

N N P A News

By Angie Dickerson



"A Year Against Apartheid" has been launched here by more than 700 trade unionists, students and activists. They attended an historic rally in solidarity with South Africa's Freedom Fighters at the Great Hall of Copper Union in March.

The United Nations General Assembly, by unanimous decree, proclaimed the year beginning on March 21, as the International Anti-Apartheid Year "in order to step up international action against apartheid -- by governments, organizations and the public -- by governments, organizations and the public -- in this crucial period of the struggle of the oppressed people of South Africa for their freedom and human rights.

The guest of honor was John Gaetsewe, General Secretary of the South African Congress of Trade Unions (SACTU), who was making his first appearance in the United States.

"Make no mistake about it, apartheid is not changing its face," Gaetsewe told the Cooper Union gathering. "The Oppressed people in South Africa have written the answer in their own blood in the last 10 years," he said, citing the hundreds who have suffered death, the countless who have been maimed.

After recollecting Sharpville and Soweto, Gaetsewe discussed the road ahead. He said that foreign investors, which include most of the top U. S. corporations and banks, shore up the racist and fascist minority government and economy and "ensures the virtual slavery of Blacks" there.

"South Africa is not as remote from the United States as some would like to have us think," reminded Leslie O. Harriman, the Nigerian Ambassador to the United Nations. "The vaults of Fort Knox are filled with South African gold dug by the slave labor of Africans, the uranium in the nuclear bombs comes from South Africa, and so do the diamonds that glitter in the high societies of the Western world."

Today direct U. S. investments in South Africa total a "book value" of two billion dollars plus untold, indirect investments through British and West German firms. Also, billions of dollars in loans and credits have been channeled to South Africa by U. S. banks and financial institutions.

Other speakers in Great Hall of Cooper Union included Charlene Mitchell, executive secretary of the National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression; Terry Specter of the Young Workers Liberation League; Zehdi Labib Terzi, UN representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization; and Jarvis Tyner, chairman of the New York State Communist Party.

John Gaetsewe, center, General Secretary of South African Congress of Trade Unions who is pushing "Year Against Apartheid," is learning about American's unemployment problem while he is here. Explaining the problem amid Humphrey-Hawkins posters are Jim Bell, left, of Black Affairs Committee

of District 65, Distributive Workers of America; and Anthony Monteriro, executive secretary of National Anti-Imperialist Movement in Solidarity with African Liberation.

CETA

Eight persons have been appointed to the administrative staff of the Las Vegas/Clark County Consortium of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA), Allan Lipitt, executive director, has announced.

Named human resources vocational analysts are Dovie Wesley and Roberto Maldonado. Ms Wesley was formerly a high school English teacher in Atlanta, Ga., and has a BA in English from the University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff, and MA in counseling from Atlanta University. She is a native of Springfield, Ark.

Maldonado, a native of Puerto and married, was formerly a fireman with the Clark County Fire Department. He was a housing relocation specialist for low income minorities for the State of New York prior to coming to Nevada, and for two years was an equal opportunity specialist with the Puerto Rican Community Center in Bridgeport, Conn. He attended Inter-American University in Puerto Rico and has also studied at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Gail Sipple and David Barnett have been appointed human resources analysts/evaluators for CETA. Sipple is a retired non-commissioned officer, of the Air Force where he was in charge of central base personnel office, on-the-job training section at Hill Air Force Base in Ogden, Utah. A native of Philadelphia, Sipple has a BS in management from Weber State College in Utah. He is married and a Native of Yeadon, Penn.

Named human resources analysts/planners are Robin Resnick and Edward Ochoa. Mrs. Resnick a native of New York City, was a housing assistant with the New York City Housing Authority and has done substitute teaching in the Clark County School District. She has a BA in psychology and education and a MS in guidance and counseling from Brooklyn College.

Ochoa was an instructor at Evergreen Valley College in San Jose, Calif. He also taught in the high school at Sunnyvale, Calif. He has a BS in political science from San Jose University and is a MA degree candidate in public affairs/administration.

Joyce Petty has been appointed to the position of accountant in the CETA fiscal unit. She has served as an accountant with two public accounting firms in Las Vegas. She served as a real estate salesman and as an accountant in industry in the San Diego area before coming to Las Vegas. She has attended San Diego State University and Grossmont College in El Cajon, Calif. She is Married and a native of California.

Russell Bert, formerly on the editorial staff of the Las Vegas Review-Journal, is the new public information officer for CETA. He was on the administrative staffs of colleges and universities in Colorado, New Mexico and Wisconsin as public relations director and also was an instructor in English and journalism. He has a BS from Northwestern University and the MA in journalism from the University of Iowa. He is married and a native of Rockford, Ill.

Burglary

As you enter your home after a fun-filled weekend out of town, you immediately notice a vacant spot where your color television once stood. A quick inspection of the premises reveals that your stereo and typewriter also are missing. Your home has been burglarized!

According to the Insurance Information Institute, burglaries occur in the United States, on an average, about once every 30 seconds. Although homes are the favorite target, you can minimize the chances of a burglar visiting your home by practicing a few common sense precautions.

If you are going to be away, don't broadcast the fact. Whether you are taking a lengthy vacation or a weekend trip, suspend deliveries of mail, newspapers and/or milk.

If you are going on vacation, it is wise to ask a neighbor or the local police to keep an eye on your home. If you plan to be gone for a long period of time, you should arrange to have the lawn mowed or the walks shoveled, depending on the season.

A dark house also is an invitation to a burglar. If possible, arrange for someone to turn your lights on and off at appropriate times or have an automatic timing device installed.

Even when you are not out of town, all windows and doors should be kept locked. Changing your locks whenever you move or if you lose your key is another precaution you should take to reduce the chances of a burglar having a key to your home.

- Other precautions include:
- ... Don't leave ladders lying around your property.
 - ... Don't employ anyone in your home without checking references carefully.
 - ... Don't give your exact address when advertising expensive items for sale. Thieves read want ads, too!
 - ... Don't leave keys under the doormat. It's like leaving an engraved invitation to a burglar.
 - ... Don't make forced entry easy. Use heavy screens or windows and double locks on doors.
 - ... Don't keep large amounts of cash or valuables in obvious places, such as the dresser drawer or the sugar bowl.

If a burglar does strike even after you have taken these precautions, being able to provide a detailed description of stolen items will be helpful to the police. It is wise to keep an updated inventory of personal belongings, including serial numbers on items such as stereos, typewriters and sewing machines.

FAMILY ABUSE

"The Las Vegas Family Abuse Center, Inc., will continue offering the Job Readiness Training, for low income young adults between the ages of 16 to 21 years. Applicants earn \$2.65 per hour while in training. Job placement will follow.

The family abuse 24 hour Crisis "Hotline" is in operation. The number is 642-4717. This service is for the abused women with or without children, and for the abusing problems of men.

The Job Readiness Program is funded through CETA, and the Women's Advocate Program is staffed by P.S.E. CETA Slots.

Anyone wishing to volunteer for this program may call 732-8823, or come in person to 3135 Industrial Road, Suite 101-B."

Thank you for your interest in our Family Abuse Program.

WINE BEER

YEE'S
JADE PALACE
RESTAURANT

Chinese & American Food

ORDERS TO GO - CALL 648-8930

Banquet Room Available For Your Parties

Hours 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Mon. - Thur. 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Fri. & Sat. and 1:00 - 10:00 p.m. Sunday and Holidays

1054 Rancho Dr., Las Vegas, NV at Twin Lakes Shopping Center

Telephone: 642-3456

Pat's Beauty Salon

Open Mon, Wed, Thurs, & Fri. From 9 Sat. 8:30 4:00 Closed Sun & Tues

It is located at 3256-A Civic Center Drive in the Cheyenne Square Shopping Center.