

THE BLACK SASH
NEWS LETTER.

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Khotso House,
42 De Villiers Street,
JOHANNESBURG
22nd September, 1980.

Date for your diary : Film "White Tribe of Africa" at Mrs. Jean Sinclair's house
4a Second Avenue, Parktown North - Phone 788/7941

Dear Member,

The most important part of all this month's bumf is that which concerns the morning market. This is Doreen Von Below's first morning market and she's very nervous about it - so please do telephone her and let her know that you will all in the end come up to scratch - as indeed you always do.

Also important is

KLIPTOWN - ACTSTOP.

Please watch the press and if you see that Kliptown evictions have started know that your support is needed, mainly to visit families under threat of eviction who have nowhere else to go. Telephone the office so we can arrange to go out in groups (otherwise people keep on getting lost)

This kind of pressure can succeed in forcing the authorities to acknowledge the existence of people and their problems.

ACTSTOP is an outstandingly good citizens committee - solid and supportive. The Black Sash has worked for decades to try and get this sort of thing to happen when there is a crisis - that is, co-operation between affected communities and interested organisations. We must now diligently do our share of the work.

OPERATION HUNGER

Co-ordination of this programme is now being handled by Race Relations. Four areas will be identified where immediate help could be given through organisations available on the spot. Tentatively there might be two in Natal, one in the Transvaal and one in O.F.S. We'll keep you informed, but meanwhile the programme is asking for contributions and offers of active help. Specifically to start with, they need volunteers to help put up posters.

COLOURED MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

There is furious anger over the way the City Council ignored the x detentions of Mylie Richards and Mohammed Danghor, making no effort to contact their families or make any enquiries or representations on their behalf. We share this anger. The City Council even refused to allow Janet Levine's request that because Messrs. Richards and Danghor were colleagues and elected public representatives their detentions should be debated as a matter of urgent public interest. The Management Committee refused to intercede for them on the grounds that the education boycott did not fall within the scope of the City Council.

LAWYERS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.

A large turn out of members heard Johann Kriegler S.C., explain the objects of the Lawyers for Human Rights Committee. Seldom have we been treated to such clarity and honesty. The committee is there to do an essentially professional job in an effort to improve the quality of legal thinking and performance. They will welcome suggestions and co-operation from the Black Sash. They intend to proceed soberly, slowly and moderately.

RECIPE. (Robin Harvey writes :)

The thought came to some of us, during the 25th luncheon party we had earlier this year that we always have such super food at all our social functions and as everyone is always swopping recipes afterwards, it might be a good idea to gather the best of these and publish our own recipe book as a fund raising venture. We are of course going to need a sponsor so if you have any ideas about this please let me know as soon as possible. To start the project, which I have undertaken to do, I should like all members to let me have one to three recipes of your own - the well tried ones. They can be anything from your favourite sausage and mash dish to the most involved pudding or hors d'oeuvre - the cake recipe handed down from grandma over the years or super salads which are so popular these days. They can be simple or complicated.

x except that social workers visited the families during the last weeks of their detention.

Please send these to me preferably typed or printed very clearly, accompanied with your name and address and also a telephone number so that I can contact you easily for any query I might have.

We will try to publish at least one recipe submitted by members but make no promises as there might be duplications. Recipes published will carry the name of the contributor.

Also if you know any well known personality who is an avid supporter of ours - ask them for a contribution as this will make the book more interesting and fun.

Unless anyone comes up with a better name, we plan at the moment to call the book "The Black Sash and Friends Recipe Book".

Please send your recipes and ideas to me at :

Ms. Robin Harvey,
1 - Sutton Close,
Helen Street, Sandown.Sandton. 2196
Telephone 784/3079

- N.B.**
1. Give very clear instructions - remember someone else is going to use it, so don't be vague about temperatures, quantities etc.,
 2. Send your recipes in the measurements you are most familiar with - grams, ounces, cups, etc., We'll handle the rest.

GENERAL MEETING :

FILM. The Black Sash is briefly featured in the Fifth Episode of the WHITE TRIBE OF AFRICA.

Our next general meeting will be showing this episode on the 8th OCTOBER at 8 p.m at Mrs. Jean Sinclair's house - 4a 2nd Avenue, Parktown North. Telephone No. 788/7941

GITA DYZENHAUS :

Gita is today in Intensive Care at the Kenridge Hospital. She has emphyzema. We are thinking of her with much love, and look forward to having her back with us.

JILL WENTZEL
ACTING REGIONAL CHAIRMAN