

I don't think that it wd be right for
us to take a man from the territories, even if you
wanted him
That cannot be helped

at once

Ans. 16/9/14

W. Reed
W. B. Strout

See note from C. H. Selwyn
attached

? was asked: W. Bishop's letter
says that App. is unable to
avail himself of his offer

Ans. 17/9/14

at once

H. J. R.

18/9/14

110 Stan Rd.

Ipswich

15 Sept 11 14

The Secretary of State for the Colonies

Sir

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I beg to submit
in connection an offer of my services
in the campaign about to be
undertaken in East Africa.

I am at present serving in the
Mechanical Transport Sect. of the
Suffolk Regt Territ. & desire if
possible to transfer to an arm
of the force to operate in German
East Africa.

From May 1911 to May 1914 I was
employed in Nairobi carrying on
mechanical engineering & motor business
acquired in the course of that

business a thorough knowledge of English.
 the colony of British East Africa. In this connection I beg to
 & also of the Swahili language. I beg to state that reference as to my career
 when resident in B. C. A. I was B. C. A. may be made to
 for 3 years a member of the Humberts' Ltd Nairobi or of Cook by
 unit of the Legion of Frontiersmen, Mchaka Estates, Chania Bridge P.O.
 am therefore acquainted with the Nairobi. My age is 25, height
 form of military operations which is 5' 8" & I have been accepted
 will be required against German East Africa. I have been accepted
 East. medically fit for foreign service.

The ultimate object of this application is to take advantage
 application is to take advantage of the commercial opportunities
 of the commercial opportunities which will follow the acquisition
 of German East Africa, or to occupy one of the posts under
 the Govt. which must arise in connection with Public Works
 In the event of this application being made too late
 acceptance for the expeditionary I beg to apply that my
 I beg to apply that my name may be favourably considered
 on the new colony has been required.
 I have the honour to be,
 Your obedient servant
 L. D. J. Bishop (Prop)

35076 } East
 } G.S.A.
 } Secant

DRAFT. On Grants

Lt. Colonel C. A. Selwyn

I. O.

16 Sept 1914

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- Sir G. Fiddes.
- Sir H. Just.
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott.
- Mr. Harcourt.

Dear Colonel Selwyn

I enclose a copy of an application which has been received by the C.O. from a man named Bishop — a private in the mechanical Transport Section of the 6th Buffaloe Regiment (S.F.) — who wishes to take service in East Africa.

Before replying we should be glad to hear

For Mr. Read's
Signature

~~per Bishop 10 Sept
35076/14~~

know what view of you
take of the application
at the W.O. If you
think Bishop wd be really
useful with force 'B'
in any capacity, we
could write to the W.O.
& ask for his services.

You will see that he
is very frank about his
main object in offering
his services!

(sd) H. J. Mad

17. X. 14

My dear Ned.

Genl. Berrow does not en-
 vider that we can utilize the
 applicant with force B. This
 the job is that we have
 breezy a Bishop with the
 force and there is not
 room for two.

Sincerely yours
 Ch. Seligson

110 Alan Road, Ipswich,

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September 10th, 1914.

Sir,

I beg to submit for your consideration an offer of my services in the campaign about to be undertaken in East Africa. I am at present serving in the Mechanical Transport Section of the 6th Suffolk Regiment Territorial and desire if possible to transfer to an arm of the force to operate in German East Africa.

From May 1911 to May 1914 I was stationed in Nairobi carrying on a general engineering and motor business and acquired in the course of that business a thorough knowledge of the Colony of British East Africa and also of the Swahili language. When resident in British East Africa I was for three years a member of the Nairobi unit of the Legion of Frontiersmen and am therefore acquainted with the form of military operations which will be required against German East.

The ultimate object of this application is to take advantage of the commercial opportunities which will follow the acquisition of German East Africa, or to occupy some of the posts under the Government which must arise in connection with Public Works or Engineering.

In this connection I beg to state that reference as to my career in British East Africa may be made to Lambert's Limited, Nairobi or J. Cook, Esq., Thika Estates, Chania Bridge, P.O. near Nairobi. My age is 25, height 5 ft. 8½ ins. and I have been accepted as medically fit for foreign service.

In the event of this application having been made too late for acceptance for the expeditionary force,

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I beg to apply that my claim may be favourably considered when the new Colony has been acquired.

I have, &c.,

(Sd.) L. DAY BISHOP .

To The Secretary of State
for the Colonies.

35076/1914

Downing Street,
18 September, 1914.

Private Bishop,

I am directed by Mr Secretary Harcourt to
acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th
of September, offering your services to the
Government in East Africa, and to inform you that
he is unable to avail himself of your offer.

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Private L. Day Bishop

18 Sept 1914

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