of arson and possession of petrol bombs.

He was sentenced to two years for arson and three years for possession of bombs. Mr Nthabalala had also ruled that the sentences should not run concurrently. Mr le Roux, sitting with Mr Justice JJ van der Walt, declared Mr Manamela not guilty.

Mr le Roux expressed concern that vital parts

By MATHATHA TSEDU

of evidence had been initially withheld from the Supreme Court until he had ordered that a report be compiled from the magistrate's notes.

"A crucial part of a witness' cross-examination was missing. This court insisted that a record should be compiled from the

magistrate's notes and later a record which is extremely legible was produced. I cannot see why it was not originally included as it completely destroyed the witness' credibility, Mr le Roux said.

He continued: "His whole evidence became

nonsense after cross-examination but, strangely, the magistrate did not pay any attention to this aspect. This is a plain misdirection of fact. I fail utterly to see how a conviction can be secured on this evidence. The magistrate has taken no note of the inherent improbabilities of some of the evidence", Mr le Roux said.

Scholarship award

MISS Sarah Nuttall (24), an MA student at the University of Natal, in Maritzburg, and daughter of Mr Jolyon Nuttall, general manager of *The Star*, has been awarded the 1989 Natal Rhodes scholarship to Oxford University.

It is one of a maximum of nine coveted scholarships awarded in South Africa annually and the only scholarship awarded specifically by the Natal Rhodes Scholarship committee.

Miss Nuttall has just completed a term of office as president of the Students Representative Council in Maritzburg.

Her mother is Mrs

allowance and a return airfare to England.

According to the will of Cecil John Rhodes, the benefactor, the criteria for selection of students is:

"Literary and scholastic attainment, fondness of sport, qualities of truth, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy for and protection of the

weak, kindness, unselfishness, fellowship and the exhibition of moral force of character and instincts to lead."

The other eight possible awards — four for the "South Africa at large scholarship" and four from public schools in the Cape Province — will be announced later this month.

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Cop, guerilla
die in shootout

JOHANNESBURG. — A policeman and an alleged guerilla were shot dead and another arrested following a shootout at a house in Soweto yesterday afternoon, police said.

A spokesman said shots from an AK47 rifle were fired from a house at police, killing Sergeant S C F Pretorius of the Soweto division.

Police returned fire and killed one guerilla and wounded another.

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Police chief injured in explosion

SAP deputy commissioner in charge of counter-insurgency Gen Bert Wandrag is recovering in 1 Military Hospital after a device exploded prematurely in his hand on Saturday, police said.

SAP commissioner Gen Hennie de Witt said last night the incident would be investigated to find out the exact cause of premature detonation of the thunder-

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flash — a device used in crowd control.

An earlier statement from the police directorate said Wandrag was at the SAP's counter-insurgency training grounds at Maleoskop near Pretoria when a grenade, believed to have been defective, exploded prematurely as he threw it.

Soweto gunbattle SA's 3rd in 11 days

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JOHANNESBURG. — The shoot-out in Soweto on Wednesday in which two guerillas and a policeman died was the third shooting incident involving terror suspects in the past 11 days.

A third suspected ANC man was arrested at the scene of the battle.

Police said yesterday that the three had entered South Africa through Botswana and security police were investigating information that the group was returning to Botswana after completing an unspecified mission.

Wednesday's clash happened two days after police cornered and shot dead an insurgent, allegedly trained in Angola and linked to the Witbank car bomb and the 1981 rocket attack on Voortrekkerhoogte, in Vosloosrus on the East Rand.

On November 1, another foreign-trained guerilla was arrested on the East Rand, along with a courier, police said.

On the same day, a man wanted for questioning on a terror charge was shot dead by a policeman after he had allegedly attacked him with an axe in

Tumahole near Parys.

The name of the man linked to the Witbank blast has not yet been released. Police said this would be done once his family had been traced.

Three men were killed and three injured in unrest, the SAP Public Relations Division said in yesterday's daily unrest report.

At Geogedale near Hammarsdale, a man was stabbed to death by a group of people. In another incident in Hammarsdale, a private house was damaged by a petrol bomb.

At Shongweni in the same area, a man was shot dead by an unknown gunman.

At Cooke mine No 2 (Randfontein) a large group gathered outside a shop. Police were summoned and the mob told to disperse. They refused and started stoning police.

Shots were fired at the police and tearsmoke, rubber bullets and shotgun fire were used to disperse the group. A man was shot dead and three others were wounded. Two policemen were injured by stones and police vehicles were damaged.

Five men were arrested. — Sapa

SOWETTO BATTLE

By SOWETAN REPORTER

TWO ANC members were shot dead and a security policeman killed in a heavy gunfight in Orlando West, Soweto — the third reported incident involving suspected insurgents in the past 12 days.

As police approached the house, they were shot at by the occupants. Sergeant Pretorius was hit.

His colleagues returned the fire and a grenade was hurled into the house. A man was killed and another wounded inside the house.

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Alleged ANC men and a policeman are killed

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Security police are investigating information that the group were to return to Botswana after completing an unspecified mission.

Wednesday's clash happened only two days after police cornered and shot dead an insurgent, trained in Angola, linked to the Witbank car bomb and the 1981 rocket attack on Voortrekkerhoogte in Vosloorus on the East Rand.

Shootout

The policeman killed in Wednesday's shootout was explosives expert Sergeant Fanie Pretorius (26) of the Soweto police. He leaves his wife Elize, who is a warrant officer stationed at John Vorster Square in Johannesburg, and his parents, Mr Sakkie Pretorius and his mother Jean.

Sergeant Pretorius was hit twice in the chest and once in the stomach, by shots apparently fired from a Soviet-made AK47 assault rifle.

One of the suspects was killed during the 4.30pm clash, while the second later died in hospital.

Their names have not yet been released.

Police seized a quantity of Soviet-made arms after the incident but would not reveal the contents of the cache. However, it is understood an AK47 rifle was part of the haul.

A Pretoria spokesman said police went to a house in Orlando West after receiving certain information.



Firebomb attack at university

FIRE started by an explosion devastated a student organisation's offices yesterday, causing damage estimated at R500 000.

A blast occurred at 6am in the National Union of South African Students' offices at the University of the Witwatersrand, said police liaison officer Colonel Frans Malherbe.

The floors of the offices had been sprinkled with an inflammable liquid and the fire had been started by some kind of explosive device.

The heat set off the building's automatic sprinkler safety system, putting out the fire. But water flooded the building, causing extensive damage to carpets and equipment in offices and lecture theatres.

"It has been established that the telephone answering machine, certain files and documents were removed before the fire," Col. Malherbe said.

Signs

Water was still pumping out of the sprinkler system when Wits security guards discovered the damage later yesterday morning.

No one was injured.

Nusas president Steve Kromberg said it appeared that equipment and files had been removed prior to the bombing.

"Tutu must die" and "Viva Azasm" signs were painted on an outside wall.

Mr Kromberg said the fire

By CHARIS PERKINS

followed a string of attacks on other anti-apartheid organisations and on Nusas.

"It is obviously aimed at intimidating our organisation and disrupting our anti-apartheid work."

Wits Students' Representative Council president, Bettina von Lieres, said: "We view the firebombing as part of a concerted attack to undermine and destroy organisations that challenge the apartheid government peacefully."

She said the attack could only be viewed as "another facet of the recent wave of harassment of progressive organisations, the detention of students, and the effective banning of organisations such as the United Democratic Front".

She said the bombing had

AFTERMATH ... Lindsay Falkov, a Nusas official, examines the damage



affected many student organisations and also "the Wits community as a whole".

Deputy vice-chancellor in charge of student affairs, Professor Mervyn Shear, said the bombing was "clearly a carefully planned act of terrorism against Nusas".

Attack

"There have been frequent attempts over the years to vilify this organisation for the democratic views it espouses and this has now culminated in the present attack," he said.

Police wary of arson daubings

POLICE said yesterday political slogans outside fire-bombed Wits University buildings might have been daubed to divert suspicions.

Witwatersrand police spokesman Lieut-Col Frans Malherbe added police did not suspect a political motive behind arson at a lecture hall and Nusas offices early on Saturday.

There were no clues to indicate a

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motive but the blaze was being treated as "a plain arson case".

Malherbe added that whoever caused the fire probably also stole a telephone, telephone-answering machine and files.

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Arson daubings at Wits 'may be decoy'

Nusas spokesmen were not available for comment late yesterday.

Deputy vice-chancellor Professor Peter Tyson said university authorities suspected the attack was by a right-wing group trying to discredit Nusas.

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He said university security had been increased after information was received that right-wing groups intended taking action on the campus.

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Gunman goes on rampage in Pretoria

A FORMER policeman and self-confessed member of the AWB killed three blacks and wounded 17 others in a wild shooting at noon yesterday, Pretoria, at mid-afternoon in a telephone call to an Afrikaans journalist, threatened to assassinate

President P W Botha if he announced the release of Nelson Mandela in the Pretoria City Hall on Monday night. Witnesses said the gunman allegedly fired a black woman with a young boy at her side and shot her at pointblank

range. He then turned the gun on two men standing on either side of her. He then turned the gun on two men standing on either side of her. He then turned the gun on two men standing on either side of her.

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Suspect still in hospital

CAPE TOWN — A man arrested for allegedly carrying a limpet mine near a ceremony in Crossroads attended by the Minister of Law and Order is still in hospital following brain surgery.

Mr Robert Maliti (22) of New Crossroads was to have appeared yesterday. The hearing was postponed to December 20.

A letter from Groote Schuur Hospital certifying that Mr Maliti was in hospital after surgery for a subdural haematoma was handed in. — Sapa.

As shooting toll mounts, police scent breakthrough

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THE death toll from Tuesday's shootings in Church Street, Pretoria, has risen to six with 15 confirmed wounded being treated in hospital.

Police directorate spokesman Capt Reg Crewe said two more people had died yesterday morning as a result of wounds sustained during the shootings.

As details of the exploits of the right-wing gunman emerged yesterday, police said they hoped he could also provide their first breakthrough on the Khotso House blast.

A Law and Order Ministry spokes-

DANIEL SIMON

man confirmed former policeman and self-confessed AWB member Barend Hendrik Strydom, 23, was being questioned in connection with Johannesburg's Khotso House blast that injured 23 people in September.

The Wit Wolwe later claimed responsibility for the blast, but police said until the gunman's arrest detectives had "basically no information" on this militant far-right organisation.

Information on whether there were more members was "very scant", Police Commissioner Gen Hendrik de Witt said yesterday.

Senior police sources also confirmed one of the disciplinary hearings against the arrested man followed an incident in which he had a photograph taken of himself holding up a black man's head — decapitated in an accident on the Pietersburg highway — and a knife in his other hand.

In a statement sent to the media ear-

lier this year detailing his reasons for leaving the police, Strydom mentioned the photograph, which he said was taken "during a culpable homicide" (incident). "The purpose of the photograph was to frame it with the heading: 'ANC beware,'" he wrote.

The list of the dead is: Piet Mbedzi, 45; David Tlometani, of Soshanguve; Samuel Mthipa, 32, of Mamelodi; Catherine Mokoena; and Selina Nguna, 88. The name of the sixth person will not be released until next of kin have been notified.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

Rail 'bombers' killed in blast

The Argus Correspondent *AK665 18/11/88*

DURBAN — At least one person and possibly three, believed to be railway station bombers responsible for a recent spate of blasts in the Durban area, were blown up when an explosive device they were carrying went off at Phoenix station on the North Coast today.

Major Charl du Toit, police public relations officer for Port Natal, said police could not say what device was used or be certain how many people were killed.

"At this stage we believe that more than one person was killed when the explosive device went off about 300 metres from the railway station.

"We believe the men may have been on the way to set the device on the tracks. A large hole was made by the explosion and pieces of human remains were strewn all over the place," said Major du Toit.

It is suspected that a limpet mine caused the blast about 2.45am.

Senior policemen combed the cordoned-off area for clues while a team of policemen with sticks inched their way through dense bush looking for more explosives and a possible arms cache.

A resident who lives on a hill overlooking the railway station said her family was awoken by a "tremendous bang".

In the past few weeks there have been at least three explosions in and around Durban.

Alleged mass-killer may have done a 'test run' on squatters

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WAF by day

MALEOSKOP — The man alleged to be the gunman responsible for the Pretoria massacre on Tuesday may have gone on a "test run" a week earlier, near Johannesburg, police said yesterday.

Barend Hendrik Strydom, 23, allegedly fired 15 shots at blacks living at the Wheeler's Farm squatter camp, south of Johannesburg, on the night of November 8, killing one woman and seriously injuring another, Brigadier Leon Mellet said.

Police are investigating several similarities between the Wheeler's Farm and Pretoria shootings.

The same calibre ammunition was used and the same police-issue outfit was worn by the gunman.

After the Wheeler's farm shooting, the gunman raced away in a Mazda 323. The injured woman is still in hospital.



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Court hears of 'communists' 12/11/88

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GOVERNMENT should arrest "communists" like Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Independent Party leader Denis Worrall, alleged mass killer Barend Hendrik Strydom told the Pretoria Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The 23-year-old Strydom was appearing before magistrate P J Johnson in connection with six allegations of murder and 17 of attempted murder.

His appearance followed Tuesday's shootings in Pretoria which left six blacks dead and a further 14 wounded.

Cheerful

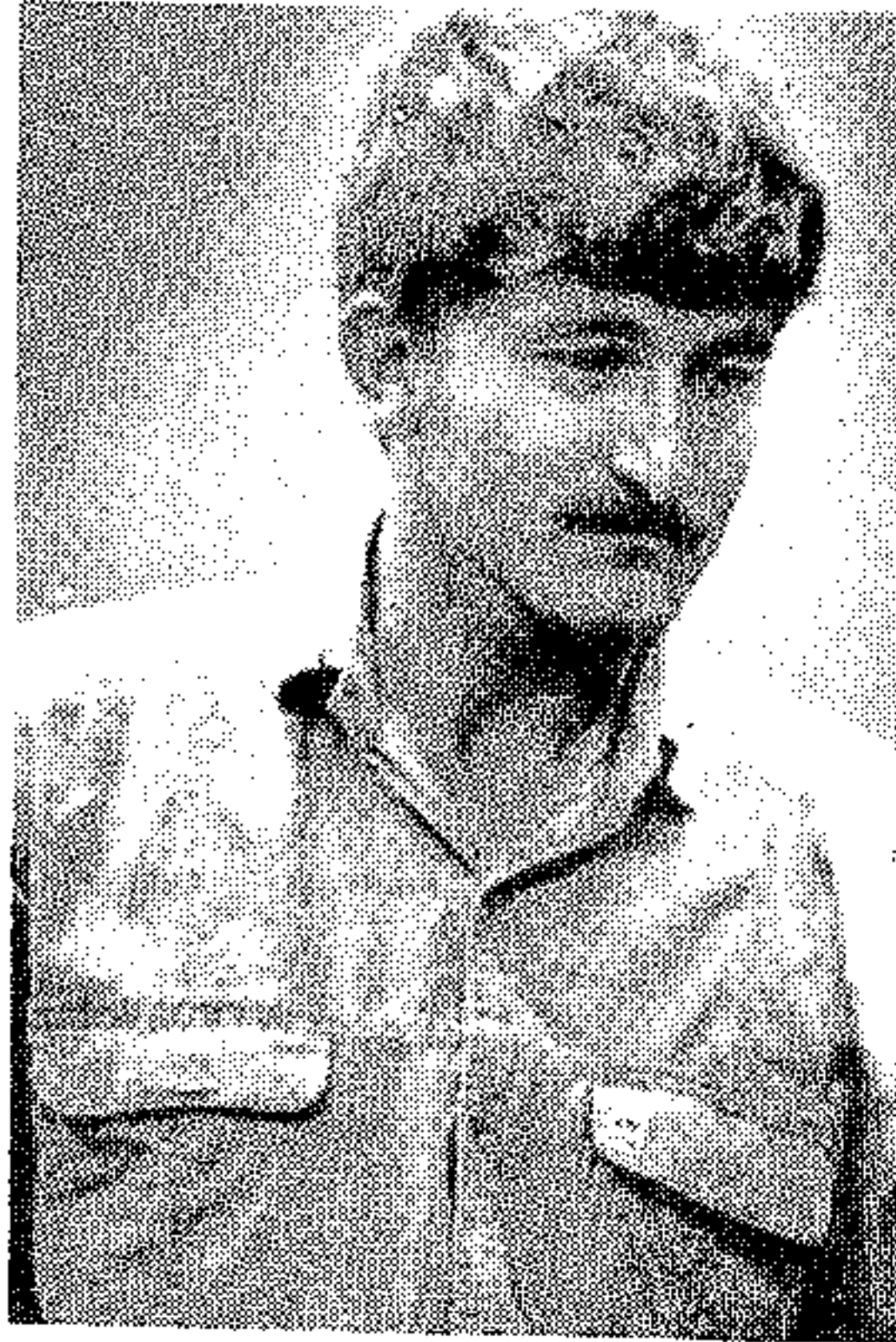
He said he would have no interest in the proceedings while the present government was still in power and until it halted its reform policies and established a "white peoples' state".

District-surgeon Dr Willem Pieterse told the court that when he examined Strydom after the shootings, he was cheerful and did not show any remorse.

He said Strydom's behaviour would fit that of a psychopath.

Strydom realised what he had done, said Dr Pieterse, but it appeared Strydom did not see the implications in the same way as society, but rather as a propaganda ploy.

Asked whether he wanted to cross-



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Picture: Robert Botha

examine the doctor, Strydom said he would not participate in the proceedings until government arrested such "communists" as Archbishop Tutu and Denis Worrall.

The magistrate referred Strydom to Weskoppies mental hospital and remanded him until December 19.

SEHERI GUILTY OF 2 KILLINGS

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OUPA SEHERI (33), who stored firearms at Mrs Winnie Mandela's house, was convicted yesterday of committing two murders, two attempted murders and being in the unlawful possession of a Scorpion machine pistol, an AK-47 rifle and ammunition.

Dog

Priscilla Mkhonza (29), who told Seheri to "shoot the dog and wipe out the evidence" was convicted of the second

murder.

Setembiso Buthelezi (25), who stayed at Mrs Mandela's house in her daughter, Zinzi's room from time to time, was found guilty of being in unlawful possession of the two firearms and Charles Zwane (18) was convicted of being in unlawful possession of the Scorpion pistol only.

Mr Ben Jabulani Dlamini (27), was acquitted of all charges.

The judgment was handed down by Mr Justice B O'Donovan, who presided over the trial in the Rand

Supreme Court with two assessors.

The court found Seheri went to Mrs Mandela's house in Soweto on January 24, last year.

Parcel

In front of Buthelezi and Zwane, he opened a parcel containing the Scorpion machine pistol. He left the AK-47 rifle there and went to meet people to demonstrate how to use the Scorpion.

Later that night, Seheri was at a shebeen at Priscilla Mkhonza's home. Seheri had a fight with

Mr Xola Mokhaua.

Mr Mokhaua got the better of Seheri, who tried to use the Scorpion machine pistol. It was taken away from him by Mr Mokhaua's friends, who refused to give it back.

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Terrorists 'losing more than they're using'

both increases on last year's figures—30 killed and 341 injured.

Up to November 15 this year, the police had captured 600 handgrenades compared with the 70 that had been used in attacks.

Last year 273 were captured while 73 were

used.

In the same period this year, the police captured 246 limpet mines, as opposed to 106 used.

The corresponding figures for last year were 126 and 45.

The 245 acts of terrorism this year so far reflect an intensification of attacks in the two months preceding the October 26 municipal elections.

Civilians remain the prime target, with 73 attacks, the "system" second on 65 and the police third on 56 attacks.

Natal 'bombers' die in blast

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TERROrists are losing more of their deadly weapons, such as hand-grenades and limpet mines, to the security forces than they get to use.

However, statistics released by Mr Adriaan Vlok, the Minister of Law and Order, show that acts of terror are still increasing. The figure for this year up to November 15 was 245 — 10 more than in the whole of last year and 14 more than in 1986. The attacks killed 38 people and injured 500.

DURBAN. — Three people, believed to be the railway station bombers responsible for a recent spate of blasts in this area, were blown up when an explosive device they were carrying went off at Phoenix station on the North Coast early yesterday. The 2.45am blast occurred about 300m from the railway station, which is used by thousands of commuters daily.

The railway line was not damaged by the explosion. "We believe the men may have been on the way to set the device on the tracks," police spokesman Major Charl Du Toit said. "A large hole was made by the explosion and pieces of human remains were

strewn all over the place."

A witness said the victims were "totally unidentifiable", as parts of their bodies were strewn throughout a 50m area.

Police said the device was believed to have been a limpet mine. Officers inched their way through thick bush looking for more explosives or a possible arms cache. Meanwhile, the post office in Port Elizabeth's North End suburb was rocked by an explosion on Thursday night. No one was injured.

It was the first terror attack in the city in about five years. Capt Bill Dennis, police liaison officer for the Eastern Cape, said the explosion

occurred shortly after 10.30pm. It was not yet possible to say what kind of explosive device had been used.

Minimal damage was caused to the building. A telephone booth mounted to the outside wall of the post office was destroyed, Capt Dennis said.

And, according to the police overnight unrest report issued yesterday, the body of a 16-year-old black youth with stab wounds in the chest and back was found by police at Imbali, Maritzburg.

A house at Magabeni, Umkomaas, was damaged when a petrol bomb was hurled at it, the report said. — Sapa-UPI

'One of our most pressing problems'

Sharp rise

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in terror

incidents

MALEOSKOP (Northern Transvaal) - While unrest continues to level off, the rate of terror incidents in South Africa is soaring dramatically.

This emerged from a special briefing of parliamentary journalists by the Chief of the Security Branch, General Basie Smit, in the Northern Transvaal this week.

The briefing was held at the SA Police counter-insurgency training farm at Maleoskop, near Groblersdal. It was attended by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, and several other police generals and senior officers.

General Smit said that, in the eight years from 1976 to 1984, there were 267 cases of terror. In the four years since then there were 847.

This had become one of the security force's most pressing problems and everything possible would have to be done to reduce this, he said.

According to General Smit there was a sharp rise in the number of terror victims as a result of the surge in incidents.

From 1976 to 1982, 26 people were killed in terror attacks.

In 1983 alone 22 people died, dropping back to 15 in 1984 and then 23 in 1985.

In 1986 56 people were killed, 30 died in 1987 and, so far this year, 38 had died.

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The number of people injured in terror attacks had also risen dramatically with 345 in 1986, 341 last year and 500 so far this year.

General Smit said the number of ANC terrorists eliminated had also increased over the years.

Whereas 42 were arrested in 1986 and 63 in 1987, 63 had been arrested so far this year.

The number killed was 29 so far this year, compared with 25 in 1987, 40 in 1986 and 15 in 1985.

General Smit also gave a breakdown of the terror targets.

Of the 245 terror incidents so far this year, 56 were aimed at the police, 14 at the SA Defence Force, six at the judiciary, 65 at the system (including local authorities), 30 at the economy and 73 at civilians.

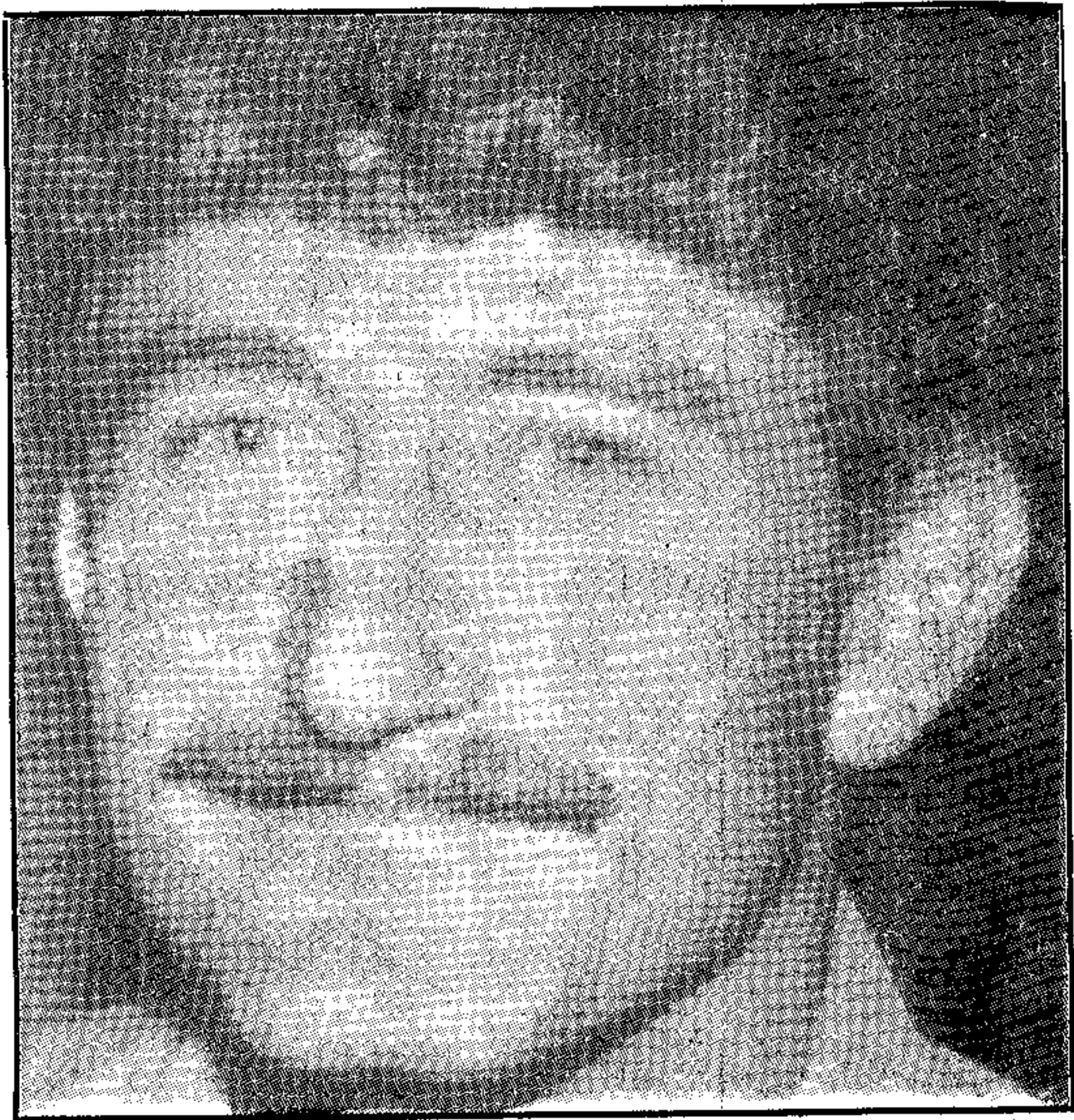
The general said attacks against the system peaked in the two months before the countrywide municipal elections, but attacks against these targets had fallen away considerably since the polls.

General Smit would not elaborate on his earlier announcement that more organisations could be restricted.

He said memoranda on two organisations had been forwarded to the Minister for a decision in this regard.

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OPTIC AND OPTICAL

ONLY hours before Barend Strydom allegedly shot to death six black people and wounded 17 others he wrote a note to his parents. In it, he spoke of a *Derde Vryheidsoorlog* — a Third War of Freedom.

In this, of course, he was grossly insulting his ancestors by comparing the heroism of the Boer commandos to the sordid violence on Pretoria's Strijdom Square.

Yet he did have a point: There is a Third War underway.

The Government and its propaganda services have focused attention exclusively on one, albeit deeply disturbing, aspect of it — leftwing terrorism.

Its counterpart, rightwing terrorism, has largely slipped past public notice by default.

It should not. In many cases, rightwing terrorism in modernising societies has proved in the long run at least as bloody (and sometimes more so) as leftwing violence.

Dominant

The history of ultra-right resistance lies deep in our history.

During the Second World War, 810 members of the SA Police were suspended after it was discovered they constituted two full battalions of the Ossewabrandwag, an anti-Empire, Afrikaner nationalist organisation then engaged in a low intensity guerrilla war against the Smuts Government.

They, too, believed they were fighting a Third War of Freedom.

After 1948, the Third War died. Afrikaner nationalism dominated government, black resistance was inchoate and when it did coalesce, the State responded massively, brutally, effectively.

There was no need for ordinary whites to doubt the ability of those early, earthy Nationalists to defend their interests.

It was in the mid-'70s and with increasing rapidity after the accession of President Botha to power that ultra-right resistance began to gather momentum.

This group — embittered and increasingly impoverished — was unable to understand the precariousness of Afrikaner nationalist isolation, it was blind to changing economic facts, deaf to the shifting tides of regional reality.

The Botha administration may, in retrospect, be accused of grievously misjudging its response to those domestic and international

Brian Pottinger

traces the danger signals and looks at how the authorities have responded



realities, but it cannot be said it ignored them.

In merely raising and attempting to address a growing legion of inherited social, economic and political crises, President Botha ensured he would encounter fierce rightwing resistance.

The political expression of this ultra-rightwing resistance first arose some 15 years ago with the emergence of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging.

Its first foray into civilised discourse was to tar and feather an honourable, intelligent Afrikaner academic who dared to argue that many of the symbols of Afrikaner cultural pride were seen by other South Africans, rightly or wrongly, especially by blacks, as symbols of repression.

Later, some of its members were prosecuted in the courts for criminal acts — possession of Soviet-made weapons and hare-brained schemes to sabotage homeland casinos.

These sort of people would no doubt have remained forever in the beer halls where they belonged had it not been for the social upheavals of the mid-'80s.

Force

At that point, the Government surrendered moral leadership and clarity of vision to security expediency with consequences which are beyond the scope of this discussion.

One of the immediate results, however, was that the ultra-right, the AWB, emerged as a brokering force between deplorable, yet not despicable, political groupings such as the Conservative Party and the Herstigte Nasionale Party.

The leadership of those parties have yet to answer for allowing that situation to arise, to explain their part in this "respectabilisation" of the crass.

This, however, strays from the question of the terroristic violence which emerged from the moral ambivalence created by racist dogma, by the pervasive government rhetoric about "survival", by the pursuit of ends above means.

There have been successful

State actions against some rightwing acts of terrorism. The person who firebombed Colin Eglin's home in the '70s was arrested and convicted.

A group of largely Italian immigrants calling themselves the Wit Kommando were similarly dealt with.

There, unfortunately, ends the success story.

Sabotage

Since the upheavals of the mid-'80s, it is estimated, there have been 17 assassinations of radical and prominent opponents of the Government.

There have been no arrests. There have been more than a dozen acts of sabotage against buildings owned by the radical, yet lawful, groups of opposition to the Government.

There have been no arrests. The radicals, naturally, claim this dismal record is the consequence of either State incompetence or, worse, complicity.

There is as yet no compelling evidence as to the latter. Yet the SA Police's defence that it has spent considerable effort in infiltrating the left but not yet the right, and therefore is less successful in this virgin territory, is neither convincing nor a justification — it is an indictment.

The simple, cruel, reality of our society is that the more the Government seeks to redress the grievances of the left, the more it invokes the response of the right — a riposte which the Khotso/Cosatu/Khanye house blasts show is sinister, informed, skilled and infinitely more threatening than the random terrorism of the ANC.

If the Government is not conscious of this threat, it should be. If it has not anticipated it, it should have.

Even its approach to the alleged central figure in this week's catalytic events is open to question.

The following points have nothing to do with his culpability or otherwise in Tuesday's events.

Mr Strydom was twice questioned by the security police about

his rightwing political views while a serving constable.

He was suspended after discovery of a ghoulish photograph of himself with the severed head of a black victim of a road accident and a mass of AWB literature — the poison of an organisation to which members of the SAP are not allowed to belong.

For whatever reason, he succeeded in resigning from the force instead of being drummed out.

He was never prosecuted for his unchristian, barbaric indulgence with the remains of a human being, no doubt somebody's father, son, husband or lover.

The creature who humoured Strydom in this endeavour by taking the photograph remains unidentified and unprosecuted.

Within two months of Strydom's resignation came claims by a mysterious voice of the existence of the Wit Wolwe and its complicity in a range of rightwing terror acts, including a tear-smoke attack on a mosque in Heidelberg, Strydom's home town.

Radical groups strongly implied a link between the Wit Wolwe and the security establishment.

The SA Police proclaimed its determination to hunt down this mysterious organisation, yet the first time Strydom, one would hope a prime suspect, was questioned was nine months later when he smilingly handed himself over to Reaction Unit members after his alleged

shooting spree last Tuesday.

It is with this record that the Government has until now sought to convince us of its sincerity about resigning the artillery on the right, as opposed exclusively on the left.

The Government has correctly expressed its horror at Tuesday's events.

The alleged killer is now before the courts and the Government has banned the Blanke Bevrydigingsbeweging — a repulsive and racist organisation, but whose rhetoric is only slightly worse than the AWB, and which does not muster big parades of armed stormtroopers and whose infiltration of the SA Police is considerably less than the AWB (only seven police reservists have been suspended from the force for being AWB members, and if Pretoria thinks that represents the extent of the cancer it is in a dream world).

Danger

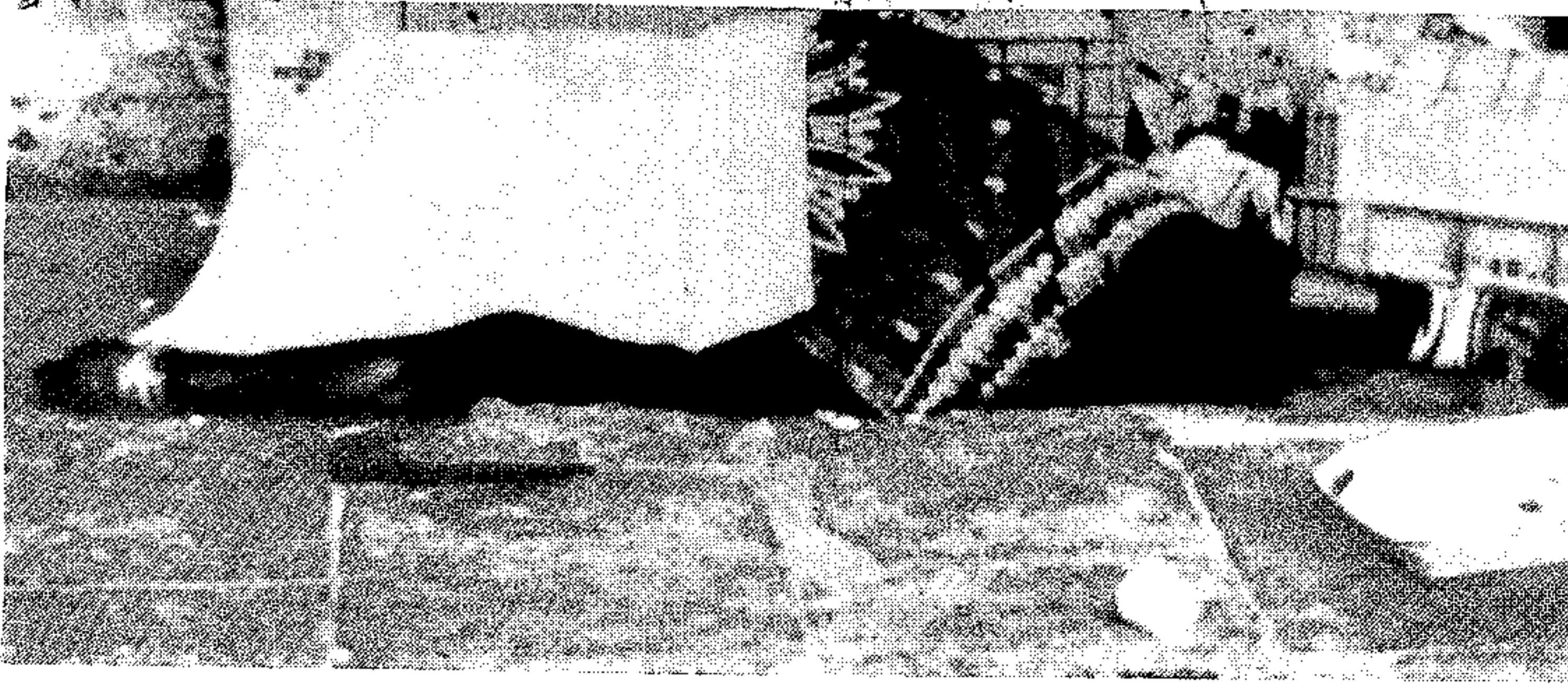
Also, unlike the AWB, the BBB does not count among its members one Barend Strydom.

There is a great danger in all this legitimate horror at Tuesday's events.

An insignificant, flaky group and a possibly deranged young man may become the scapegoats for a far deeper, critical malaise lying within our country and its institutions.

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THE DEAD



AND THE WOUNDED



The black hunter

He smiled all the while he was killing folk

PRETORIA was reeling this week after the crazed shooting spree of the "Black Hunter".

The gunman left six blacks dead and at least 15 others injured. Through it all, he smiled.

The dead are: Piet Mbetsi, 45, of Mamelodi Kingsley Hostel, David Hlombane, no age given, of Soshanguve, Samuel Mathipa, 32, of Mamelodi, Catherina Mokoena, no age given, of Mamelodi, Selina Nguna, 88, of Mamelodi. The sixth person has been identified but his next of kin have not yet been informed.

The courts will have to decide the fate of Barend Hendrik Strydom, former policeman and self-confessed member of the arch-rightwing Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging.

"In the interests of justice the man must be brought to trial and face the consequences, as would have happened if a black person was involved," said one angry black person.

The bloody trail started at about 3.05pm in Church Street.

Eyewitness Igshaan Hoosen, an employee in a radio shop, said a customer called him outside to see an item displayed in the window. A fancy blue minibus stopped outside the shop and a white man in camouflage uniform got out. He went across the street and, without any provocation, shot a black woman in the side.

The gunman then turned his weapon on a man who was approaching in his direction, shooting him in the head. A popular, elderly cleaner moving in the direction of the gunman, stopped and tried to avoid him when he saw the gun, but the gunman, a broad smile on his face, shot and killed him.

Still calm, the gunman reloaded his gun and, moving faster, went towards Prinsloo Street.

While striding down

By CHARLES MOGALE

Prinsloo Street in the direction of a black taxi rank in Blood Street, he fired randomly at all blacks in sight.

At the corner of Prinsloo and Proes streets, he encountered an elderly woman hawker selling apples. He shot her in the head and, as she fell, fired another shot at her. She died on the spot.

Taxi drivers Jack Mojapelo, 34, of Mamelodi, and Philemon Maseko, 33, of Kwagga in KwaNdebele, were sitting and chatting in a car nearby. When they heard the shots, they ran in the direction of Prinsloo Street.

They came face to face with the smiling gunman, who then fired at another taxi driver, David Hlombane. He turned the gun on Hlombane's brother, Alfred, who was also hit.

Mojapelo and Maseko attempted to pull the dying David from the middle of Proes Street. The gunman turned the weapon on them and fired.

"We fell to the ground and he missed. One bullet actually hit the side of my car," Mojapelo said.

The gunman walked on, with curious crowds following him, but ducking as he turned around.

"He should have been shot long before then," Maseko said.

Down Prinsloo Street, a woman was leaving a record shop with her merchandise. She walked into the gunman, who pointed the weapon at her. The woman ran back into the shop, but was hit in the back by a bullet.

Salim Carrim, the Indi-

an son of the record shop owner Sattar Carrim, said the gunman walked past the door of the shop, but turned and entered, apparently after seeing other blacks in the shop.

"He just started shooting and hit one of the customers in the stomach. My father came out from the back and asked him what the hell he was up to, but without any word, he shot my father in the hip. The customers ran all over the shop and some crouched on the floor. The gunman continued pumping bullets into the first man he hit, and left him with about six bullet wounds," Salim said.

The customer died later in hospital.

An employee of the Carrim's, Patrick Zondi, injured his hip when he fell over when the shooting started.

The gunman's orgy continued further down Prinsloo Street, with some shots fired into the air, until he was tricked and stopped in his tracks by saviour Simon Khorombi Mukondeleli.

Early reports following the shooting said the AWB hierarchy denied Strydom was a member of the organisation. However, the police have claimed that Strydom, who resigned from the police force in February this year, had confessed membership.

Despite all the security killer got away with it

By ELIAS MALULEKE

WHY the Pretoria mass killer had 15 minutes to walk up to his victims and shoot them point blank without being apprehended in a city crawling with armed uniformed men, is a question posed by survivors of the massacre.

According to newspaper reports, the shooting started at 3pm next to the State Theatre in Church Street between Prinsloo and Van der Walt streets, only two blocks away from SA Police headquarters and a block away from the heavily guarded Department of Information.

No attempt was made to stop alleged killer Barend Hendrik Strydom, 23, until he had killed three people and wounded 17. Three of the injured died in hospital.

The hero of the day was Simon Khorombi Mukondeleli, who grabbed the killer's gun as he stopped to reload in a shop. Other stories have alleged that three black policemen apprehended Strydom.

City Press spoke to survivors in their hospital beds. The victims allege the shooting started as early as 2.55pm when Strydom shot dead his first victim - a mother who was feeding her child.

Janapage Mokotho, 27, a security guard at a clothing store, could hardly speak. His body was swathed in bandages and blood was still oozing from his wounds. He was shot three times, once clean through the knee, another shot grazed his forehead and a third bullet went through his back.

He said he heard shooting at 2.55pm as he was finishing lunch with a friend.

"I heard two loud shots and quickly stood up. But before I knew what was happening, this big white man, dressed in camouflage, pointed the gun at me and fired," Mokotho said.

"The bullet struck me on the forehead and as I fell down on my back, he fired at my leg. Then my friend came to help me, but he fired at her too, hitting her in the chest."

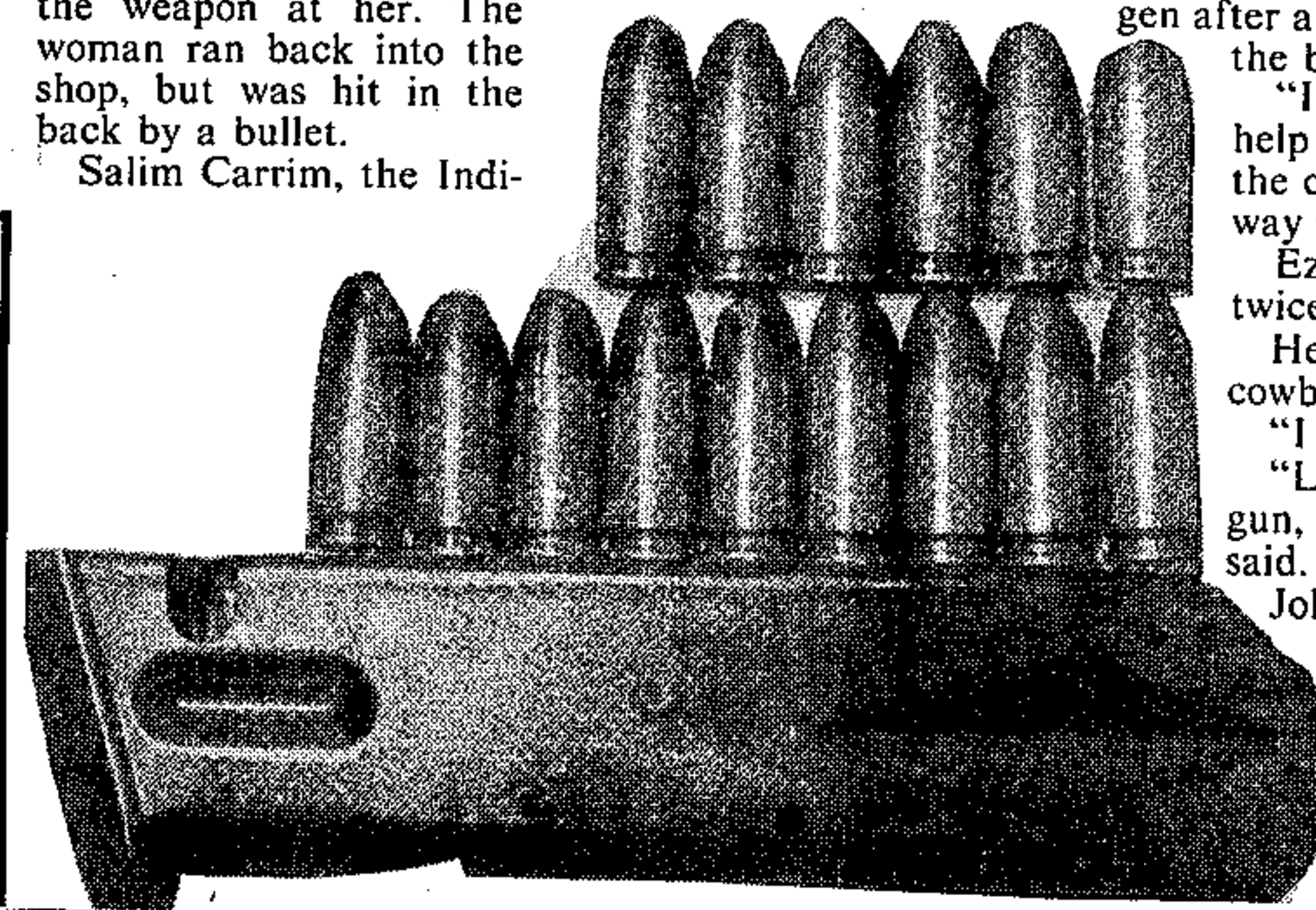
Although Priscilla Motau of Swaartdam is on oxygen after a bullet struck her at close range just above the breast, she managed to whisper her story.

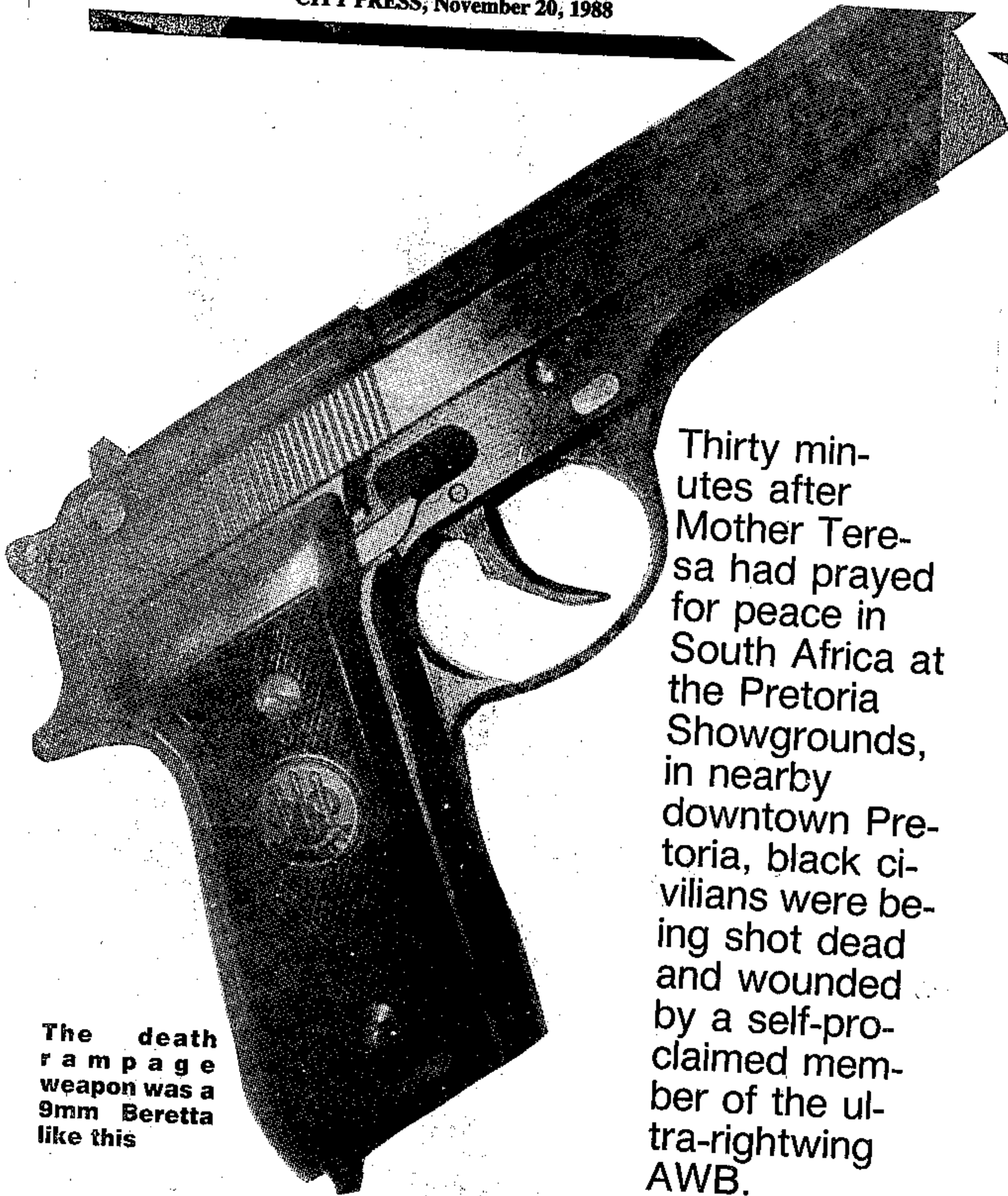
"I do not know what made me rush forward to help Janapage," but the next thing I felt hot in the chest but continued to drag him out of the way with one hand after the other went numb." Ezekiel Makwa, 43, from Maboloka, was shot twice and suffered a fractured left arm.

He said the gunman took aim like a soldier or cowboy - legs apart and gun held in both hands. "I tried to run, but he got me," he said.

"Luckily, the killer did not have a machine-gun, or he could have cleared the streets," he said.

Johannes Nkosi, 37, and father of six from Maubane, near Hammanskraal, said he was shot in the hand and that a white policeman had come to check on him while Strydom continued on his rampage.





Thirty minutes after Mother Teresa had prayed for peace in South Africa at the Pretoria Showgrounds, in nearby downtown Pretoria, black civilians were being shot dead and wounded by a self-proclaimed member of the ultra-rightwing AWB.

The death
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9mm Beretta
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How cool gunman sat in busy Pretoria square and plotted Bloody Tuesday

THE BOMBARDMENT



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By DE WET POTGIETER and MARLENE BURGER

THE SMILING killer — a rightwing fanatic obsessed with white patriotism and politics — put together his plan for Bloody Tuesday with meticulous care.

It emerged this weekend that the gunman may have staked out his killing ground, Pretoria's busy Stridom Square, 24 hours before he cold-bloodedly gunned down 19 blacks. He also drew up detailed plans of the area.

A man in police camouflage gear, toting a holstered gun on his hip, was seen on Monday outside the State Theatre in the square.

He was sitting on the steps, carefully observing the people around.

Police have confiscated several sheets of paper in a Pretoria West flat, which contained sketches and detailed plans for what turned into Tuesday's afternoon slaughter.

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KEY TO

PEACE

By DR. VAN HEERDEN

FORMAL peace treaty by mid-December and elections in Namibia in September 1989.

There will be the sequence of events if the Cabinet members on Wednesday to go to the peace plan hammered out by delegates from Africa, Angola and South Africa this week. As a spin-off for South Africa, all ANC training camps inside Angola will be immediately closed.

The governments in Angola and Luanda have already formally accepted proposals which provide for a complete Cuban withdrawal from Angola within months. Yesterday Unita

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The armed man's presence in the square alarmed a Johannesburg business executive on his way to lunch at the theatre.

"I was surprised to see a policeman in full camouflage gear. I thought they weren't supposed to wear those uniforms in town, that's why I noticed him," said the businessman, who did not want to be named for fear of reprisals.

He was just sitting there, relaxed but taking careful note of the people milling around.

"I couldn't help but see that he had what looked like a small cannon in his holster."

Uniform

The killer, who used a 9mm Beretta, was wearing a police camouflage uniform when he was arrested shortly after the massacre.

Although Strydom resigned from the police in February, he arrived at a friend's flat three weeks ago dressed in standard blue police garb.

It has also been established that he spent the past month living in a Pretoria West apartment block occupied entirely by police members.

He stayed with a friend and his wife — and it was to this address that Strydom returned briefly on Tuesday night, in leg-irons and accompanied by Pretoria Murder and Robbery Squad members.

Relaxed

A resident said: "All he wanted was his khaki pants and shirt. He was smiling and appeared relaxed, but he insisted that he wanted to change into the clothes he was wearing when he appeared in court on Thursday."

The man, whom Law and Order Minister Adriaan Vlok said had claimed to be the leader of the Wit Wolwe movement, has led an unsettled life since leaving the police.

He worked as a process controller for Sasol in Secunda for three months until September 26 — exactly a month after an incident at a disco in the town, which was believed to be the work of the mysterious Wit Wolwe.

A teargas grenade was thrown into the disco, where white and black youths were dancing.

From October 17 to

THE contents of this issue of the Sunday Times have been restricted in terms of the emergency regulations.

Don't blame us — this man acted on his own, says AWB boss

By JANI ALLAN

THE leader of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging, Mr Eugene Terre Blanche, yesterday condemned the massacre of six people in Pretoria, reportedly by a member of his organisation.

He also appealed to radicals contemplating similar action to stay calm.

"Anyone who understands the aims of the AWB must realise that this unfortunate man acted entirely of his own volition.

"There is not a shred of evidence to link his deed to the AWB — and not a single member that I know of would condone this act of terror," Mr Terre Blanche said.

The AWB leader was speaking for the first time of his reaction to the Strijdom Square shootings on Tuesday.

While he was vehement in his condemnation of what he said was "the act of a misguided individual which is totally contrary to the AWB's rules", he blamed the Gov-



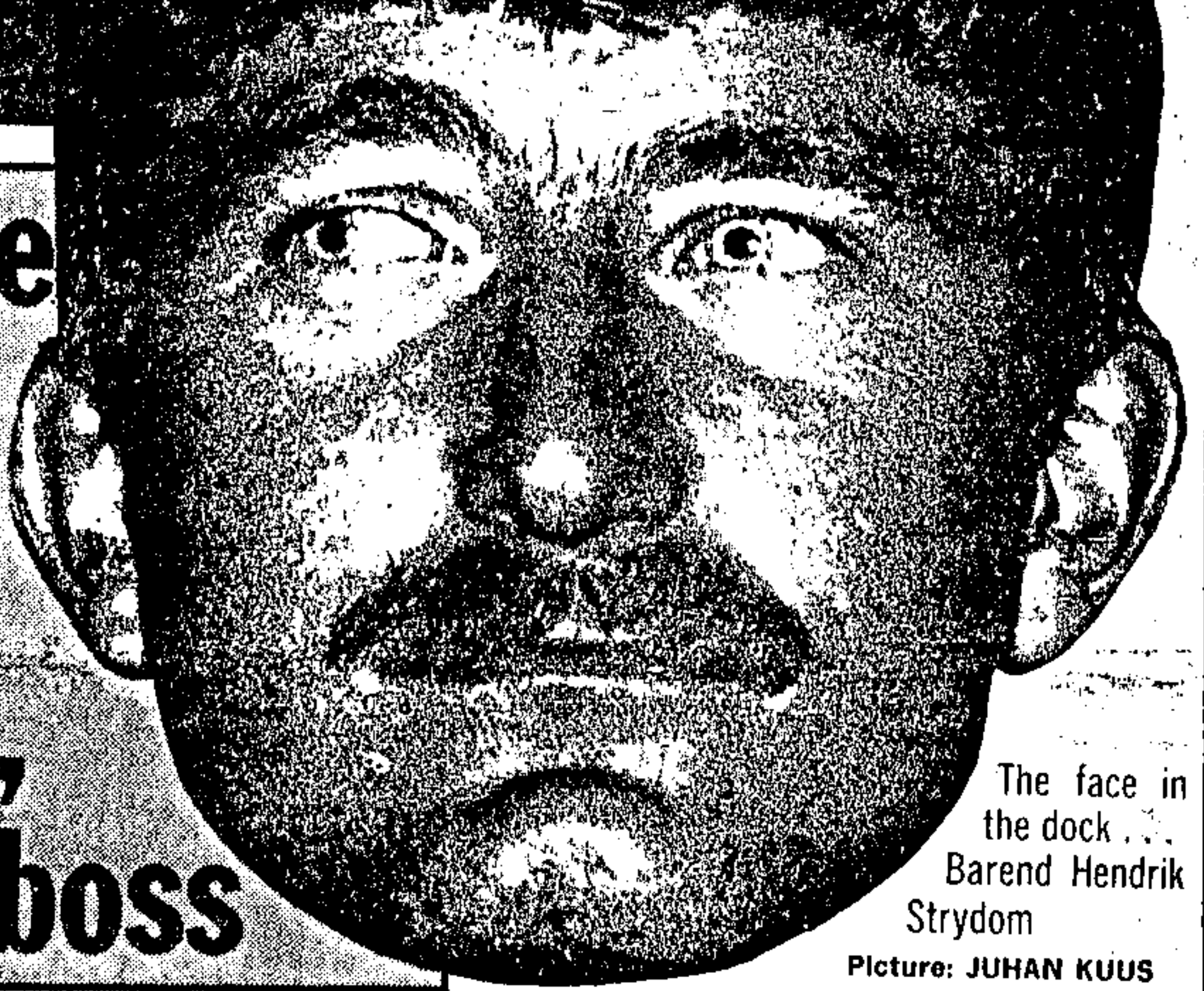
EUGENE TERRE BLANCHE
Love and concern

ernment for creating a political climate in which violence flourished.

"I categorically deny the AWB was responsible for this despicable act.

"This organisation was born of love and concern — concern for our people, who are being maimed and killed by bombs and limpet mines, concern for our country, which we are in danger of losing.

"But the AWB is a legal movement which operates within the law and which has never propagated violence as a solution to problems.



The face in the dock... Barend Hendrik Strydom
Picture: JUHAN KUUS

November 7, Strydom was employed as a clerk by Santam Bank in Pretoria.

He stopped going to work on November 8 — the date of a shooting incident at a Vanderbijlpark squatter camp, which police believe may have been a "dry run" for Tuesday's massacre.

Strydom's movements on Tuesday are sketchy. He was seen leaving Tamarisk Flats in Pretoria West that morning, wearing what a resident said was "a brand new camouflage uniform".

No one knows what he did

between then and the time of his arrest shortly after 3pm in Prinsloo Street by three black policemen.

The gunman, his trail of carnage behind him, was detained after being disarmed by a brave bystander, Mr Simon "Khorombi" Mukondeleli, 23.

Mr Mukondeleli said: "I saw policemen chasing an armed man who went into a shop in Prinsloo Street. I looked through the window and saw him reloading his gun.

"I just walked in, like any

"I cannot condone violence — but I can understand the immense frustration someone like this young man feels, when his security and all that he holds dear are threatened.

"But to lay the blame for this deed at the AWB's door is despicable.

"If a member of the NG Kerk steals a chicken, must the entire church be condemned for his action?

"Yet, if a single AWB member — and one who was a member of Minister Vlok's SA Police for far longer, incidentally, than he has been a member of the AWB — commits a heinous crime, the movement is held responsible.

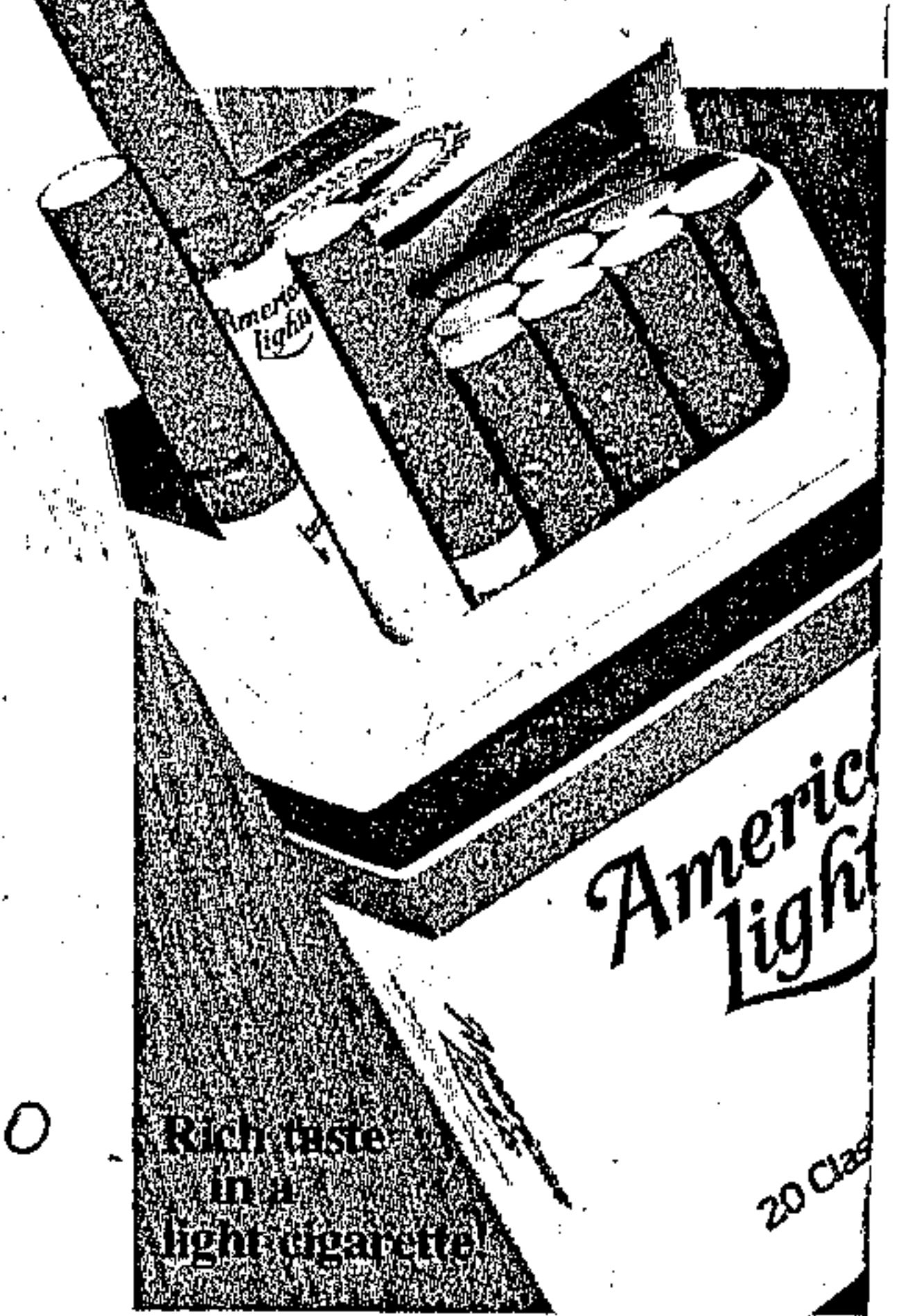
"The Government should look to its own policies for the reasons behind this act.

"Mr Vlok should take note: Neither the AWB nor I, as the leader, will tolerate his veiled threats and insinuations.

"He is placing blame for a criminal act on my shoulders — yet he is not prepared to

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Cops caught red-faced

A POLICE crime prevention operation ended up red-faced this week when thieves broke into a SAP minibus and stole thousands of rands worth of camera equipment.

The embarrassing gaff happened when Cape Town police took journalists on an otherwise successful anti-crime operation.

Examined

Asked in court on Thursday if he wanted to question district surgeon Dr W J Pietersen, who examined him twice after his arrest, Strydom said he had "no interest in having anything to do with this court case while the present Government is in power and until it halts its reform policies and a white Boere Volkstaat is formed".

He said the Government should arrest "communists like Desmond Tutu and Denis Worrall".

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Manhunt launched as arms cache found

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Landmine attacks: ANC men convicted of treason

The Argus Correspondent

PRETORIA. — Two accused in the Bethal treason trial have been convicted in the Pretoria Supreme Court on a charge of high treason, while a third accused has been found guilty on the alternative charge of terrorism.

Mr Justice Daniels yesterday found Ebrahim Ismail Ebrahim and Acton Maseko guilty on a main charge of high treason and Simon Dladla guilty of terrorism under the Internal Security Act.

Mr Justice Daniels described as a "farce" a commission set up in London during September this year where the prosecution and defence counsel heard evidence by several high-ranking ANC officials.

He said that counsel had become personally involved in the commission and the witnesses did not always comply to the oath of truth.

ACTIVE MEMBERS

Ebrahim, Maseko and Dladla had pleaded not guilty to the main count of high treason and to alternative charges of terrorism, attempted murder and malicious damage to property.

The judge and two assessors concluded that the accused were active ANC members who had conspired to overthrow the government.

Mr Justice Daniels said Ebrahim,

Maseko and Dladla had hostile intent towards the government — which formed the basis of the treason charge — but he found Dladla guilty of terrorism because the State had not proved conclusively that he was a South African citizen.

Ebrahim was a member of the ANC's senior organ in Swaziland, according to the judge, and had attended meetings along with the other accused where landmine attacks at Breyten and Volksrust were planned.

MAKAROV PISTOL

Mr Justice Daniels said Maseko — who was arrested near Edenvale with a handgrenade and Makarov pistol in his possession — was, along with Dladla, responsible for several landmine explosions in the Breyten and Volksrust districts.

Dladla acted as a courier for the ANC and had intimate knowledge of the landmine attacks, the judge said.

Mr Justice Daniels based much of his judgment on documents allegedly found on the accused, on confessions and on oral evidence by a State witness, X1, a former ANC cadre who implicated the accused through his testimony.

Former ANC members who testified for the State during the trial were accorded indemnity by Mr Justice Daniels.

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Hunt for man after arms cache found

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Sharp rise in terror acts

ACTS of terrorism have risen as sharply as incidents of unrest have decreased over the past two years according to the latest police statistics.

But after reaching a high of 28 acts of terrorism in October in the recent municipal elections, the first 15 days of November saw no terrorist incidents.

However security police chief, General Basie Smit, warned at a briefing that another step in terrorist acts was likely to come in association with the Day of the Vow on December 16, known in activist circles as Hero's Day.

1984

So far this year there have been 245 acts of terrorism. From 1984, when there were 45 acts of terrorism, the number has increased sharply with 136 cases in 1985, 231 in 1986 and 235 in 1987.

And with the increase in attacks there has been a dramatic increase in casualties reaching 38 people killed and 500 injured so far this year.

Last year there were 30 dead and 341 injured.

ANC should 'think twice'

Cape Times 23/11/80
Staff Reporter

THE African National Congress should think twice before entertaining thoughts of revenge after last week's massacre on Pretoria's Strijdom Square, the leader of the Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging (AWB), Mr

Eugene Terre'Blanche, warned in Parow last night.

"I do not accept responsibility for what happened, but I want to tell the ANC that if one hair from an Afrikaner head falls in revenge, then we will fetch them out of Lusaka and beat the hell out of them," he said.

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Service planned for Pretoria victims

A LUNCH-hour commemorative service in honour of the seven people shot dead in Pretoria last week allegedly by self-confessed leader of the Wit Wolwe, Hendrik Strydom, will be held at Johannesburg's Lekton House tomorrow.

The service organisers, the Azanian Students' Movement (Azasm) and the National Youth Congress (Nayco), said speakers would include Anglican Bishop Suffragan Simeon Nkoane, Cosatu leaders and speakers from the SACC and Nactu.

A Nayco spokesman said a special committee drawn from Nayco and

SIPHO NGCOBO

Azasm was planning a mass funeral for the victims.

Burials were likely to take place on Saturday but arrangements were still being finalised with the families of the deceased.

Meanwhile, a Kalafong Hospital spokesman said the condition of seven of the eight people still being treated for gunshot wounds was stable.

The spokesman said there was only one person in intensive care but he was out of danger.

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AS rightwing terror came into the open in South Africa last week, mainline churches in the Western Cape warned their members against emergent right wing church groups.

Thousands of information pamphlets detailing the history and aims of these groups were distributed to churches.

The pamphlets were endorsed by the Board of Social Responsibility of the Church of the Province of South Africa, the Justice and Peace Commission of the Roman Catholic Church, and the Christian Citizenship Department of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa (Cape of Good Hope District).

Among the groups mentioned are the United Christian Conciliation Party (UCCP), which participated in the recent municipal elections, and the Western Cape Council of Churches (WCCC) which was formed in opposition to the Western Province Council of Churches.

"Countless little groups have arisen in townships to teach people to think of heaven and not of their suffering here on earth," the pamphlets said.

Irony

"It is ironic that the emergence of rightwing church groups (RWCG) corresponded with the Eloff Commission report which rejected all forms of 'political theology' whether for or against the state.

"According to the Eloff Commission report the true gospel addresses 'only truly spiritual purposes', and politics are best left to the secular forces of 'national interest' — in other words, to the national security apparatus of the state.

"We now discover, however, that having tried to exclude the participation of the institutional churches from the political arena, the state is encouraging and facilitating the direct involvement of the reactionary RWCGs in the political struggle.

"This should be a matter of real concern to all Christians."

Pamphlets

The pamphlets claimed that the RWCGs misused theology and Christian symbols.

"They abuse the Christian faith to legitimise injustice and oppression.

"They use the teachings and the language of churches to further the ends of the state and its allies.

"They deny the absolute sovereignty of Christ over all dimensions of human life by confining it exclusively to spiritual matters.

"In brief, the RWCGs promote belief in a God who cares little about real suffering."

This contradicted both Jesus identification with human suffering on the cross, and the hope of new life implicit in the resurrection.

"As Christians we cannot ignore this kind of heresy and idolatry," the pamphlets said.

Right wing church groups, whatever their original intentions, had been drawn into the structures created by the state to deal with the crisis in the country.

Stern warning against rise of right-wing

"RWCGs encourage ministers and priests to sit on the Joint Management Committees and co-operate with other initiatives of the National Security Management system, which under the guise of development are meant to upgrade communities.

"In reality, however, they also identify people who work for the liberation of the oppressed.

"Consciously or unconsciously, RWCGs are part of the attempt by the state to undermine the work of the churches and others who work for the good of the people.

"RWCGs also seem to be involved in the destabilisation campaigns of the South African government across the border.

"Members of Frontline Fellowship are reported, for example, to lend direct support to groups such as Renamo and Unita," the pamphlets claimed.

RWCGs directly supported government campaigns and had been active in canvassing for the October municipal elections.

"They promote participation in the National Statutory Council. They actively promote the anti-sanctions campaign.

"They confuse and divide communities, furthering the state's strategy of 'divide and rule'. They support the national and international campaign to present a positive image of South Africa as a Christian country where apartheid is giving way to a broadening of democracy.

"They suggest that communism and not apartheid is the real problem. South Africa is promoted as being part of Western Christian civilisation, and this is presented as an excuse to legitimise its many crimes."

The pamphlets questioned the RWCGs' opposition to communism.

"RWCGs claim their opposition to communism is because it is an atheist ideology.

"Is the real reason not a subtle attempt to justify the exploitation of the capitalist system in South Africa?"

"If communism can be shown to be 'all bad', the implication seems to be that capitalism is OK.

"Our faith demands that all ideologies (capitalism included) be subjected to the careful critique of the gospel which is always more concerned for the

poor than the rich.

The message of the RWCGs were always negative.

"They attack prophetic church leaders like Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Dr Allan Boesak and the Rev Frank Chikane, as well as the World Council of Churches, South African Council of Churches, the South African Catholic Bishops Conference, the Western Province Council of Churches and similar

organisations.

"They misuse Christianity to dissuade blacks from active protest and resistance, and demoralise those who engage in the struggle for justice and liberation.

"The question is what are they 'for'? It appears to be the maintenance of the existing order."

The pamphlets said RWCGs came "in many shapes and sizes".

"Some are highly

organised, and put out glossy newsletters to lengthy mailing lists.

"These include the Gospel Defense League, Tradition Family and Property, Frontline Fellowship, Jimmy Swaggart Missions, Signposts Magazine, The Catholic Defence League, United Christian Action and the Conference for Christian Action, in turn, form umbrella bodies to link groups together."

Other groups were very small, operating only in a single township and with few links to other RWCGs.

In some areas, however, small groups were being brought together in co-ordinating umbrella bodies like the WCCC, the UCCP, the Bophutswana Ministers Fraternal; the Reformed Independent Churches Association; a group called Jesus Christ for

Peace in South Africa; and the Christian Alliance of South Africa, which recently invited Foreign Minister Pik Botha to be the guest speaker at its conference.

The pamphlets called on people to find out more about these groups, their activities and their "links with the forces of oppression".

"But beyond that, we need to read in the Bible about similar experiences which the people of God had with false prophets and gospels during biblical times.

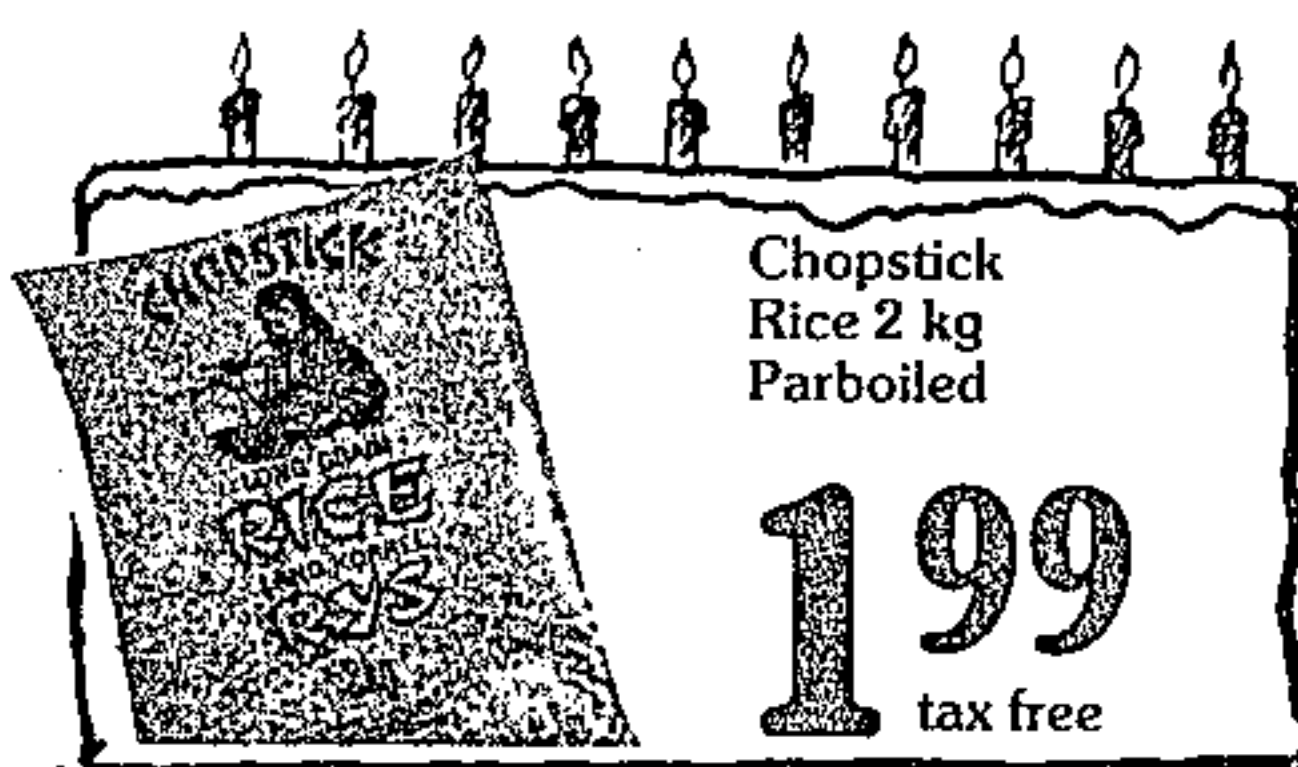
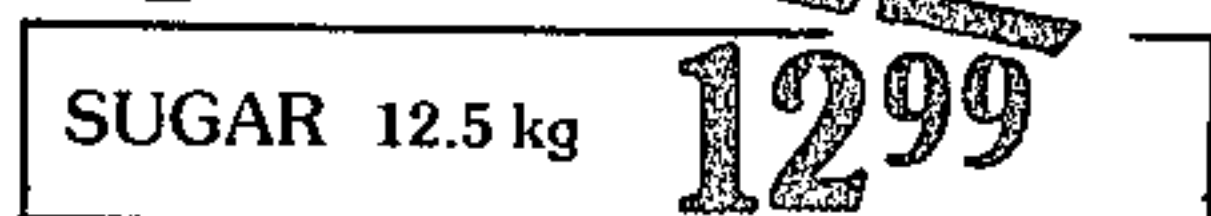
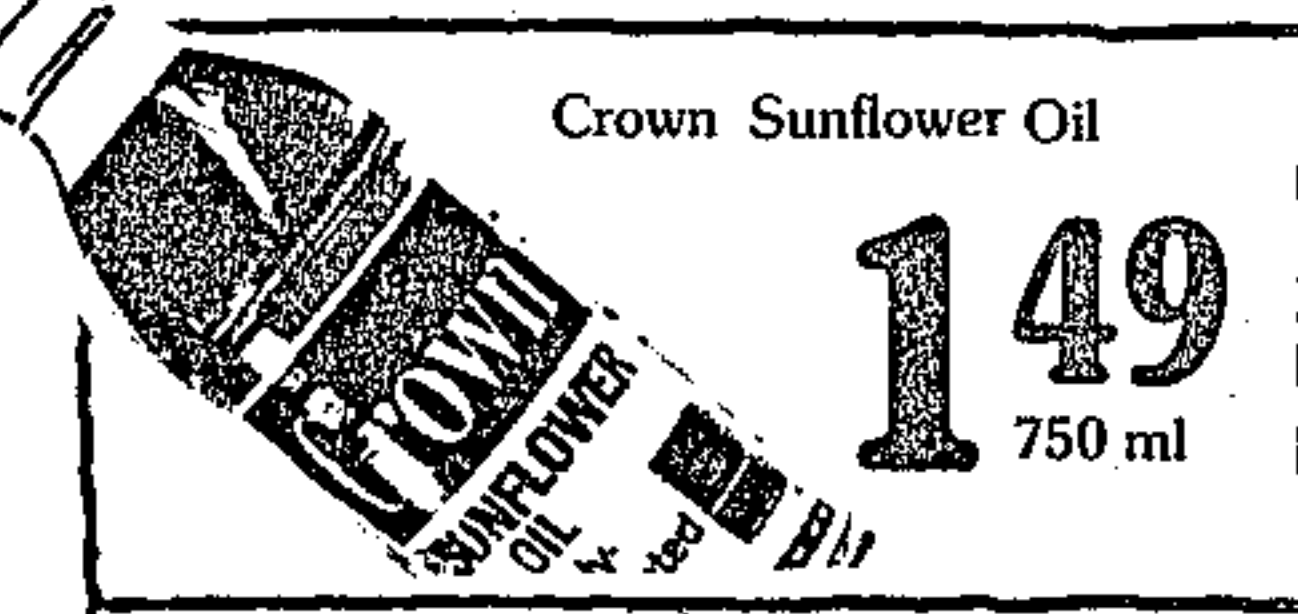

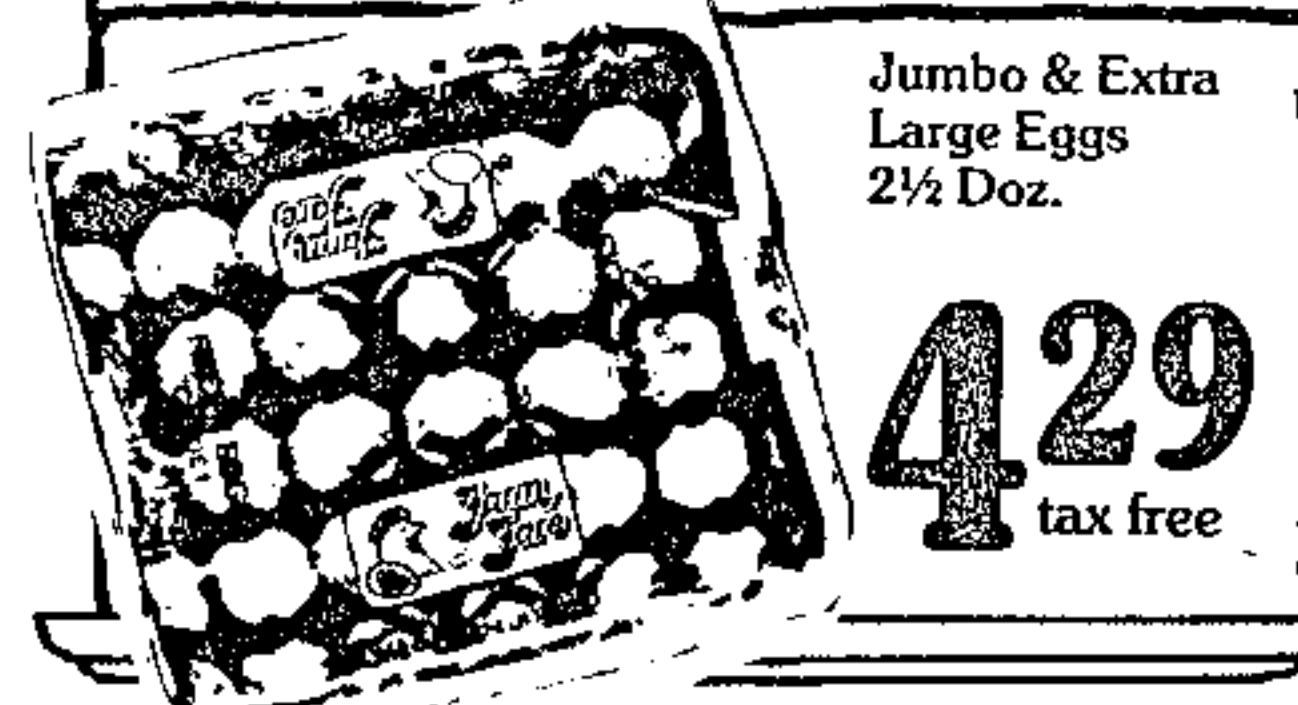
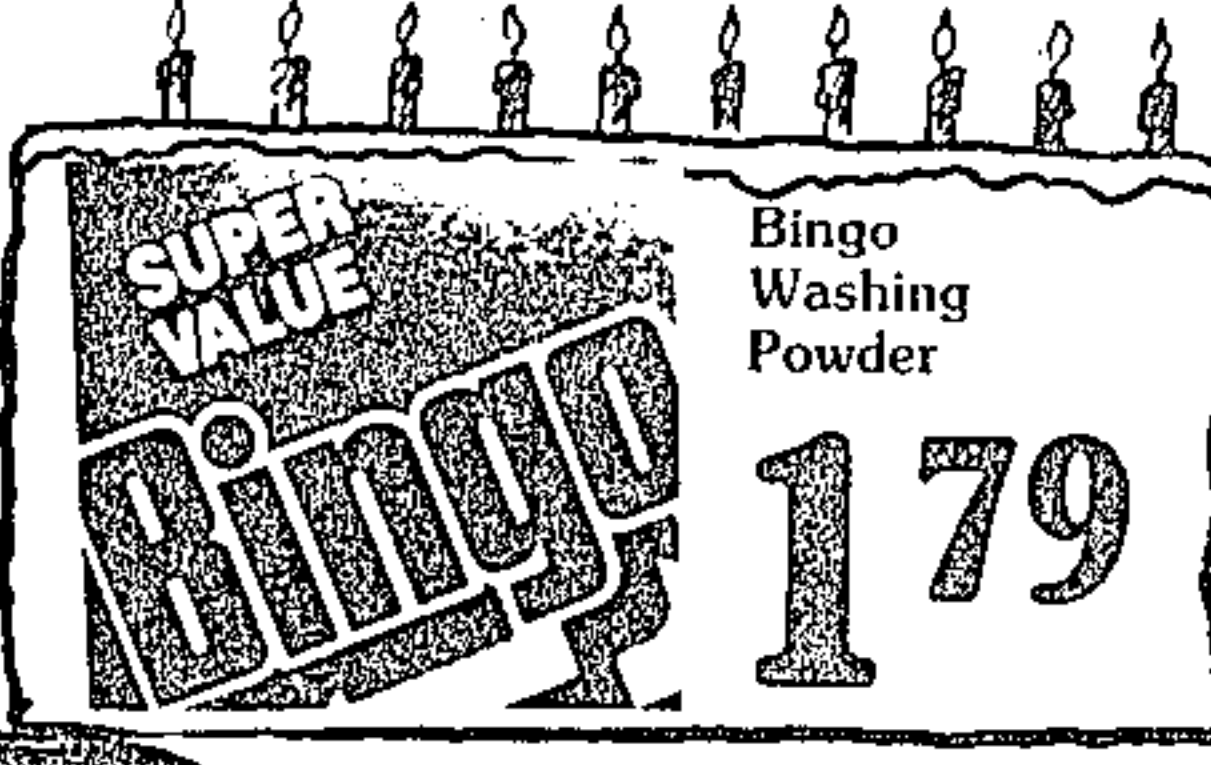
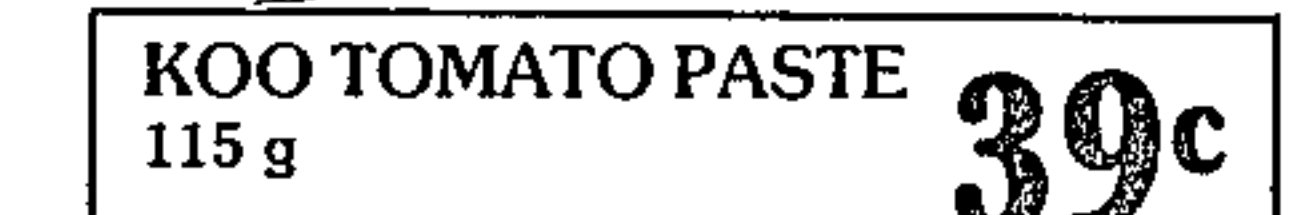
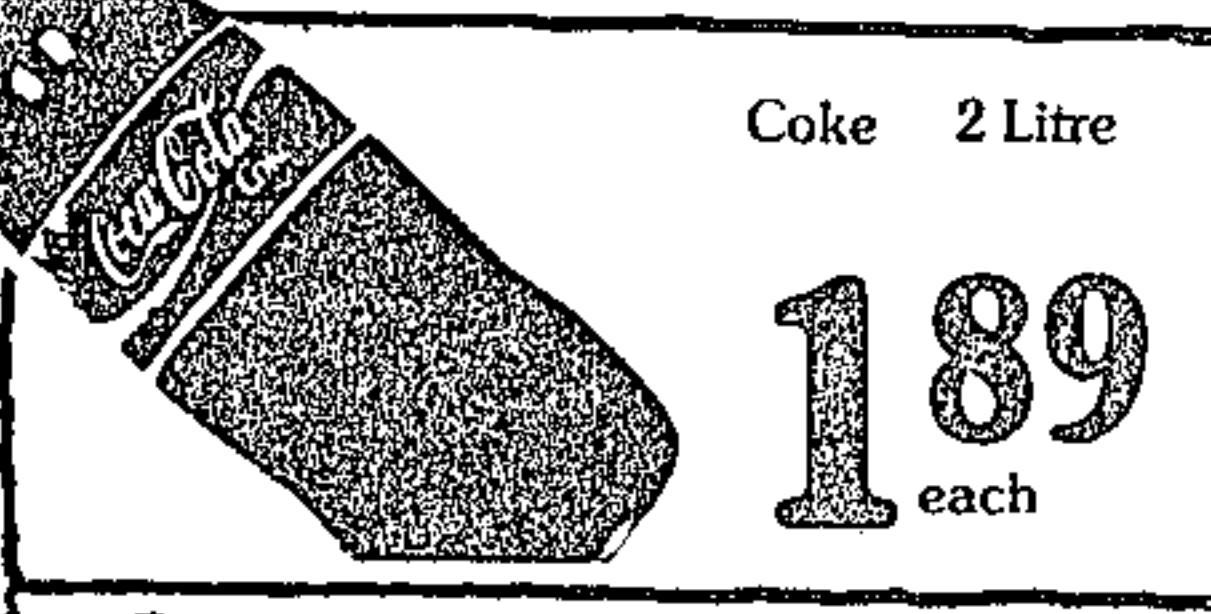

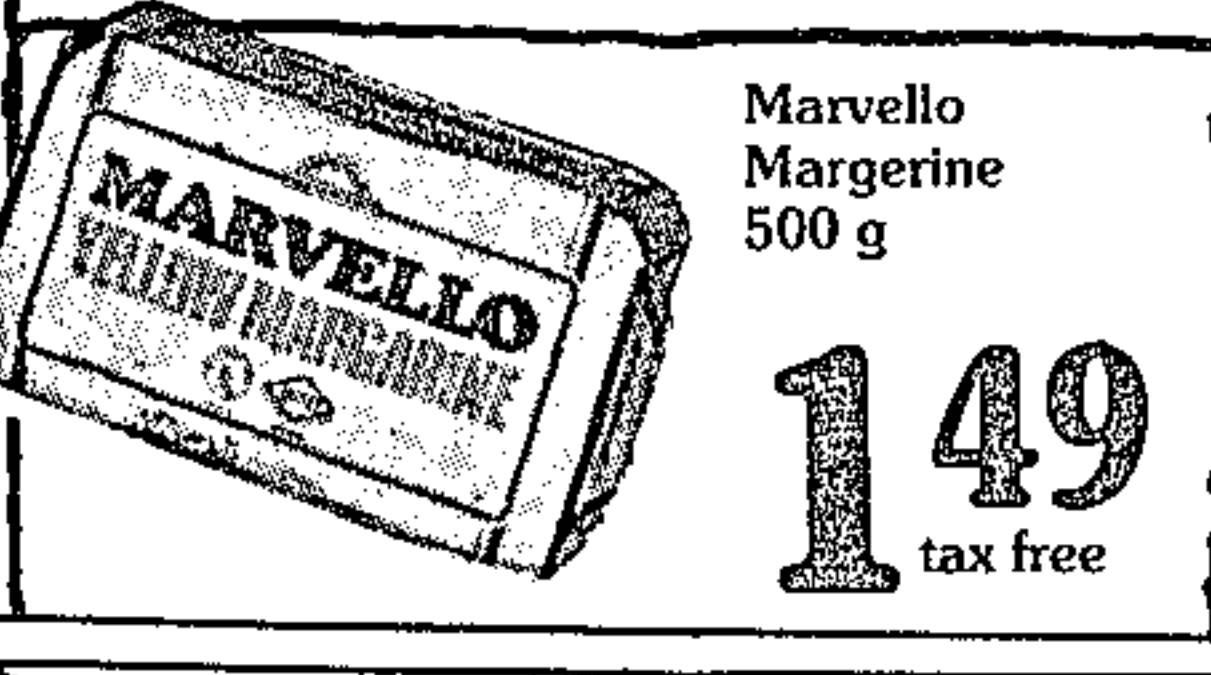
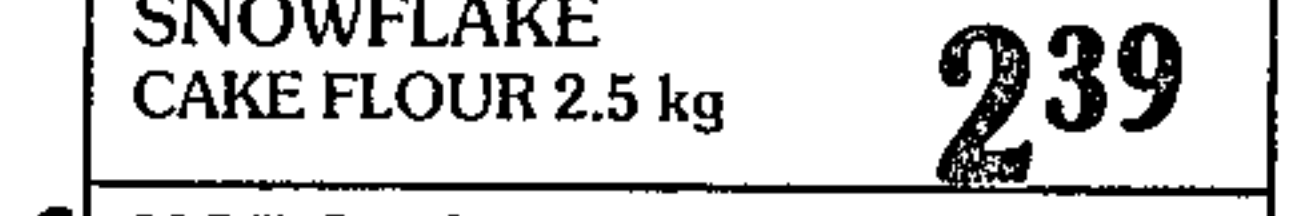

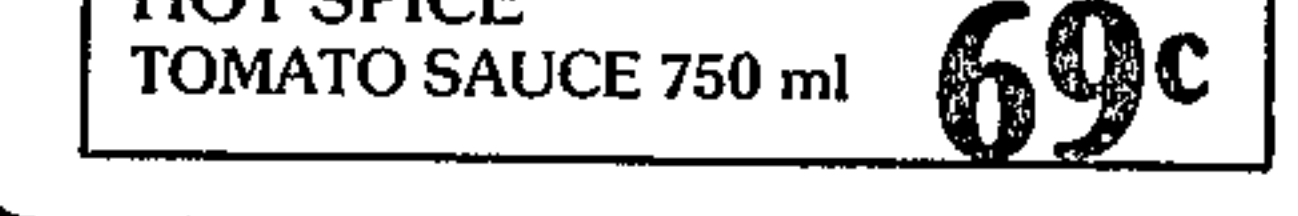
"How did the true prophets respond to these experiences.

"By drawing on the resources of our faith we can best respond to those who defend the oppression of the poor in the name of the Christian faith.

"The behaviour of the RWCGs is wrong. It is sinful.

"It is our evangelical task to proclaim the liberating gospel of Jesus Christ which exposes the damage inflicted on true faith by the false doctrines and ideologies of the false teachers who have today come among us."

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By SHANE SHAW

ARMED with a 9mm pistol in a Pretoria street Barend Strydom shot his way from obscurity into South Africa's most infamous nobody.

Before he was stopped, three people lay dead and 17 wounded. Three more died of their wounds in hospital.

The incident left South Africans numbed, but the miracle was really that it had not happened years ago.

Because the event illuminated the fantasy of the apartheid ideology taken to its conclusion.

Stripped of its make-believe and pseudo-intellectual rubbish, apartheid is perceived generally as the separation of races.

While the maintenance of capitalism might indeed occupy the minds of the

Living out a racist dream

engineers of this monstrosity, it is not the battleground for the minds - and specifically, votes - of Afrikaners.

All the white parliamentary parties in South Africa, in terms of electoral success, stand or fall on how each approaches the racial question.

Each attempts to prove to the electorate that its policy offers the best protection against the dangers of black political and social aspirations - swart gevaar!

Thus, Barend Strydom lived out the Verwoerdian fantasy of South African racism.

He merely took the ideas of the

master architect of apartheid to its extreme. Because only a believer of fairy tales can accept that a minority is able to deny basic human rights to a majority in their own country forever.

And when this tragi-comedy starts to collapse it must awaken the basest of emotions in human hearts.

When all the double-talk and soul-searching is done, it will have to be admitted that Strydom executed the fantasies of all racists.

Who of us in South Africa can deny hearing, or even fleetingly thinking, of home-spun theories such as: "The only good kaffir is a dead kaffir" or

"whites must be driven back into the sea"?

And others based on the elimination of races.

Most discard these ideas. But a seed must sometimes remain and germinate in minds like Strydom's.

When arrested, he reportedly told a policeman: "Don't worry. I could never shoot a white man."

We can only speculate on the poison pumped into the man's mind by television, schools, training camps, newspapers, churches, rallies, meetings and discussions, which burst out on a warm November day in the heart of apartheid territory.

Strydom is already on trial for his actions. Those who forged the festering sore of his mind are not. They must, however, not shy away from their share of responsibility for the deed.

An Afrikaans newspaper commented: "Every right thinking South African, irrespective of race, is filled with repugnance ..."

These sentiments were echoed across the spectrum of political parties who represent white supremacy.

The government has reacted by banning an obscure right-wing organisation, thus driving wedges deeper into the cracks in Afrikaner unity, all the while making a show of strength.

But all the apartheid apologists who are not secretly cheering Strydom must be gazing in horror at the monster of their creation.

By HANS PIENAAR

THE Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging was formed in a garage in Heidelberg, Transvaal, after the 1974 general election.

Since then the far-right resurgence has turned the Conservative Party within a few years of its launch into the official Opposition and given it control of 60 out of 95 Transvaal municipalities.

It has transformed Eugene Terre'Blanche from a walkie-talkie salesman in Rustenburg into a household name and the man most feared by non-Afrikaners.

The centre of a host of fanatical organisations, the AWB's strength has proven to be its schizophrenic approach.

The wildly irrational public statements of its leader have always been backed behind the screens by considerable organisational skills and an intellectual base fed by constant research and, for apartheid indoctrinated Afrikaners at least, creative theorising.

The AWB has escaped serious debate, which has allowed its intellectual strength to lay the foundations for the conservative revolution which started in 1982 and continues to this day.

A What's What of far-right organisations:

The Herstigte Nasionale Party: Formed in 1969 by four MPs led by Dr Albert Hertzog, the cabinet minister who together with the Broederbond kept TV out of South Africa for two decades.

They protested against turning "tuislande" into national states and the policy of "parallel development" for "Coloureds" - calling for a homeland for them.

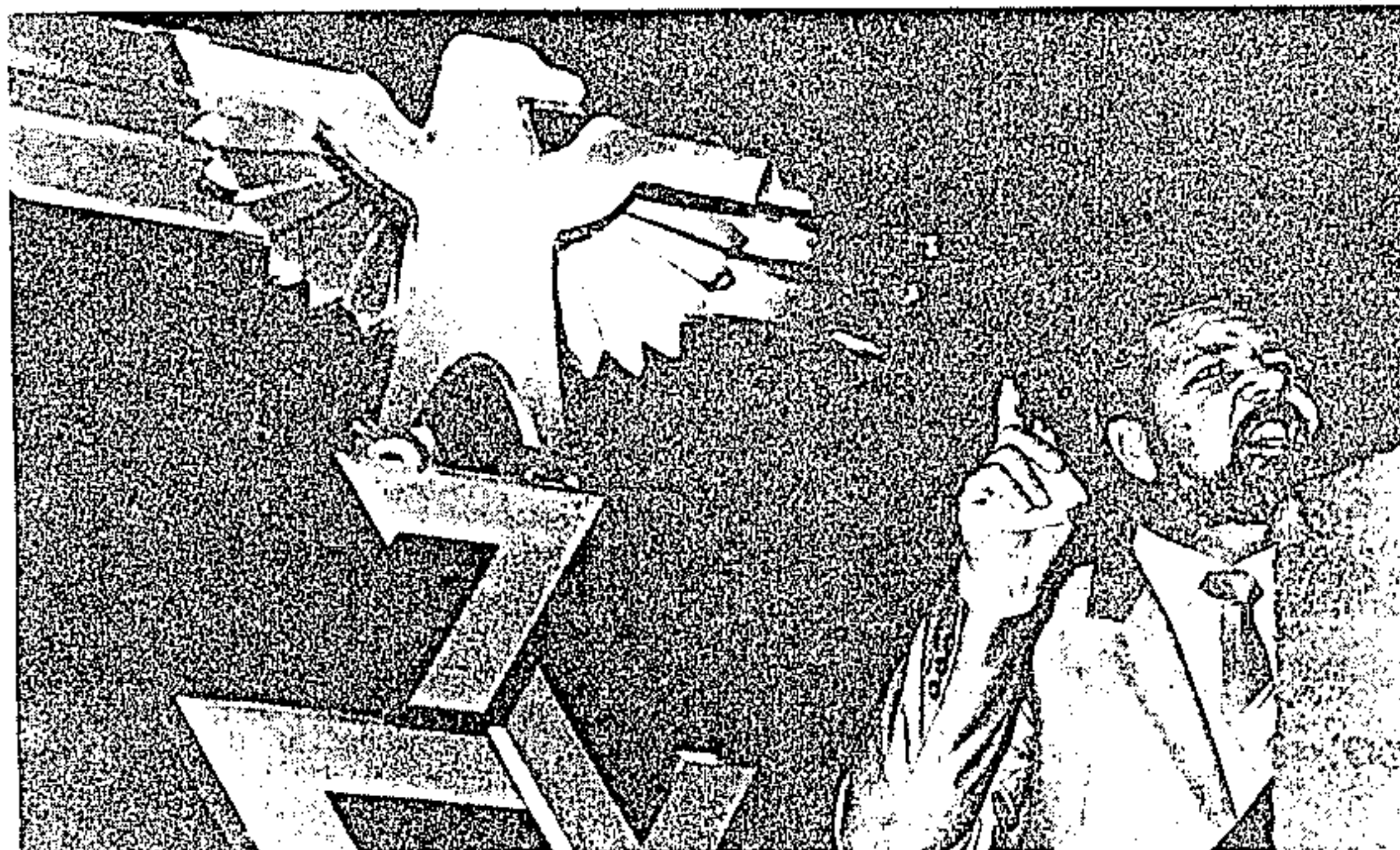
In the next election all four lost their seats and were expelled from a revamped Broederbond, which barred all members of the HNP and Hertzog's cultural organisation, the Afrikanerorde.

Noted for its outspoken racism, the party could never gain more than a few percent of the vote, and its only MP, Louis Stofberg, joined the CP after the HNP's unrealistic demands scuttled unification talks with the CP in 1986.

The South African Observer: An independent newsletter edited by S E D Brown. It promotes the ideas of the John Birch Society in America which denounced ultra-conservative President Dwight Eisenhower as a communist.

The Afrikaner Weerstandsbeweging: Started in 1974 by a handful of very small organisations like the Legion for Whites, the Conservative League, and the National Action

Far-right spectres



Eugene Terre'Blanche: Walkie-talkie salesman turned right-wing guru

for the Conservation of the White Man.

It denounced the "Jewish-British" parliament, calling for a people's state unfettered by the decisive influences of party politics.

Later it would allow Jews to join, provided they were Christians. It supported the nationalisations of the mines and the heavy taxation of big business.

The movement first surfaced during a campaign for the deracialisation of the Breytenbach Theatre, when Terre'Blanche tore up petitions in the name of God and the Afrikaner.

Soon afterwards the AWB tarred and feathered a leading Afrikaner historian who declared that the Blood River Covenant was not necessarily inspired by God.

The movement then grew rapidly, setting up "burgerrade" (civic councils) in every Transvaal town, and holding rallies where uniformed horse riders would carry flags of the old Boer Republics.

The AWB gained notoriety for its emblem, which was seen as a distortion of the Nazi Swastika, and the quirky statements of Terre'Blanche, who likened himself to Biblical heroes, like Noah, Moses and David.

In 1983 he was convicted for illegally possessing an AK47.

The Boerestaatsbeweging and Boerestaatsaksie: Started by Robert van Tonder, the two movements gained notoriety by breaking stink bombs in a Randburg bakery in October 1974 when the immigrant owner could not understand their order for "kolwyntjies" (little cakes).

It campaigned for service in Afrikaans in shops and a return of the territories of the Boer Republics (including the Republic of Vryheid in Natal) to the Afrikaner.

In 1988 it was revamped as the Boerestaatsparty, which proclaimed that apartheid was an absurdity, and should be removed by removing non-whites.

The Wit Kommando: Surfaced in 1980 when four Italians were convicted of the office bombings of verligte Afrikaner academics and liberal institutions.

An HNP member expressed sympathy for them, explaining that they had been on the run all their lives: from Ethiopia, to Kenya, to Mozambique, to South Africa.

The South African National Front: An extension of the British National Front, the SANF disbanded shortly after its formation when its anti-Semitic statements led to the ransacking of its leader's house by Jews.

All its members fled to Britain, where one was convicted of theft and abduction of a boy.

The Conservative Party: The CP was launched after 240 000 voters protested against PW Botha's new tricameral dispensation by voting for the HNP, then still in the planning stage.

PW Botha himself thwarted an attempted hijacking of the Transvaal National Party, by cabinet members Andries Treurnicht and Ferdi Hartzenberg, with his personal appearance at the party congress in late 1982.

Since then the CP has grown from strength to strength, although many observers believe it has reached the pinnacle of its power.

While it is steadily encroaching on economically depressed cities, its support seems confined to the Transvaal platteland.

Its policy is a return to Verwoerdian apartheid, a homeland for "Coloureds" and Indians, white supremacy inscribed in the constitution, and Afrikaans as a compulsory language of instruction. Lately it has entertained the idea of a white homeland.

It collaborates closely with the AWB - at least five of its 23 MPs are AWB members.

The Afrikanervolkswag: It was launched in May 1983 to counter the

Federasie van Afrikaanse Kultuurverenigings (FAK), a Broederbond front organisation.

The AV's strategy has been to start cultural organisations in every Transvaal town - with functions dominated by Boer symbols.

It also arranged alternative Day of the Covenant festivities, and its own motorised re-enactment of the Great Trek.

The Afrikaner Protestante Kerk was launched early in 1987 after NGK members protested against the church's statement that apartheid was no longer divinely inspired.

Toekomsbesprek: The conservative's answer to the Broederbond, it started with the breakaway of conservative Ruiterswag (junior Broederbond) after their unsuccessful attempt to hijack the RW and its vast financial resources.

The Blanke Bevrydingsbeweging (BBB) surfaced in June 1985 after the Westdene bus disaster when it put up posters denouncing it as a deed of terrorism against the white man.

Since then it has claimed the establishment of 160 commando in 19 areas all over South Africa.

Their leader, Randse Afrikaanse Universiteit Professor Johan Schabort, has been restricted.

The Wit Wolwe: There is still uncertainty whether this group has members other than Barend Strydom.

It has claimed responsibility for arson at the Namibian's offices; the teargassing of a Dennis Worrall meeting, a Heidelberg mosque, and a multi-racial dance meeting; and the bombing of a Hillbrow disco.

It also claimed responsibility for the bombing of Khotso House.

Suld Afrikaanse Instituut vir Rasse Betrekkings (SABRA): Started in the 50s by the Broederbond, the institute has served as a think-tank for attempts to solve the contradictions of apartheid.

By the 70s its most important activities were the indoctrination of young people at "youth courses" which also served as recruitment camps for the Ruiterswag (Junior Broederbond).

By the time of the big split in 1982, it was firmly controlled by conservatives like Carel Boshoff.

In 1983 the government withdrew its R70 000 annual subsidy. Many Broederbond-controlled city councils which provided the bulk of its huge funding followed suit.

Kappte Kommando: An organisation of far-right women, it became known since the late 70s for its semi-religious and racist pronouncements.

Despite their odd behaviour, other organisations allowed them to form guards of honour in Voortrekker dress until the Kappte Kommando turned against these as well. Later it was quietly persuaded to disband.

ANC ready to hit civilians expert

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Supreme Court Reporter

THOUGH the stated policy of the African National Congress is that only military targets would be attacked, there was a growing perception among cadres that civilian targets could be attacked.

This was said yesterday in the Supreme Court by ANC expert Brigadier Hermanus Stadler in the trial of Ashley Forbes and 13 co-accused who had been convicted of terrorism, contravening Section 54 (4) of the Internal Security Act and furthering the aims and objectives of the ANC.

Stated targets of the ANC were military and police installations and political and economic targets, he said.

With the signing of the First Protocol of the Geneva Convention the ANC committed itself to attacking only military targets.

However, in subsequent speeches by Mr Johnny Makatini and ANC president Mr Oliver Tambo, it was said the distinction between "hard" and "soft" targets would disappear. As a result claims were made that the ANC was prepared to attack civilian targets.

A perception had grown among ANC cadres that because they operated on their own and were given orders to

find their own targets, civilian targets could be attacked, Brigadier Stadler said.

Mr Chris Hani, chief of staff of Umkhonto we Sizwe, had also said that the distinction between soft and hard targets would disappear. Mr Tambo later said Mr Hani's statement was a personal opinion.

Since 1985 there had been a dramatic increase in terror attacks which could be directly linked to the outbreak of unrest in the Vaal Triangle in September 1984.

Factors which played a role were that ANC guerillas who infiltrated the country had greater freedom of movement, the local population was more receptive to recruitment, more people could be locally trained, cells could be established and greater use was made of "instant" training.

Asked if there had been a difference in strategy between the emergencies of 1985 and 1986, Brigadier Stadler said the situation in certain magisterial districts had become out of hand and law and order was still the task of the police.

The hearing continues today.

The accused are: Forbes, Pator Jacobs, Nicklo Pedro, Nazeen Lowe, Anwa Dramat, Clement Basdjies, David Fortuin, Jeremy Veary, Walter Rhoads, Wayne Malgas, Collin Cairncross, Ashraf Karriem, Colin Petersen and Leon Scott.

EMERGENCY UPDATE

Hand-grenade thrown out ^{SAPA} of moving car

The Argus ^{17/6/65}
Correspondent ^{25/11/88}

JOHANNESBURG. — A hand-grenade thrown from a moving car exploded on the pavement outside a block of flats in Killarney today.

No-one was injured.

A police spokesman said the South African-made M26 grenade was hurled by an occupant of a car passing Hampshire Mews in Fourth Avenue at 1am.

Little damage was caused.

● Sapa reports from Johannesburg an explosive device went off in the grounds of Daliwonga senior secondary school in Dube, Soweto today.

There were no injuries.

A house in Katlehong, near Germiston, was damaged by a petrol-bomb, according to the police overnight unrest report. No-one was injured.

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Natal blast rips up railway line

DURBAN. — An explosion at 1am yesterday ripped away a section of railway line between Phoenix and Mount Edgemombe stations north of here.

A Port Natal police spokesman, Lieutenant Bala Naidoo, said nobody was injured and damage was minimal.

Meanwhile, the police overnight unrest report said two women and a man were wounded at Lamontville, Durban, when two men fired shots at a bus.

Also in Natal, a man was found stabbed to death at Umbumbulu, and three women set fire to a house at Hammarsdale, police said. — Sapa

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Cop risks life in bomb drama at school

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JOHANNESBURG. — A policeman risked his life at a Soweto school yesterday when he picked up a limpet mine placed outside the headmaster's office and ran with it to a soccer field where it was detonated.

It is believed to be the first time that a mine has been placed at a school.

Teachers at Daliwonga High School, praised the actions of the "white policeman" for his quick response.

A teacher who saw the incident, Mr City Nkosi, said: "He was very courageous — his actions certainly saved lives."

The policeman who handled the mine, a Warrant Officer Smit, declined to be interviewed.

"I was just doing my job", he said.

Mr Nkosi said WO Smit "was a bit shaky" after the incident and asked for a cup of tea.

Teachers found a school bag outside the headmaster's office, with the mine protruding.

The headmaster, Mr Mike Mkize, said a teacher kicked the mine, thinking it was a joke, and when it rolled out of the bag "realised it was bomb". — Sapa

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Cape Times 28/11/68
Queenstown bomb blast *SLA*

QUEENSTOWN. — The police public relations division in Pretoria has confirmed that a limpet mine exploded in front of the magistrate's court in Queenstown in the Eastern Cape late on Saturday night. According to police, the explosion caused little damage and no injuries.

Captour Times 29/11/88

Captour has plans to raise R500m

Municipal Reporter

CAPTOUR has planned its 1989 budget to attract an additional 170 000 tourists, "which will result in total indirect additional revenue of more than half a billion rands", chairman Mr Louis Kreiner said yesterday.

Delivering the chairman's address at Captour's 10th anniversary general meeting in the city hall, he said the organisation would have to raise R800 000 over and above its existing funds to finance marketing strategies to achieve this aim.

Captour was confident that it would generate the needed funds, he said. The city council would fully underwrite Captour's administrative costs and match the private sector income for marketing rand-for-rand up to R150 000.

Thousands of new jobs should be created if the extra tourists came. The cost to Captour of doing enough marketing to bring the tourists here worked out to only R100 per job created, compared with the R2 000 or so it cost the Small Business Development Corporation.

When Captour had been formed in 1978 it had hoped to lengthen the tourist season from two months to six by 1988.

"This goal has now been achieved," Mr Kreiner said.

Terrorism won't kill tourism

Captour Times 29/11/88

By PETER DENNEHY

TOURISM can survive terrorism — and prosper, says Mr Robert Hall, former chief executive of the Northern Ireland Tourist Board (NITB).

Mr Hall, the guest speaker at Captour's annual general meeting in the city hall last night, said some of his experiences "during 11 years of bombs, bangs and bullets might have some useful application to the local tourism effort here".

He now lives in Tokai, after retiring in 1981. Mr Hall said the 120 000 high-spending holiday tourists South Africa gets each year "is just peanuts".

Northern Ireland had a million tourists, not counting day-trippers from the south, as far back as 1968. Soon after that "the troubles" — the Irish word for unrest — started, and the trade was cut in half.

"We stopped all consumer advertising in 1972. No amount of money could counter all the bad publicity put out daily by the media," he said.

Instead, travel and sporting journalists were brought in and showed "the other side of Ulster", and special interest or activity holidays (golf, fishing, game-fishing, shooting) were promoted. In 1981 there were a million tourists again.

Mr Hall said attention had to be paid to transportation and accommodation as well as marketing.

Charter airlines could bring "millions of holiday-makers" on "sun package" holidays here much more cheaply than at present, he added.

The NITB had "put forward something on which both Protestant and Catholic could agree" in Northern Ireland, and it had enjoyed more credibility than the government.

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'Terrorism a crime, not act of war'

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Supreme Court Reporter

CONTRARY to air force chief Lieutenant-General Jan van Loggerenberg's claim, the security police did not believe South Africa was at war, Brigadier Hermanus Stadler said at the trial of 14 men convicted of terrorism and related charges.

In the Supreme Court, Cape Town, yesterday Brigadier Stadler was given a copy of General van Loggerenberg's affidavit used in the End Conscription Campaign's application restraining the Defence Force from harassment.

The general had said the activities of the SADF fell outside the jurisdiction of the court because South Africa was involved in a war.

Brigadier Stadler said in reply to a question by Mr Michael Donen, for the defence, that he had been asked to provide an affidavit for the ECC action backing the assertion that South Africa was at war, but refused to do so.

Committed

"Certainly the African National Congress are committed to a revolution in South Africa and they are using revolutionary tactics," the brigadier said.

"But there is no war in South Africa — the ANC also admit this."

"If there was a war the SADF would have been called in a long time ago."

Brigadier Stadler said the ANC repeatedly stated in their publications that they were at war.

In earlier publications, while the ANC were supporting Zapu in Rhodesia, the term "Today Rhodesia — tomorrow South Africa" was repeatedly used.

"This was a naive view, as Joe Slovo correctly pointed out at the time," Brigadier Stadler said.

"But this perception is still created in ANC publications."

He believed that South Africa was at war in Angola, but that inside the Republic only acts of terror took place.

The security police regarded these acts of terror as criminal actions and not actions of war, Brigadier Stadler said.

Asked by Mr Donen whether imprisonment would rehabilitate the accused in view of their statements in the dock that they would not change their political views, Brigadier Stadler believed that it would not.

"Rehabilitation as regards this kind of person is practically nil," he said.

"Many of them become involved in ANC activities upon their release."

Study in jail

Mr Donen said many political prisoners went to Robben Island as "amateurs" and were released "professionals".

"In the words of Mr Justice van Dijkhorst, they study at the feet of Nelson Mandela at Robben Island," Mr Donen said.

"I agree," said Brigadier Stadler. "That's probably why Nelson Mandela was moved off Robben Island."

The trialists are Ashley Forbes, Peter Jacobs, Nicklo Pedro, Nazeem Lowe, Anwa Dramat, Clement Baadjies, David Fortuin, Jeremy Veary, Walter Rhode, Wayne Malgas, Collin Cairncross, Ashraf Kariem, Colin Petersen and Leon Scott.

The trial was postponed to next Monday for argument.

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Bomb blast in Boksburg

BOKSBURG. — A suspected limpet mine exploded outside the Receiver of Revenue office in Boksburg early today.

There were no injuries.

Police said the blast happened at 1.20am on the corner of Leeupoort and Pretoria streets.

The assistant receiver, Mrs Marinda Smook said: "There is a big hole in the cement."

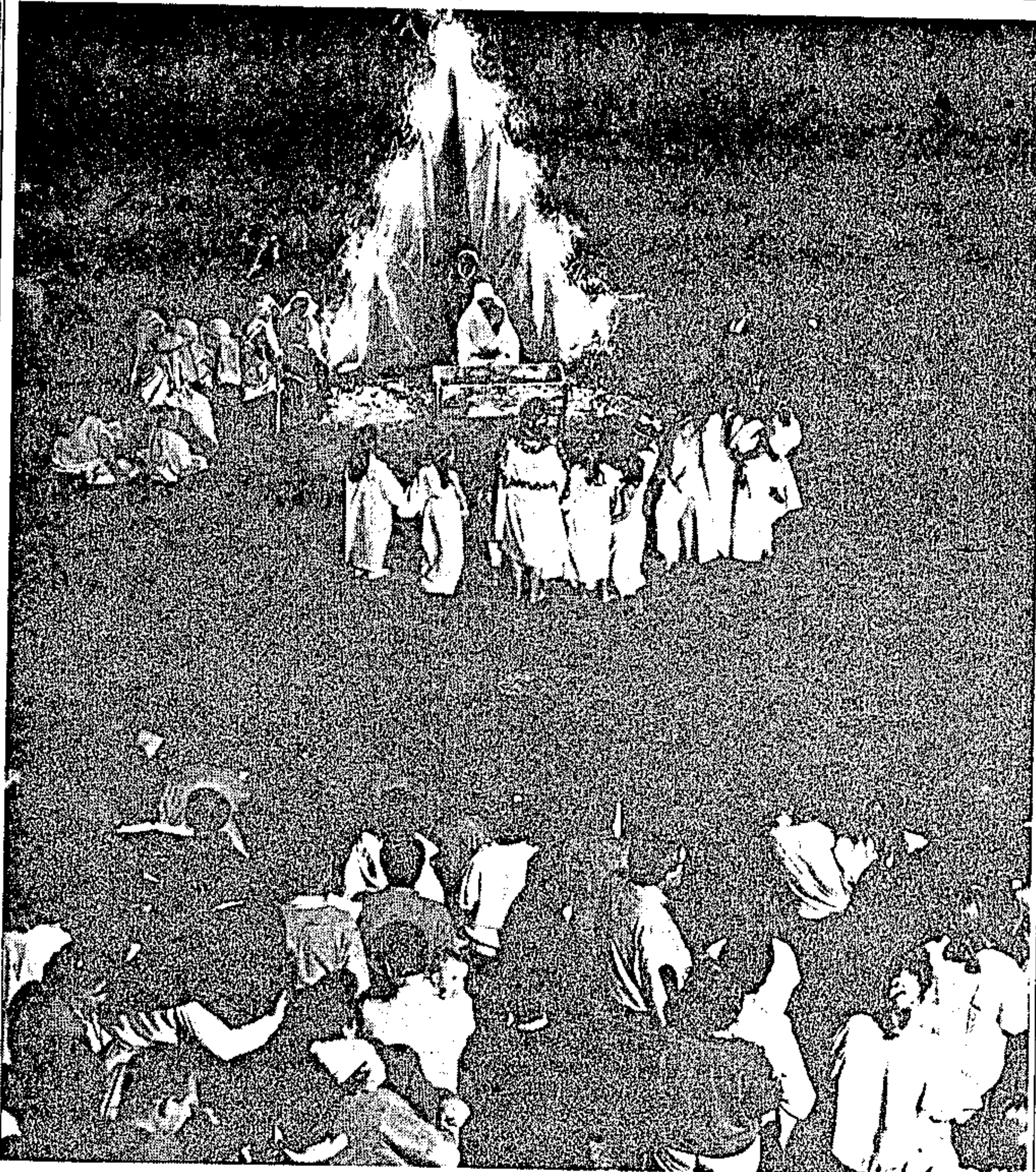
The windows of the office were shattered and plaster was ripped from walls in the building.

Windows of the post office across the road were also blown out.

"It was a terrible thing. There is a lot of damage," said Mrs Smook. — Sapa.

Death-fall youth tailed for more than a month, say police

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Picture: ANDREW INGRAM, The Argus

The nativity scene during the St Johns Hostel Carols by Candlelight drew a capacity crowd.

Wind-blown candle pageant

Staff Reporter
CANDLELIGHT and smiling faces marked one of the first Christmas pageants to be held in Cape Town this year.

Although the Cape Doctor played havoc with the candles and made people reach for jackets and jerseys to keep out the chill, the St John's Hostel Carols by Candlelight in Cape Town drew a capacity crowd, young and old, to the hostel's

open-air theatre yesterday. Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who was to have been a special guest, could not be present because he could not get back from Port Elizabeth in time.

But neither the wind nor the absence of the Archbishop dimmed the enthusiasm of the people taking part. Crowds streamed into the grounds long after the official starting time to join in the singing.

The Argus Correspondent
JOHANNESBURG. — The suspected ANC member who apparently jumped to his death from a city flat yesterday had been followed by police for more than a month before his arrest in Klerksdorp, a spokesman said.

Mr Amos Khoza, 18, offered to take security police to his "contact" in Claim Street, Johannesburg, an official police statement said.

People told how they watched in horror as the youth fell seven storeys to his death while under security police escort.

The Commissioner of Police announced yesterday that Mr Khoza, allegedly recruited to undergo training overseas, had "evaded his security police escorts and jumped from the seventh floor of Wonder Court in Claim Street".

General Hennie de Witt said one of South Africa's top police generals, deputy CID chief Major-General J Joubert, has been ordered by him to personally investigate the circumstances leading to Mr Khoza's death. General Joubert is also heading an investigation into alleged rightwing terror incidents.

Witnesses said Mr Khoza had been shackled at the feet at the time he fell.

"Lean over"

One woman, who asked not to be identified, said she was standing in her flat kitchen when she saw Mr Khoza lean over the railing and lift himself slightly.

She said she could not say whether he had jumped or whether he had slipped.

His security police escorts were about three steps behind him when he fell. They tried to grab him but he was already over the edge, she said.

She said she heard Mr Khoza hitting the railings on other floors.

Mr Khoza's death was a sequel to his midnight arrest in Klerksdorp yesterday.

Police had information he was in possession of an AK47 rifle and "other terrorist weapons", said General de Witt.

He said there were witnesses who saw the accident and that statements had already been taken from them.

100 years of rugby

JOHANNESBURG. — A special postage stamp series will be issued to mark the centenary of the South African Rugby Board next year, Mr Stoffel Botha, Minister of Home Affairs, has announced. — Sapa.

Army officers ousted

SANTIAGO. — Chile's military President Augusto Pinochet, undertaking a gradual withdrawal of the armed forces from power, has replaced army officers with civilians in 16 local government posts. — Sapa-Reuter.

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No defections from the CP NBS 'loses out' on Reef deal

Own Correspondent *84*

JOHANNESBURG. — All 12 CP councillors in the Boksburg town council — including chief whip Mr T J Ferreira — yesterday enthusiastically and unequivocally declared their allegiance and support to the policies and measures taken by the CP in Boksburg.

A special fund is to be set up by nominated CP MP Mr Clive Derby-Lewis for those CP councillors who are intimidated or who run into financial difficulties as a result of threatened boycotts or other actions against their businesses.

Earlier it had been claimed that two councillors would defect to the National Party, but the CP's majority in the council remains.

JOHANNESBURG. — The NBS has lost out on a stake in a R10-million townhouse development in the southern suburbs here because it ended its agency agreement with Boksburg's CP mayor, Mr Beyers de Klerk, the party's Johannesburg chairman, Mr Fred Rundle, said yesterday.

The NBS this week said it could not reconcile the CP-controlled Boksburg town council's decision to implement petty apartheid with its stance as an equal-opportunity employer.

Ms Eileen Kovacs, a spokesman for co-marketers of the Mayfield project, said yesterday: "Because of uncertainty surrounding the business methods of the NBS the developers found it difficult to place their trust and money with the society while there is uncertainty that bonds may be withdrawn overnight because one or two people may belong to the CP."

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Mine near Vlok: Man discharged


Staff Reporter

THE MAN who suffered a brain haemorrhage after allegedly being found carrying a limpet mine near the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, has been discharged from Groote Schuur Hospital into police custody.

Police yesterday confirmed that Mr Nana Robert Maliti, 22, of Old Crossroads, was being held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. They "could not say" whether the circumstances leading to Mr Maliti's hospitalisation were being investigated.

Police said Mr Maliti was found carrying a primed limpet mine in a plastic bag some 150m from a police station which Mr Vlok was opening in Old Crossroads in October.

Hours after Mr Maliti's arrest he was admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital.



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Brakpan building damaged in blast

Crime Reporter

The Brakpan office of the Department of Home Affairs was damaged by a limpet mine explosion yesterday, the second at an East Rand town since Friday.

A Pretoria police spokesman said the mine exploded at 8.10 am. No one was injured.

Damage to the premises on the corner of High Street and Victoria Drive was confined to the windows and a door, said the spokesman.

Police found remnants of an SPM limpet mine on the scene.

No one has yet claimed responsibility.

On Friday morning, another limpet mine explosion took place at the Receiver of Revenue office in Boksburg. No one was injured in the 1.20 am blast.

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Many Boksburg businesses are facing ruin this Christmas as the consumer boycott bites deeper.

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Mr Annegarn said that 43 businesses in Brakpan, where the CP has also reintroduced petty apartheid, had united to take action against a looming consumer boycott.

Besides monitoring the effects of the boycott, the Boksburg Alliance is collecting signatures for a petition to be presented to the Minister of Constitutional Development and Planning, Mr Chris Heunis.

It was learnt today that the CP is considering laying charges against the Natal Building Society and other companies in connection with contravention of the emergency regulations and intimidation.

The chief secretary of the CP, Mr Andries Beyers, said he would release a statement later today.

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Stilfontein

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Meanwhile, the nearby town of Carletonville decided last night to abandon its proposed after-dark curfew of blacks in the town.

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Divorcee Mrs. Monika Sharp, 24 ... slain in her Tamboerskloof flat.

Killing of woman in blue: Man under guard in hospital

By STEPHEN WROTTESELEY
Crime Reporter

AN Ottery man found in a coma from a drug overdose hours after 24-year-old Mrs Monika Sharp was slain in her Tamboerskloof flat is under police guard in Victoria Hospital.

Mrs Sharp, the divorced mother of a seven-year-old boy, was found dead yesterday morning on the floor near the front door of her bachelor flat in Hillendale, Kloofnek Road.

Near her were bunches of fresh flowers, which police believe were given to her shortly before she was killed.

Hours after her body was found by her mother, Mrs Bridgette Schuerstedt-Kochem, and a colleague, the 29-year-old man was found unconscious in the locked bedroom of the Ottery house where he lived.

Detectives got into the room through a window and the man was rushed to Victoria Hospital for treatment for a drug overdose.

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Police established that he bought the drugs about 11am yesterday after asking a pharmacist to obtain a telephonic prescription from a doctor.

Police said the man was later arrested in connection with Mrs Sharp's death.

He was under police guard and would appear in court soon.

Police believe Mrs Sharp was killed late on Monday night. Her son, Michael, was

When she finally got inside she found her daughter lying on her back, dressed only in a blouse and a pair of panties.

Police were called and started a search for a man who, according to neighbours, frequently visited Mrs Sharp.

They found out the man lived in Ottery.

Detectives were told the man was resting in a room at the back of the Ottery house.

When they looked inside they saw he was in a coma and in a "state of distress".

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Gold \$425,25

GOLD traded at \$425,25 an ounce in London today, against \$427,45 at last night's New York close. The rand traded at R2,3227 (\$0,4305) to the US dollar today from yesterday's R2,2717 (\$0,4401) close. — Business Staff.

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In terms of the emergency regulations reports, comment and pictures may be restricted.

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'ANC guerilla' briefs Botswana govt minister

PRETORIA. — A member of the alleged Broederstroom ANC cell, cracked by the police earlier this year, briefed Gaborone's Minister of External Affairs, Dr G Chiepe, here yesterday on the ANC's activities.

Mr Hugh Lugg had had "a confidential conversation" with Dr Chiepe yesterday, the senior chief deputy commissioner of the SAP, General Johan van der Merwe, confirmed.

Dr Chiepe and other members of her government were in Pretoria to discuss security matters with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok and the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan.

She told newsmen after the meeting that she still did not know of insurgents using Botswana to infiltrate SA, as Pretoria had repeatedly alleged. Her government was "studying the whole situation, using whatever information we get". — Sapa

SA's political violence features in TV thriller

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By Alan Dunn,
The Star Bureau

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WASHINGTON — South Africa's political violence spilled on to the streets of New York last night in a prime-time American television drama highlighting the conflict of apartheid.

Government security men are hunting an African National Congress member who bombed a Johannesburg police station.

She is also being stalked by gunman Kenneth Voorhuis, a policeman who lost his wife in that blast.

It all ends in an assassination attempt on a South African Government Minister on a New York pavement, with the widower and the ANC woman shot dead.

The plot unfolded in an hour-long episode of a show titled "Equalizer" (sic), a popular series fea-

turing the British actor, Edward Woodward, playing Robert McCall, a portly, middle-aged, pistol-packing do-gooder.

He drives a Jaguar, sips good Scotch, and always manages to level the odds for the downtrodden by outsmarting and outshooting the rogues.

The episode, its South African content thoroughly billed on CBS television on previous evenings, started with seemingly authentic video clips of black unrest in Soweto, burning and flattening of Crossroads, Mrs Winnie Mandela speaking, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu praying: "God, we do believe we must be free, but why must the cost be so high?"

Voorhuis is played by American actor Theodore Bikel, an anti-apartheid activist in the United States.

Guguletu

Seven

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Staff Reporter

THE inquest into the controversial killing of seven alleged guerillas by police in Guguletu more than two years ago has been re-opened "in the public interest".

Attorney-General Mr Niel Rossouw requested this week that the inquest magistrate, Mr G Hoffman, who made his finding on sworn affidavits only, to re-open the inquest to take "additional evidence".

Mr Hoffman, who disallowed an application for vocal evidence to be led, found that all seven men died from bullet wounds sustained "in police activity for the combating of terrorism".

He also found there had been no act or omission on the part of any person which amounted to an offence.

The shootout between police and the seven alleged guerillas outside a Guguletu men's hostel on March 3, 1986, and the subsequent publication of eyewitness reports by the Cape Times caused widespread controversy.

Three eyewitnesses, all hostel dwellers, claimed that one suspected guerilla was shot and killed after trying to give himself up, and that another, lying wounded on the ground, was "finished off" by police.

Acquitted

Former crime reporter, Mr Chris Bateman, who interviewed the eyewitnesses, was barred from attending daily police crime conferences and former deputy news editor, Mr Tony Weaver, was charged with making untrue statements about police to the BBC.

Mr Weaver was acquitted after a lengthy trial in which the magistrate found that he had reasonable grounds for believing what he had reported to be true. The magistrate, Mr J M Lemmer, also found that expert medical evidence contradicted the police version of what happened.

Mr Rossouw said yesterday that "there have been certain things that have been uncovered and we felt that this had to be stated in open court — under the circumstances it may make a difference".

He added: "I may be underestimating the strength of the new evidence to possibly change the complexion of the whole thing, but something has been uncovered which may make a difference."

"We feel that it is in the public interest for the inquest to be re-opened".

● Mr Weaver is suing the Minister of Law and Order for more than R107 000 for "wrongful and malicious prosecution".

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AG orders reopening of Guguletu inquest

CAPE TOWN — The inquest into the controversial killing of seven alleged insurgents by police in Guguletu two years ago has been reopened "in the public interest".

The Attorney-General, Mr Niel Rossouw, requested this week that the inquest magistrate, Mr G Hoffman, who made his finding on sworn affidavits only, re-open the inquest to take additional evidence.

Mr Hoffman disallowed an application for verbal evidence to be led and found that all seven men died from bullet wounds sustained "in police activity for the combating of terrorism".

The shoot-out between police and the seven alleged guerillas outside a Guguletu men's hostel on March 3 1986 and the subsequent publication of eyewitness reports by the *Cape Times* caused widespread controversy.

Three eyewitnesses claimed that one suspected guerilla was shot and killed after trying to give himself up and that a wounded man was "finished off" by police.

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Alleged ANC cell man briefs Minister

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A MEMBER of the alleged Broederstroom ANC cell, cracked by the police earlier this year, briefed Gaborone's Minister of External Affairs, Dr G Chiepe, in Pretoria on the ANC's activities.

Mr Hugh Lugg had had "a confidential conversation" with Dr Chiepe on Monday, the

senior chief deputy Commissioner of the South African Police, General Johan van der Merwe, confirmed.

Dr Chiepe and other members of her government were in Pretoria to discuss security matters with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr Pik Botha, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr

Adriaan Vlok and the Minister of Defence, General Magnus Malan.

She told newsmen after the meeting at the state guest house that she still did not know of insurgents using Botswana to infiltrate South Africa, as Pretoria had repeatedly alleged. Her government was "studying the whole situation, using whatever information we get."

She did not refer to her meeting with Mr Lugg.

Police sources have indicated that the investigation into the Broederstroom four — who allegedly amassed an arsenal including a Sam 7 missile in a rented house west of Pretoria — had virtually been completed, and that a court appearance was imminent. — Sapa.

Ellis Park car bomb ^{Sept} left R561 500 damage

The Argus Correspondent

Argus 9/12/88

JOHANNESBURG. — The Ellis Park car bomb explosion in July in which two people were killed and 36 injured caused R561 500 damage, a Johannesburg inquest magistrate has been told.

Mr C de Lange yesterday found unknown persons caused the deaths of Mr Linus Mare, 34, of Randburg, and Mr Clive Clucas, 47, of Sandton, on July 2 by causing a bomb explosion minutes after a rugby match at Ellis Park.

Detective-Sergeant Adriaan Brits said the bomb went off in a stolen car nine minutes after the final whistle of the match.

The explosion left a crater two metres wide and a metre deep in Upper Meyer Street, Doornfontein.

More than 20 vehicles were damaged.

He said two men lost legs and another person had brain damage.

Mr Stephanus Clucas said that when his brother did not arrive home from the match on time he drove to the State mortuary, where he identified his brother's badly burnt body.

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Ellis Park car bombers 'unknown'

By Celeste Louw

A Johannesburg inquest magistrate, Mr C de Lange, found yesterday that unknown persons were responsible for the Ellis Park car bomb which killed two people and injured 36 on July 2 this year.

Mr Linus Mare (34) of Randburg and Mr Clive Clucas (47) of Sandton died in the explosion which occurred minutes after a rugby match at Ellis Park in Johannesburg.

The explosion caused a crater more than 2 m wide and more than a metre deep in Upper Meyer Street in Doornfontein. According to a statement handed to the magistrate, damage of R5 615 000 was caused. More than 20 vehicles were damaged.

Detective-Sergeant Adriaan Brits said two men had each lost a leg and another person had sustained brain damage as a result of the explosion.

Mr Stephanus Clucas said in a statement that when his brother did not arrive home when expected, he drove his brother's wife to the state mortuary where he identified his brother's badly burnt body.

Two policemen shot dead in AK 47 ambush

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The Argus Correspondent ~~SJA~~ ~~2/12/88~~ ~~2/12/88~~
JOHANNESBURG. — Two members of the South African Police were shot dead and another seriously wounded last week in an AK-47 ambush in Orlando, Soweto, police confirmed today. (tues).

The attack happened two days before three Soweto municipal policemen were shot and seriously wounded in Diepkloof, Soweto, on Saturday night. News of the killing of the policemen was released for the first time today.

The attacks are the latest in a series of ambushes by suspected ANC members on security forces in Soweto this year.

Security police have launched an investigation into both shootings and have appealed for information.

It is not yet known whether the two attacks were linked, but detectives are investigating the possibility. Both ambushes were carried out in the same way and under similar circumstances.

A police spokesman for the Directorate of Public Relations, Captain Ruben Bloomberg, confirmed that Thursday's shootings occurred at 9.20pm in Orlando.

Those killed have been identified as a Sergeant Mabasa and a Constable Mkhasbi. The wounded policeman was taken to Baragwanath Hospital where he is in a satisfactory condition.

Police have declined to name him for security reasons.

Sergeant Mabasa and Constable Mkhasbi were killed when "unknown gunmen" opened fire on their vehicle next to the Orlando Stadium and riddled it with bullets.

The weapon used was a Soviet-made AK-47 rifle. Spent AK-47 cartridges were found at the scene.

The gunman or gunmen apparently waited for the policemen at a stop street next to the stadium before opening fire from the dark on their vehicle.

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Blast damages police station 84A

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG — Two limpet mine explosions in Randfontein today caused damage to the police station, the library and houses.

A West Rand police spokesman said the first explosion happened at 1.12am outside the Randfontein police station. Windows at the station and houses across the road were broken.

The second explosion occurred about 30 minutes later outside the town's library. Damage was slight with mainly windows being shattered. No-one was injured.

Police station damaged in 2 limpet mine explosions

By Gien Elsas
West Rand Bureau

Two limpet mine explosions in Randfontein early today caused damage to the local police station, the library and surrounding houses.

A West Rand police spokesman said the first explosion occurred at 1.12 am outside Randfontein police station. Windows at the police station and houses

across the road were broken by the force of the blast.

The second explosion took place about 30 minutes later outside the town library. Damage was slight with windows being shattered.

No one was injured in the blasts.

Police and traffic department officials cordoned off the area and are investigating.

Blasts in Paarl, ^{ARGAS} Parow and Goodwood

Staff Reporter *SVA*

EXPLOSIVE devices damaged the magistrate's court in Paarl and the municipal offices in Parow and Goodwood.

The first explosion was in Paarl about 11.30 last night followed by Parow soon after midnight and Goodwood minutes later, according to police spokesmen in the Boland and Cape Town.

Police sealed off the areas around the buildings soon after the blasts and explosives experts moved in to look for other bombs and to find out what type of explosives did the damage.

Investigations were continuing today.

No injuries were reported and no estimates could be given on the damage caused to the buildings.

Windows were shattered in the buildings as well as shop windows near the Parow municipality in Voortrekker Road.

SIRENS TRIGGERED

A Parow resident, Mr Sean McCarthy, of Tallent Street, who lives about 400 metres from the municipal offices, said he was reading in bed when the device exploded.

"The area was very quiet and the explosion sounded loud," he said. "Sirens from shops nearby went off and I ran out to see what had happened. When I got to the scene there were lots of people milling about. The police had arrived and I left because I was worried that another bomb might have been planted in the area."

In Paarl today, the Market Street bridge, which is close to the magistrate's court, was closed to traffic and police and members of the local commando stood guard.

● According to Sapa, police report that in Kwazekela, a residential area near Port Elizabeth, a group of people set a school alight, causing damage.

CAPE BOMBS: NEW ANC CELL?

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ARGUS 17/12/88 by STEPHEN WROTTESELEY *SCA*
Crime Reporter

POLICE are investigating the possibility that a new African National Congress cell of Umkhonto we Sizwe fighters has infiltrated the Western Cape.

The investigation was confirmed two days after the Ashley Forbes network was jailed or given suspended sentences for terrorism.

A police spokesman said yesterday that one of the aspects being investigated after three bomb blasts in the Peninsula and Boland on Thursday night and early yesterday was that a new cell had arrived in the Western Cape.

It was possible that there could even be two active ANC cells operating, because the bombs used on Thursday differed from those used in attacks during the run-up to the October municipal elections.

Those responsible for the October blasts have not been caught.

Police said they believed SPM limpet mines were used in attacks on municipal offices in Parow and Goodwood yesterday. The magistrate's court in Paarl was damaged in an explosion on Thursday night.

However, mini-limpet mines are thought to have been used in the series of bombings in Cape Town and the Boland before the municipal elections.

The SPMs are far bigger than the mini-mines.

Police said: "It means that the same cell was responsible for both series of attacks and has been re-armed or there are two groups."

The Day of the Vow bombings in the Western Cape are significant because they happened on the anniversary of the founding of the military wing of the banned organisation, Umkhonto we Sizwe, and came after police claims of major successes against its members in the Western Cape.

In the Cape Town Supreme Court on Wednesday Ashley Forbes, an African National Congress commander and "dedicated terrorist", was jailed for 15 years for terrorism. Other members of his cell were also jailed.

In three months in the Western Cape there have been 12 bombings — more than in any previous year.

Same Origin for bombs?

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Crime Reporter

THE TWO bombs which exploded early yesterday morning, causing substantial damage to municipal buildings in the northern areas, may have been planted by the same group, police said yesterday.

A police liaison officer said police were investigating a link between the blast which punched a hole in the side of the Parow municipal building soon after midnight and the second explosion, minutes later, which ripped through the Goodwood municipal building.

A third explosive device, which was detonated at 11.30pm on Thursday at the Paarl magistrate's building, caused minor damage to the doors and windows of the building.

When asked if they suspected the blasts to be the work of the group believed to be responsible for 10 explosions in the run-up to the October 6 municipal elections, police said they were investigating all possibilities but would not comment further.

The police however said that none had been arrested in connection with the municipal election bomb blasts. It was earlier reported that security forces were hunting a couple suspected of involvement in five of the blasts.

Yesterday's blasts followed less than 36 hours after Ashley Forbes and nine other men were sentenced to jail terms for acts of terrorism or contraventions of the internal security act.

A Boland police spokesman said a limpet mine had apparently been attached to the glass doors or windows on the outside of the Paarl Magistrate's Court building.

At Parow the explosive device was placed on a window sill on the Ryan Street side of the building. The blast punched a hole in the wall of the building and tore metal blinds from their wall hinges, as well as shattering windows. The blast was also channelled down Ryan Street and into Voortrekker Road, shattering numerous



ABOVE ... Workmen remove broken glass from window frames at the Goodwood municipal building after an explosive device blew up at the entrance to the building in the early hours of yesterday morning.

RIGHT ... Workmen make temporary repairs to the windows shattered early yesterday morning when a bomb exploded outside the Parow municipal building. The hole that the explosion punched through the wall can be seen next to the ladder.

Pictures: ALAN TAYLOR

shop windows. In Goodwood, the device which had been placed at the entrance ripped through the building doors off their hinges. The acting town clerk for Goodwood yesterday estimated damage at between R10 000 and R20 000.



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Be aware of bomb threat (84A) — WCCI

Staff Reporter

The threat of bomb explosions is clouding this year's festive season and the public has been warned to be vigilant.

"Urban terrorism has arrived and every South African is under continual threat," says Mr Gerald Heine, who has been spearheading the Witwatersrand Chamber of Commerce and Industry's security public-awareness campaign.

"It is the duty of South Africans to make themselves familiar with basic do's and don'ts when exposing themselves to potential bomb explosions.

"And for most of us this is at least three times a day. Despite this threat, complacency seems to be the rule.

"The first golden rule is be aware, observant and exercise vigilance.

"It is too easy to be complacent when we have more pressing things on our minds."

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Strydom faces additional murder charge

FORMER policeman Barend Hendrik Strydom pleaded not guilty in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court yesterday to the murder of seven black people and the attempted murder of 15 others in a mass shooting in central Pretoria on November 15.

He also pleaded not guilty to the additional murder of an eighth person and the attempted murder of another in Vereeniging on



● STRYDOM

SUSAN RUSSELL

November 8, as well as to a charge of pointing a firearm.

The charges relating to Vereeniging arise out of the fatal shooting of Martha Motsekili and the wounding of Lisbeth Tshotsi.

Dressed in a khaki windbreaker and trousers, Strydom smiled and chatted to his father and others in the front row of the packed public gallery before the entry of the magistrate. There was a strong police presence in court.

Strydom, who appeared in court on November 17, was sent for 28 days' mental observation. Yesterday, a report by three psychiatrists handed in to magistrate P Johnson said no mental illness had been diagnosed.

At the time of the alleged offences, the report said, Strydom was not impaired by a mental defect to the extent he could not appreciate the wrongfulness of his actions.

The case was then adjourned to February 13 for a decision by the Attorney-General.

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CAPE TOWN, TUESDAY DECEMBER 20 1988

Terrorist

arms near

city: 5 held

By STEPHEN WROTTESELEY, Crime Reporter

POLICE believe they have broken an African National Congress cell in the Western Cape with the arrest of five alleged members of the organisation's military wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe.

The arrests were announced today by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, and follow within days of three limpet mine explosions in the Western Cape and Boland which police alleged were caused by ANC members.

Mr Vlok said that during the security branch investigation into the alleged ANC cell, police found two weapons caches near Cape Town.

He said police took possession of various "terrorist weapons" including SPM limpet mines, AK47 rifles, Makarov pistols and hand-grenades of Russian origin.

Mr Vlok said the five suspects were being held in connection with one limpet mine and five hand-grenade incidents. He declined to give details because of the sensitivity of the police investigations.

New clues

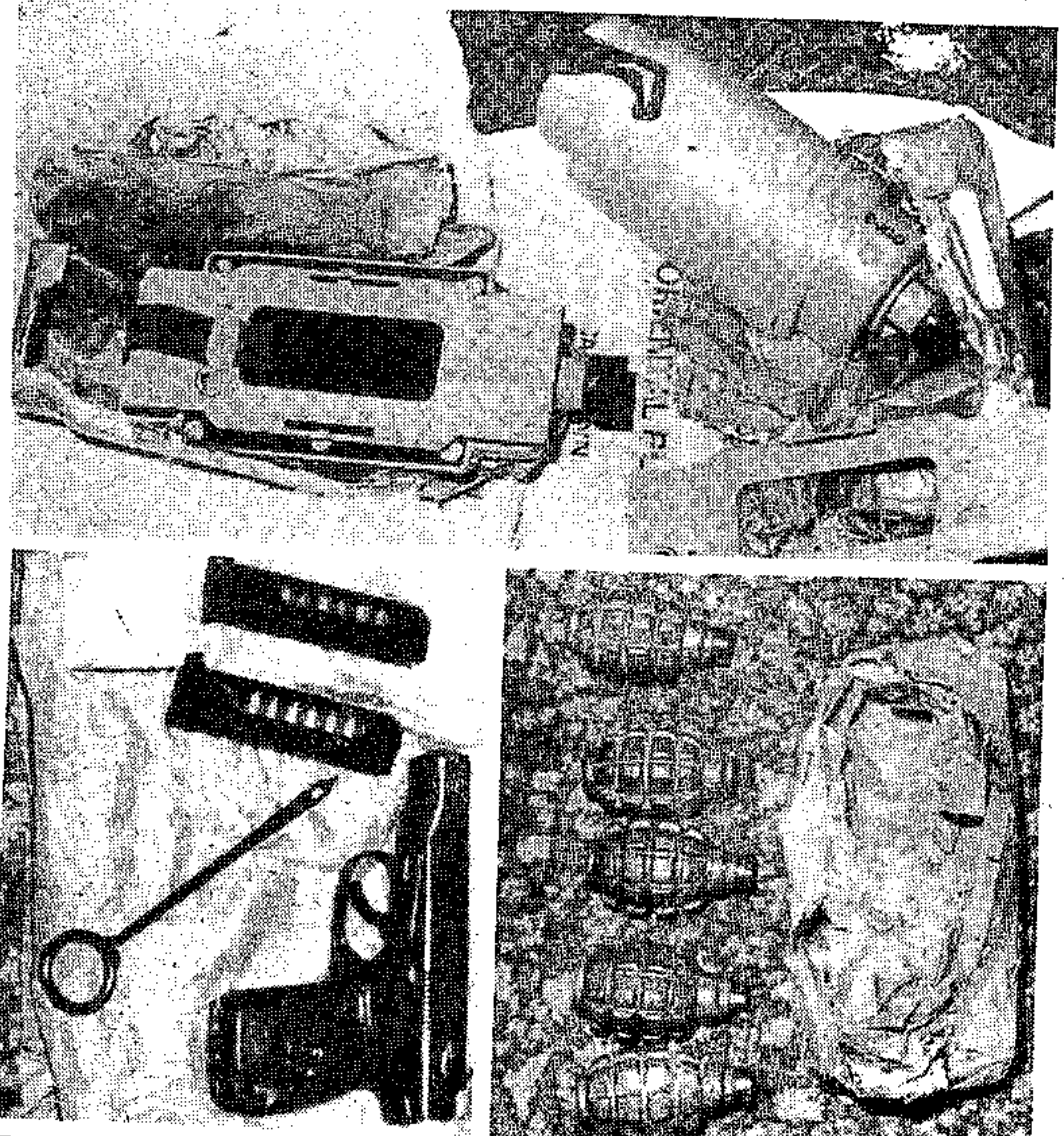
He said the investigations were continuing and new clues were being probed.

This year there have been numerous incidents of bombings, specifically before the municipal elections in October and on December 15 and 16.

The announcement of the alleged cell's arrest comes less than a week after the ANC cell leader Ashley Forbes and members of his group were jailed for terrorism and related charges.

Two explosions rocked the centre of Bisho, Ciskei, shortly after midnight. One person was injured and a garage and the Pick n Pay shopping centre were damaged.

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ARMS CACHE: SPM limpet mines, left, Russian-made handgrenades, right above, and a pistol which were found near Cape Town after police arrested five people alleged to be members of the African National Congress's armed wing Umkhonto we Sizwe.

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1 hurt as midnight blasts rock the centre of Bisho

Own Correspondent

BISHO. — One person was injured, a garage was extensively damaged and the Pick 'n Pay shopping centre was slightly damaged by two explosions which rocked the centre of Bisho shortly before midnight on Sunday.

The first explosion ripped off the roof and shattered the windows of a garage's toilets. An eyewitness, Miss Holuntu Maphi, said a man at the garage was slightly injured when he was struck by pieces of glass.

The second explosion occurred outside Pick 'n Pay, a few metres from a telephone booth. It cracked windows and a wall and caused a ceiling to collapse.

Police said no arrests had been made.

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Bomb disaster averted in central Johannesburg

By Tim Cohen, Melanie Gosling and Lloyd Courts (SA)

A catastrophe was averted during rush-hour in central Johannesburg yesterday afternoon when police detonated an SPM limpet mine found in a busy hairdressing salon.

The mine was discovered in the women's toilet of the Zabor hairdressing salon in President Street and was detonated about 25 minutes later after employees and pedestrians were evacuated from the area.

No one was injured.

The blast could be heard hundreds of metres away, despite the fact that the mine had been smothered with a bomb blanket by members of the bomb disposal unit.

Witwatersrand police spokesman Major Dries Jacobs said police found two limpet-mine detonators in the salon. These were detonated separately by police after the mine was destroyed.

The mine was discovered by an employee of the salon, Ms Molly Motshedi, of Meadowlands, Soweto at about 4.15 pm.

"I was packing the towels away when I saw something wrapped in one of them. I saw something that looked like a big metal jug. I went to the boss and told her I had found something funny. She asked me what it looked like. I said I didn't know."

A customer came to have a look and said it was a bomb. Ms Motshedi then called the police and we left the building. Ms Motshedi said.

A customer, Mr Mark Kruger, was the first to identify the bomb.

"I was having my hair cut when the woman who makes tea at the salon came up to the hairdresser carrying the limpet in her hands. She said she had found it on the shelf where the towels were packed."

"From my army experience I recognised it immediately and told everyone to get out and to phone the bomb squad. I ran out into the street and told everyone to get away because there was a bomb. But you know what people are like — they just looked at me and kept on walking in the same direction," Mr Kruger said.

The manager of the salon, Miss Beryl Borman, used a roll of masking tape to cordon off the area to stop people from walking past the salon.

SAP and traffic officials were on the scene within minutes and cordoned off the area. They removed the limpet mine, placed it at the intersection of President

and Simmonds streets, covered it with a bomb blanket and detonated it.

Outside, a salon customer, Miss Gail Coetzee, stood with a towel around her head covering her curlier.

"I was in the middle of having my hair permed," she said.

A tearful hairdresser, Miss Gayle Smith, said she had been very afraid.

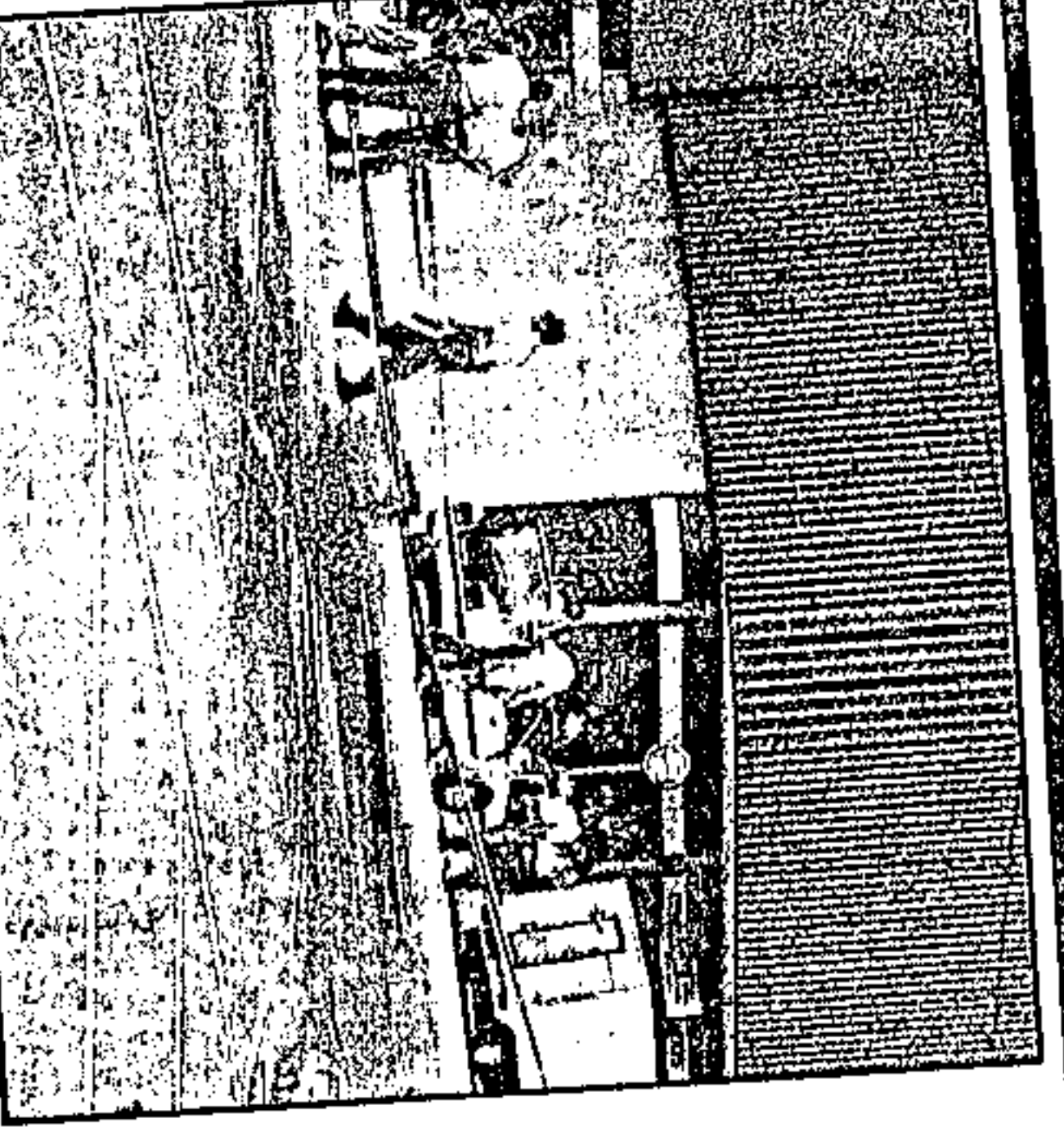
Two shoppers who ignored the police restricting tape, thinking that construction works were being cordoned off, were walking about 20 m from the limpet mine when it was exploded.

Both the shoppers were stunned by the sight and sound of the blast, and both stopped dead in their tracks while anxious policemen rushed towards them — just too late to warn of the impending explosion.

Neither of the women was hurt and both were quickly directed towards the crowd of onlookers standing a safe distance away.

One of the women, Mrs Linda Gonsalves, said later: "We just thought we would take a short cut to get to our cars. But it's the last time I do something like that!"

After the drama... the blast left a hole about 40 cm wide and 15 cm deep at the intersection of President and Simmonds streets. Pictures by Karen Fletcher and Sean Woods.



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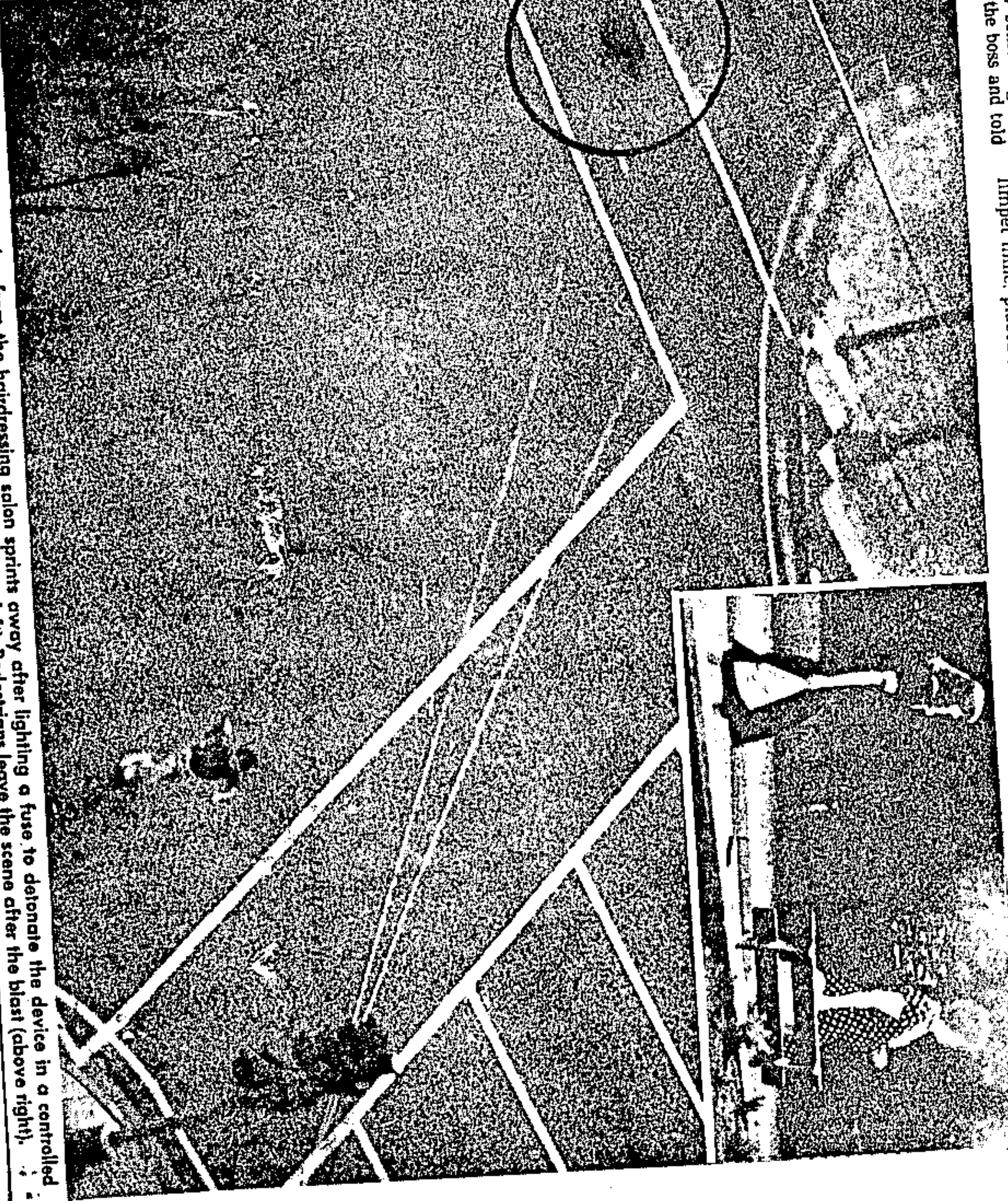
Fighter, Rajbansi refuses to resign

A defiant Mr Amichand Rajbansi today said he was "a stayer and a fighter" and he would not be resigning from Parliament nor would he be stepping down as leader of the National People's Party or as an MP.

He made his stand following the announcement yesterday by the State President, Mr P W Botha, that he had relieved Mr Rajbansi of his two ministerial portfolios from January 1 on the strength of a preliminary report of the James Commission of inquiry into alleged malpractices in the Administration of the House of Delegates.

Staff Reporters

The report has not been released to the public, and it may



The drama... the policeman who removed the limpet mine from the hairdressing salon sprints away after lighting a fuse to detonate the device in a controlled explosion. The mine was discovered by an employee of the salon, Ms Molly Motshedi (bottom left). Pedestrians leave the scene after the blast (above right).

Limpet mine charges withdrawn

CAPE TOWN — The man arrested for allegedly carrying a limpet mine near a ceremony in Crossroads attended by the Minister of Law and Order has had charges against him provisionally withdrawn in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court.

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Robert Maliti, 22, of New Cross-

roads, was admitted to Grooten Schuur Hospital for brain surgery soon after his arrest in October.

He was to have been charged with possessing an explosive under circumstances giving rise to a reasonable suspicion he intended using it to injure a person or damage property.

— Sapa

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Police detonate bomb in central city

TRAFFIC was brought to a standstill in central Johannesburg yesterday afternoon as police safely detonated a limpet mine discovered in a city hairdressing salon.

The bomb was found shortly after 4pm in Mutual and Federal Centre, corner of President and Simmonds streets, and exploded at 4.40pm.

Police cordoned off a large area before detonating the mine. The explosion reverberated through town and President Street was closed to traffic for at least an hour after the blast as police searched the area.

BRONWYN ADAMS

A police car was slightly damaged and several windows on the upper floors of Sage Life Towers across the road were blown out by the blast.

A bomb blanket provided by Sage Life security staff was placed over the mine during the operation.

Evacuated

According to eye-witness Trudie Steenkamp, the bomb was discovered by an assistant among towels at the back of the salon.

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Steenkamp said the assistant informed owner Beryl Bornman who evacuated clients from the shop. Bornman declined to comment.

MARK HASENFUSS reports Pretoria Police spokesman Lieutenant Robert Olivier confirmed that security police removed the bomb from the premises and detonated it.

He said no one was injured and damage was minimal.

Olivier said no bomb threats had been received and nobody had claimed responsibility.

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Bomber absent

from court

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CAPE TOWN —

Charges against a man arrested for allegedly carrying a limpet mine near a ceremony attended by the Minister of Law and Order have been provisionally withdrawn *in absentia* in the Wynberg Magistrate's Court.

Mr Robert Maliti (22) of New Crossroads was admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital for brain surgery soon after his arrest.

A letter from the hospital certifying that Mr Maliti was recovering from surgery for a subdural haematoma was handed in by attorney Miss M Moola on November 15.

According to the charge sheet Mr Maliti was to have been charged with possessing an explosive under circumstances giving rise to a reasonable suspicion that he intended using it to injure a person or damage property, alternatively possessing a limpet mine.

Officer 21/12/88
**Bomb charges
withdrawn**

Court Reporter

CHARGES were provisionally withdrawn in absentia against a man who was allegedly carrying a limpet mine near a ceremony in Crossroads attended by the Minister of Law and Order.

Mr Nana Robert Maliti, 22, of New Crossroads, was not present when the matter was withdrawn for further investigation.

Mr Maliti was admitted to hospital for brain surgery soon after his arrest.

A report from Groote Schuur Hospital's neurosurgical registrar, Dr Arthur Aspoas, handed in to the court on November 14 stated that Mr Maliti was still in hospital following brain surgery.

It stated that Mr Maliti was confused and was unable to give evidence.

Mr W S Ras was the magistrate.

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Bomb in Somerset West *8/47*

A BOMB exploded at the Somerset West municipal offices at 10.10 last night. Police could not say what damage had been caused or if anyone had been hurt.

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Cape Times 21/12/88

5 held as police hunt W-Cape 'ANC cells'

By CHRIS STEYN

FIVE alleged members of a suspected new Western Cape ANC cell have been arrested.

And police believe another new ANC cell is operating in the area. The arrests came within days of three bomb blasts in the Peninsula and Boland.

The five are being questioned about one limpet mine blast and five handgrenade attacks.

But police are still hunting for a white woman and a coloured man believed to have been involved in five of 10 limpet mine blasts in the month preceding the October municipal elections.

The pair are believed to be members of the first ANC cell formed to replace members of the Ashley Forbes cell, arrested in May last year and jailed earlier this month.

Law and Order Minister Mr Adriaan Vlok announced yesterday that two arms caches were uncovered near Cape Town after this week's arrests.

He said police impounded SPM limpet mines, AK-47 rifles, Makarov pistols and handgrenades.

Cops detonate salon bomb

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JOHANNESBURG. — An SPM limpet mine, discovered inside a hairdressing salon in Mutual and Federal Centre here yesterday afternoon, was safely detonated by police on the corner of President and Simmonds streets yesterday.

There were no injuries and no other bombs were discovered in the area.

A police bomb-disposal unit's Mazda had one of its windows shattered and a number of windows on the upper floors of Sage Life Towers across the road were blown out by the blast. There were at least four shrapnel marks along the side of the building.

According to eyewitness Ms Trudie Steenkamp, the bomb was discovered by an assistant among some towels in the hair-washing section towards the back of the salon.

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Boksburg becomes Rand's ghosttown

JOHANNESBURG. — Only five days before Christmas, business owners in Conservative Party-controlled Boksburg are already counting their losses which run to thousands of rands, with some owners contemplating closing down next year.

A tour of Boksburg yesterday showed that almost all shops were empty, some tills in major supermarkets were unattended and the streets deserted.

Some store owners said they would be forced to close their businesses in the new year if the residents of Reiger Park and Vosloosrus townships continued to do their shopping at nearby Benoni and Germiston. They said their financial losses were massive and their turnover had dropped by up to 80%.

In an attempt to attract black customers, some businessmen had displayed on their stores signs reading: "We welcome all

Traders expect severe losses

in other cities "where they will be bought", she said. All store owners said they received no additional support from whites to compensate for the loss of their black customers. The manager of Boksburg Pharmacy, Mr Harold Zets, said some whites did their Christmas shopping in Benoni, Germiston or Johannesburg out of sympathy with blacks. "This action of protest against the town council's petty apartheid has been very effective," said Mr Zets. Mr O A Storm, the manager of Milday's, a women's clothing store, said that while his store was affected by the boycott they have been doing "okay, but not as expected". The chairman of the Boksburg Chamber of Commerce, Mr Johan Viljoen, said the hardest-hit businesses were clothing and furniture shops. He said the decrease in turnovers ranged from 15% to 80%. — Sapa

Miss Roleen Browne of Cuthberts said their daily turnover had dropped from R2 000 "during normal time" to a mere R400. By the same time last December they had made about R50 000 compared to this year's R8 294, she said.

"It has been bad, real bad. If this continues happening many shops in Boksburg will close." To survive, some businessmen were taking their goods to shops

in other cities "where they will be bought", she said.

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Nyanga grenade attack: Police have strong leads

Crime Reporter

POLICE were following up strong leads today in their investigation into a grenade attack on a security force patrol in Nyanga last night.

Two policemen, eight special constables and three civilians, including two children, were injured in the attack.

Three members of the security force were still in hospital today.

The grenade was thrown from a moving vehicle about 7.20pm as the police patrol was crossing the road about 150 metres from Nyanga police station near the intersection of Emms Drive and Terminus Road.

The injured civilians are a 39-year-old woman and two nine-year-old boys.

One boy was treated at Red Cross Children's Hospital and discharged. The other was admitted with stomach injuries and is in a satisfactory condition.

Houses attacked

The woman is in a satisfactory condition in Groote Schuur Hospital.

Sapa reports that according to today's unrest report a man was found dead after an incident in which four houses, three of them vacant, in Mpumalanga, Hammarsdale, were attacked by a group of youths hurling petrol-bombs.

A man's body was found after the attackers were driven off by two special constables using birdshot. It appears as if he had been killed by the mob.

In another incident in the township, special constables on duty at a house were fired on from a moving vehicle carrying five men.

The constables returned the fire and the driver lost control of the vehicle, which crashed into a fence. A man was arrested.

A man died of stab wounds in the chest and a shop window in the township was broken after two groups clashed.

At Ashdown, Maritzburg, a man was found wounded after two groups clashed. He had apparently been shot.

Arms haul in township

AN elderly woman found an arms cache while ploughing on a mielie field near a refuse dumping ground in Atteridgeville, Pretoria yesterday morning.

The woman, aged 60 who did not want to be identified, said that she was busy ploughing when she struck a steel trunk at about 8am.

Sowetan 22/12/88
By MONK
NKOMO (84A)

After looking inside, she got the "fright of her life" and ran to call a man who later notified the police.

A spokesman for the police public relations division in Pretoria confirmed the finding of the arms and said an

investigation had been launched.

The police spokesman said the metal trunk, which was buried in the ground, contained three limpet mines, a hand grenade and a box full of 16 makarov bullets.

The weapons were concealed in a trunk and buried in a shallow hole a

few metres from the Bathokwa Primary School in Lephora Street, Saulsville.

Police and members of the South African Defence Force yesterday cordoned off the area and combed the neighbourhood amid a terrible stench coming from the nearby dumping ground.

Suitcases in bomb drama

JUST hours before the discovery of a bomb on the premises of the House of Zabor hairdressing salon in central Johannesburg on Tuesday, a young white man approached the owner and asked if he could leave two suitcases at the desk in the front of the shop.

The bomb was detonated by police in the street outside the shop at 4.40pm.

Owner Beryl Bornman said yesterday she had directed the man to the back of the shop, suggesting he put the suitcases in a cupboard.

She thought she had asked an assistant to see the man through to the back of the salon, but none of the assistants was able to recall the incident — and no-one saw him leave.

After the bomb was found, there was no sign of the suitcases.

Bornman said the police had taken quite a long time to arrive at the shop

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after the bomb was reported to them.

Pretoria police spokesman Robert Olivier said the police had taken a statement from employee Molly Motshedi, who discovered the bomb.

He was not aware of a delay in police reaching the scene.

Motshedi is to be rewarded for her find by her employer and by Old Mutual Properties, who own the building.

"Obviously Molly will be rewarded. "Had it not been for her, we would possibly all be dead", Bornman said yesterday.

Old Mutual Properties could not be contacted for comment.

Motshedi said the reward would be particularly welcome as it was Christmas.

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permanent members of the force, two-nine-year-old boys and a 39-year-old woman were injured, she said.

One of the boys, who suffered stomach wounds, was the most seriously injured in the explosion about 150 metres from the Nyanga police station.

The policemen were taken to 2 Military Hospital at Wynberg, the two boys were taken to the Red Cross Children's Hospital and the woman to Grootte Schuur Hospital.

A spokesman for 2 Military Hospital refused to give details on the condition of the men.

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The figures show ANC's alive and bombing

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THE African National Congress carried out an unprecedented number of guerrilla attacks this year, despite security force claims that the movement's momentum had been broken.

According to South African Police statistics, a total of 238 guerrilla attacks took place in the first 10 months of 1988, compared with 234 during the whole of last year, 230 in 1986, 136 in 1985 and 44 in 1984. These figures do not include attacks in the "independent homelands".

This means that there has been a 640 percent increase in the number of guerrilla attacks: from 3,66 a month in 1984 to 23,4 a month this year.

General Basie Smit, chief of the security police, said recently that in the eight years from 1976 to 1984 there had been 267 attacks, while in the nearly four years since then there had been 847.

Of the 245 guerrilla attacks recorded by mid-November this year, 70 were aimed at members of the security forces (including 14 at the SADF), 65 at government targets (including local authorities), six at the judiciary, 30 at the economy and 73 at civilians, according to SAP figures.

Among the suspected guerrilla attacks on security force members over the past two months were the following:

- In mid-October six policemen were wounded in Katlehong. AK-47 cartridges were found at the scene.
- SAP member Sergeant Fanie Pretorius was killed in a shootout in Orlando West on November 9. Two ANC members were also shot.
- A policeman was shot dead by an unknown gunman at a railway station in Umlazi on November 21.
- A policeman was shot and wounded at Lindokuhle Station in Umlazi on November 21.
- Two policemen were killed and another wounded in an ambush in Orlando, Soweto, on December 8.
- Three municipal policemen were seriously wounded by AK-47 gunfire

Guerrilla attacks have

increased 640 percent since 1984, despite claims that the African National Congress has lost momentum, reports

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in Diepkloof, Soweto on December 10.

While the Pan-Africanist Congress has claimed credit for the last two attacks, the credibility of the claim has been questioned. The pattern of previous attacks and the Soviet origin of the weapons used is more consistent with that of the ANC.

In June, ANC military leader Chris Hani gave notice of an ANC drive to concentrate attacks on army and police personnel, pro-government judges and others linked to the "system".

The increased number of PAC guerrillas captured and killed this year is evidence of a significant infiltration drive, but there has been no independent verification of successful PAC attacks in 1988.

Earlier this year a group of alleged PAC guerrillas were killed in a shootout with security forces. Surprisingly, among the weapons captured were archaic British sub-machine guns and weapons of Yugoslavian and Chinese origin.

According to security force statistics, a dramatic upsurge in attacks was recorded from July, when there were 31 incidents, until the beginning of November. In October, there were 54 attacks.

Brigadier Herman Stadler, outgoing chief of the SAP's security intelligence, attributed the rise in the number of attacks to a "maximum effort" by the ANC's military wing, Umlahonto we Sizwe, aimed at disrupting the October municipal elections.

By mid-November this year, 38 people had been killed in guerrilla attacks, compared with 30 last year and 56 in 1986.

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By RUTH GOLEMBU

A MAN arrested after allegedly being found carrying a limpet mine at Crossroads, Cape Town, near where the Minister of Law and Order was due to appear, has been freed from custody and charges against him dropped.

At the time the police described him as a "highly trained terrorist", but investigations into the matter are still continuing, a police spokesman said.

When Mr Nana Robert Maliti was arrested, about 150m from a Crossroads police station in October, police claimed he was carrying a limpet mine in a black plastic bag.

They alleged that Mr Maliti, 22, was intent on killing Mr Adrian Vlok, who was due to open the police station.

Fallen

Hours after his arrest he was admitted to Groote Schuur Hospital for emergency brain surgery.

Police said he had complained of bouts of dizziness and headaches during interrogation.

He was apparently unconscious when admitted to hospital. Police reportedly told doctors treating Mr Maliti that he had accidentally fallen down a flight of stairs.

After his arrest in October this year, members of his family and friends said Mr Maliti, of New Crossroads squatter camp, had no political affiliations of which they were aware.

5 die as gunmen open fire in Soweto

The Argus Correspondent

JOHANNESBURG. — Gunmen shot dead a woman and four men, including a policeman, and wounded another two people with an AK-47 rifle in a Soweto home, police reported.

The injured were taken to hospital. Details of their injuries have not been released.

Police have launched a hunt for the gunmen.

It is not yet known whether they are ANC members, said a Pretoria police spokesman. No motive for the killings — at 11.55 last night — has emerged.

The gunmen entered house 1674 in Orlando East and sprayed the occupants with bullets.

Five people were killed and a man and a woman were wounded.

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The name of the dead policeman, a constable based at Orlando police station, has not been released as his next of kin has not yet been informed.

The names of the other victims were also not available.

Last night's shootings were the latest in a series of AK-47 attacks in the township in recent months.

Two policemen have been shot dead and several municipal policemen have been wounded in ambushes involving AK-47 gunmen.

As far as is known, no arrests have been made in connection with these attacks.

Police said earlier that the AK-47 shootings were not necessarily the work of ANC members. Criminal elements also had access to communist-made weapons, including the Skorpion machine-pistol used by the PAC.

A CROSSROADS man who allegedly planned to assassinate the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, faces "more serious charges" after initial charges relating to possession of explosives were "temporarily" dropped last week.

At the same time, a police investigation has been launched to establish the circumstances which led to his admission to hospital with brain haemorrhage within hours of his arrest.

Conflicting versions of the 22-year-old Mr Nana Robert Maliti's background and the circumstances of his arrest have arisen.

While Mr Vlok described him as "a highly trained terrorist", policemen involved

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in investigating the incident said "he had never even left the country except for an initiation ceremony in the Transkei".

The same confusion surrounds the injuries received by Mr Maliti following his arrest. He was unconscious when he was admitted to hospital and had to undergo

emergency brain surgery.

Police initially said he had complained of bouts of dizziness and headaches during interrogation.

It was later established that police had told doctors Mr Maliti had "accidentally" fallen down a flight of stairs.

A Police Public Relations Directorate spokesman, Colonel Steve van Rooyen, said yesterday that charges relating to the illegal possession of explosives had "temporarily been dropped" against Mr Maliti.

He said Mr Maliti was being held under Section 29 of the Internal Security Act while police were investigating the possibility of bringing "more serious charges" against him.

Police score successes against terror

Vlok warns ANC and PAC insurgents

By Craig Kotze, Crime Reporter

Police have arrested 326 suspected Pan Africanist Congress and African National Congress insurgents — 78 ANC members since October alone — and are poised to round up many more soon, the

Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, announced yesterday.

Police have also seized huge quantities of arms over the past year, including 60 mm mortar bombs, two mortar tubes, hundreds of limpet, anti-personnel and land mines, RPG-7 rocket

launchers, guns and ammunition.

Mr Vlok said 48 ANC members and four PAC members had been killed by police since the beginning of the year, and seven ANC members since October.

He warned all suspected ANC and PAC members still in the country

that police would act after obtaining information from their captured comrades.

Four ANC members and two collaborators were arrested on the East Rand and Soweto while another two were detained in the Western Cape recently.

Mr Vlok said the PAC statistics included 38 PAC members arrested and four killed. These figures include members of other Africanist groups which work closely with the PAC.

He said detectives were investigating the possibility that the suspect arrested in Cape Town, while Mr Vlok was opening the Crossroads police station, was a member of the ANC cell rounded up by police recently.

Benoni murder — man arrested

By Paula Fray

A man has been arrested in connection with the murder of a Jan Smuts Airport meteorologist whose naked body was found in his Benoni home yesterday.

Mr Neville Mattheus (49) was found in his blood-splattered home in Cambridge Street, Farmere, early yesterday with seven stab wounds in the chest.

Mr Mattheus's missing car, a red 1984 Ford Es-

death. She and her 10-year-old daughter, Ingrid, are on holiday there.

The East Rand Murder and Robbery Unit had traced Mr Mattheus's two sons, Andre (21) and Deon (19), and had told them of the murder.

Mr Mattheus's body was found at 6.30 am after a colleague, Mr Andries Bester, arrived at his home to look for him when Mr Mattheus did not turn up for work at

Police spokesman Brigadier B Scholtz said there were no signs of forced entry and the alarm had not been activated.

He believed Mr Mattheus was murdered late the previous evening as the blood had already dried when his was found.

The killer had apparently rifled the house.

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Limpet explodes

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A limpet mine has exploded near the police single quarters in Mitchell's Plain causing minor damage.

Police said the bomb went off about 10.05 pm yesterday. No one was injured.

● Police in Pretoria said an SPM limpet mine was set off by police in a controlled detonation after it was found near the management committee offices in Mamre.

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Explosion²⁷⁴ on Soweto railway line

PRETORIA. — An explosion on a railway line in Soweto on Wednesday caused no injuries and little damage, yesterday's police unrest report said.

Three men were injured when a group stoned three houses in Edenvale in Natal.

In Inanda, Durban, a shop was badly damaged by a petrol bomb.

Three men threw a handgrenade in the veld outside a Soweto hostel on Wednesday night after being refused liquor.

● A furniture store has stopped deliveries in Port Elizabeth townships, because a group of youths in Zwide stole and destroyed a delivery van worth R50 000 on Wednesday afternoon. — Sapa and Own Correspondent

Two blasts in Cape Town (8/10)

CAPE TOWN - Two devices exploded in the Cape Town area last night, causing minimal damage and no injuries.

The first, described by police as "an explosive device", detonated at police barracks in Mitchells Plain at about 10.05 pm.

The senior police liaison officer for the western Cape, Major Jan Calitz, said no-one had been injured by the explosion and that damage had been minimal. Reports from the scene indicated that a fence and two windows were damaged.

A limpet mine, discovered at 11 last night in Main Road, Mamre, was detonated under controlled conditions about an hour later.

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THE Public Relations Division of the SA Police has, as a result of a number of articles which have appeared in the media regarding the incident on October 22 this year, when Mr Nana Robert Maliti was arrested while in possession of a limpet mine during the opening of the police station at Old Crossroads, has decided to release the following facts, in order to place the matter in perspective.

In a statement by the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, which was issued on October 23, Mr Maliti was described as a suspected ANC terrorist.

Neither the Minister nor the SAP ever described Mr Maliti as a highly-trained terrorist, as reported by certain media.

The SAP at no stage intimated that Mr Maliti had ever left the country.

Mr Maliti was originally held in terms of the provisions of the Criminal Procedure Act on a charge in terms of the Explosives Act.

Since November 24, however, he has been held in terms of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act.

His detention in terms of Section 29 was considered necessary, since investigation has indicated that he was possibly involved in a terrorist cell and possesses information in this regard.

After Mr Maliti was detained in terms of Section 29, he lodged a complaint to the effect that he had been assaulted during his arrest. — Sapa.

ANC terrorists held

THE Minister of Law and Order, Mr Adriaan Vlok, has released a statement announcing that the South African Police have arrested four suspected ANC terrorists and two collaborators on the East Rand and in Soweto.

The statement reads: "Besides the five suspected ANC terrorists arrested in the Western Province, particulars of which have already been released, another two suspected ANC terrorists have been arrested in this area.

Limpet

"The charge against Mr Maliti, who was arrested while in possession of a limpet mine during the opening of a police station in Crossroads on October 22, 1988, was withdrawn on December 20, 1988 after Mr Maliti had, since November 24, 1988 been held in terms of the provisions of Section 29 of the Internal Security Act. The possibility that Mr Maliti is a member of the cell of five arrested terrorists recently arrested in the Western Province, is being investigated.

"This brings the number of suspected ANC terrorists, trainee terrorists and collaborators arrested during the past three months, to 78. During the same period, 7 suspected ANC terrorists were shot dead.

"Following the arrests, police discovered four separate arms caches containing terrorist weapons, inter alia 135 handgrenades, 9 AK-47 magazines, Stechkin automatic pistols and a SPM limpet mine of Russian origin. One of the arms caches was in the roof of a black high school on the Witwatersrand while the others were unearthed in the vicinity of Soweto.

"A number of further leads are being followed up by the SAP.

"Minister Vlok congratulated and thanked the members of the SAP involved in these investigations and stated that they are determined to apprehend terrorists who are at large as soon as possible. The Minister further ascribed the decrease in incidents of terror and the relative peace and calm which has to date been experienced in this festive season, to the effective action of the security forces, who were enthusiastically supported by the public.

Discovery

"The speedy discovery of a large number of terrorists weapons prevented these instruments of murder being used against defenceless people and at the same time, the averted damage to property which could have amounted to many thousands of rands," the statement said.

The Ministry also released figures that showed that a total number of 156 alleged terrorists, belonging to the ANC were arrested while PAC members arrested were 28.

Alleged ANC collaborators captured were 111 and those of the PAC were five. It said 21 alleged ANC trainee insurgents arrested were 21 while those of the PAC were two.

The statement also said it killed 47 alleged ANC insurgents and four of the PAC. Security forces also killed one alleged ANC collaborator.

The security forces said they captured 293 limpet mines, 14 landmines, 14 personnel mines, 21 demolition charges, 4 RPG launchers, and 24 RPG rockets and 844 handgrenades.