

1. Gov. Kenya. Tel. 164.14th Sept. 32.

Reports that Advisory Committee has advised that contbns. to the Bureau of Entomology and Mycology, Trop. Diseases Fund, Trop. Diseases Bureau, Advisory Med. C'tee. and the Advisory Committee on Edcn., shd. be reduced in view of financial stringency. Requests steps be taken to effect reductions.

2. Gov. Kenya. Tel. 165.14th Sept. 32.

Reports that Advisory C'tee. recmd. the suspension for the time being of Agric. and Vet. Scholarship Scheme on ground of economy.

Note attached. *2/2*

I presume Gene Dept will deal with this tel: (perhaps they also have been to Gastero Edward).

W Allen

(delay you for pp) 16/9/32

R. Rowan
to Dept. of Agriculture

R. Poynton
to Education Admin. Ctee

R. Hobbs
to (2) (?? pp. are with you).

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then continue.
HC

W Allen
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There is a circular about the Econ. Ctee contributions now under conon - Kenya's future contribution is being suggested at £277 instead of £280 - a very small reduction I fear. The difficulty about reducing contribs to this Ctee is that the money almost all goes in salaries & without sweeping changes at this end we can't cut down any further. I believe R. Vernon is

As the Hbl are coming through me now I may also comment on the proposal to suspend contributions to the Colonial Charities and the Tropical Diseases Fund. A circular is just on the point of issuing in which fairly substantial reductions are permitted, consequent upon the creation of a consolidated Colonial Medical Fund to replace subscriptions to the C.M.C. T.D. Fund and D.P. Kenya is to be asked to pay £143 to the new joint Fund instead of an aggregate of £205 to these two separate medical services. But we can't agree to cancellⁿ in a hand

M. Ogilvie
27/12

No. 2.

The proposal of the Kenya Expenditure Advisory Committee that the Colonial Agricultural and Veterinary Scholarship Schemes should be ^{temporarily} suspended is absurd, since the adverse effect which this would have on recruitment would far outweigh the advantages of any financial relief which might be gained. The Secretary of State recently informed Kenya and the other contributors that he ~~was~~ satisfied that the Veterinary Scholarship Scheme is sound and that it should continue. (No. 22 etc. in 91625/2/32). He also informed the Government last July (No. 45 in 91625/2/32) that the Agricultural Scholarship Scheme is being reviewed by a special Committee and that he will, in due course, consider whether any reduction in the amount of Colonial

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contributions to that Scheme can be made next year.

I attach the duplicate of the despatch to which the Governor refers. The figures given in the despatch are incorrect, and this will be pointed out in the acknowledgment which is being prepared. The Governor ^{will} be also being informed that the recommendations made in the enclosure will be laid before the Special Committee.

Agricultural Scholarship Scheme.

Kenya and seventeen other Colonies have agreed to contribute specific sums annually to the scheme during its trial period of ten years ending 1934/1935. Kenya's contribution is £647 per annum, and up to 1931/1932 the Kenya Government had paid £3,828 and had received nine officers trained under the Scheme, so that the total cost of each officer works out at about £425 per head. For the year 1932/1933 contributions were reduced by 10%, so that Kenya is only paying £582 in respect of the current year.

Only 14 scholarships were awarded this year against 20 envisaged by the Scheme, but we shall have to consider whether this number cannot be further reduced during the next few years. This is one of the matters which will, of course, shortly be considered by the Committee referred to above. If the Committee recommend, for example, that not more than ten scholarships be awarded for the next few years, and this recommendation were accepted, it would result in the contributions payable by Colonial Governments during the last two years of the trial period being reduced by 50%.

Veterinary Scholarship Scheme.

This scheme was only started in 1929 and Kenya and eight other Colonies ^{have} ~~undertaken to~~ contribute specific sums for the three years 1930/1931, 1931/1932 and 1932/1933. Kenya has paid £1,959 (not £2,050 as stated by the Governor), and has received one of the first batch of three scholars who were posted last year. The Scheme was reviewed in the early part of this year. Kenya was asked to contribute £625 for 1933/1934, a reduction of £199 on the Colony's contribution for 1932/1933, and £115 less than the contribution for 1931/1932. The Governor telegraphed that provision would be made for £625 in the 1933 Estimates (No.40 in 91625/2/32). The question of whether any further reduction in the contributions to be asked from the Governments contributing to this Scheme for the years 1934/1935 onwards will be considered next spring, but I doubt whether any ^{marked} reduction in this case is practicable.

The Governor is correct in presuming that commitments have already been incurred in each case, and, if it is considered necessary to reply by telegraph, I would suggest the following answer:-

"Your telegram No.165. Commitments have already been incurred and provision should be made in 1933 Estimates for £625 for Veterinary Scholarship Scheme as promised in your telegram No.98.

For Agricultural Scholarship Scheme £622 should be again provided. As indicated

"indicated in my despatch No.541 I shall consider whether 1933 contributions to latter Scheme can be further reduced when I receive examining Committee's report."

J. H. H. H.

28.9.32.

(Agitated by an idea)

These papers appear to have raised Mr. K. R. on a point, as Mr. C. has said that no more Mr. D. can be named in a proposal to reduce the Colony's contribution to the I. I. of Veterinary *J. H.*

As to the Agricultural Scholarship Scheme, a full ~~statement~~ ^{statement} has been prepared by Mr. H. for the information of the special Committee which will be charged with reviewing the working of the Scheme. Meetings of this Committee will be held only in October & it is hoped that its report will be ready for consideration by the office at the end of that month. I cannot anticipate the recommendations of this Committee, but as far as I can foresee the needs of the Colonies for agricultural officers for the next few years will be met by offering 10 scholarships per annum in place of the 20 per annum originally

contemplated.

F. A. Stoddale

29/9/32

Imperial Mycological Institute.

The Colonial Contributions

Economy Committee said that Col
Contributions² was reasonable and that
Costs ~~the more than their~~
no alteration should be made in the present
contributions to this Institute; the
reasons for this have been given

Expended - 25. If we reduce, all will
want to, if contribution is reduced
to any great extent the Institute will
have radically to alter and diminish
the scope of its work which is of
necessity based on a long range
programme etc.

Reduction should be resisted

I think unless any other
consideration which led to the 1931
Colonial Contributions Economy Club
recommendation had so radically
altered as to call for reconsideration
of the recommendation, this is as far as I
know, the case. P. V. Varman

The ^{provisional} contribution of the Imperial

Institute of Entomology is similar to that of
the Mycological Institute. Since the report of
the Colonial Contributions Economy Committee a
number of suggestions for reductions of contribu-
tions have been resisted, and no such reductions
have been allowed in the case of any territories
over which the Secretary of State has control,
except Tanganyika which has been allowed a reduc-
tion of from £500 to £400 per annum for special
reasons, among which was the comparative
generosity in Tanganyika's contribution relative
to that of other Colonies, in particular Kenya!
The Kenya reduction has ~~been~~ resisted

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There will be a reduction in the ~~last~~ then
medical charge which represents as much as
we can do, so it seems probable that a
reduction in the Agricultural Subsidy
budget will be made. This and the
10% reduction in the Veterinary Subsidy
scheme represent all that we can do
for Kenya, unless some further consideration
of the Education Committee take place. I
am still of opinion that a considerable
reduction could and should be made in
its cost.

P. V. Varman 30/9

3 to the I.M.I.
p. 9-10.
O.C. 428.
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H. P. B. B. B.
10/1/32

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A. B. B.
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NO. *377*

10th August, 1952.

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2. The steps which have been taken to reduce by 10% the contributions in respect of 1952/53 to this scheme are much appreciated and instructions have been issued for the payment of the sum of £582. In view of the financial difficulties in which this Colony finds itself, further recruitment of officers for the Agricultural Department may be curtailed, and as each of the seven officers hitherto recruited under this scheme has cost this Government the sum of £827, (under the Veterinary Scholarship Scheme this Government has contributed the sum of £2,950 without having any scholars), I trust I may urge that every consideration

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• may be given to further possible economies.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

H. M.-M. MOORE

GOVERNOR'S DEPUTY.

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MEMORANDUM.

The training of officers under the Colonial Agricultural Scholarship was discussed at the Conference of Colonial Directors of Agriculture held in London last year and recommendations were made, vide page 6 of the Report and Proceedings of the Conference (Colonial No. 67).

2. I support these recommendations and would add the following :-

- (1) that the training given under the Scholarship Scheme be not necessarily confined to courses in England and Trinidad, but that opportunities be afforded for scholars to take part of their course at universities in other countries with special facilities for training in the particular subject in which the scholar may be specialising;
- (2) that some of the scholarship funds be made available for grants to serving officers who have already proved their worth to a Department of Agriculture, to enable them to undertake specialised studies of particular value to their Department while on leave;
- (3) that the present disparities in salary conditions attaching to specialist and general Agricultural Officers' posts should be removed, since while such disparities exist there must be a tendency on the part of the best scholars to prefer the specialist to the general branch. It is considered that in practice greater initiative, personality and general ability are required in the general than in the specialist officers.

3. I would draw attention to the disparity in commencing salaries between Agricultural and Veterinary Officers in the Colonial Service. Such disparity cannot be justified on the grounds of the period required to qualify for the post, the standard of attainments required or the cost of training to the individual.

4. I would refer also to the footnote (2) on page 68 of the

Colonial Service Memorandum (Recruitment No. 4 published April, 1951) wherein it is stated that a candidate for a scholarship in general agriculture who is in a position to take an Honours course in Natural Science should consider the advisability of doing so in preference to taking a degree in agriculture. While I would prefer to have as an officer in this Department one who has taken a degree in science and a degree in agriculture, if circumstances permitted of his only taking one degree I should prefer that it should be a degree in agriculture. I consider it most important that agricultural officers, whether serving in the "field" or on the administrative side, should have a full and comprehensive training in agriculture.

5. It appears that so far as Kenya is concerned, the Selection Committee has in certain cases in the past paid too little attention to securing candidates of a high standard of general intelligence, and it is urged that as more candidates offer, only those apparently possessing initiative, personality and intelligence in a high degree should be admitted to these scholarships.

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NOTE.

In connection with the 1932 Kenya Estimates the Governor sent a telegram (No.328 of the 21st October, 1931) registered on 81322/3/31 General recommending reduction or deletion of the contributions by the Kenya Government to the following Agricultural Services:-

Imperial Bureau of Entomology.

Amani Institute.

Imperial Bureau of Mycology.

Imperial Scheme for Agricultural Scholarships.

Contribution towards Veterinary Scholarships.

Colonial Agricultural Service.

Imperial Agricultural Bureaux.

In reply, in the memorandum forwarded with the Secretary of State's despatch of the 29th February on the estimates, the Governor was informed that the question whether any economies were possible in respect of these contributions was being considered for the whole Colonial Empire, and that the Secretary of State's decision would be telegraphed as soon as it was reached. He was also informed that it had been decided that no reduction in contributions by Colonial Governments should be made in the case of the Imperial Institutes of Entomology and Mycology and of the Imperial Agricultural Bureaux, and it was mentioned that the position as regards contributions to the Imperial Scheme for Agricultural Scholarships was fully set out in the Secretary of State's Circular despatch of the 9th January, 1932, and that the position regarding contributions towards Veterinary Scholarships

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Scholarships was set out in the Secretary of State's despatch No.74 of the 27th January, 1932, and as regards contributions to the Colonial Agricultural Service that the position was set out in the Secretary of State's Circular despatch of the 9th February, 1932. As regards Amani, it was stated that Mr. Thomas's despatch No.719 of the 20th October, 1931, indicated the position in respect of contributions.

Telegram from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 14th September. Received at 3-22pm 14th September. 1932.

No 165.

No
My telegram No 164 Expenditure Advisory Committee recommends suspension for the time being of Agricultural and Veterinary Scholarship Scheme on the ground of economy as the number of scholars at present in training will probably meet demands for the next few years. I presume that commitments have already been incurred and adhere to views expressed in my despatch of 10th August No 377.

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Telegram from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

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