

## R H O D E S I A

Christian Council of Rhodesia passed without dissent a resolution expressing displeasure with proposals for separate development of "our various racial communities" now being considered for inclusion in new Constitution. The Council's statement reads as follows: "The Christian Council of Rhodesia is deeply disturbed by the knowledge that provisions for separate development of our various racial communities are being discussed and considered for inclusion in a new Constitution.

"We believe that the legal and physical separation of our people into racial groups would be an offence against the Christian idea of the brotherhood of all men under the fatherhood of God. We believe such separation would be against the economic and political interests of our land. We believe further that the active contemplation of such divisions would frustrate any co-operative efforts to bring about a just and peaceful solution to the country's problems.

"We therefore call upon the members of our churches and all other citizens of good will to recognise the dangers that threaten the peace, welfare and progress of our country from the promotion of racial divisions amongst our people." EPS, Geneva 3/30

Four countries have announced they cannot/will not halt trade with RG. Botswana and Zambia claim survival depends on importation of Rhodesian goods, using Rhodesian transport. Switzerland will not submit "for reasons of principle, as a neutral state." Other countries will ignore sanctions order either because government can not impose it or because - as in Portugal - it does not want to do so. Escalating of loopholes in sanctions can make UN demand ineffective.

UN has not offered any substantial succour to countries that would suffer more from implementation of sanctions than Rhodesia would. Boston Globe 3/19

RG will fall sooner than SAG according to Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein of Brighton after visit to Africa. Rhodesian economy not so strong and stable as that of SA. "The Rhodesian economy can be damaged by the embargo. If the would will support the UN position, something will have to crack. This is not so in SA.

Rabbi frustrated in attempts to talk with colored residents of SA. Either not permitted to talk or they would not talk with him. Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester, NY- 3/6

Rhodesian Auditor-General's report for year ending June 1966 contended Britain had seized about \$1.4m in funds and military equipment from Rhodesia, including aircraft engines worth \$915,600 which had been sent to Britain for overhaul before UDI. NYT - 4/7

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RG says it will slacken the secrecy it draw around economic information after UDI. Finance Minister Wrathall told Chamber of Mines congress in Bulawayo that RG would publish quarterly digests of selected statistics.CSM 4/7

## Z A M B I A

25 major US companies, more than half wholly owned by parent US companies, have invested over \$53m. (book value) in Zambia, according to ZG advertisement in NYT. Biggest investment is in copper, in which AMAX and other US citizens own 75% of RST. Caltex and Mobil oil companies (\$5m.) are other big investors.

Zambia ought to be world's second biggest producer of copper, after US. But copper production fell to 576,000 tons 1966 (191,000 tons less than 1965; 118,000 tons less than Soviet Union produced 1965). Zambia produced only 43,000 tons copper Dec. 1966, 6,000 tons less than Nov., 21,000 tons less than Dec. 1965. Copper production suffers from Zambia's position in front line in war of UN sanctions against RG.

Zambia has been trying to break old trade dependence on Rhodesia by developing own coalfields and alternative routes to sea, but they are far short of what is needed. NYT - 3/ 26

Vice-Pres. of American Smelting and Refining Company, Strauss, warned copper-producers Chile, Peru, Congo, and Zambia not to set "unreasonably high prices" during this period of greater demand. These countries plan to meet in Lusaka in June, and Strauss warned that consumers will look for substitutes if copper prices go too high. NYT - Apr. 12

## S O U T H A F R I C A

IDOL NO. 1: WHITE VOLK

IDOL NO. 2: SPORT, MAN - -

### VORSTER THE GOLFER IS A CHILD LOVER

"No man who ill-treats a child should expect mercy from me," Vorster remarked as Minister of Justice. He has great regard for children and has brought about many reforms to the Children's Act. SA Panorama - Dec. 1966  
(Question: Does Children's Act cover Bantu, Coloured, Indian, children?)

### Sportsmanship in the WHITE Republic

Stroke of a pen wiped out career and way of life of SA boxer Ronnie van der Walt, who has been considered white all his life but revently was reclassified "coloured".

Van der Walt grew up attending white schools, eating in white restraurants, fighting white boxers at white fees. Following ruling by local Race Classification Board, he is permitted now to fight only coloured men at coloured fees, which are too small to support a family.

He plans to leave SA rather than submit to arbitrary discrimination. Rhinebeer Gazette, N.Y. - 3/7

## OLYMPICS - MYTH?

SA Olympics Council plans (sic) to enter multiracial teams chosen by by multiracial committee in events abroad.

Frank Braun, chairman of Council, says SAG supports this departure from total segregation on playing field. Hope is that International Olympics Committee at May meeting will decide to permit SA to enter 1968 Olympic games in Mexico City.

Close observers see threefold meaning: more pragmatic outlook of Vorster since September; world pressure sometimes may modify SA practice; confirms SA's passion for sport. Washington Post 3/26

## NON-WHITE Sports for Export -- They can meet whites OUTSIDE - never INSIDE.

Twelve non-white boxers gathered in Johannesburg. After ten days of intensive training they leave April 13 for three-match tour of Italy. News from SA 4/12

## VORSTER -- SCHIZOPHRENIC IDOLATRY?

Vorster indicated SA will contravene strict apartheid atmosphere by allowing mixed teams (i.e. New Zealand's rugby team) to play in SA with choice of team left up to "good judgement" of sponsoring country. Vorster also indicated that Canada Cup golf competition, Davis cup tennis matches, and cricket (Basil D. Oliviera's sport) would be welcome in SA. Vorster repeated announcement that SA would select multiracial team for 1968 Mexico City Olympics.

Of course, this team would be selected from separately racially nominated groups represented on a multiracial control committee. Vorster also stated that this "relaxed" policy on international sports would be contingent upon keeping politics out of the issue and not jeopardizing intergovernmental relations or the internal order of SA. Separate Development would be maintained for domestic sports competition, with mixed audiences only by SAG permit and with separate facilities. (lavatories?)

Ethiopia announced it would boycott Olympics if Committee "dares to allow" SA to participate; SA's announcement to send mixed teams was a "farce". The Ehhioptian Sports Confederation director-general said he thought other African states would act similarly. NYT - 4/12

## S. A. 's SPORTING ATTITUDE TO THOSE WHO REJECT IDOLATRY

Foreign preachers who criticize SA's racial policies from pulpit may find themselves unemployed. Legislation is expected to cut usual 3-year temporary residential permit to one year. Even one-year permit could be withdrawn any time without explanation.

Many clergymen, some holding foreign passports, have been warned to watch their step. Vorster has directed attention to multiracial Christian Institute of SA which embraces many religious groups, including some ministers of Dutch Reformed Church, which DRC banned Christian Institute and warned church followers not to associate with it. Vorster says Institute is mainly responsible for bad image of DRC in outside world. Christian Science Monitor - 3/29

## LIBEL SUIT - - CHRISTIANITY and IDEOLOGY of VOLK.

A smear campaign reminiscent of McCarthyism threatens ecumenical movement in SA. Intensity of left-right controversy reached new peak in libel suit initiated by Prof. Geyser and Rev. Beyers Naude against Prof. Pont who has attacked multiracial sentiments, and equated moral concern over injustices to black race with communism. Trial has attracted worldwide attention and financial backing.

Defendant Pont of Pretoria University is conservative who accused unnamed liberal theologians of wanting "multiracial international society" sought by black African "barbarism", World Council of Churches and Communists.

Suit is filed by Prof. Geyser, Univ. of Witwatersrand, and by Rev. Beyers Naude of Christian Institute of SA whose announced purpose is to defend ecumenical movement.

During cross-examination, senior advocate Coetzee for Geyser and B. Naude, accused Pont of not following "elementary rules" of historiography in dealing with Mindolo Conference in an article, and of not having sources of accurate information. (In article Pont accused "fellow theologians" of conspiring with Pan-Africanists and Communists at Mindolo Conference; Pont said they planned military action against SA).

Pont replied that term "fellow theologians" did not refer to specific individuals but to wide group of liberal, integrationist, ecumenical theologians. During main part of his testimony Pont said concept of "love for one's neighbor" was part of Communist terminology. Providence, R.I. Bulletin - 3/22

## GREEDY FOR GREEN STUFF

### THE USA BACKS THE "SPORTING" (BLANCO) SAG

US denounces racist regime in SA but supports it with millions of dollars in investment and trade, according to Leslie Rubin, exiled SA senator. U.S. Dept. of Commerce statistics show US investments in SA of \$600m. US exports \$435m. US companies own 50% of OIL refineries in SA, and account for 60% of SA AUTOMOBILE production.

US money buttresses SAG in face of growing "emotional commitment by independent African countries to eradicate apartheid," according to Rubin. That apartheid is allowed to exist by western powers is intolerable insult to most of Africa's 280m. people. By operating plants/refineries in SA US companies participate in racist practices. Baltimore Sun 4/4