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LATE TROOPER P.T.C. DU PLESSIS, BELFIELD SCOUTS

8th March

Transmits application for pension on behalf of widow and children; has provisionally sanctioned payment of 20/6 per week.

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ST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.
NO. 155

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, 16
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

March 8th, 1916.

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Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith an application for pension on behalf of the widow and children of the late No. 26 Trooper P.T.C. Du Plessis, Belfield's Scouts.

2. Trooper Du Plessis succumbed to the result of an accident while on active service, and according to the present regulations his widow would appear to be entitled to a pension of s. d. 20/6 per week for herself and children, viz: 10/- for herself, 5/- for the first child, 3/6 for the second child, and 2/- for the third child.
3. I have provisionally sanctioned the payment of this amount pending the receipt of your confirmation.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

[Signature]
GOVERNOR

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

ANDREW BONAR LAW, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

INCLOSURES

In Dispatch No. 15 of 3/3/11/6

Declaration to be made by the Widow of a Member of the Volunteer Force in support of her claim to Pension for herself, and Compassionate Allowance for her children.

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(1) Full name of widow. I, (*Susan Elizabeth (Roe's) du Plessis*)
(2) Annex a certificate of marriage. do solemnly and sincerely declare, that I was lawfully married at (*Nairobi*) on the (*third*) day of (*March*) 1903 to (*Peter Thomas Christian du Plessis*) Trooper, *Balfeld's Scouts, Bubi Camp* who died at (*Bubi Camp*) on the (*2nd*) day of (*January*) 1916 aged (*39*) years; *11 months* that since his decease I have continued a widow, and am so at this present time, and the following are true particulars of the late *P. T. C. du Plessis* legitimate children now living.

Annex certificate of their birth. (*under the act (Vol. 11)*) (Boys under 18, and girls under 21 years of age only.)

Names in full	Dates of Birth	State where each child is at school	State where each child lives, and if not with mother, the reason
<i>Peter Thomas Christian</i>	<i>21.9.1890</i>	<i>At home</i>	<i>Staying with mother</i>
<i>Thomas Nicholas Frederick</i>	<i>4.1.1894</i>		
<i>du Plessis Christian</i>			

Ages at time of marriage.	
Of deceased	Years.
<i>31</i>	
Of widow	
<i>18</i>	
Difference	
<i>13</i>	

(1) Annex a certificate of birth of widow. *Born at Melling, Transvaal, 5 December 1890.*

I further declare that neither I nor they have any pension or allowance from the public account of my husband's services, and that the statement in the margin of the declaration as to ages of my husband and myself at the date of our marriage is correct. And I make this solemn declaration, conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Act 5 and 6, Will. 4, c. 82.

Signature of Widow *Susan Elizabeth du Plessis*

Her place of residence. *Station 146*

Declared and subscribed before me at *Edmore*

this *21st* day of *February* 1916

Signature of Magistrate *H. J. Tholfield*

Place or County for which he acts. *Highland Magistrate, Victoria-Noron in Victoria, B.E.A.*

We do hereby certify, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that the above-named lady, whom we have known for some years, was the lawful wife of the above-named Volunteer, and we recommend her as in every respect deserving the grant of pension, etc.

Given under our hands this *21st* day of *February* 1916

Signature (*) *B. Wheeler Bettles*

Address *P.O. Union*

Signature (*) *A. P. van der Merwe*

Address *Bethel, Farm 31, Vasingirhu*

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Army Form B. 103.

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Casualty Form--Active Service.

Regiment or Corps *Belgian Scouts*

Regimental No *26* Rank *Trainer* Name *De Puccio, Peter James Christian*

Enlisted *(a) 22/9/18* Terms of Service (a) Service reckons from (a) *Oct 22/18*

Date of promotion to present rank } Date of appointment to lance rank. Numerical position on roll of N.C.O.s }

Extended Re-engaged Qualification (b)

Report.	Record of promotions, reductions, transfers, casualties, etc., during active service as reported on Army Form B213, Army Form A 36, or in other official documents. The authority to be quoted in each case.	Place	Date	Remarks taken from Army Form B213, Army Form A. 36, or other official documents.
Date From whom received				
<i>6 Oct 36</i>	<i>Admitted Hospital</i>		<i>20/10</i>	
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Certified True (Cdr)
[Signature]

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P.A.P. - No 316
for Mr. C. Belfield

MINUTE.

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Mr.
Mr.
Sir G. Fiddes.
Sir H. Just.
Sir J. Anderson.
Mr. Steel-Maitland.
Mr. Bonar Law.

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copy to P.L.

I have the honour to
ack the recd of your dep.
No. 155 of the 8th of March.
And to sanction the grant
of a pension of £200 a
week to the widow and
children of the late Trooper
P.T.C. de Plessis, Belfield.
I presume that the
pension of the deceased,
which should be then paid
under the Army Order of
the 25th of May, 1912, have
been communicated to
Mrs de Plessis.

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L.A.P. - no. 316
for L. H. C. Belfield

MINUTE

Mr. *Watches 2/6*
Mr. *Bostanley 3.5.16 f*
Mr.
Mr.
Sir G. Fiddes.
Sir *H. Just.*
Sir J. Anderson.
Mr. *Steel-Maitland.*
Mr. *Honar Law*

I have the honor to
ack. the recd. of your dep.
no. 155 of the 5th of March.

And to sanction the front
pleasure, amounting to \$16.
of pleasure of 2016.

back to the widow and
children of the late Cooper.

(Signed) DONALD LAW.