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APPLICATION FOR LAND

previous Paper.

Gives history of claim and asks for consideration

To Read.

We have no previous ref. to this application; and there is a good deal in the history of it as given by Col. Mackay that has not understood. E.g. his being told to "buy in the open market". Of course the arrangements for land allotted are in a state of chaos for some years.

The first auction of these lands was announced on Feb. 1913, and being apparently very successful, the following year he came to me and says he is told that Col. Mackay, and others for, are still retaining a number of the

any system of allotment to soldiers
after the war will extend to 5000
acres lots.

? Copy to H.A.G. for report &
inform Col. Mackay that we
have done so.

L.C.S.

21/11/17

at once.

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From:- LIEUT.-COLONEL J.D. MACKAY, D.S.O.,
NO. 6 REST CAMP, FRANCOR.

To :- THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET, LONDON.

Sir,

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I have the honour to request that you will favourably consider the following application:-

after leaving the East Africa Protectorate Service I applied for a certain tract of land, about 6 miles from Nairobi, and asked that my claim be considered in view of the many years that I served in that Protectorate at that time I was informed that my claim could not be entertained. In 1911, while serving in Zanzibar, I was informed that the land was open for settlement, and I again applied for this concession. I interviewed His Excellency the Governor, and the Land Officer. In effect my claim was recognised, but as the rough map I made did not agree with the Government Survey plan - the Land Officer did not seem to think I would get any special indulgence, and that I should have to stand my chance with others and buy in the open market. I protested against this as I pointed out to him my original claim was submitted with the usual fees long before such an arrangement was contemplated in the Country.

I beg to again renew my claim and ask for your consideration in view of the above facts.

I understand that after the war is over, special grants are to be made to ARMY men and I would request that under the circumstances my claim may be favourably considered, and the five thousand acres originally applied for by me, be granted.

This is a bona fide application as I wish to make my home in East Africa after the War, when I retire on pension.

I venture to think that my long Colonial experience, particularly in East Africa should be taken into consideration in this application.

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I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient and humble Servant,

Calais
18-11-17.

Lieut.-Colonel.
Commandant, No. 6 Rest Camp.

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DRAFT.

Int. Col. J. D. Mackay
S.S.C.

MINUTE.

Brealey, 2 Nov.
Replies, 23/11/07.

W. G. Read
Lambert
Read
Pittles
Hawes
Lang

Sir,
28 November 1907

I am etc to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
18th of Nov., and to inform
you that a copy is being
sent to the O.A.S. I have
asked for a report on your
application for ~~an~~
a land concession in the
Plot

(Signed) H. J. READ

(Affixed)

E. B. Clarke, Treasurer.

East Central Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Complete Address
London, Ontario, Canada

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Sianborough Park, Watford, Herts.

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Post 18 MAY 17

1917, 12.12.17.

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Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office, C.A.D.
LONDON. S.W.1

Dear Sir,

May I ask your kind assistance in securing Passport for a trip to British East Africa? I desire to visit some of our Mission Stations in that Protectorate, and to confer with our missionaries there. Our Society began operations in British East Africa in 1900 and we have eight stations at

Gentia (Head Station), Kicuru
Yarungu, Kimunu
Korimolo, Kimunu.

Kisi, Kimunu.

Wire Hill, Kimunu
Busingi, Kimunu
Kangaruba, Kimunu.

These were manned before the war by four British subjects - George Lane, Tritter, Phillips and Sparks - three Americans, Maxine Johnson, Peterson and Urso - and Peleinn, Mr. Delahove - one German (Dr. Miller).

Our German churches began work in Tangan. East, which in 1906, had 4000 with the war 16 stations -

Four in South Pere - Yihrio, Post Buiko, via Tanga, Tigray, Post Buiko, via Tanga; Vuesu, Post Buiko, via Tanga, Vunta, Post Buiko, via Tanga.

Four in Victoria Nyanza District - Lajith, Post Musoma, Irumba, Post Mbiti, Nyabangi, Post Musoma; Shigotzi.

Four in District Ushishi - Busegwe, Post Muone, Ikingi Post Musoma, Mungu, Post Musoma; Iwengala, Post Musoma.

Of the workers connected with these German stations, we have only heard from one - Mr. Toppenberg, a Dane, but understand that money has been supplied to some of the stations by Mr. Jansouller, our leading missionary in British East Africa, who states that some of these stations are being maintained.

Our denominational headquarters is at Irkoni Park, Whitchurch, P.C., U.S.A. And the Foreign Mission Board there has asked us to assume responsibility for the management and financial assistance of our mission in East & West Africa.

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also in Egypt, they understanding to speak us fine really a few languages (I might mention that the church is at present operating in 10 languages). We have endeavored to get into communication with our representative in British East Africa, but for so much this is extremely difficult. We learn that the mission operations have been very well organized, and the head of the Mission, Mr. George Allen, is anxious of leaving the country for family reasons. Since January, I have sent about £900, and expect to send money steadily, but feel that we ought to have also a representative from this country to consult with the same, and agree on plans for further development of a penitentiary.

The responsible body here, the Executive Committee, of the African Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, held a meeting on Tuesday, May 6, and passed a resolution requesting me to visit our stations in British East Africa, and ascertain the exact position and needs, consult with the missionaries as to a working policy, arrange for furloughs, and generally endeavor to get the missions into proper order. If time should permit, I was to visit one or two stations in the West coast on my return.

I have accordingly applied for a passport to British East Africa, and have received a notification that the passport cannot for the present be granted. I do not know what difficulty presents itself, but understand that the rainy season would prevent travelling after a certain date. I am anxious, if possible, to accomplish the journey before that time. I therefore beg to ask that you will be so kind as to assist my application for a passport to be granted at an early date.

If any further information is desired, I shall be happy to supply it, either in person or by letter.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

W. A. Meredith

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Morning Street,

23 May, 1917

Sir,

With reference to my letter

PROTECTORATE

ADMINISTERING (32743) despatch of the 1st of April, I have the honour to forward

MINUTE.

information, a copy

with Mr. F. H. Meredith

of the present

Mission to the East

23 May 1917

at your early convenience

the enclosure

paragraph of my letter referred to above.

I have, etc.,

L. H. Meredith. May 17th 1917.

-do- 23 May 1917
 (Draft herewith)

(SD)

(Signed) WALTER H. LONG

1725611 East Africa Protectorate

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Downing Street,

23 May, 1917.

Sir,

DRAFT

I am directed by Mr. Secretary,

to GRIFFITH, ESQ.

long to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th of May, and to inform

MINUTE.

you that, pending the receipt of a reply
to a despatch addressed

from the Officer Administering the

Government of the East Africa Protectorate

to an enquiry which he has made, he does

not know whether the Seventh-Day Adventist

Mission is still operating in that

Protectorate or not

2. In the meantime Mr. Long is
not prepared to assist you in obtaining a
passport for the purpose of visiting the
Protectorate, and he cannot give any
promise that he will do so in the future.

Copy to messrs. Lupton & Dugdale
Copy to Mr. G. R. H. Long
Copy to Mr. G. R. H. Long

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