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MAN 'O THE WORLD ON PROF. MATTHEWS

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Nats lose a big prize

SO Professor Z. K.

Matthews has made up his mind at last. He is to quit Fort Hare. And Africans everywhere will salute him for his courage and determination to stand by his principles.

The decision must have been a hard one. Don't forget that Professor Matthews needed to stay only two more years to get a full pension.

Don't forget, either that his life has been bound up with Fort Hare.

For long now, he has served on the College Senate and the Governing Council. He worked with the late Professor Jabavu and so many others to build up the university college.

THE Minister of Bantu Education offered Professor Matthews reappointment at the new tribal college. Had he accepted remembering his work for the A.N.C., it would have been a big victory for the Government.

Nationalists could have — and certainly would have — pointed out that one of the chief opponent of the new system of African education had been won over.

Why, they would have said, he cheerfully carries on work in at Fort Hare.

But Professor Matthews isn't that sort of man. He

walks out with his head held high. An inspiration to all of us in our struggle.

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