

DRINKS, WOMEN, CASH, ARE A DANGER

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THE whole continent of Africa has, within the past three years, changed in a way that very few people anticipated politically. More and more Africans are being given great responsibilities in shaping the destiny of their nations. In all these new States, we need to create incorruptible leadership. We must train leaders who cannot be bought with money, liquor and women.

It is very important, therefore, to start training young people who are going to man these positions, to care sincerely for the people they are going to serve above themselves.

This could be done if we equip all these people with a superior ideology based on the four absolute moral standards of honesty, purity, unselfishness and love.

Same mistakes

Nothing short of that will lead these countries to stable governments.

In some countries there is already dissatisfaction because of disparity in wages—leaders earning about R6,000 a year and the masses about R24 a year. Which shows that even a Black man, if not guided, may make the same mistakes as Whites in Africa.

These are moral issues which have nothing to do with colour, but character.

New atmosphere

This country, the Republic of South Africa, is about to have another general election. To me it does not matter who wins the election, but I am sure of one thing—our problems here can never be solved by any political party. They are too big for that, and they can also not be solved by any one section of the population.

It is imperative that we create a new atmosphere in

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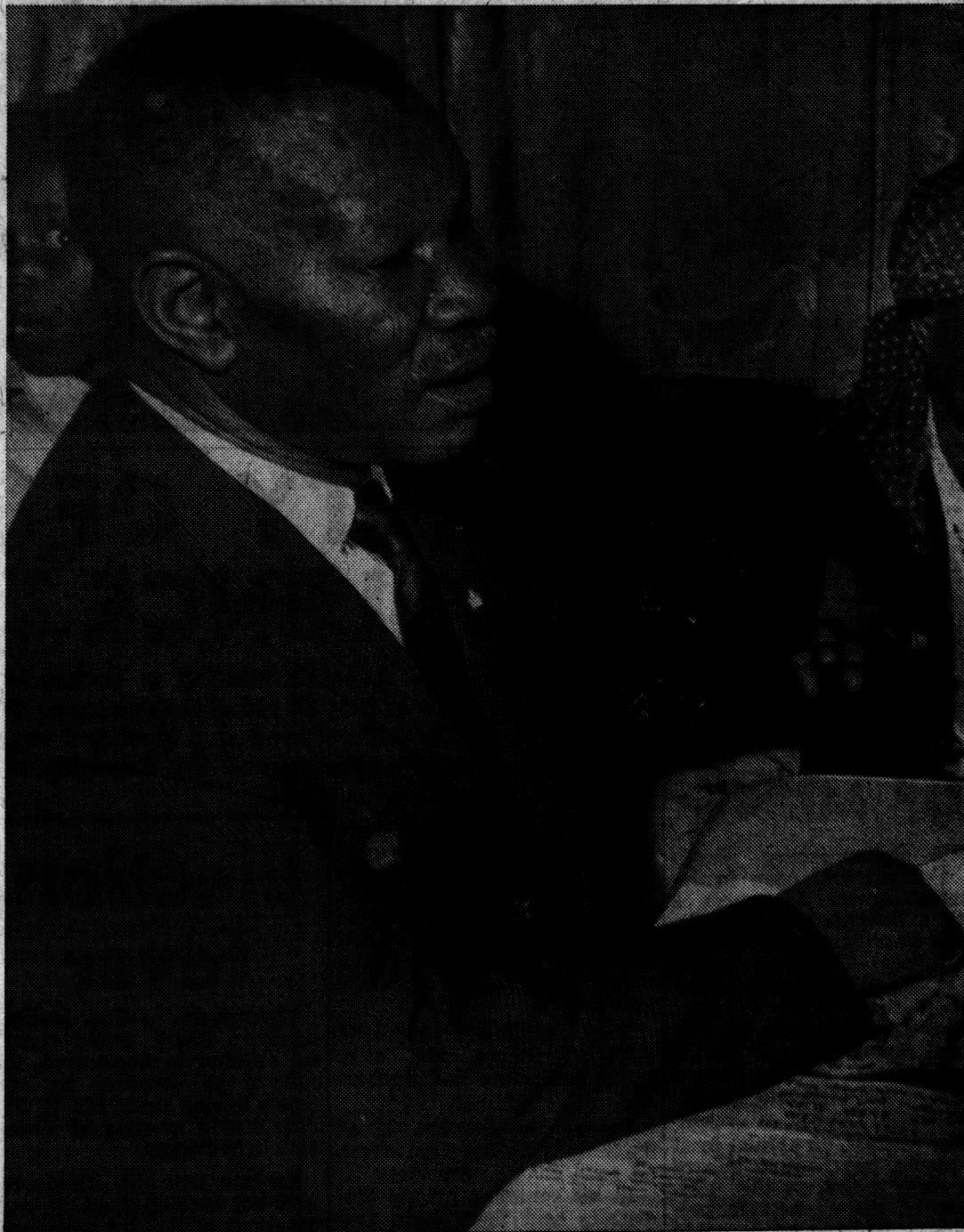
the country which will enable us to come together and resolve our problems quickly.

Any plan that excludes some of the people is too small and cannot succeed.

African leaders must really care for the future of all our children—Black and White—and the same with the White leaders. That is the only hope for us and our country.

If we do not do that, we must be prepared to go under, all of us. We haven't got much time in which to settle our differences. We haven't got another five years.

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Mr. Philip Q. Vundla, veteran congressman who switched to M.R.A. Six years ago Mr. Vundla took the first courageous step inside the African National Congress to break the grip of violence in African politics, and was stabbed in the head. In this thoughtful article, he says "we haven't got much time in which to settle our differences. We haven't even got another five years." The whole continent of Africa, he says, is in the grip of changes. More and more Africans are being given the great responsibilities of shaping the destiny of their nations. And it is vital to train the emerging leaders in the proper ways. The four absolute moral standards of doing this are based on honesty, purity, unselfishness and love. And this is what the Republic of South Africa needs most in these tumultuous times. This is the key to success.