

RHODEO

RHODES MOST EMERGENT PAPER

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The time for
debate is
over?



Hi, I'm
from the press



Inside: SRC gets an election, Detentions, Intervarsity

Students detained

The Security Forces have spread their net wider in the past few days in terms of the Emergency Regulations, hitting organisations that have no apparent direct connection with township unrest.

SRC Exec. member

Among those detained in Grahamstown recently are Sue Lund, a Rhodes Academic Skills Programme employee and a fieldworker for the Grahamstown Rural Committee; Roland White, a Masters student and fieldworker for the Labour Research Committee; and Olivia Forsyth, SRC executive member and co-chair of Nusas Local Committee.

The state of emergency which came into effect at midnight on July 20, grants extremely wide powers to all branches of the SAP, the SADF, Railways Police and the Prisons Department.

Any member of the 'force' can detain any person without a warrant for 14 days after which the period can be extended by the Minister of Law and Order.

Similarly, any member of the 'force' can interrogate any detainee, while no-one, including lawyers, doctors or relatives can have access to any detainee without permission of the Minister of Law and Order.

These latest detentions come in the wake of the release of three other Rhodes students: Paco Prince (BA 111); Gugile Nkwinti (BComm 1) and Zalisile Mkhontwana, an Hde student.

At the time of going to press, the number of people arrested in terms of the emergency regulations had risen to 1600. Police said that of these, 819 were still in detention.

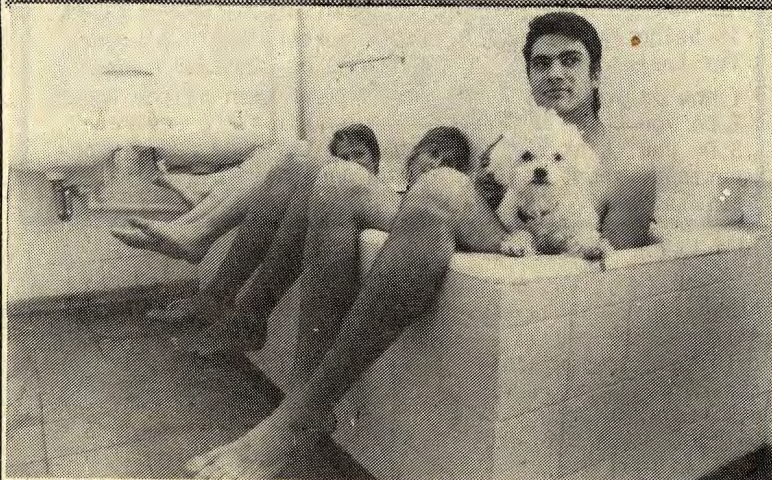
Detentions condemned

Nusas Local Committee has condemned these latest detentions and called for the immediate release of all others detained under emergency regulations.

"We re-iterate the demand supported by over 600 students and staff for the lifting of the state of Emergency. We believe that the unrest will end only when the government negotiates with the real leaders of South Africa's people", the statement said.

The Detainee's Parents Support Committee has also slammed the declaration of the Emergency as a "further means of crushing legitimate opposition to the apartheid system under the guise of maintaining law and order".

Dry joke



Times are hard, money's short, save water don't get caught

Contrary to popular belief the water shortage was not engineered by a group of dirty bungies trying to start a mass movement.

Nevertheless, it's here to stay. But don't panic. Despite the fact that each house in Grahamstown is allowed only 400 litres/day, regardless of how many people live there, there is a way for those in digs to cope.

Some tips:

- * Shower with a bucket. They take up less room than friends and don't stand on your toes.
- * Wee on your lawn or use someone else's toilet.
- * Brush your teeth in kaif toilets.
- * siphon your neighbour's geyser.

For those in res, help is on the way. According to the assistant director of Business Affairs, Mr P Murray, an agricultural and Engineering team from Queens-town is sussing out the possibility of drilling more boreholes. The university already has eight boreholes with fairly extensive reticulation, and more are being planned.

Attempts to conserve water in res appear to have been

quite good, but full results won't be known until the university receives accounts from the Municipality at the end of August.

The municipality isn't very optimistic about the shortage. The City Engineer, Mr Du Randt said that the situation could become critical in a very short space of time, and has encouraged people to save as much as possible.

"People should go and have a look at Settlers to appreciate how little water there is", he said.

At the moment Grahamstown's dams have 1,15 kl left, which is 17 percent of the normal capacity. The penalty for going over the quota is R5/1000 L, but if the level falls below 0,7 million kl the penalty will be R10/1000 L.

The Town Clerk, Mr Lofting, was doubtful that Rhodes University would be forced to close. "You don't just close down schools and Universities... there is enough water to allow things to go pottering on until it rains," he said.

So for those of you who were hoping to get sent home early in a cloud of dust, you'll just have to stick it out. It could be quite a sweat.

ECC on campus

An End Conscription Committee has been established at Rhodes, drawing together interested individuals and societies who, for moral, political or ethical reasons, resent compulsory conscription.

"The SADF's involvement in quelling resistance in the interests of 'Law and Order' is vividly illustrated by events here in Eastern Cape townships. This trend means it's not only the police who are executing government dictates, but all conscripted South Africans are drawn into the implementation of government policy as well", said Melissa de Villiers of ECC.

"Against this backdrop the Rhodes ECC hopes to provide a positive response to the issue of conscription, which forces people into this moral dilemma".

The Rhodes ECC comprises organisations ranging from Cathsoc, Methsoc, Ansoc and SAUJS to NUSAS and Edact, as well as many

concerned individuals. So far a media and a cultural sub-committee have been set up to plan a programme to publicise creatively the call to end conscription.

Should you wish to know more about Rhodes ECC or involve yourself in the committee's ongoing activities, contact any of the organisations involved through the SRC secretary.



The threat is over

A rare and lethal strain of the meningitis bacteria, meningococcus, claimed the life of a Thomas Pringle resident recently.

Phillipa Wheeler died after contracting the disease at a braai in the local army camp.

Sister Scott of the Rhodes Sanatorium said that Ms. Wheeler must have been

particularly susceptible to the disease, since the

other students who attended the braai had not shown any symptoms.

She said that there is no cause for panic since the disease has been contained, but that people with possible symptoms of meningitis should report to San immediately.

Campus comments...



The All-Blacks Rugby tour was cancelled a few weeks ago, but it is still a topic for debate, and South Africa's future participation in international sport is being reassessed. RHODEO reporters asked students for their opinions on the issue. The questions were:

1. How do you feel about the cancellation of the tour?
2. Do you think that sport and politics are separate?
3. Do you think that SA should be isolated from international sport as long as the apartheid system is maintained?

VIJAY MANGA - BPharm III

1. It think it was a good thing. Righteousness prevailed in the end.
2. In this country politics did get heavily involved in sport. I find it ironic that the Nats involved politics in sport in earlier years by preventing players from



coming to play in SA, and now they are trying to separate the two.

3. Yes, totally. That is the only thing that hurts them. They are sport mad and they must be hurt wherever they can be.

ROB GILL - RU Tennis Capt.

1. Dissapointed
2. I think sport is bound in politics. It should affect sport to a certain degree but I don't think that politics should rule sport.
3. I don't think SA should

be isolated from international sport. I would support for eg, an arms embargo more as I think that sports boycotts affect individuals more as sport is an individual preference, whereas an arms embargo effects the system itself. A lot of sportspeople like myself are anti-apartheid.

MARK BEARD - BComm III

1. Being a rugby supporter, I am fairly disappointed.
2. No. The Nationalist government used it a long time ago to ban certain players from coming to SA (eg, Cricketer Basil De Oliviera). They made the link in the first place and now they wish to change it.
3. No, I don't think so, I like my sport too much.



SALLY DYSON - BJourn II

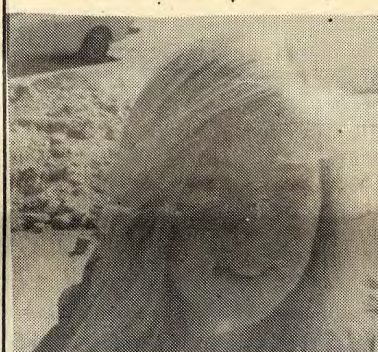
2. No, I believe that politics has got every-

thing to do with every facet of life. People have got a paranoia about politics. They keep it in a little box separate from everything else.

3. Definitely. In fact the sport sanctions against SA are not strong enough.

STEVE WORRALL - Ind. Socio Hons

1. I am glad that they did not come.
2. No. In South African society sport is linked with the apartheid system.
3. Yes, definitely.



ANTHEA ROWLEY - BJourn/Fine Art

1. It means nothing to me personally.
2. Yes, but they shouldn't be.
3. Yes. Rugby is SA's national sport, and if it was isolated the Nats would be forced to change Apartheid.

PHIL KING - Education Dept.

1. I was p***** off and disappointed as I am a rugby fan.
2. Sport has a lot to do with politics. You can't have normal sport in an abnormal society. For eg, if you want to train

cricket players excellent facilities are required

3. Yes. You have to hit where it hurts. As a sportsman, this includes me. I still like to watch sport because it is sport not because it is abnormal.

kool kaif krawler

RHODEO reporter Roelien Theron recently sussed out the new Day Kaif. ...

So what's the latest jorl. After I'd exhausted the darkest alleys of ol' Grahamstown, I made my way to the new Day Kaif, where, they tell me, it's all happening.

I shuffled along impatiently in the mile-long queue, hanging for a cup of coffee and Ms Cobban's home-baked chocolate cake. At last I got to the only till and placed my order. The service was friendly, fast and efficient. With sodden paper-cup coffee I trapped to the corner table to check out the scene. I couldn't stay long, after all, the place only

stays open between 9:15 and 11:45 in the mornings.

After about five minutes I became jittery, wished I had washed my socks at least a week earlier - I suddenly felt too obvious. Screaming white walls, no decor, clean floors a la Italian tiles. The furniture is clearly the residue from some res dining hall.

But being the optimist I am, I scheme the place has got potential. Art nouveau or something (anything's better than nothing) on the walls, sleazy furniture and tables and chairs outside on the pretentious patio.

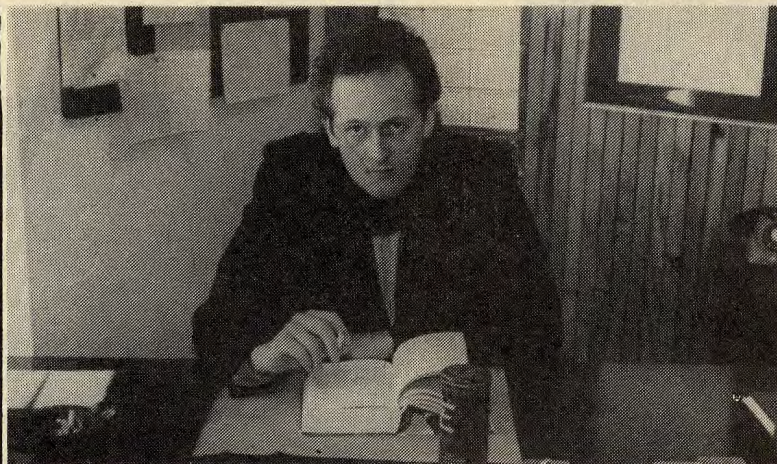
For now, it's not my kinda joint. The place is just too clinical and over-cool. You just can't relax there.

Dramatic New Outlook

Drama students dissatisfied with the interference of academia in practical training are likely to gain a sympathetic hearing from the new fill-in department head here.

David Hughes, fresh from England, is filling in this term while Prof. Swart is on leave.

He feels that Senate should realise that the function of the department is not primarily to "produce lecturers in history, but rather people with competent performance skills".



Acting Head of the Drama Department for the term, Prof. David Hughes.

"South African universities seem to be an extension of school with constricting and regimented timetables. This makes it impossible for the staff to pass on a pioneering excitement to the students" he said.

"A Speech and Drama degree would have more significance if the course were directed more towards a training for theatre."

Mr Hughes, who has just finished three years study at Warwick University, trained as an actor and director in the 70's before undertaking research into

a training system for the improvisation performer.

After his seven-week stint here he is going to Durban where the Loft Company has invited him to train Hamilton Madoda for a show based on a Zulu folktale - "Not just another anti-apartheid piece, but a subtle parable for South Africa today which should set audiences thinking."

Of the Rhodes Drama Dept, he said "given the conditions, the department is very open-minded. There is a feeling of adventure here."

Durban Burns

This article was to deal with eye-witness accounts of events connected with the unrest situation in the E.Cape and Transvaal.

In terms of the Emergency Regulations concerning the dissemination of information, the story has been withdrawn.



Hospitalized student following clash with Inkatha impis, Ngoya 1983.

Unrest in Durban's townships has claimed over 57 lives in the past two weeks.

Unrest was sparked off by the death of civil rights lawyer, Victoria Mxenge.



Due to the nature of the unrest, there is much confusion as to what is really happening. The following are examples of these unconfirmed reports.

On Wednesday last week, the UDF held a memorial service in a cinema near Durban.

The memorial service ended in bloodshed when Inkatha impis broke up the meeting, with people mobilised from the migrant labour hostels,

armed with knobkieries and spears.

The impi apparently broke into the cinema and attacked the people at the meeting. A number of people were thrown off the balconies.

It is alleged that teargas was thrown into the theatre.

Twelve people died in the incident.

Observers feel that the Mxenge killing and the subsequent Inkatha attacks are indicative of Inkatha's attempt to counteract the increasing support for progressive organisations represented by the UDF.

A Crisis Committee has been set up in Umlazi, Inanda, Kwa-Mashu and Phoenix in an attempt to find a peacable solution.

Reports state that rampaging impis attacked Indian settlements in Phoenix and Indian vigilante groups have been set up.



Dr Farouk Meer, acting leader of the UDF, is blaming Inkatha for creating the current atmosphere. "There are people doing their best to cause trouble between Indians and blacks."

U.C.T. Students Teargassed on Campus



CAPE TOWN - Over 1000 UCT students were batoncharged on Thursday, resulting in 22 arrests and a number of injuries. Six people required hospitalization. On Friday, Police used teargas to disperse students.

On Tuesday, there was a student assembly meeting repre-

A UCT student takes cover under his guitar case as police baton-charged students last Thursday.

sentatives of all constituencies on UCT campus to discuss the UCT response to the State of Emergency.

The decision reached was that a boycott would be held from Wednesday to Friday. On Thursday a memorial service for UDF lawyer, Mrs Victoria Mxenge, was held under the banner of COSAS, NUSAS and AZASO, followed by a march intended to end at the State President's residence at Groote Schuur. It was decided that if police were encountered, students would sit down in rows of 8 and await arrest.

Police baton-charged the students near the Baxter Theatre

after apparently issuing a warning first. Those students who sat down were beaten, some of them quite badly, and many were injured before the students dispersed. A number of students regrouped behind the Baxter, whereupon a security police van with a video crew drove into the group, knocking over one student.

On Friday, students held a rally and decided to march to the town centre. Police ordered the students to disperse. Students regrouped on the rugby fields and were teargassed by police. Further possible violence was stopped when the UCT Principal, Saunders, intervened.

Ours

Since PW declared that "the time for debate is over", nearly 100 people have died under the State of Emergency conditions. Repeated calls for the government to negotiate with the chosen leaders of South Africa's people go unheeded while the deaths of Victoria Mxenge, Mathew Goniwe, Fort Calata and many others remain unexplained. More than 1600 people have been detained since July 21 this year. Are these events part of the "Reform" agenda we hear so much about?

The "Security forces", now indemnified against South Africa's law courts, have wasted no time in implementing the their broadened powers right here on campus. Four Rhodes students and staff members were recently detained in terms of State of Emergency regulations. No reasons have been given for their detention and three remain inside.

RHODEO condemns the implementation of the State of Emergency. We call for its immediate end, and for the release of all detainees. Further we call on the South African government to give young white South Africans the freedom of choice to say no to conscription into the SADF, which now involves the execution of government policies in our townships.

And on a different note -

VOTE!

Creditorial

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Yours



A Detailed Analysis Needed

Dear Rhodeo,

I have read Janet Heard's analysis: 'Youth Two Options' - in the June edition of Rhodeo and would like to pose some questions and criticisms flowing from it.

I disagree that it is valid to talk of "only 8%" of South Africa's population being in favour of a Republic in the 1960 Referendum. This is simply a misinterpretation of figures. It is better to say that of the small section of the population who had the opportunity to vote in favour in the referendum, x% were in favour of it. This figure x% represents 8% of the total population of South Africa (adult and children?) who were allowed in the 1984 elections. The treatment of the 1984 elections is again inadequate, especially the connection between the statements: "Once again low polls were obtained", and "the majority of South Africans are excluded from decision-making". Why were low polls obtained; why didn't people vote; and why are the majority of South Africans excluded? What is the connection between the 1984 elections and the majority of South Africans? If you believe there are implications (I would agree) spell them out.

I feel that Ms Heard fails to make an adequate defence of her own stance. It is my experience that my fellow students (and I) will reject glib truisms like those abounding in the article. Spell out the connections, if not the implications!

My next query pertains to the "Two Options". Again, I feel that Ms Heard has not analysed the situation adequately. While I see clearly what it means to select the pro-State option, I do not think I have been able to establish what Ms Heard intends as her "option"

That it is a "struggle for a peaceful, non-racial and democratic South Africa" presents no problem: but what is the channel for the struggle? If Ms Heard knows this, she is not telling us! Is it the UDF, Azaso, Azapo, ANC? - just a few groups with conflicting interests who might claim (or so I am told) to represent the path to "a free and non-racial South Africa; or is it rejecting conscription for "religious", moral or political reasons?

The essence of Ms Heard's conclusion appears inconclusive, unless one is to arbitrarily group all South Africa into two totally self-contradictory groups. Surely a more detailed analysis and explanation would have cleared up these difficulties, so that next time someone besides the already-convinced will read Rhodeo's "official student newspaper" line.

Still, the need for expression of alternative views (why don't you ask someone for some), and the question of relevancy of your journal ("Now, my boy, eat your porridge no matter what you think of it - it's good for you!") cries out to be answered.

Till next time
Yours in mutual obscurity (existentially)

Rob Driman

Refereeing - No Easy Job

All too often the losing team say that if the referee had not made a certain decision at a crucial point of a match, the final result would have been different. This also applies to avid supporters. Armchair viewers with the aid of a "Kyk Weer" are able to analyse events "blow by blow", as it were, and reach a decision later. Invariably, they say the referee was wrong.

One must realise that in sport, events happen with such speed that a human being can only see just so much of what is happening. The nature of a referee's task is to control the game to the best of his/her ability and interpretation of the rules.

Such criticism labelled at officials of all sport is unjust, especially when the sportsmen/women who level the criticism are not prepared to take the whistle and do the same job as "good" or "bad" as the official in question.

As a sportsman who has participated in sport at provincial level, I too am guilty of complaining about referees but I can appreciate the problems encountered and the immense difficulty of a person who does not play at a competitive level, but officiates at that level, has. I say this because I have refereed sport albeit at a lower level.

So all you critics of sport officials, let's play the game. Give the referee his/her due and if you feel you can do better, take the whistle.

Sportsman

Think before you Vote!

Dear Rhodeo

Many students seem to regard NUSAS' concern with student government as sugar to sweeten the strong stand we take on social justice. In fact, our interest and participation in building strong student government stems from the same root as our politics: the belief that people have a right to exercise control over their lives on a day to day basis.

It is for this reason that NUSAS nationally has assumed the form of a federation of

student representative councils: because we recognise the benefits that national contact offers to governmental bodies. It is for this reason also that we in NUSAS have channelled much of our time and energy into building and strengthening faculty councils in an attempt to establish forums not student opinion on and influence over their education.

In addition, various NUSAS members have done sterling duty over the years in the interest of student government at Rhodes. Most notably this year, Jennie Bowen has performed superbly well as SRC President.

It is in the light of our concern with student government that we call on students to vote responsibly in these SRC elections, and after careful consideration of the candidates.

Love
NUSAS

Stoop Talk



'Klepping'

There is a new craze pursued by Rhodes students following the swift demise of 'Killer' and ever popular D&D that will send GTown shop owners reeling from their shelves when they begin stock-taking. Students following this new fad enter various shops and remove items from the premises without going through all the schlep of paying for them. This pursuit is called 'kyffing' or 'klepping' (derivative of Kleptomania) and is caused by a combination of boredom and the depressed economic climate. As with most arts there are many subtle variations. The most significant is the recent vogue for price adjusting; the ability to change labels to match pocket.

Rags to fame

Joke of the year award goes to Edward Cooper. The following telegram was allegedly sent to his humble abode: "Great Uncle James passed away. Sole beneficiary. Estate and two million assets. On condition you marry before twenty five. Dad." Within a week Edward had received 2000 proposals (how do you spell highperbli?) But when he was approached by a Sunday Times reporter, he told the unfortunate freelancer that it was a joke. There are still rumours that he has the money, hidden on a secret Island in the Pacific.

Strange Advert

A recent ad in Grocotts asked for prospective sailors, "willing to travel the High Seas, pay good, possibly dangerous, contact E.C." HMMM, ad that.

Friendly police

Oh yes and thanks for the tip Loyd.

Indecent exposures

Picture the scene; Masters art student, cameras, lighting equipment, ladders, trees and naked models. The place; Bots. The time; 7:00pm. Enter several police in search of the Grahamstown sex fiend. After much explaining the police agreed not to arrest the students and allowed them to continue the photographic session. This was on condition that the police were informed of all further nocturnal activities... So that they would know when not to go to Bots, of course.

Parachutist

This isn't really funny, just incidental; a parachutist accidentally landed in the army camp last week.

Take the horns by the bull

This is really funny; Mark Horn is standing for the SRC again. But between all previous RHODEOS and all previous Mark Horn manifestos, all possible jokes on this subject have been exhausted.

Fantasy lecturer

And reports close to the D&D (Dungeons and Dragons) fraternity tell us that a voice sounding suspiciously similar to English Lecturer, Arthur Morgan's, was heard shouting: "Kill the Orcs!!" at 1.00am last Friday.



This past fortnight saw the arrests and detentions of a number of Oppie students under the Emergency regulations. In a motion past on Tuesday the Oppidan Board unanimously condemned both the detentions and the declaration of a State of Emergency. We demand the release of our fellow students.

The Oppie Craft Market on August, 24 is definitely going to be bigger and better than usual. The RMR Marathon- 125 hours of solid music and lots of give-aways - will be broadcast from a caravan on the Kaif lawns, in the midst of the hustle and bustle of the Market. Markets like this have really taken off throughout South Africa and have become the place to be on Saturdays - let's put Grahamstown on the market map. It starts at 11am and ends at 1.30pm, or when everything is bought or eaten.

Saturday the 24th also sees the first of what is hoped to be the annual Oppie Fun Run. The run is 4km long, starting at 10h30 am - to enter (and please do), meet outside the Great Hall at 10h00. It will be finishing as the Market starts. Prizes to those who get in first are going to be announced and given away by RMR. There are lots of little prizes and 4 kilometres is not a long way - why not join in the fun!

Finally, a recipe for cheap and nutritious beans:

1 oz butter.
1 onion, chopped.
1 pound cooking apples, cored and chopped.
16 oz curried beans.
sultanas optional.
1 pt water.
1 chicken stock cube. (Vegetarians can use a huge dollop of Marmite.)

Melt the butter and fry the onion till transparent. Add all remaining ingredients. Stir and bring to boil. Cover and simmer for 20 minutes. Serve or purée in a blender and reheat. Check seasoning.

Be careful- in England children were discouraged from romping in the beanfields for fear of the bean-goat - a nasty manifestation of the devil.

Goodbye and good luck.



NATIONAL STRIKE IS ON THE CARDS

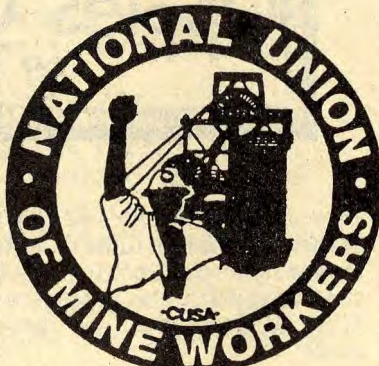
The National Union of Mine-workers has called a nation-wide strike on August 25 affecting 72% and 20% of S.A.S. gold and coal mines respectively.

The NUM, with a membership of 230 000, at a special national congress held in Welkom called for wage increases, shorter working hours and the removal of job reservation.

Reacting to P.W.Botha's threat to repatriate migrant workers if the economic sanctions were imposed the NUM has stated that it will come out on strike.

The NUM has also threatened to boycott the white businesses operating near to the mines if the State Of Emergency was not lifted.

Mine strikes have been characterised by police violence. In 1946 a strike of 100 000 black miners ended with 11 dead and the rest driven underground at gunpoint.



Last year, wage disputes with the Chamber of Mines left 19 workers dead.

80 000 black miners have already gone on strike

this year. In every case they have felt management left them with no other choice.

At present black workers spend 10 hours underground and are paid R54 a week. The NUM want working hours reduced from 102 hours to 80 hours per fortnight and wage increases of 32% and 41% for gold and coal mines respectively. At present the Chamber of Mines is offering wage increases of 14% and 19%. The NUM has given the Chamber of Mines until August 24 to come up with a more realistic offer.

"Pap - either very stiff or very watery. Dirty vegetables - a spoonful. Beans, full of small stones and wood particles. Meat pieces the size of a match box." Food on the mines as described by a mine-worker.



Cyril Ramaphosa, General Secretary of the National Union of Mine Workers

Cross-section Against Conscription

Where else would you find a nun wearing a badge saying "SADF is a four-letter word" and school children questioning the society in which they live but at the Peace Festival held during the VAC?

These were just some of the broad range of people who came together at WITS for the first ever national End Conscription Campaign (ECC) Peace Festival to voice their objection to Conscription.

The theme - "Stop the call up" - provoked wide debate among people ranging from religious, moral and political objectors to pacifists and concerned citizens.

Highlights included public meetings, and school's, church's and conscientious objector's panel discussions. Black involvement in the SADF and women in the military were also discussed.

The power of culture as a medium of communicating objection to conscription was illustrated in a wide range of plays, poetry, reading, displays, books, paintings and music. Local South African bands - Facts Rapula, The Softies and the Mapansulas - played to a hall with over 1000 raving people

ECC
End Conscription Campaign

Farewell Friend Hello Mail

Two English language Newspapers - the Friend and the Sowetan Sunday Mirror - recently ceased publication because of financial losses, but a new weekly paper is filling the gap left by the closure of the Rand Daily Mail.

The Sowetan Sunday Mirror was published for only a year before its closure. Its staff will be transferred to the Sowetan, a daily paper.

However, the eighty staff members on the Friend - in circulation for 135 years - are likely to become redundant.

Its closure was largely due to stiff competition and withdrawal of advertising. It was the only English paper in the Free State, and the only paper in opposition to the National Party there, thus it leaves an unfilled gap in the province.

On a more optimistic note, a new newspaper - the Weekly Mail - is now available. Run largely by ex-Rand Daily Mail staffers it is, like its predecessor often outspoken.

WEEKLY MAIL

Activists on the run as police dragnet spreads



Significantly, the Weekly Mail is an independent

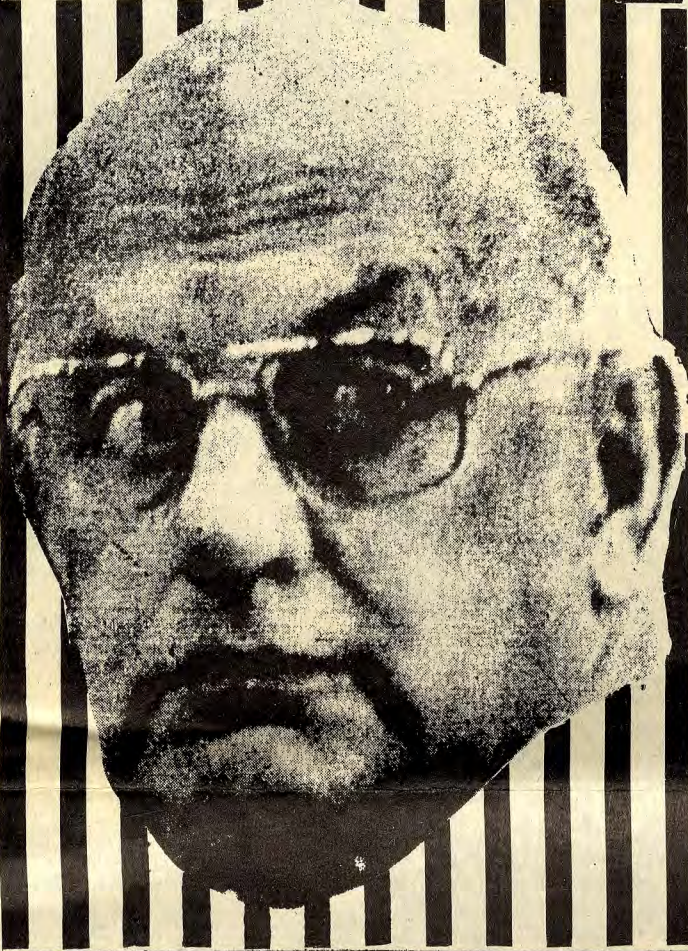
paper: all other papers in South Africa are owned by large monopolist organizations such as the Argus company.

Due to its weekly publication, the Weekly Mail covers stories in more depth than the dailies, and features such attractions as record reviews.

It is possible to subscribe to the Weekly Mail, and it could prove to be a worthy investment.

As one reader put it "Thanks for the Weekly Mail. It does two things: it shows we are in South Africa, and does not treat us like idiots."

P.W. panics!



SA in 'a state of siege'

Mr F. Van Zyl Slabbert -
Leader of the PFP :

"What was supposed to herald an era of negotiation and consensus politics has precipitated a state of siege."

"This government has neither the ability, plans, or talent to cope with the current situation."

Dr. Beyers Naude - Gen Sec
of the one-million strong
South African Council of
Churches:

"No oppression, no injustice, no killings, are going to deter our people."

Stone Sizane - Publicity
Secretary of the UDF, East-
ern Cape Region:

"The government is in a state of panic."

Molly Blackburn - PFP MPC
for Walmer :

"If Mr Le Grange had been tuned into the voice of the people he would know it is himself who is playing with fire."

Bishop Bruce Evans - Angli-
can Bishop of PE :

"The State of Emergency indicates great failure on the part of the government."

Dr. Alan Boesak - President
of World Alliance of Ref-
ormed churches and patron
of the UDF :

"Yet again the Government has shown that it will be utterly ruthless in its determination to hold on."

The people of South Africa have had enough. The State is panicking, and slowly whites are beginning to realise that blacks have real grievances in this country. The State of Emergency has been in operation for over 25 days, and the Nationalist Government has once again shown how brutal, ruthless and uncompromising it is. The time for deception is over.

Sixty-one Magisterial districts are, at present, under the Emergency proclamation. Eighteen in the Eastern Cape, eighteen in the Transvaal, and twenty-five in the Transkei.

Curfews have been imposed in the Eastern Cape and the Transkei. Sentences of up to R20 000 or ten years imprisonment can be imposed for contravening the Emergency legislation. About 1500 people have been detained since 21st of July. These people include clergy, community leaders, trade unionists, student leaders, and civil rights leaders.

No criminal or civil proceedings can be brought against any member of "the forces" in terms of the Security legislation. The forces include the SAP, the

SADF, Railways Police, and the Prisons Department.

The Press is limited on reporting on the situation in the sixty-one magisterial districts. The Press may not report on any arrests, unrest or movements of "the forces" without the permission of the police.

Allegations of alleged irregular actions by the security forces have been published in local newspapers. The E.P. Herald reported the following:

- A woman claimed she was robbed of R154 by four soldiers.

- Alleged abduction by SADF of a 17 year old, while the soldiers allegedly smoked dagga and drank alcohol.

- Soldiers allegedly stole firewood from a New Bright-

on firewood vendor.

Outdoor memorial services for unrest victims have been banned in the 36 magisterial districts in the Eastern Cape and the Transvaal. This leaves organisations whose meetings have been banned without a platform to air their views.

A funeral service can only be held for one victim at a time. Only ministers of religion may speak at a funeral. The minister of religion, according to the regulation, may not discuss any form of government or any principle or policy of a government. Nor may s/he talk about boycott action, the existence of the State of Emergency or any action by a member of "the forces".

Reactions Abroad

There has been widespread International condemnation of the South African Government's implementation of the emergency regulations.

Ten European Ambassadors to SA have been recalled to discuss possible sanctions against SA. This recalling of ambassadors was initiated by the French Government which has frozen all new investments.

French Prime Minister, Fabius, said:

"We hope that many countries will join with us so that justice and wisdom will eventually prevail in that part of the world."

The USA has joined in the protest. USA State Department spokesperson, Bernard Kalb, stated that the South African government's implementation of the state of emergency "detracts from its stated aim to seek

dialogue with black leaders".

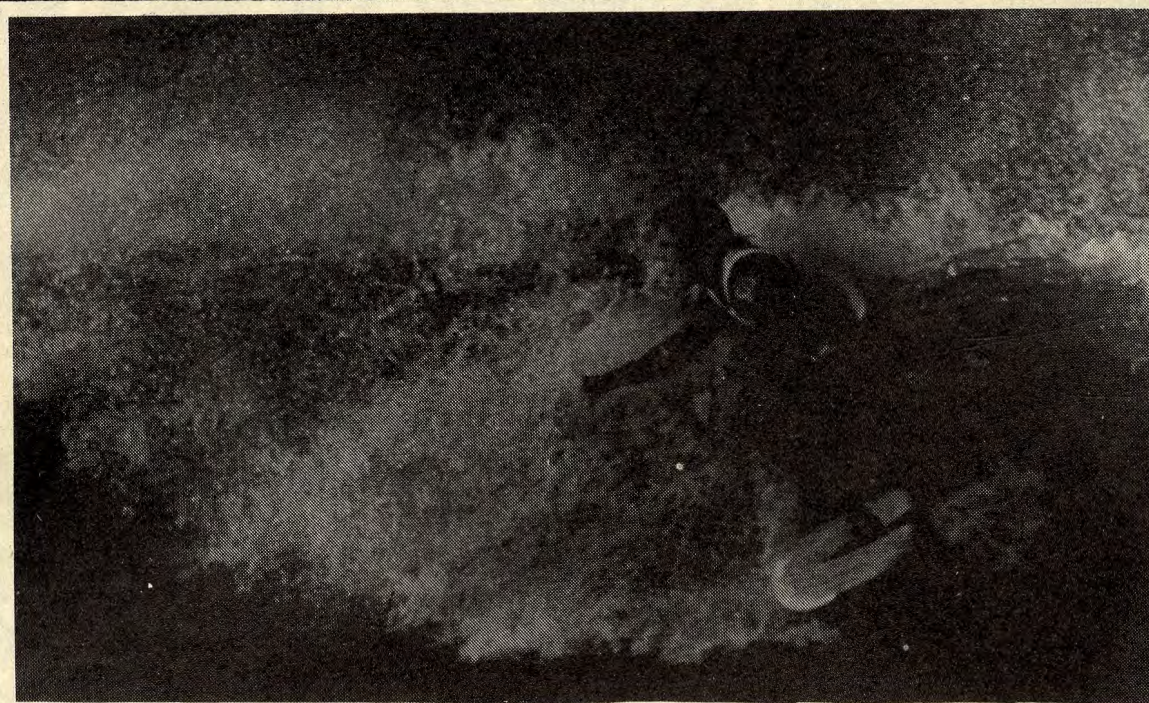
The South African government justifies its action by claiming that the state of Emergency will quell unrest. About 100 unrest victims have died since 21st July.

Rhodes regrets the shortage of sources owing to the detentions, press laws and censorship current under the State of Emergency.

Rhodes Rides the Crest

Right! Well...Oh yes, I remember how it was now On the 3rd to the 5th of July of this year of our mother ocean (OMO). Rhodes sent us to Cape St Francis, Seal Point, to compete against Natal, UPE, UCT, and Stellenbosch and ourselves in about 3 to 4 and maybe to 5 foot swellage.

The team included the brothers Rolfe (Ken and Garry), the brothers Tebbutt (Raz and Lenny), Ian Hume, Russel Seymor, Donovan Shaw, Alan Cartar (AC) with reserve Pete Vogel and yours most wantingly as manager and psychologist.



Mr Leonard Tebbutt tosses a Western Cooler to his mates.

Thanx very mucho to Stellenbosch Farmers Winery's for their goodly sponsorship of T-shirts and the compo and their green shampoo grapefruit mind fornication (which felt like breakfast all day) called West Coast Cooler (a la Perlé et Apperitif).

Anyway no more about this part of the compo as nobody knows anymore since they had it.

From the start Ken Rolfe (my man) and Len Tebb (surfed like crazed wizards of water, I tune you, oh brothers of the salt. Ian Hume and Don Shaw had just

plain bummers as they were fully in the running until doom deemed them ex-competers, the Gods were elsewhere.

AC got knocked out in the 2nd last round by some bad voodoo luv doc, but let this never fool you, as he surfed like Elzba Zeema (as a pimply adolescent

youth used to) and went on to be the best judge anyway.

Through another bumper Ken and Len were now man on man in the semi's so this meant 1 must get knocked out and 1 go through. Ken sucked in on us though with classic surfing although Len the Pup was

spoiling right on Ken's bum.

Anyway both Ken and Len go into the S.A. Varsity Protea team (clap, clap, Hoorah, cough, cough) and so did us proud oh Rhodian Rats. So that's very good to Ken for very hot surfing and getting into the oh so heavy final.

OK, so UPE first, Rhodes second tie with UCT, Natal fourth (sucks) and Stellenbosch fifth. The Eastern Cape Rules the Surf, Braer!

Inter-Varsity on the 26th and 27th, Rhodes won (how lekker)mooi, kief and solid with Ken and Len and A.C. again surfing so good as to having us all weeping with it all.

So its congratulations to the team for being the best named and the best ous generally. Good Bye.

David (Hunter s.) Ries
Surf Reporter.

Badminton: Rhodes wins

A six year long losing streak for Rhodes was ended when Mike Almy and Wendy Sanger clinched the inter- varsity badminton final, placing Rhodes ahead 8-7 against UPE.

The 8 strong team, 4 men and 4 women, reversed last year's 0-15 loss to UPE. The Rhodes women were particularly impressive winning their singles match and all four doubles games.

Deon Stevens and Nic Anderson provided the men with their sole success when they won one mens doubles match.

Rhodes held a 6-5 lead at the onset of the mixed doubles games. But UPE won the first two matches to lead

7-6. In the next match Nic Anderson and Debbie Patterson let a 14-4 lead slip to 14-13.

Fortunately for Rhodes they recovered to win 15-13 and leave the contest level at 8-8 with the deciding match left.

The Rhodes side consisting of 3 Midlands Provincial players Gail Green, Deon Stevens and Mike Almy faced a UPE side of which included Junior Springbok Peter Elsie. UPE finished 5th out of 7 sides at the SAU tournament held in Cape Town during the June vacation.

Rhodes missed the SAU, but on this showing, wouldn't have been placed lower than 5th out of the field of 8.

EP league too tough for firsts

Nineteen eighty-five has been an important year for Rhodes rugby. After much debate it was decided to move to the tough and more demanding E.P. League. The main reason for the move were the higher standards of rugby in the E.P. and the smaller demands made in terms of travelling, while the main argument against the move was the question of whether Rhodes was good enough to survive the tough E.P. League.

Has the move been successful? this depends on what is meant by success. The First XV have yet to win a match in the Dewar Shield, and they recently took a thumping against U.P.E. in the Intervarsity match. They have, however, given

some of the opposition a fright, and the often critical press have generally been lavish in their praise of the team.

Importantly, the Rhodes team has beaten both the Wits and Natal teams, and on tour they accounted for Buffaloes and Old Selbournians - both old rivals from the Border League.

This then seems to indicate that the move may have improved their game. However, according to coach Stan Morgan, the move was made with a mind to securing long term benefits for Rhodes rugby, thus it may be too early to assess its overall success.

And what of Intervarsity? There was general dis-

appointment at this year's showing after last year's splendid effort. Club captain Steve Olivier is of the opinion that Admin should assist in attracting players.

"It is humiliating to lose by such a big score, not only for the individuals involved, but also for those who identify themselves with Rhodes University. The university administration should step into line with other varsities and assist the rugby club in attracting players with academic potential to the University," he said.

The season has had its ups and downs. What happens after the Intervarsity defeat could well be an indication of how well the players have adapted to the demands of the E.P. League.



Paul Clarke jumps in anticipation as a corner kick from Gerard Augustine lofts straight into the goal.



Perry Beningfield on the attack



Peter Naylor about to get hacked for a change.



Kevin Pacman facing a goalkeepers nightmare - a penalty flic. Pacman saved the shot.

Soccer
UPE I 2, Rhodes 1
UPE II 2, Rhodes 4

Men's hockey
UPE I 2, Rhodes 0
UPE II 6, Rhodes 1
UPE III 2, Rhodes 1

Women's hockey
UPE I 3, Rhodes 1
UPE II 0, Rhodes 2
UPE III 2, Rhodes 0
UPE IV 1, Rhodes 0

Tennis
Men: UPE I 7, Rhodes 2
Rhodes II beat UPE 2-1
Rhodes III won 3-0

Women: UPE I 6, Rhodes 3
UPE II 0, Rhodes 3

Volleyball
Men: UPE I 3, Rhodes 1
UPE II 0, Rhodes 3
UPE III 1, Rhodes 2

Women: Rhodes won 3-0

Road Relay
UPE men's A and B teams came first and second, Rhodes A third. UPE women beat Rhodes.

Rowing
Rhodes won 3-2

Badminton
Rhodes beat UPE 8-7

Karate
UPE 25, Rhodes 17

Despite an impressive opening spell, Rhodes were unable to match UPE in the second half of their intervarsity rugby clash and lost 51-10. UPE thus avoided the fate of the Wits and Durban teams who were beaten by Rhodes this season. Rhodes second, third and under 20 teams were equally unsuccessful, losing by 25-4, 24-7 and 25-0 respectively.



Dennis Hallett about to get flattened. Grant Cawood and Jeremy Siebehagen are up in support.

Squash
Men: Rhodes I beat UPE 5-0, Rhodes II won 5-0

Women: Rhodes won 5-0

Gymnastics
UPE came first with 152 points, Rhodes 147

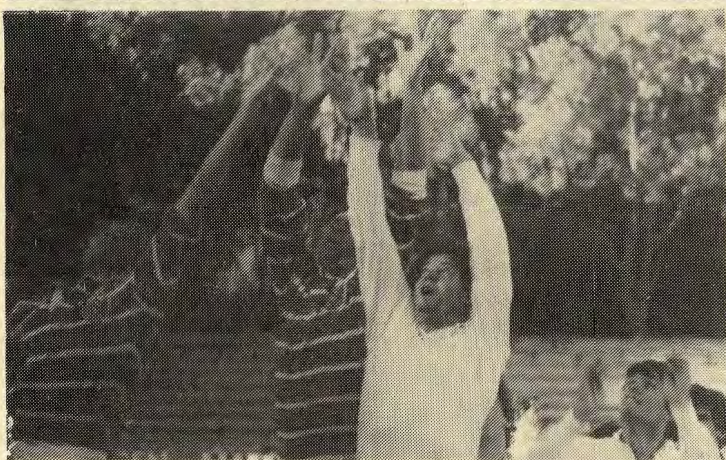
Table Tennis
UPE 7, Rhodes 3

Golf
Men: UPE A 15, Rhodes UPE B 10, Rhodes 14
UPE C 18, Rhodes 6

Women: UPE 12, Rhodes 0



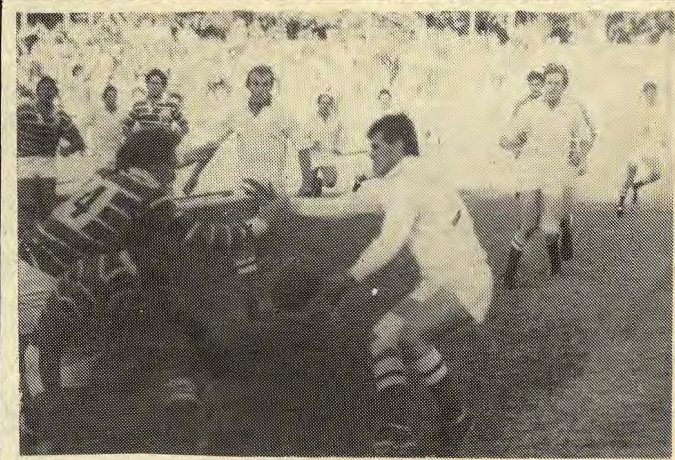
Rusty Wellman evades the PE defence



Mike Fennel jumping while Murray Spalding applauds.



Fennel and Spalding again.



Rich Woton doing something, God knows what, with Fanie Venter running up to help