

OUR CONTRIBUTORS

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EMBATTLED CRIPPLE

A polio cripple in an iron lung last week inspired a fresh fight against the *apartheid* (total racial segregation) program of the ruling South African nationalists. He was Christopher Gell, a Port Elizabeth legal expert. Lying on his back, Gell had time to study the legalistic double talk in an unpublicized decree issued last month by the Minister of the Interior, Dr. Theophilus Ebenezer Dönges. Now Gell publicly announced to his astonished countrymen what the decree really meant:

It gave the government the power to dictate where South Africans could work. Hereafter, no one could employ a person of another race without a special government permit. Hundreds of thousands—from Johannesburg mines to Cape Town banks—could be thrown out of work.

Dönges claimed this power by twisting the meaning of one word in the Group Areas Law. The law gives the government the right to restrict the "occupation" of residential areas by racial groups. He chose to interpret "occupation" as covering jobs as well.

South African industrialists, alerted by Gell to the infringement of their right to hire whom they pleased, planned to fight the measure in the courts.—NEWSWEEK, Nov. 16, 1955.

(Readers will recall Mr. Gell as the author of the series of three articles on Albert Schweitzer which appeared in *The Dalhousie Review* in 1953 and 1954.—Ed.)