

State v. Solwandle & Makohliso
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B. Kond. S.A.P. - Langa. SAUTS 51/3

18 Feb. I went to Makana Square - Langa.
With a Europ. const. Mr. Basson & a nat.
const. Lutwaba who is also working with me
at Langa.

At Makana Sq. I found a meeting.
The Chairman of the meetg - decd. NO. 1 &
speaker was decd. NO. 2. Decd. NO. 1. was
saying that the next speaker would be
speaking next.

He told us who the next speaker would be -
though I did not specifically grasp who. He said
he would speak re Bantustans & opposition
to Bantustans & law re ^{Bantustans} pass laws.

The next speaker was decd. NO. 2.
NO. 2 said to the meeting that they are not in
favour of passe & the issue of permits - Langa.
Did they said they dont favour the issue of
permits not only at Langa but - the whole
country of S.A.

The Govt. must be boycotted & also mentioned
an example that you could see at the Zone
a European police tearing up and down & such
a police arrests a man whilst he is going
alone.

The speaker also said if such a policeman
could be seen again at this meeting such a
policeman should be killed. - even if it is
a Bantustanable he must also be killed -
especially at night - ~~because~~ ^{because} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~Bantustan~~
constables)

He also mentioned that we African people
are far large - numbers & we can do

this act smoothly & quickly
He also mentioned e.g. look at what
Mbatanzema is doing i.e. - the Swahili to
accept an incomplete Government.

He said the audience should immediately
take up knobkerries & spears & whatever
weapon they could & go & fight Mett.
He also mentioned that there are some of
the White races that help them & this
campaign must be carried out thoroughly.

The fact he mentioned against the Govt. was
that it must be boycotted. He mentioned
that Europeans of other countries was also
giving them power & help to get boycott
this Govt. exclusively.

At that stage I left with Bonst-Basson
& B. coast Swaha. We went back to the
police station - because we were going to
fetch another European by van on account of
that we could not stay any longer at the
meeting.

We returned & found that Nkosi Sekilele
was being sung - a hymn.
The meeting was then finished.

B. Countable Ledwaba:

18 Feb. 4 p.m. - in company of previous witness
& Const. Basson. Went to Makana Square.
People - were speaking to a meeting. Bantu people,
50 people present.

It was 2 people speaking. One: Accd NO 2
was speaking to the gathering. I didn't see
anyone speaking before him.

Accd. NO 2 said:

"We don't want passes + permits at Langa.
We are not speaking about Langa only. We are
also speaking about our land S.A.

White ~~people~~ countables who are being sent
to the Zones go to the people. They shall be
killed especially if they could go to the
Zones at night.

"White people of other places they said
we should look after our land."

That's all I heard.

We stayed for about 15 minutes.

We went away because we realized the
meeting was about to disperse. ~~At~~ with
Const. Basson.

Accd. spoke fluently.

Accd: I want a warning.
What would happen if
not a warning.

B. Sgt. George Selanto:

18 Feb. I went to Makana Square.

About 4-30. Found a meeting going
on - about 50 Bantu males sitting down.
(Unknown ^{to me}) a speaker - in middle

I pointed out speaker at Robed Se. jail.
Accd. NO 1 - he was singing. I couldn't make

out the words.

He then called upon another Bantu male to speak on Group Areas Act - I pointed out the large police str. called upon decd. No 2. who then addressed the meeting.

"The Govt. by grouping the people according to their races is creating hostility. The reference books did not only oppress the Bantu people but the Govt. is making business out of them.

"The rylans (police vans) are means of conveyors of Bantoes who did not have passes. He sees no reason why the police should not be assaulted."

After that the European policeman said we must go back to fetch the patrol van.

Returned: found meeting already dispersed.


The audience was listening intently - cheering after the speeches.

Ses. Siebrits :

11-10 n. n. 18 February.

Polizei -

Mantra - steelwood - die rug.



It is a very ^{pity} sad thing to see no leaders of the church here at this meeting. They are the very people who should lead the struggle against the introduction of beerhalls and bottle stores into the locations. We must stand firm against this new liquor law. We want freedom, not liquor.

The passes are the main source of our troubles. The passes are used to ~~bring~~ tie us down to one particular place, or to chase us away from a particular place.

On top of the passes we have the permits.
① You have to have a permit to visit your relation in Nyanga. The police are always raiding for permits and the situation has become very serious. Especially over weekends, the police never stop their raids. They are looking for girls. If you have a girl in the Zones then you have to pay a fine. If you go to your girl in Sea Point they arrest you for trespass.

No wonder the young men are getting very excited and angry. You even find many young men without ~~permits who~~ passes who cannot get a job and who spend all their

time in the bushes gambling and robbing
the people. I have seen them myself.
They say they can see no reason why
they should not kill the police. The
situation is very serious and these police
raids are going to lead to policemen
being killed. They say ~~that~~ we should
catch the white police when they come
into the location and that, ^{as} we are
many, we should also kill the black
police. That, ~~is the position~~ ^{I say,} is the position
today, and unless ~~these permit raids~~ we
put an end to these permit raids, we
shall never have peace in the location.

~~It is the position~~

We should not be discouraged in our
struggle. The people of other countries have
shown in the United Nations that they do
not want apartheid. The so-called
self-government for the Transkei will not
help our Government. The new Prime Minister
is to be Chief Matanzima. The people hate
Matanzima. He is not a leader of the
people, but a ^{TRAITOR} ~~tyrant~~ ^{stage} ~~tyrant~~. I tell
you that he lives by the knife and

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the assegai and by besting people
and burning their huts. We do not
want Matanzima. We must defeat all
his attempts to ^{only} (be the boss) of our people.

I thank you Mr. Chairman for this
opportunity to speak.

Accid: Denies unlawful intent.

People sitting - broad daylight.
Hymns being sung.
Police present - taking notes.

Heard accid.
Spoke quietly, simply -
honestly.
Best witness.

Particulars - damage to property.

State must prove b. res. doubt that what
accid. said - intent, to break law.
If - reported: others saying.