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Mayor's Parlour,

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'N GROOT WATERSKEMA VIR STELLENBOSCH EN SY OMGEWING

Die vergadering waarvan ek in my rubriek van 9 Maart melding gemaak het, het behoorlik onder voorsitterskap van mnr. P. W. Sleigh, die Voorsitter van die Afdelingsraad van Stellenbosch, plaasgevind. Gegewens omtrent die bywoning van die vergadering is in die pers verstrek, o.a. in *Die Burger* van 15 Maart 1962 en ook in *Eikestadnuus* van 16 Maart 1962, waar die memorandum van mnr. Neil Joubert, die Voorsitter van die Stellenbosse Boerevereniging, gepubliseer is. *Eikestadnuus* maak ook melding van die rede wat prof. Taljaard op 11 Oktober 1961 gehou het.

Daar is nou 'n aksiekomitee aangestel. Die Stadsraad sal twee lede daarop benoem en sy memorandum indien. Ek kan byna sonder voorbehoud sê dat die Stadsraad aan 'n groot skema sy volle steun sal verleen.

Vir dié wat dit nog nie ken nie, wil ek kortliks die geskiedenis van die Idasvallei-skema vertel. Nadat dit al 'n geruime tyd duidelik was dat as gevolg van die ontwikkeling van die dorp, die watervoorraad ondanks allerlei beperkings aangevul moet word, het die Raad op 19 September 1945 die belastingbetalers bymekaar geroep om goedkeuring te verkry vir 'n lening vir 'n dam op die plaas Idasvallei.

DIE GROOT SKEMA

Die belastingbetalers het egter die voorstel afgestem. Daar het 'n tydperk van ondersoek na ander moontlikhede, insluitende 'n groot skema, gevolg. Die Raad het die begeerte van die belastingbetalers dat 'n komitee aan die ondersoek sou deelneem, aanvaar. Dr. Taljaard was juis een van die lede. Alle moontlik-

hede is ondersoek. Sowel die Provinsiale Administrasie asook die Direkteur van Besproeiing het in daardie stadium alle skemas buiten die Idasvallei-skema afgekeur. Die Direkteur van Besproeiing het gesê dat hy slegs gewillig sou wees om die Idasvallei-skema te subsidieer. Ook dr. Taljaard het op 'n vergadering van die Gesamentlike Watervoorsieningskomitee wat op 6 Desember 1948 gehou is, gesê dat as daar oponthoud moet wees in verband met 'n groot skema, hy ten gunste van die Idasvallei-skema is. Eers dáárna het die belastingbetalers op 6 April 1949 die Idasvallei-skema goedgekeur.

Intussen het belangrike streekskonferensies van die Winter-reënvalstreek plaasgevind. In 'n memorandum wat deur die Besproeiingsdepartement opgestel en aan 'n konferensie op 31 Maart 1948 voorgelê is, is gesê dat 'n groot skema in Jonkershoek in daardie stadium nie in aanmerking kan kom nie. Die uitdruklike verskering is ook deur die Direkteur van Besproeiing gegee dat die Idasvallei-skema soos deur die Raad beplan, 'n groot skema op geen wyse sou benadeel nie.

SYFERING SO GELAAT

Die konstruksie van die Idasvallei-dam is heeltemal geslaagd. Die syfering wat daar is, is so gelaat om leiwater vir Idasvallei te verskaf, in die plek van die water wat nou uit die kloof in die dam loop.

Ek hoop dus dat die aksiekomitee sukses sal behaal. As 'n groot skema egter vir Stellenbosch moet help, dan moet dit gou kom, want volgens berekening van die Raad en sy raadgewende ingenieurs sal die watervoorraad nogmaals versterk moet word, dit nie later as in die jare 1966 tot 1967 nie.

Mayor's Parlour,
Stellenbosch.
5th April, 1962.

THE CONGRESS OF THE CAPE PROVINCE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

This year's Congress — the Association's fifty-fifth — will take place at East London from the 9th to the 13th of April.

The Council has resolved that Councillor C. F. D. Smit, the Town Clerk (Mr. M. J. Smith) and I should attend together with the Deputy Mayor (Clr. W. C. Dempsey) who — and with him Stellenbosch — has been honoured by his election

as the Deputy President of the Association, in which capacity he will attend.

On Monday, the 9th April, after the delegates have been welcomed by the Mayor of East London, the Congress will be opened by His Honour the Administrator of the Cape Province (Mr. J. N. Malan) and then the presidential address will be delivered.

After these formalities the delegates will deal with a very long agenda which includes thorny problems which have long engaged their attention.

Problems of an involved nature requiring more detailed discussion and investigation than the time of the Congress allows, are often referred to the Executive Committee and over the past year it has done a great deal of useful work as the reports which it is submitting to Congress, reveal.

Besides the report of the Hon. Secretary and communications received, there are the motions submitted by member municipalities.

There is also to be a symposium on "The Adaptation to Modern conditions of Laws and Regulations covering the issue of Trading Licences, Hours of Trade and Matters incidental thereto" — to be introduced by the Chief Licensing Officer of Port Elizabeth.

As both the Deputy Mayor and I will be away during the Congress week, Councillor Prof. Erika Theron has been elected to be the Acting Mayor during that time.

I hope in my next review, to refer briefly to such matters as are of particular interest to Stellenbosch either because they affect its interests directly or because they have been raised as a result of the national problems which affect us all.

THE PROPOSED MAJOR WATER SCHEME

By the time this review is published, the Council will have considered the memorandum which it is preparing for submission to the Action Committee which has been appointed. Arrangements were made for the attendance of the Council Meeting on Tuesday, 3rd April, 1962 by its Consulting Engineer.

It is obvious that no time must be lost in connection with this most important matter.

A REQUEST

The change over from the first two items of this review seems rather abrupt — but I would like to accede to the

request from the Municipal Departments concerned that the public be asked to refrain from allowing anything to be disposed of in the sewers or drains that may cause pain and injury to those that have to work on them.

In cases where the sewers are blocked it often becomes impossible to use spades or other implements — only by using bare hands can these stoppages be removed.

There is in the offices an exhibit of 23 hypodermic needles of various lengths and thicknesses but all with very sharp points which have been found in the sewers and removed from them. The thought of what happens when a workman's hand is pierced by such a needle under such circumstances is surely enough to let us all exercise every caution and dispose of them in a different way.

The exhibit is at the disposal of Eikestadnuus.

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