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Dear

Some years ago both the Transvaal and Natal remnants of the Liberal Party started a small fund with two objects.

The first was to help ex-members who might be having a difficult time. The second was to help undertakings whose objects were the same as the Party's but which didn't have the resources to do what they wanted to do. In the Transvaal one of the main tasks of this fund has been to help David Ratshwaffo, one-time organiser of the Party in Pretoria, who is an epileptic and unable to get regular employment now. The fund is used to pay him a small salary and in return he acts as interpreter in the Black Sash advice office, when he is well enough to do so.

I am wondering whether Cape members would be prepared to contribute to a similar fund, the first task of which would be to help Cromwell Nododile? I used to visit Cromwell at his work on my occasional visits to Cape Town. The last time I went to see him I was told that he had gone on pension. I wrote to him and eventually had a letter back to say that he had had a stroke early in 1979, had been in and out of hospital, and was now, to all intents and purposes, permanently disabled and unable to support the younger members of his family. This picture has been confirmed by a visit Dot Cleminshaw and Maggie and George Rodger paid him just after Christmas, and by a letter I have had from him since their visit.

I thought that a presentation to Cromwell from people with whom he had worked in the Liberal Party would make the start to 1981 a little less grim for him than it is otherwise likely to be.

Would you be prepared to make a contribution?

If you would, could you please send either a cheque or postal order, made out to George Rodger, to him at:-

The Anchorage,
Glen Road,
Glencairn,
Cape, 7995.

Yours sincerely,