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Last previous Paper.

Encl. copies of Med. Certs + other corres. in support of appln for

CA 71290

at 10:15 AM on 20 Jan 20
Ansd 19 Jan 20
copy comm. by letter 29 Jan 20

for bractly,
These papers don't help much. I think we can
only send 2-25 Jan 16/17/20
Green
Nairobi
Kisumu
for fractured skull with usual complications and
year before last + the above claims refused subsequent
treatment expenses at Johannesburg and Caledon
Baths. Said as soon as possible all available
information and documents
replied that med. docs have not yet been recd.
from C.A. that a further let. has been sent requesting O.R.G.

subsequent Paper.

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M.T.T.

23 Richmond Rd

Twickenham

23 Dec 19

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~~CA~~ ~~sent~~ ~~awaited~~

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 20th inst. reference ^{CA} 71290/1919. Enclosed by 1.0 envelope copies of certain documents which appear to bear on the subject under reference.

In my letter to the Crown Agents of 6th inst. I forwarded, for submission & return, the original I.S.U. 13 relative to my discharge, which has not yet been returned. You will therefore, I hope, understand my reluctance to part with any further original documents unless specifically called for.

Pages 1-3 of enclosed are substantially copies of a statement sent to the High Commission for S/A in August last, in favour of transmission to Her Majesty's Stationery Office. Pages 4-8 of enclosed, I think, explain themselves & are mainly references from the first statement.

I consulted Dr Henry Head, of 41 Portico Square, Hyde Park as regards my present condition on 18th inst. His report will reach me by post early in January and a copy will then be forwarded to you.

Yours Sir

Your obedient servant

Clement Davies

Under Secy for State
Colonial Office

Memoranda re case for Pension
to Clement Durba, late no 7033, Staff
Sgt Major, East Africa - Pay Corps.

<u>Colonial Office</u>	reference	71299/1919
<u>Crown Agents for Colonies</u>	"	P. Pension
<u>High Commr for S.A.</u>	"	27/11/19
<u>Treasury Pretoria</u>	"	P. 7190
<u>Nily Pensions Commr, Pretoria</u>	reference	21432/1919

I was discharged from No 3 British
General Hospital, Nairobi, B.E.A. on 12th
Sept 1918, in consequence of fractured skull
with cerebral complications "for return to South
Africa". On 19th Sept I embarked on S.S.
Patric for Durban. On 21/9/18, when the
boat was lying off Zanzibar I was suddenly
taken ill with a high temperature, & was
treated for malaria with a success by the
Ship's Med. From the subsequent state
of my heart & general symptoms this illness
was undoubtedly Spanish Influenza (see
certificate by Dr Hart of 31/10/18. Copy on page 4.)
On arrival at Durban on 23rd Sept
all passengers were landed & I was
re-embarked the same afternoon on S.S. Umbata
for Durban; my condition at this time was
very weak, but as my temperature was normal
& I had been ordered to get out of the Tropics as
quickly as possible, the M.O. of the Patric allowed
me to proceed, instead of evacuating me to hospital
at Durban, which was his original
intention. From this time until the 11th

Oct 1918. I suffered from the most violent headaches, mostly on the left side, which came on quite unaccountably, & were not relieved by aspirin, which was practically the only suitable drug on board the Umbata.

I eventually reached Pretoria on the 11/10/18, obtained my discharge, & interviewed the City Pension Commr, as instructed by the Staff Officer Volunteers, Nairobi, before leaving East Africa. (Capt Rehm was the offic.)

On 10/10/18, I was examined at Johannesburg at my own request & expense, by Dr. Mall, Neurologist. He sent me on to Dr. Pink, Aurist, for a special examination of the left ear, & subsequently ordered me three months complete rest. (See Certificate from Dr. Pink ^{copy p. 44} ~~attached~~). I also had an X ray photograph of the injured side of the head taken, which unfortunately proved of no assistance to the Medical Authorities.

On 11/10/18 I left for a month's treatment at Caldon Baths (Lake) as advised by Dr. Mall. After deriving a certain amount of benefit from the complete rest & the waters, I returned to Johannesburg in mid-December 1918. In order to see the City Pension Commr & my employers, the Johannesburg Municipal Council. The Military Pension Commr, Pretoria, was handed the original certificates from Dr. Mall & Pink, and as will be seen from the copy of letter attached (p. 8) I asked for, and was refused, a free passage to England for further treatment, as in addition to the brain & ear trouble my heart was badly affected by the attack of the Rain (hoast) & other influenza. On the dislocation of these new

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Symptoms I expected to be re-boarded, but the only Medical Examination made was a one minute test for giddiness, by, I think, a Major St Leger. I was then informed by letter ^{4th 1849} from the City Veterans Council that "your case for a trip at Government Expenses (sic) has been very carefully considered by the M.C.'s here, & I regret to inform you they do not recommend it." (See page 8)

I eventually was fortunate in obtaining a discarded berth on S/S Bacon arrived at Plymouth on 9/4/49. From there I proceeded direct to the home of my parents at Reyly & placed myself under the care of my father, Dr Clement Barker. On 14/4/49 I was examined by Dr. Kiffin Rucell, Neurologist, of 44 Stimpson St, & was ordered 6 weeks treatment which I received at Coleridge Home, Putney, under his direction.

The treatment was completed on 18th June & copy of his certificate as to my state on 8th July is attached (p. 5) I was also given elaborate instructions for rest diet &c which I am still endeavouring to carry out. My present condition, in health, with my Dr. Barker, as far as I can judge is much the same as six months ago. (Dr. Barker's certificate will follow)

All the treatment I have received has been at my own expense & paid out of my savings, and I beg to forward herewith acknowledgment of actual expense incurred in this connection with the request that it be considered in the assessment of my pension or refunded to me (page 6)

Clement Barker
12 Dec 19.

Copy of Dr. Purks' Certificate (Aunt) dtd 11/10/18

...the appearance to have been a fracture through the temporal bone involving the left labyrinth. He has a complete suppression of both cochlear & static impulses on the left side. There is a scar on the posterior wall of the auditory meatus probably marking the site of the fracture.

(Signed) W. N. Purks

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Copy of Dr. Hunt's Certificate (General Practitioner) dtd 31/12/18

I hereby certify that Mr. C. Dutcher has been under my care from 23/10/18. I have found him suffering from nervous prostration & general weakness of memory, lack of power of concentration, due to his skull having been fractured on active service. While returning on U.S. Service he evidently suffered from an attack of Spanish Influenza, which has also affected his nerves & left his heart in the weak condition usually found after an attack of the disease. He is in my opinion quite unfit for any work & will probably be so for the next six months. The altitude of the Rand is against his recovery & he should be at sea level for 6 months.

H. Irene Hunt, M.B.

Richard H. Johnson, M.D.

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Copy of Dr. Puirk's Certificate (Current) dtd 10/10/18

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(Signed) W. N. Puirk

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Copy of Dr. Hunt's Certificate (General Practitioner) dtd 3/11/18

I hereby certify that Mr. C. Dutko has been under my care from 23/10/18. I have found him suffering from nervous prostration, general weakness of memory & lack of power of concentration due to his skull having been fractured on active service. While returning on S.S. Patria he evidently suffered from an attack of Spanish Influenza, which has also affected his nerves & left his heart in the weak condition usually found after an attack of this disease. He is in my opinion quite unfit for any work & will probably be so for the next six months. The altitude of the Rand is against his recovery & he should be at sea level for 6 months.

H. Vere Hunt, M.B.

Roadvan R., Johannesburg.

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Copy of Dr. Rivieri Russell's certificate ofd 15/7/69

This is to certify that I have made another
Medical Examⁿ of Mr. C. Duker who has, on
my advice, undergone a cure in a home
in consequence of Neurasthenia, & that
although Mr. Duker has improved, he is still
far from well, and there is no reasonable
likelihood that he will be fit to undertake
ordinary work for many months to come,
it being clear that all he can do at present
is to occupy himself in some ~~sort~~ mild way
under the ordinary conditions of country
life with a view to gradually repairing
the loss of some of his nervous system &
thus fit himself to take up regular occupation.

J. Rivieri Russell M.D. F.R.C.P. 603
44 Wimpole St. W.

Statement of Expenses incurred

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Expenses in Johannesburg	
Dr Hall £2-2/- Dr Paik £2-2/- X Ray Photo £2-2/- X	6 6
Exp. Calcutta Books	
Med Book alone, 1 month treatment & fare X	32 6 9
Drat Expenses Johannesburg	
Dr Hanks age £1-11/6 medicines 19/6 X	2 11
Exp. to England & treatment there	
fare to Cape Town (see Dr Hanks certif.)	8 4
" " England, Union Castle Co, only berth available X	62 8
Plymouth to London	1 11
London to Rugby	10 3 1/2
also expenses, whole journey	1 10
return Rugby - London, for see Dr Russell	1 - 7
do for treatment	1 - 7
also spectacles	15
Medicines ordered by Dr Russell X	2 3 3
6 weeks at Nursing Home X	40 19
Dr Jolley, London Curist (Dec 19) X	2 2
Dr Head " Neurologist (Dec 19) X	2 2
	<u>165 6 9</u>

X Items marked X are supported by discharge vouchers

2. Dr Russell charged me no fees. This ordinary charges would have been £40-10/-. He also obtained for me a reduction in the Nursing Home fees of £2-1/- per week = £12-11/-

Statement of Expenses incurred

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Expenses in Johannesburg	
Hotel £2-2/- Dr Park £2-2/- X Ry Photo £2-2/- X	6 6
Expenses, Caledon Baths	
Paid Cook & stove, 1 month treatment & fare	X 32 6 9
<u>Total Expenses Johannesburg</u>	X 2 11
Dr Parks age £1-11/6 medicines 19/6	X 2 11
Pass to England & treatment there	
to Cape Town (see Dr Parks certif.)	8 4
" England, Union Castle Co, only part available	X 62 8
Plymouth to London	1 11
London to Rugby	10 3 1/2
Tabs & expenses, whole journey	1 10
to Barn Rugby London, to see Dr Russell	1 7
do for treatment	1 7
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Medicines ordered by Dr Russell	X 2 3 3
6 weeks at Nursing Home	X 140 19
Dr Jolley, London & West (Dec 19)	X 2 2
Dr Head " Neurologist (Dec 19)	X 2 2
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* Items marked X are supported by hospital vouchers

15. Dr Russell charged me no fees. This ordinary charge would have been £10-10/-. He also obtained for me a reduction in the Nursing Home fees of £2-2/- per week = £12-12/-

Done -
21/1/19



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Refers to 7/190

Treasury 605

330 Church St
Pretoria

29 Jan 19

Mr C. Duker, Box 1460
Johannesburg

Sir,

With reference to the pension of 31/6 per week awarded to you on the recommendation of the Imperial Pension Board, I beg to inform you that this has been increased to 7/8 per week for the period 24/10/18 to 31/12/19.

The renewal of this award is subject to your medical re-examination at the expiration of the above period. The Civil Pension Commission will, no doubt, communicate with you in this connection in due course.

A voucher to enable you to receive payment of the balance due for the period 24/10/18 to 31/12/19 is enclosed, and you will return the voucher at the old rate in your possession, for as payment of the increased pension will be sent to you.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. S. Blignaut

for Secy of Finance

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MILITARY PENSIONS OFFICE,

BOX 420,

PRETORIA.

14th January, 1919.

J. Dukes, Esq.,

P. O. Box 1450,

JOHANNESBURG.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 1919 and to inform you that after your pre-war earnings have been verified and it is ascertained as to whether you will receive any pay from the Municipality, your claim for an alternative pension will be placed before the Military Pensions Board.

Your passport application has been forwarded to the Secretary for the Interior.

Your case for a trip at Government expenses has been very carefully considered by the Medical Officers and I regret to inform you that they do not recommend it.

I have the Honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

(Signed) J. C. CHURCHMAN.

for MILITARY PENSIONS OFFICE

D 73166/19 E.A.P.

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DRAFT.

January

19 January 1920

Sir,

I am directed to ack. the receipt of your

letter of the 25th of December last and to inform

you that the med. documents in your case

have not yet been read from C.A.

1. A further tel. has now been

sent to the C.A.G. of the C.A.P. requesting

to ~~forward~~ expedite the despatch of all the

med. papers relating to your late lieutenant.

2. The form of Proceeding in

Discharge, forwarded by you to the C.A.P.

the tel. is returned herewith

(Signed) H. J. READ

MINUTE.

Mr. Cress 13120

Mr. Machtig.

Mr.

Mr. Grindle.

Sir H. Lambert.

Sir H. Read.

Mr G. Fiddes.

Col. Anson.

Lord Milner.

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England Lieut. J. O.	12 Aug.	Permit to take out Rifle
Gadie J.	23 Sept.	Railway Administration
Eggar Dir. H. B.	15 Nov.	Rudolf Coy. 5000 m. alt.
Gadie J.	25 "	Railway Administration
Edgelen J. S.	28 "	Take Lieut. P. Edgelen. W. L. Co.
Galton J. A.	19 Dec.	Land Settlement
Foster Lieut. F. B. L.	9 Jan.	Health - Pay
Flippance F.	14 "	Apply for bot. employment
Foster Lieut. F. B. L.	23 "	Leave & Compensation for Illness
"	6 Feb.	Pay - Compensation
Fredson Aug.	5 Apr.	Pension
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Forgan R. B.	14 June	Expenses at Durban
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Finnegan Capt. J. S.	6 Nov.	Passage for wife & daughter
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