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**Advisory Council decision  
INCREASED STORAGE CHARGES  
AT MOMBASA RECOMMENDED**

EAST AFRICAN RAILWAYS have been voted £7,123,000 at a meeting of the Transport Advisory Council for major works. Of this total approximately £4,000,000 will be spent on rolling stock, £2,000,000 on engineering and £1,123,000 on buying a heavier load deal with increased traffic on the Nairobi-Mombasa line.

The amount voted was only £7,000,000 as several of these major projects have already been financed to a large degree by the Government.

The meeting also recommended that storage charges at Mombasa port should be increased "to assist in the more rapid development of the port without causing delay and impeding the handling of cargo."

The General Manager of the Railways and Harbours Administration, Mr. A. Dalton, said of the increase: "These charges will encourage merchants to keep their goods in store at the port. At the height of the port's activity, some 1,000 ships a month, port charges would be increased to assist in the more rapid development of the port without causing delay and impeding the handling of cargo."

Following a series of downward trends in the middle of the year, the latest statistics indicate 20 million passengers and 1,000,000 tons of freight were handled in November.

The railway rates for storage are set for the first time since the day of the independence of Kenya on the next six days. 50 cents per ton a day.

Passenger rates for a one-ton day, 5/- per ton a day.

Freight rates for a one-ton day, 1/- per ton a day.

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Additional lighters

An expenditure of £2,000,000 was allocated to the Railways and Harbours Department for providing additional lighters at Mombasa port. This will take the number of lighters and the carrying capacity of each to 100 and 1,000 tons respectively.

It was also noted that the negotiations between the Railways and Harbours Company of East Africa had been completed and a report on the conditions of service and the financial position submitted to the Central Legislative Assembly.

A recommendation was made for an allocation of £1,000,000 for the management line on the Nairobi-Mombasa line and the amount was accepted in principle by the Central Legislative Assembly.

It was recommended that in order to meet the recommendations of the Transport Advisory Council to accept the best advice on the construction of the new line, the Railways and Harbours Committee of East Africa should be given power to make arrangements with the Government to obtain the services of the Engineers and Constructors of the Railways and Harbours Committee.

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## STORM IN MIDDLE EAST

Cold in Egypt, wet and windy in Israel

EGYPTIAN airports and Alexandria harbour were closed on Saturday for two and a half hours as a result of a cold front which passed through Egypt and was centred in Cyprus. Winds of 25-miles-an-hour were

driven by a 55-mile-an-hour blizzard, the temperature falling to 30°F. and leaving hundreds of tents and leaving immigrants without shelter. Hundreds of telephones and power lines were cut. Many roads were blocked. People helped to move damaged camps in North Central Egypt.

A British spokesman said: "Near Cairo, winds of 30 miles-an-hour were吹拂着, and a temporary camp had to be established near the border temporary camp."

A Change message was issued at 11 p.m. to all stations in the blizzard which struck much of the country. It advised that the Air Force was nearly at standstill and that no flights could be expected.

In consequence, the day plan of 10 flights to and from Cairo was abandoned. In fact, only three flights were made.

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## WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF

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UNIDENTIFIED OFFICIALS recently restored honorary status on Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. People presented to the Royal couple after the ceremony included (left) the former West Indian premier, Arthur Lewis. (Associated Press Photo)

## AMERICA AND UNITY IN EUROPE

Top-level pressure on Mr. Churchill

"American" Congressmen

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