

1.Motsuenyane was born in 1926 on a farm near Potchefstroom, where his father was employed. He matriculated at Evaton, and gained a diploma at the Jan Hofmeyr School for Social Work. IN 1960 he became the first South African black to be given a Leadership Exchange Scholarship, and stayed on to study soil conservation in North Carolina for three years. He calls himself a country bumpkin.

Cartoon Motsyenyane studying soil conservation in North

Carolina, say studying contours, or driving a contour plough

2. He returned in 1964, intent on developing black agriculture. When the National African Federation of Chambers of Commerce was established, he was appointed agricultural adviser. In 1968 he became president of NAFCOC, and launched the African Bank of South Africa. He secured R70 in voluntary contributions. In 1976 the capital exceeded two millions. The bank continues to grow, and to win black confidence and cash.

Cartoon: A black bank with black staff, and a smiling
Notsuengene presiding.

3. Motsuenyane has won acclaim for his sincerity and efficiency. But he has come under black radical attack. He has now resigned from the South Africa Foundation.

Reasons: Its bad image in black eyes.

Its concentration on winning friends overseas, and its minimal local impact

But he remains Chief Scout - the first black to hold this position. He is a man for all seasons, in very unseasonable times.

Cartoon: Motsuengane as Chief Scout taking the salute at a mixed parade. Note But I do not think there are any mided troops.