

STREET NAMES.

The Council has decided that the following street names be adopted for the streets in Stellenbosch Extension No. 3 ("Fonteintjiesdorp"):-

Heresingel
Kommandeurslaan
Rygerlaan
Drommedarisstraat
Simonsbergstraat
Druk-my-niet
Rooikransstraat
Schoongezichtstraa

Druk-my-niet is a short street jammed in between two main streets.

New street name plates for Idas Valley have been ordered and will be erected in the near future.

RECREATION HALL AT THE STELLENBOSCH SANATORIUM CAMPAIGN FOR FUNDS.

An amount of £494 has been contributed by local businessmen and associations and by the general public for the Recreation Hall. Further amounts are still outstanding and it, is expected that the final figure will be approximately £700.

POPULATION: STELLENBOSCH MUNICIPAL AREA.

_	1936	1951	June 1955 (approx.)	% Increase 1936 - 1951
Europeans	5,012	8,252	9,200	3.38
Asiatics	5 3	78	90	2.77
Coloureds	4,867	7,487	8,400	2.91
Natives	279	1,935	2,230	13.78
=	10,211	17,752	19,920	3. 76

ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT.

I.M.S. has pleasure in welcoming to Stellenbosch the new Municipal Electrical Engineer, Mr. J.F. Lategan, and wishes him every success for his future career at Stellenbosch.

Mr. Lategan's previous appointment was that of Town and Electrical Engineer to the Municipality of Heidelberg, Transvaal. Born and bred at Stellenbosch and a member of an old and wellknown family of the town, Mr. Lategan thus returns to his home town with the object of devoting his knowledge and ability to the interests of its people.

MARKET.

This problem has engaged the attention of the Council for a long time as it is indeed a difficult one. After the old market at the old Kruithuis and in The Avenue had proved incapable of continued vigorous existence, a market was established on the south-eastern part of the Braak and this was subsequently, after another attempt to find a suitable place, transferred to Bergzicht. The object of the market must be to make available to the public supplies of fresh produce of good quality at reasonable prices, if possible, straight from the farmer or other producer.

Before deciding on the degree of elaborateness of the arrangements to be made, the Council wishes to have the fullest information at its disposal, particularly also in regard to the interest and support the farming community may be prepared to extend.

At present the farmers' associations have been approached and when their replies have been received the matter will be given further consideration in the expectation that a reasonable and satisfactory solution may be arrived at.

CONTROL OF TRAFFIC AT THE JUNCTION OF DORP STREET AND ADAM TAS STREET.

The question has been put as to what the intentions of the Council are in regard to solving the traffic problem at this junction, particularly, as Dorp Street does not join up with Adam Tas Street at right angles.

The answer is that in the near future a circular

traffic island with a diameter of 120 ft. will be laid out. In the beginning the arrangements will be of a temporary nature so that their effectiveness can be put to the test. If they are found to be successful, the construction would become a permanent one.

Both Adam Tas Street and Dorp Street will form tangents to this traffic circle which will have the effect of slowing down that part of the traffic which, if proceeding at comparatively high speed might be a source of danger at the actual intersection of the two streets. No difficulty is anticipated as far as the traffic is concerned which proceeds practically uninterruptedly, down Dorp Street into Adam Tas Street in the direction of the Adam Tas Bridge, nor from the traffic which proceeds up Adam Tas Street from the Adam Tas Bridge without entering Dorp Street. That part of the traffic, however, which if not slowed down, might become dangerous at the actual junction, will be controlled, slowed down and guided by having to pass the traffic island before it reaches the junction.

INTERVIEWS WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS.

In order to obviate any inconvenience to members of the public who desire to interview Senior officials of the Council, it has been arranged that they should be available to the public from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. In case it is impossible to make use of the times mentioned, it is suggested that the officials concerned be communicated with, with the object of making appointments over the phone.

WATER ACCOUNTS.

The attention of the public is drawn to the fact that amended Regulations concerning water tariffs have been promulgated with effect from 1st January, 1956 which, as a result of pressure exercised on the Municipality by the Provincial Administration, do away with the payment of an annual minimum charge based on valuations in the manner prescribed by the old regulations.

Apart from the payment of an annual minimum charge of £4.10.6d which entitles owners of residential properties to a minimum of 1,000 gallons per month, all further consumption will be charged for at the rate of 2s. per 1,000 gallons or part thereof. Monthly accounts will be issued for excess water and it is thus in the

interest of owners to control and observe the consumption.

NEW HOME BRIDGE.

I.M.S. is glad to be able to inform its readers that on Friday, 6th January, 1956, a commencement has been made with the construction of the new home bridge.

The Council has decided in favour of a super structure for the bridge in Jarrah in deference to the original and popular home bridge which was constructed of wood.

A small scale model of the bridge has been made by the Town Engineer's Department which is on view in the Revenue Office in the Town Treasurer's Department on the ground floor.

100 YEARS AGO.

TWO EXTRACTS FROM MINUTES OF "TOWN COUNCIL": 22ND JAN., 1856.

(a) The impounding of the 25 oxen of David Theunissen on the 11 December last for which he paid fourteen shillings pound dues, having been taken in consideration, as it was found that in consequence of his ignorance of the Municipal Regulations, he had allowed his oxen to remain loose with his wagon, which was outspanned on the Mill Square.

Resolved to refund the Pound dues.

(b) Read a letter from Mr. Commissioner McLachlan suggesting that the requisite steps should be taken by the Commissioners to commemorate the recent victory of the Allied troops in the Crimea.

Resolved that in consequence there not having been a meeting of the Commissioners on the date of the letter, the Board are of opinion that too much time has now elapsed to adopt Mr. McLachlan's suggestion.