

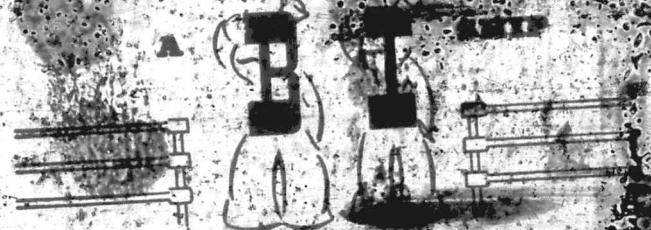
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...the first time he had come out of his carriage.

... will the termination of the war in Europe be amenable to the same conditions as the termination of the opera-  
tion against Germany? Undoubtedly it will be. It is to be  
seen in the future preoccupation of the United  
Kingdom with war requirements, which included the  
possibility of practicably any machinery.

Immediately after the outbreak of war we placed  
very heavy orders for stores and materials which were available,  
and although deliveries did not take place for a considerable time later.

## Extensions Delayed

To the Narroo area, apart from the denial of supplies of new plant, the outbreak precluded us from undertaking the comprehensive scheme of hydro-electric extensions which we have had in mind for many years, but which was delayed due to negotiations with various authorities. During the war could be begun. These discussions, lasting over far too many years, were not concluded until 1920 - too late for any major scheme to be undertaken during the war. The maximum demand in the Narroo and district area, was 1,200,000 units in September, 1920, and now we expect

In addition to the installation of thermal oil heat plant there has been an enormous reduction in rainfall. This brought us from the authority of our thermal and by plant and our London engineers, Messrs Balfour Beatty and Co. Ltd. obtained in the U.K. a 1,500 kw. B.T.H. steam turbine together with a new Gobabis boiler which were put into commission by Hospital of 1944. Further thermal plant had to be provided at Nairobi, and four 800 kw. diesel engines and alternators are now on order. These developments have their effect upon the distribution system, and it has been necessary to carry out extensive reconstruction of the main transmission lines to Nairobi and to construct a new 10 kv. line between the Ngarngu and Makindu sub-stations. The rainfall reached an abnormally low level in 1941, and early in that year rationing of supply in the Nairobi area became inevitable. I hope that at an early date we can again offer an unrestricted supply to the public.

### Increased Importance of Mombasa

In the Mombasa area, a maximum demand in 1939 of 800 kw. with 268,000kwh. generated per month has become 1,850kw. with 738,000kwh. per month, presenting serious supply problems. The loss of the naval bases in the East in 1942 increased the importance of Mombasa, and Messrs. Balfour, Beatty and Co., Ltd. secured a 1,360kw. diesel engine and alternator in manufacture for the Admiralty and its erection in Mombasa under lease arrangements. It was to be used primarily for Admiralty power requirements, and secondarily to give general supply to the town.

Based on normal erection standards, it was estimated that the plant would be in commission early in 1943, but completion was not effected until November, 1944. In anticipation of the completion the company were forced to maintain supply by running all available plant. Seven shutdowns due to plant failure became necessary in June, 1944, for 10 weeks, but full supply has since been maintained.

As far as possible, we have tried to make the figures in Part IV as accurate as possible. The figures in Part V are based mainly on information from our sources. Further, we have tried to base reasonably accurate figures on what was necessary, but in light of the lack of information available at Mombasa, we had to estimate. In 1942, as we have seen, the Japanese had not been approved by the British Government for the necessary port facilities. In 1943, Nakajima had been given the right to establish his ability to do business in Kenya, and he had agreed with further extension of the port facilities. We can

The strike has been called off.

If you will let me I would like to have a few words concerning our work in Uganda. We have been working there since 1951, and to have historical background, let me tell you the following: Our first project, such as it was, would have been an economic proposition, but we had no capital funds, making it a venture more difficult. The situation is still being investigated, and we hope to get some and as soon as we do, we will be interested in writing you for further information in Uganda. There is, however, a limited amount of men and materials available for construction work, so we are concentrating at present on our plant and mining extension program in the areas of sulfur.

## Possibilities in Tanganyika

In Tanganyika which the authorities are  
Panganyika place a number of stations in the hilly  
Salaha and districts. These stations are well known and become  
increasingly numerous as one goes south. The  
Panganyika respective station is being increased to  
12,000 ft. by the installation of a new set of new plants  
now nearly ready for shipment from the United King-  
dom. This we anticipate should ample cover the needs  
of the Panganyika area which are far from small.  
An adequate supply of steam power is available  
Dar es Salaam for two years. The steel engines are on  
order and will be delivered in time to cover  
1945.

Up to now, no detailed information on the supply and Kigoma has been given. The following observations made at Moshi are of interest. It is necessary to consider the following categories:

Summarizing the situation as it has developed in all our markets, we estimate that from \$200,000,000 in 1948, we will require Lead-Zinc-Antimony to the amount of \$100,000,000 to meet these demands. At the present time, from restricted sources, we expect to be able to increase our installations to approximately 250,000 kva.

We could not have foreseen the varying amount of this period of increasing costs without being forced to increase tariffs, except that in November for a period of 15 months a surcharge of 1½% was imposed to meet very heavy increases in the cost of coal. As the November tariff reductions were made, the directors are giving constant attention to the tariff position and hope that as normality returns it will be possible to make a plate reduction in our charges.

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*News Items in Brief*

The United Kingdom Commercial Corporation has closed down its African branch.

The Dutch Reformed Church in Rhodesia has celebrated its golden jubilee at Bulawayo.

Representatives of district committees here held their sixth annual conference in Nairobi.

The Town Council of Umtali is saving £1,000 a year towards the scheme for a new school at Salisbury.

A large weighing hall has been opened at Matabeleland by Mr. P. M. Morris.

Immigration figures for 1946-47 have been published. European arrivals numbered 1,000, and Asian and Goans 2,000. In the Nairobi district there are now 100 Europeans and 100 Coloured, although many South Indians and Africans are said to be on service.

Four African students who came with their parents should form an association to assist students attending in the schools. One of the students, who is a member of the Commonwealth Association, has been associated with the business of the National Union of Students, which has been described as being "the most advanced to be found in the country."

The output of sisal in East African Plantations, Ltd., for the month of September was 2,000 tons, making 6,800 tons for the first three months of the company's financial year.

Jamal Hussain, an Arab leader, who was deported from Palestine to Southern Rhodesia four years ago, denied Press Agents that his position had been given up to the Muslim League.

Salisbury City Council has decided to erect a plaque in the public gardens in commemoration of Mr. J. W. McGuire, who for many years was parks superintendent of the capital city of Southern Rhodesia.

Arm-York aircrafts are to be seen with the new rapid and regular air service between England and South Africa starting month hence. The first plane for the service recently reached Picton, 10 hours after leaving Hampshire.

The President of the African African Congress recommended that the subscription on the Native Tax, which was used to meet war expenses, and which brought in \$18,000 a year, should be retained for educational purposes.

A Sudan merchant has been sentenced for attempting to smuggle a ship of illegal contraband materials. For the first time a Sudanese judge presided over the court, assisted by two British magistrates.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Ex African Italian****A Lesson for Britain to Learn**

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA

SIR.—Your article of September 27 on Italian East Africa (A.O.I.) and an article in THE TIMES of September 21 on the same subject are of great interest for the light they throw on Italian experience in Africa.

The Fascist regime is utterly discredited; but it dismisses the failure of A.O.I. as just another of Fascist's multitude would be to deny ourselves many useful lessons. The Italian experiment was brought to an end by the war—the greatest experiment since the planned development of Africa crashed in ruins for reasons only remotely connected with the experiments in itself. Can we learn a lesson from the end of things? Is it possible to reconstruct the shape of things to come in A.O.I.? I believe that the Italians were on the way to a great success in East Africa.

We must first digest the fact that much Italian development even after the conquest of Ethiopia in 1936 was directed towards further military adventure. It must be remembered that the evils of Fascism caused millions of Italian money to be wasted in graft, speculation, and profiteering. It was the Italian failing of bombast and flamboyance which led to the white elephants of Mogadishu and Asmara, the tendency to build grandiose town halls before the towns themselves existed. Remember, too, that the Italian effort was made partly in previous deserts, and partly in a scarcely conquered and barely hostile country.

There were among the Italians many Fascist colonists. In Fascist Austria, the Viceroy was no Fascist, who had a great faith, and a very reasoned faith in the future of A.O.I. Their faith did great works. The roads, ports, and airports, the schools and hospitals, the secondary industries and collective farms are there for all to see. According to *The Times* correspondent, their administration showed both wisdom and imagination.

I went through A.O.I. with the East African forces from Mombasa to Massawa and back to Gondar, and spent 18 months in those territories. I listened to the talk of men—East Africans and Rhodesians and South Africans on what we saw. Their comments and comparisons were of value because they came from people whose lives were spent in African conditions, and who in private life were farmers, business men, and administrators. Their comments were almost universally to the effect that the Italian experiment was on the way to being a striking success. The comparisons were not flattering to ourselves.

There is one outstanding difference between the Italian approach to Africa and ours. We, with vast possessions in Africa, are prepared to spend well under £10,000,000 a year on them. In the four years from 1935 to 1940 the Italians spent over £50,000,000 a year on A.O.I. alone.

British Africa is potentially far richer than A.O.I. British administrative ability, the British way with backward races, and British singleness of purpose are far in advance of anything the Italians could show. Only our will fails us. If we are to make anything of Africa, we must prime the pump and grease the wheels on the scale the Italians did. We have in British Africa the certain promise of returns on a scale far exceeding anything the Italians could ever hope for.

At this moment the United Kingdom stands at the doors of Washington cap in hand asking for help on the grounds of past good deeds. At what doors shall we stand in 20 years? Somewhere we shall, unless we take now, immediately, the necessary steps to rebuild the Empire through a proper development of Africa.

There is a saying of the Duke of Wellington which

should be better known to us all: "Had I the rice and the beans, I could eat the men." Had the men and had I the men—then we could beat the enemy. All England and Africa would possess the leaders with vision who can say as proudly, "I know I can beat the enemy."

"Give them the rice and the bullocks, the money—and they will quickly have men for an economic conquest of Africa such as has been the British Empire to its rightful place in the world."

Yours faithfully,  
FREDERICK BURNHAM.

**Water Supplies and Railway Fuel****Grid and Hydro-Electrification Suggested**

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA

SIR.—Some months ago a letter signed by "Inquirer" appeared in your columns asking for information as to whether it was not a practicable proposition to convey water in parts of East Africa in the same way as oil has been carried hundreds of miles by pipe across the U.S.A., England, and the Continent during the war period.

Following this letter, on which there appears to have been no expert comment so far, an extract from the interesting annual report of the general manager of the Kenya and Uganda Railways and Harbours published in your issue of September 30, which contains a paragraph running as follows:

"Pressing Problems of Water and Fuel Supplies.—In the last report reference was made to the future. Apart from the rehabilitation of the Administration's equipment, the two most important needs are an adequate and certain water supply and an adequate fuel supply. Regarding the former, the present position is most unsatisfactory and has presented one of the most difficult problems. The existing water services have been maintained only with the greatest difficulty, and the shortage of water has resulted in damage to and repeated failures of locomotives. Serious consideration is being given to the ways and means by which future water supplies can be assured."

In the light of recent experience, the time seems ripe to bring the minds of the best scientists and experts to bear on this deplorable waste and costly inefficiency. Both the Planning Department at the Colonial Office and the East African Governors' Conference are involved, as the subject is one of great regional importance to the economic well-being of several millions of the people of Kenya and Uganda.

The answer may well be a water grid and hydro-electrification, the planning and completion of which may take 10 years or even longer.

Yours faithfully,

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## Preference on Tobacco

#### Resistance to Empire Growers

COMMANDERIAN MORTON, who was the representative in London of Rhodesian tobacco growers until the outbreak of war, said in the course of a talk in last Saturday's "Calling Northern Rhodesia" programme of the B.B.C.:

Our imperial preference is pre-  
dicted to be a private affair within  
the family, whereas the U.S.A. is likely to be  
protectionist in the world; only other states are  
contained within one continent, whereas the members  
of our Commonwealth are spread all over the world.

Am. - We do not consider it to be our duty to pro-  
300 years we do not consider it to be our duty to pro-  
foundly believe that a man's right to his liberty is  
not unreasoning. - As a man's right to his liberty  
at the job. American men have a right to a free country and  
as nearer to the British Isles than to America that their  
off and handling under the circumstances more expen-  
sive and will certainly

... have a few more hours to go before we get to our colony which is about 10 miles from here. At this time when we want to re-settle our population.

in our place. It would be a good idea to have a few more years, and I hope our friends will go to Washington with me, so that in this meeting we can get rid of the preconceived ideas of the poor Indians who will attend the Exposition. Many people believe it was the Ottawa Conference in 1922 which led the British Empire back to prosperity after the world war; so let us return to a tried success and not experiment with what may turn out to be as costly, if not disastrous, failure.

## New Settlers for Southern Rhodesia

In the last few years I have wandered from Cape to the Arctic barren land, and have constantly been about Rhodesia, so the chances of settling there since I returned to London and Rhodesia House, I have interviewed many, and my office holds very many letters from those who wish to come out and live with us. They all understand our Government's decision to give preference to serving people, and to get jobs first, but still many are here and disconcert of the present year, very many desirous for our quiet and peaceful stay, of them will be here in one, they want to bring out their savings, re-invest them, and grow children and grandchildren. Most will be here, and far from coming along, they will come to us as soon as the colony is established.

"All these people could be accepted by us, but as we have  
lack, they would be lucky to get them. Many who want to  
settle with us are no longer young and able. We are yet put  
out of the question, but they will go elsewhere. Shipping governs  
the question now. But we want to be quite precisely what is  
required, with an approximate date and the numbers monthly,  
so that we can give the people concerned time to look for  
us, and the commandants of the cruise

A few days ago I met the commanding officer of the ~~Sea Cadet~~ <sup>Sea Cadet</sup> Corps at his home on leave from the Far Indies, and asked him if any of our ships were apprentices with him. He said he had about 40 and never wished or hoped to grow with better men. He made no complaint—that our ~~Rhodocanthus~~ <sup>Rhodocanthus</sup> would go in for the ship's competitions as one body, and were all so willing to split them up. That opinion is common to all ~~men~~, and a matter for very ~~modest~~ <sup>modest</sup> pride, and a real pleasure to us when I recall the starting out Sea Cadet Corps in ~~Sabu~~ <sup>Sabu</sup> only 10 years ago.

## Governor to the Baganda

#### House of Traitors and Self-Seekers

The Governor of Uganda, Sir John Hotham Hall, used the opportunity offered by the ceremony of the swearing-in of the three agents who will carry on the government of the Kingdom of Buganda during the absence at Cambridge University of King Mwanga II, to instruct members of the Native Police to show courtesy to visitors.

It is only by mutual trust and mutual trust, he said, "that the Kingdom of Buganda can at its present stage of development hope to avoid the pitfalls and difficulties which beset its upward path."

The Governor, who was aware that by the manner of the death of the late Minister recently the name of Uganda had been blackened, The sure east on the whole nation must be removed. This was not the act of one man but of a number of men, traitors and self-seekers who, like a dangerous growth, were poisoning the whole body of Uganda.

The people of Purusha had qualities of greatness and they would cast off this evil thing and eradicate such faults as unworthy ambition, greediness, self-seeking and pride of birth. They could achieve a proud victory.

Mr. J. M. H. B. S. for Kenya.

Mr. E. B. Hostling, who has been Native Commissioner in Kenya, who for some time has been acting as Honorary Secretary of the Royal Empire Society, and who is about to return with Mrs. Hostling to their farming interests in East Africa, has got the term Africa programme of the R.E.S.C. for the year.

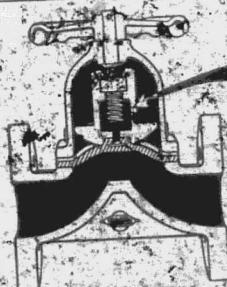
"I have now got my own permit. I have got the one that produced me a permit to buy a crate for my luggage and I am putting up hopefully for a permit to take some of my possessions very rightly."

"All is now in our possession and we are bound to go forward as far as we can as I have never been to London. I don't wear my winter clothes so specially, but I want to get back to the number of which until London is really here again."

**Brigadier Gundell's New Post**

The Secretary of State for the Colonies has selected Brigadier R. D. G. Sandell for appointment to the post of British Resident, Member of the Caribbean Commission in succession to Sir John Macpherson. Brigadier Sandell went to Tanganyika as the administrative officer in 1922, was seconded to the Colonial Grace in 1925, and in 1930 was appointed Assistant Chief Secretary in Uganda. During the war he served with C.I.A. as secretary to the Government in British Somaliland, and soon after the re-occupation until early 1942, since when he has been employed with U.N.R.R.A. in Cairo.

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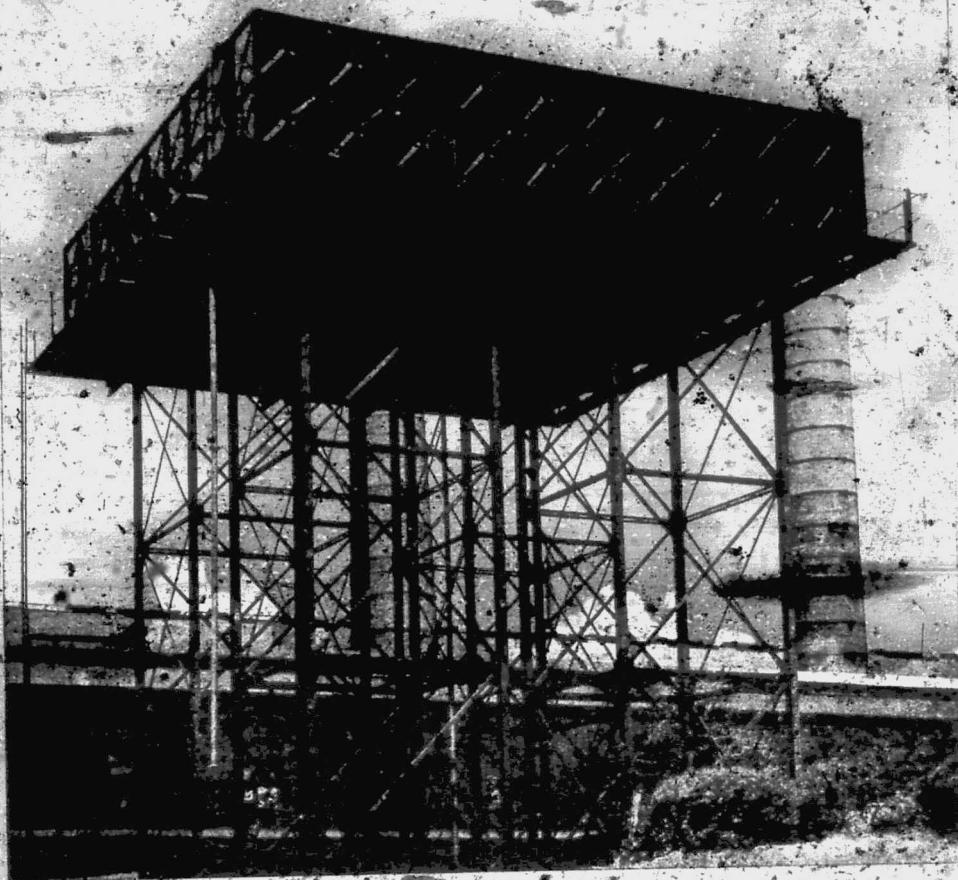
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# The News

Comments & Opinions

It is still believed that the German submarine U-110, which was sunk by the British in the Indian Ocean, was captured by the Japanese.

Never before has there been such a large amount of information concerning the German submarine in the Indian Ocean.

The clearing battalions in Germany produced 200,000 tons of coal and 90,000 tons of copper.

M. J. Murphy, Canadian Minister of Defence:

"The Americans are trying to win over our men with everything."

The British are not worried, unless they are surprised," said Major General Sir Frank A. Gandy.

"When we get these men out of the way, I'll take on at least," Mr. Henry Wallace, U.S. Secretary of Commerce, told Lord Halifax after a session of the talks discussions.

This American miner helped to set production records with a grand man power by working longer hours and digging more coal than any man in any other mine in the world," said Mr. Gandy.

Mr. Gandy will give a new political independence to people of the mining districts. The distinction of race or colour will have no place in his government.

"In the last twelve years of my service, the efforts of miners and their families to the United States exceeded in value all that of the British Empire from the British Kingdom last year," said Mr. Gandy.

He described a new democratic state and befriends those who work in the Parthenon of the British Empire to the government of nations, military, naval, and there shall be prompt punishment and general discrediting of scientific institutions and research projects.

He advised that the new government should be a strong, efficient, and energetic, and that it should be a great and liberated area where information is of supreme value and has been required to be communicated by the enemy. U.S. Office of War Information.

While the British are most interested in the economy of the economy of the country, they are not able to establish a permanent base in Canada or elsewhere.

The U.S. Office of War Information:

"The United States is

not interested in the islands, but the islands remain as they are established fast."

friendly relations between

the two countries have been

strengthened by the fact that

the War Department has

plans of war to reduce their consumption of coal by 20 per cent and 10 million tons of coal by 1945.

Admiral C. G. Gaunt, Commissioner of War, McMurdo and Ross Islands:

"There are in the Services about 10,000 men who went into the islands single have not married and want a home of their own on their release. There are many young couples who want to establish a home and there are not enough houses to let for 1000 men."

Gary Aliabek, Los Angeles, Calif. in the *Daily Mail*:

"I realized that business is

the subject of the talk at the

Whitehall," passing one brief

line, "one section of the business

for authority, another

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While serving in France in 1918 I saw a soldier taken out and executed, his crime being shooting on duty. Probably most of the soldiers, such men were shot after a summary trial. Not so the famous criminal paid large fees to the taxpayers' expense as with these German criminals in the Crimea.

Three banks of the Big Five

bankers, Washington, New York and London, have agreed to make some contribution to the cost of the trials.

It is to be hoped that the

British and Australian governments

will follow the lead of the Australian Government and publish full reports on the trials.

Such action will be a potent punishment to the guilty and the publication of the trials will blacken the faces of the innocent people for many years to come.

General E. M. Stewart:

"There is a serious shortage

of atomic bombs. These bombs

are detonated even in the air without explosion."

This is ample that an atom bomb

can be exploded in a

store of atomic bombs some 100 miles away and not explode.

General E. M. Stewart, head of the

Research Foundation of Hollywood:

"The knowledge that the Com

ment is being overthrown

is causing the Com

ment to increase its

management in order to

discipline and to create

among a group of men

and their leaders a

consciousness of

the need to keep the

country in order. Our

Government is

not able to do this

without the help of

the people of Australia.

# Background

the British High Commission.

The British High Commission are not the only ones who do not see some of your demands as reasonable. For example, many Government officers have been working very hard to help the German people to the best of displaced persons. Yet from the point of view of the representative of the American Government, "displaced persons" are those things that have not been done on my side of the ocean. Apparently it is their task to protect the all-displaced persons from remaining in Germany at which are now

displaced persons. They were forced to leave their homes and now live in the death of their fellowmen. The ambiguous policy was born of the lack of personal preference over the German civilian population. It is leaving, but the practice seems to be quite another thing. We must continue our efforts to get these people out of camps and into decent homes until they can be repatriated or resettle. These houses should be compensated from the German civilian population. There is one way to implement the President's demand that the German people cannot escape responsibility for what they have brought upon themselves. Most of the conditions now existing in displaced persons camps could easily be remedied if through inspection that they came to the attention of the International Refugee Agency. We must make clear to the German people that this is thoroughly their responsibility and not ours. We have not been opportunity to dominate this war by our country in which we ourselves used the surmounting military resources of Germany. Truman has done his best to implement this demand.

On many points you have shown that the U.S. has been more successful in the 20th century than the rest of the world in its combined and a truly modern armament army which can be expanded into a huge force, at a word from the War Department. At present the United States combined navies are estimated to outnumber the British fleet five times to one and their Air Force is bigger than the R.A.F. and the Royal Canadian Air Force put together. Washington would like to keep the balance equal, but was not so fortunate to get a base in the Pacific. The Don Ibadan

is British India.

It is not difficult to understand that to recover our strength and produce necessary supplies of munition and reparation, our factories and business enterprises plenty of labor will be needed providing a continuing, if amply enough, public service, and we need not be intimidated by Government. We have learned in the course of Europe that the Germans' outstanding ability, workmanship, scientific and engineering development, and their starting power are remarkable if trained. Add to this the financial and practical help we shall get from the Kremlin, the Dominions, and all the other friendly nations in the world, and I say we have every reason to face the future with confidence." The Lord President of the Council.

**United Nations Headquarters in Europe.**—The Executive Committee of the Preparatory Commission of the United Nations met to discuss the question of the permanent headquarters of the United Nations. A motion that the permanent headquarters should be situated in the United States was approved by nine votes to three, with two abstentions. Those who voted in favour were Australia, Brazil, Chile, China, Czechoslovakia, Iraq, Mexico, the U.S.S.R., and Yugoslavia. Those who voted against were France and the Netherlands. The United Kingdom, Canada, and the United States abstained. The proposal that it be situated in Europe was rejected. France, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom voted in favour. Australia, Brazil, Chile, Czechoslovakia, the U.S.S.R., and Yugoslavia against, and Canada, Iran, Mexico, and the United States abstained. — M. G. D.

**British Film.**—The Japanese propaganda film at an Allied prisoner-of-war camp in Siam in 1941. The men were made to file past the camera, receiving fruits, tea, Red Cross parcels, said the Japanese guard took them from them at the end of the performance. There was a background of Red Cross banners, all very shiny? Can these men really be the men who sit at tables piled up with fruit, eggs, meat, and vegetables? At the word "go" the men were ordered to start eating. The results recorded for two months' time? Some of them well, in that time, were still communists.

**Japan's Defeat in the War.**—At the beginning of the war Japan had a larger population and a far more powerful air force than on December 7, 1941.

In the home islands of Japan, in the Ryukyu Islands, in Korea, and on the mainland there were approximately 1,000,000 trained professional military personnel. In Manchuria, Formosa, and Japan's eastern empire, the south, there were more than 4,000,000 trained troops.

Japan's total manpower

was 100,000,000 men, of whom 300,000 were in the day force, against 3,000,000 in the day force began. Japan began with an approximate total of 1,000,000 aircraft of which roughly 1,000 were combat types. On the day the war ended her air force had increased by approximately 100,000 to 11,000 aircraft, of which approximately 6,000 were combat types. Why then did she have to sue for peace before the introduction of the atom bombs and bring the entry of Russia into the war? Because by early August Japan's fighting fleet had ceased to exist. Our enemy, a maritime nation, was stripped of her sea power. —Admiral Nimitz.

**Bloodsuckers.**—In Germany I saw a special room where the bodies of slave worker victims were drained of blood before being tortured before they were burned. Machines and scientific equipment were maintained with the greatest care, but it was not considered worth while to give the human beings in the slave factories maintenance in the form of adequate food, clothing, or medical supplies. When worn out they were scrapped, and the bloodless bodies tossed into the furnaces. The monstrous system of concentration camps and slave factories has consumed or crippled an appreciable number of the present generation of European manhood. Many who volunteered for Germany were reasonably treated, but of the millions who were taken away to force a large proportion have disappeared without trace. Of those who survived many will die young and childless because of their sufferings. In Allied prison camps are millions of fit, healthy, and well-fed Germans who could return to establish Germany once again as the dominant Power in Europe by sheer force of national virility and a high birth-rate overshadowing the countries they have fled. That is the potential long-term advantage of German policy.

—By J. C. H. in the *Daily Worker*.

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attraction of a good produce buyer to establish himself in the production area; and yet if production is to be stimulated it is essential that adequate marketing facilities must be available to the producer. Adequate marketing facilities involve the establishment of primary markets, with storage and distribution from localities to wholesale depots or railheads, and above all a central organization which by its contacts both inside and outside the territory can dispose of all produce purchased. It will often in some cases involve the establishment of processing units such as oil extraction plants in order to economize in transport costs. The stimulation of production also involves the supply of attractive consumer goods in producing areas.

With all the above factors in mind I believe that there is a case for considering the formation of some form of marketing and development company, with adequate capital to undertake, in co-operation with Government, the orderly development of production, and willing to operate on the basis of public utility rather than maximum

of the company's profit. Disposal of produce, however, could come naturally in the initial years of production and may involve a subsidy, at the moment in order to enable a small volume of production to meet the overhead charges of the marketing organization without reducing the price to the producer below the economic level.

The Agricultural Advisory Board in its third report reported the recommendation of the Crop Experts Sub-Committee that in order to stimulate development of marketing, a body be established, and visualized the possibility of substituting the existing state operations. I understand that such a board was not formed, but it appears would draw attention to the recommendations. The proposals made in the preceding paragraphs of this memorandum are in line with the proposals of the Agricultural Advisory Board, except that they suggest co-operation between commerce and Government as an alternative to the setting up of a Government-owned

body. Should it be necessary to attract more firms to produce from the lines suggested, it would be of advantage if they were given in their activities the functions of the existing Mineral Commission and the Game Marketing Board.

#### Suggested Functions of Company

I am not unhopeful, on my past experience, that, given security for, say 20 years, it would be possible to attract responsible produce firms with established connections in world markets to undertake this function and to form some such company as the Northern Rhodesian Produce Marketing and Development Company. Its functions could be defined as:-

(1) To organize with Government the economic development of Native areas by:-

(a) establishing primary buying centres, wholesale depots and processing units;

(b) developing transport facilities for the evacuation of produce and transport of goods and passengers both by road and where necessary by water transport;

(c) developing such rural industries as may be desirable and practicable;

(d) arranging for the orderly distribution to consuming centres of the produce purchased and where necessary the importation of any foodstuffs required to meet the internal requirements of the territory;

(e) arranging for the disposal outside the territory of any surplus produce;

(2) It would be a condition of the operation of any such company that Government would have the right to represent on the board of the company, and the company would operate on the basis of a fixed percentage on turnover and fixed interest on fixed capital;

(3) The account of the company would be subject to independent audit, and any surplus profits over and above those required to meet the agreed charges by the company could revert to Government for use in Native development;

(4) Whenever possible a turnover tax would be added to the price of the produce handled by the company, the proceeds of such tax being used for the writing down of fixed capital with the object of:-

(5) gradually replacing the organization evolved by the company by co-operative societies amongst the producers;

(6) The company would also have the right to import and export producers' requirements of agricultural implements and consumer goods.

#### Fixed Profits Must Be Guaranteed

The placing of produce marketing on such a basis would, of course, involve Government in guaranteeing the fixed profits

### The Question of African Labour

#### Not Mentioned in Kenya Settlement Report

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA:-  
Sir:- A friend has just sent me from Kenya a copy of the interesting Report of the Settlement Commission for 1944. As one who is considerably interested in agriculture on a small residential farm or otherwise, I was very pleased to have recourse to much outside financial help. I have studied the report closely. Nowhere in these pages can I find any reference to the all important question of labour, its availability and sufficiency, its welfare needs, or to any suggestions for giving opportunities to the new arrival to be instructed in the important direction.

One gathers that all our Colonies are now moving rapidly and very rightly too, towards a new policy in the case and treatment of indigenous labour. Better hours, better living, rates of pay, and so on under regular Government supervision.

This policy will probably mean running expenses and add in some small measure to the amount of capital required per acre. Persons coming with up-to-date and authoritative knowledge would take advantage of your columns, etc., to throw some light on this important aspect of future settling.

Yours faithfully,  
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#### Colour Co-operation

Colours need not clash. It is colour co-operation that we ought to be studying, rather than colour conflict.

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the number of ships leaving our ports has risen steadily. Correspondingly, our exports of foodstuffs have doubled since 1939, to £100 million, and our imports of manufactured goods from £120 to £150 million. But our imports of raw materials have fallen two-fold from 1939 to £70 million, an increase of 20 per cent., while 90 per cent. of this increase over £20 million came from Rhodesia. This would be no mere coincidental proof of the expansionist effects of our down-the-line policy of the Ottawa agreements taken in conjunction.

There is a legend that the Ottawa policy, even if it lengthened the British Empire, added to the expense in the rest of the world. That leaves one of account the fact that it had not done for the safety value of extending mutual trade opened up by Ottawa and facilitated by the trading system, which every other trading country would have been driven to adopt more drastic measures to protect our markets, given with much greater consequential interference in international trade.

### The Sterling Block

An immensely important consequence of the development of inter-imperial trade even before Ottawa was the building up of an inter-imperial cover of the gold standard, the sterling monetary system. When we forced our gold standard onto everybody's surprise remained perfectly steady, and the non-sense of all the prophecies of a heading collapse of the system indulged in by the exponents of the old economic ideology.

The most momentous event in the history of the sterling system was when we discovered in 1931 that sterling was no longer an exrement of gold, but stood by itself, a mighty English oak, solidly rooted in English industry and English strategy, casting its sheltering branches over almost part of the world.

The post-war situation will offer to all the partners in the British Commonwealth and Empire an unprecedented opportunity for expansion which could eventually exceed that of the United States or Russia, in view of the greater advantages which we possess both in the extent and diversity of our resources and in the organized ability and enterprise of our disposal. This expansion need not follow the American principle of capitalist individualism and unrestricted free-trade within a single tariff. Instead, it is likely to follow the right State collection of the Soviet system.

It would naturally involve more decentralized affording scope in each part for such measure of local protection as may

be deemed appropriate to create equal and balanced development of local resources, as well as to encourage co-operation between local and individual methods as may suit the needs or particular outlook of each community. Such decentralization, indeed, is demanded at this war's last hour in order to afford a sufficient decentralization of defensive strength.

We have, however, too great size with Dominion banks, coupled with inter-imperial preference, which tends to save us in this war what we are in less need, in order to give effective protection to our own agriculture, even against Empire competition. What is essential is that the pre-existing system of the states should provide the co-ordination and centralization of the surplus manufacturing and investing power of each upon the development of the rest. And it can do so without prejudice to each part also developing its international line of priorities.

### Immense Opportunities for Inter-Trade

There lies before us an immense opportunity, greater than offered itself to any group of nations in the world. Who has the right to forbid us to avail ourselves of that opportunity, or to enforce on us a policy which can only bring disaster to us and the world? The nations of our commonwealth, standing together in arms, saved the world. Who dares tell us that we may no longer support each other in mutual peaceful co-operation? Or who, among us, is so short-sighted, or mean-minded as to submit to such a veto over any nation, however friendly, as the price of immediate safety?

There can be no greater injury to the cause of good relations with the United States let alone to the unity of the Empire than to allow Hitler to think that imperial credit is a valuable asset which can ever be paraded to us with any pride. That is the key of our own household, which we cannot hand over to strangers. This is our birthright, which we cannot sell for any price of political gain.

## Produce Marketing and Development Company

### As Public Utility Undertaking in Northern Rhodesia

I HAVE STRESSED THE NEED FOR PLANNED PRODUCTION aimed at the first place at meeting the internal needs of the territory, a clear definition of the place of the European and African producers of this planned production and suggested that the basis of producer-prime levels should be changed from one of a common, free-on-train, or consumer price to one of a common price to the producer aimed at spreading production into areas which under the former system are uneconomic.

It will be clear that any such policy cannot be developed under a haphazard system of individual contracts dependent upon the individual trader buying in bulk and the volume of his purchases and the prices of his purchases the classes being dependent upon finding a willing buyer at a mutually acceptable price. It must involve an organized purchase in all producing areas with centralized controlled disposal at a price covering all costs and expenses during the collection and processing costs over the produce purchased.

In the short time since I arrived in Northern Rhodesia I have failed to contact any large produce houses and have found that the larger trading houses are almost solely concerned with the sale of pig-iron goods and other imported goods in the African consumer. Such bodies as the Mining Control Board, the Cattle Marketing Board, and the Butter Corporation Board do to a certain extent meet this function, and in part, because of their activities, that the produce marketing with which I am familiar does not exist.

Going further extracts from Mr. C. J. Clay's Memorandum on Post-War Development Planning of Northern Rhodesia:

In addition to the marketing of agricultural produce, there are other kinds of Native produce such as hides and skins and others. The Acting Director of Game and Forest Control estimates that the value of the Native fishery industry is some £200,000 per annum. He refers to the possibility of European co-operation in this field, particularly in the Upper Limpopo and Lake Kariba areas, and mentions the large margin between the出厂 price and selling price to the consumer.

It would be appropriate here to discuss the development of producer-co-operative societies. Many of the provincial five-year plans stress the need for developing a more efficient organization for the disposal of Native produce and the supply of producers' needs and alternatives of Native Authority control and development of co-operation have been suggested.

### Native Co-operative Societies

Development of producer-cooperative societies is based on the fundamental principles of co-operative societies in that the members must have mutual knowledge of trust and fellow workers in order without just having established the main lines of collecting, processing, and disposal. This is in any substantial form to the producer, who have to take care of the excellent grading work done by several districts in co-operative development, particularly that of the Copper Belt. But it does appear that a pre-requisite to successful development of producer-cooperative societies is the immediate development of a system of primary markets, which are collection points, processing units, where necessary, and centres of disposal such as I have suggested in previous paragraphs.

As far as the co-operative spirit develops in the entire process, it naturally needs in layout of co-operative societies, first by replacing individual primary markets by small co-operative societies, and later by an association of co-operative societies holding over the wholesale depots and processing units. At least some distant period, the entrepreneur is left in the hands of the sole agents for disposal either overseas or in the local markets, the process at all stages involving the training and establishment of Africans in managerial, clerical and business conditions existing in the territory there is little

# Maintenance of Imperial Preference Essential

## Mr. Amery Urges Empire to Stand Together in Trade\*

THE STABILITY OF OUR EMPLOYMENT, our standard of living, our social and defensive policy can none of them be maintained unless we can secure the imports of raw materials and foodstuffs essential to support our industry and feed our people. To pay for these imports we must export.

At present we have a large balance of visible trade of £1,000 millions, partially balanced by £100 millions from long-distance investments and £100 millions from shipping, but some minor invisible exports leaving a visible balance of £50 millions. Our shipping has been very seriously reduced and will have to face further American competition on the sea, and indeed our overseas investments have very largely been sacrificed to carry on the war.

In this state we have outstanding in the possession of Europe and foreign countries something like £8,500 millions of our net balances. These are not a debt in the ordinary sense of the word, but they do imply the obligation over a long period of years to sell more than we ourselves require.

Far from looking forward to an invisible export to redress an adverse balance of visible trade, we shall have to give an invisible import which may amount to £100 millions or more, which looks like leaving us with a net debit balance of £300 million or more. Unless we can effectively economise on imports, especially from outside, the main increase on imports, especially from outside, will suggest that we shall have to increase our exports by something like 50% in order to make both ends meet. And without taking into account the fact that in many cases previously offering profitable opportunities of direct export trade we shall find that we have been replaced by the latter by local production.

### American Gold Deficit

While the rest of the world has moved away from the idea of a promulgous world trade within the fixed framework of fixed exchange and the most-favoured-nation clause, there is precisely one nation that has captured the imagination of the American public, and none particularly in America itself, in respect of the Americas of today resemble the England of a hundred years ago. The manufacturing conditions of the Americas, ease and efficiency of their production, are fully equalled with England's, while they are, coincident of heading to a lesser extent than the former, for dominating the markets of the world. The colonies and their broken up territories, instead of being a small part of the Empire, their independence an immense opportunity for economic control of the world, are now, through the influence of the Canadian government, a great economic force in the world, and a political factor of the first importance. Free Trade is now the watchword of the imperialists.

The American is impelled in America, and in Canada, to seek a new and depression proof basis for his economic system, and the conclusions which he has adopted are, in effect, and in fact availed him of world-wide recognition. The world depression was the direct result of the last war to restore nineteenth century conditions, particularly the restoration of the gold standard.

It is the immense dynamic power of the American system which was disastrous. For some years America's determining power to export, rather than import was more than balanced by the investments of American capital in Europe, by immense sums sent home by Americans travelling, and by large remittances sent home by European immigrants—all this only to a very slight degree offset by debt payments to America.

The American speculative slump meant a sudden cessation of American investment, travel, and remittance, so nothing remained to prevent the drain of gold to America from balancing the exchanges. The basis of currency was contracted, with disastrous effects on producers and consumers. The most-favoured-nation clause precluded the British Empire from co-operating to keep

the course of an address in London to the Institute of Export.

### Stand Together in Trade\*

their gold circulating among themselves and preserving the balance of trade.

The policy advocated by the United States today would be accepted by the world immediately but in a similar direction. But the tendency everywhere is in the opposite direction. Russia, too, is growing with an absolutely closed economy. France for her own continental territory is determined to include all her satellite states in Eastern Europe within that system. The nations in the West of Europe are quite incapable of securing the function of world economic forces without some kind of special structure in project. Their individual economies, if to compete, turn on some basis of unity, cooperative basis. India and China will be forced to the extension of their own industries and resources by vigorous protective policies.

### Essential Basis to be borne in mind

Nothing can be more necessary, but it is also fatal to imagine that an all-round reduction of tariff would be our salvation. That view ignores the fact that our productions cannot withstand high wage standards and the enormous taxation imposed on social security and our defence needs will have to meet the equally well-organized labour of cheap-labour countries and the cheap surplus of American labour has produced, not to speak of possible future developments by a totalitarian country like Russia. It also ignores the fact that such a policy means abandoning any effective control of our foreign market.

I see no going whatever on these lines, for though we might thus continue to secure a certain limited export trade in virtue of the quality of our products, we are much likely, once the immediate post-war boom is over, to secure a sufficient total bulk of exports to meet our needs.

It is sheer delusion to imagine that in future unregulated imports will somehow automatically create exports, or that a general expansion of international markets, or a general lowering of tariffs, will necessarily develop our country. It will make all the difference what we buy, where we buy from, whom we sell to, and in what currency we conduct our operations. Protection increases prosperity, but carelessness, a well-organized order of nations must govern both our imports and our exports, now as peace as it has governed them in

war. Our first duty is to exercise a strict economy over the expenditure of the credits which we carry in our exports. To ensure that these are not wasted in the purchase of raw materials, but used to provide the imports which are essential to our existence, and to maintain strict control over our imports.

It will be one of the Government's first duties to conclude treaties to help our exporters. In negotiating them our predominant bargaining factor is our unique consumers' market. I would say, to that market should be given only those who can give us convenient help in return. To call that discrimination is a misuse of terms.

### Most Favoured Nation Clause

It is essential that we should insist on the abandonment, or at any rate the drastic modification of the most-favoured-nation clause in international trade. Happily, thanks to the foresight of Joseph Chamberlain, we announced in 1893 a trade treaty which would make the clause applicable to inter-Imperial trade.

It would be fatal for us to abandon the right to develop mutual trade within the Empire for the will-only slip of free world competition under a most-favoured-nation clause; conditions; in other words, to abandon the position of holders of reserved tickets for the privilege of being loaded in the queue.

The most effective way of securing American capital for our own post-war reconstruction will be to create the conditions of mutual Empire expansion by half adequate local tariffs supported by adequate Empire protection.

At the Ottawa Conference of 1911 the principle of mutual preference was embodied in a series of agreements. It was generally understood that what I call Balkanisation had not yet been taken in a policy of separation, and developed and made increasingly complete. Provisions of further advance were not included in the seven years.

Between 1912 and 1914 the Empire countries rose from 200 to 250 million, an increase of 25% in exports to Britain, and the same increase in imports. The increase in exports of 25% brought the Empire up to 25% of our total exports, and the same percentage of imports.

In the years of peace from 1900 to 1910, the Empire's total exports rose from 145 to 185 million, an increase of 27%, and our imports from foreign countries fell from 344 to 310 million—an increase of 8%. During the Empire imports up from 35.3% to 39.1% of our total imports.

## Centralized Machinery for East Africa Being Planned

### But Time Not Ripe for Complete Fusion, Says Mr. Oliver Stanley

**M.** R. OLIVER STANLEY, Minister of State for the Colonies for three years until the recent change of Government, addressed a meeting of the Royal Empire Society in London last week on "Our Colonial Empire: The Next Chapter."

He said that he disagreed with those who considered that faith in the mandate system created after the last war was the acid test of progressiveness thought in colonial affairs. That system seemed to him, indeed, to be either an out-of-date conception, for it was essentially negative, not positive, telling the Mandatory Powers what they ought not to do, instead of helping them to do the things needed. The system was based on the false idea that administration was synonymous, in fact, with welfare. It was only when certain colonies had shown that they were capable of self-government since the creation of mandates

### Representative Government More Important than Mandates

It became more and more necessary to consider what the future aims of the Colonies believed to be right, rather than what experts in Geneva, or in some new University of Mandate, thought. Those experts would tend to look at colonies in a purely objective light, and too easily, he said, would they see the new reviewing authority in London as a considerable period before reaching the conclusion that it could discharge its duties with fairness, integrity, and uninfluenced by outside considerations.

The establishment of regional commissions seemed to him more important than the creation of mandates. The international co-operative and consultative committee which had been established in the West Indies could be emulated elsewhere with advantage. In Africa, for instance, there should be one such commission covering the Eastern, Central, and Southern areas, and another taking in the four British Colonies in West Africa, French West Africa, and possibly also the Belgian Congo.

Political federation was not the key-stone of territorial unity, but the coping-stone. It would be folly to bring territories together in larger aggregations merely for the sake of business; there must be a promise of greater efficiency and of great scope for ultimate political development.

### Benefits of Economic Co-operation Must Be Retained

East Africa was, in his opinion, not ripe for the complete political fusion demanded in some quarters; neither Uganda nor Tanganyika would readily accept the political predominance of Kenya, which had a so much larger white settler population. But it was clear that there could be no return to the pre-war position, with a loose form of Governors' Conference, without means of enforcing its decisions. Economic co-operation during the war had shown that advantages had resulted, and they could not now be sacrificed. Something would therefore have to be done.

Indeed, much work was already being done on a plan by which centralized machinery in Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika could deal with economic development, communications and taxation, while leaving the individual territories the full right to deal with those matters which most involved political difference, such as labour laws, education, agriculture, the local services, and so on. He had hoped to bring forward proposals of this kind at an early date, and he had no doubt that Mr. George Hall, his successor as Secretary of State for the Colonies, "would do so." The present was certainly the best opportunity to settle the matter.

The idea should not get about that the Colonial Empire was some Golconda of fabulous wealth. Nor did he believe that economic development could be brought

about by some sort of a trustee Valley Authority, or a community in plan for economic and social development itself, which stood in the Colonies themselves, not in London.

### Reply to American Proposals

He had been disturbed by allusions in the press to demands made in the United States for the scaling down of the heating balances held by our Colonial territories. That would be a poor regulation to start with, with which the Colonies had been asked to interfere and limit their contributions.

If some Colonies the abolition of some kinds of protection would bring complete economic ruin. Considered in this aspect, it would be silly to send away the money which we take away the economic source of the whole of the Colony's lives. Scaling down the heating balances in the various Colonial territories would make nonsense of the whole Colonial Development and Welfare Act, as far as we were with one hand which was given by the State last year.

Problems of Palestine, said Mr. Stanley, like the disproportionate amount of the time of the Colonial Secretary that he was strongly of the opinion that the Colony should be re-transferred from the Colonial Office to the Foreign Office. The transfer of jurisdiction over it to the Colonial Office has been agreed by the Colonial Empire.

Sir Bernard Bournonville, who succeeded, said that there had been 19 holders of the office of Secretary of State for the Colonies in the last 300 years, and that only one of them had served a longer term than Mr. Stanley, three years.

### Full Steam Ahead

**M.** R. C. F. Whitehead, who recently acted as High Commissioner in London for Southern Rhodesia while Mr. O'Keefe was paying a visit to the Colony, suggested at the first meeting of the International Immigration and Development Association of Rhodesia that the Government should commission about a dozen highly skilled technicians from the United Kingdom to visit the Colony and report on the possibilities of the establishment or development of the industries in which they were experts. He also recommended the Colony to establish in London without delay an organization capable of dealing with an average of 50 applications daily from prospective immigrants.

### Egypt and the Sudan

Mohamed Riadh Bey, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Egyptian Chamber of Deputies, and secretary-general for the Saadist Party, said at a Press conference in London a few days ago that Egyptians wanted their country to take more than a passive share in the condominium of the Sudan, but he admitted that the most important interests were those of the Sudanese, who should be consulted on their future status. Egypt was, he said, interested in the future of the Italian Italian Colonies for reasons of propinquity and religious and linguistic affinity.

### Representing Commerce

Southern Rhodesia is sending a delegation of five members, the maximum number permissible to the Congress of the Federated Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, which is to open in London next Monday. They are M. H. M. Barbour, Mr. Stanley Cooke, Mr. R. F. Halstead, Mr. J. Reid Rowland, and Mr. A. G. Soffe, with Mr. W. E. M. Vaughan as an alternate for any absences. Mr. W. E. M. Vaughan, a past President of the Mombasa Chamber of Commerce, will represent Kenya.

ning was a pointer to the need for Africa to make the necessary preparations now.

#### Admiration for British Manufacturers

American manufacturers were eager to export to Africa, and their competition was to be expected, but Mr. Vincent continued: "I have been very greatly impressed by the efforts which British manufacturers are making in the face of immense difficulties. A very large number of overseas buyers are already in London and all of those whom I have met have declared themselves pleased with their first-hand experience of what British traders are endeavouring to achieve against tremendous odds. I do not think it an exaggeration to say that these buyers are filled with admiration."

Yet the sweeping sacrifices made by British industry

as a great contribution to the war coalition can only be understood until personal contact has been made with the great British exporting houses and with British manufacturers. Some great industries had to be turned completely to war production, which meant that their factories would require entirely new equipment before there could be any resumption of trade. Even those which had been able to continue some measure of production were short of labour and sometimes of material.

Importers in the Overseas Empire must be patient until British industry had had a fair chance to make the change from peace-time work. Then there would be a very rapid improvement. Meantime, British Africa must show understanding and patience.

*[Editorial comment on this interview appears under Masters at Mombasa.]*

## The Colonial Office and East Africa

### Impressions of Major Joyce, M.L.A.

MAJOR R. de V. JOYCE, an elected member of the Legislative Council of Kenya, who has been in this country for the past month on urgent private affairs, gave EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA some of his impressions before he left again by air this week to return to the Colony.

A few days earlier he had interviews with the Rt. Hon. George Hall, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Mr. A. Creech Jones, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, both of whom he found most sympathetic in their approach to殖民地 problems. To them and to members of the permanent staff at the Colonial Office he stressed the paramount importance of care of the land and the development of Kenya's natural resources.

Though he has the impression that England is so preoccupied with pressing domestic and foreign problems that she has little time to devote to close thought upon Colonial policies, Major Joyce found evidence of increasing interest in Colonial affairs and a general desire on the part of the Colonial Office to support a sound development programme in the East African Dependencies.

The most overworked branch of the Colonial Office appeared to him to be that which deals with passages to the Colonial Empires—perhaps, he said, because there is a feeling of restlessness and frustration among many people in Britain, more than a few of whom are trying to discover whether conditions in the Colonies—and also in the Dominions—will offer them wider opportunities for the future.

#### Air Passengers Need Better Service

That brought him to refer to the British Overseas Airways Corporation, which is to some extent subsidized by the Eastern African Dependencies. They ought, he considers, to keep a close watch on the interests of civilian air passengers, who, though they do not expect anything like the magnificent service which was provided by Imperial Airways before the war, might reasonably hope for something better than is now provided. Passenger fares are about 50% higher than they were when the war started, and though everyone understands that anything approaching normal conditions cannot be restored for several months, he was distressed to hear some of his fellow-passengers expressing the hope that there would soon begin a free competition to put B.O.A.C. on its mettle.

The visit, said Major Joyce, had made him realize much more clearly how fortunate Kenya has been throughout recent years, and how trivial were the causes for complaint in East Africa. In his experience clothing, fuel and building, industrial, agricultural and other supplies are all much more easily obtainable

than in England, and than purchase entails the filling of larger forms. He regards the Kenya and Uganda Railways as well ahead of the British Railways in the upkeep and repair of their rolling-stock, and he believes that travelling conditions in this country are more comfortable than in Africa.

All the English farmers with whom he has spoken agreed with the principle of minimum wages for labour, but insisted on the need of guaranteed prices for farm produce as essential to the maintenance of that minimum. The greatest discrepancy in prices for his producer as between England and Kenya appeared to be in the price in this country being about four times as high as in England, at about £1 per cwt. live-weight, and he had heard of one farmer who had recently sold 200 steers for an average of more than £70 each. The price of cattle food in Great Britain was, however, very much higher than in Kenya.

#### Closer Liaison Necessary

Major Joyce expressed his appreciation of the opportunity of meeting several members of the Executive Council of the Joint East African Board at a luncheon given by the Chairman to Mr. Alfred Vincent, Leader of the European elected members in Kenya. Like Mr. Vincent, Major Joyce feels strongly that a much closer liaison with the Board must be maintained forthwith.

## East Africa's Railway Needs

#### North-South Connection Necessary

Sir Reginald Robins, general manager of the Kenya and Uganda Railways and Harbours, said when recently addressing the Mombasa Rotary Club that the railway systems of Kenya-Uganda and of Tanganyika needed to be connected. The existence of a north-south line joining them would have been of great advantage during the war, when he was general manager in Tanganyika, the railways of that Territory could give no assistance to the hard-pressed K.U.R. because there was no physical connexion for the transfer of men and rolling-stock.

"I believe," said Sir Reginald, "that if you will lay a railway, while for the present it may not be a sufficient connexion, although it might not be immediately profitable, it would prove purely indispensable in the long run. We need not that the machinery created during the war be used for economic purposes in the East African territories, but it should not be allowed to lapse completely, because there is something in the machinery which, though not directly of policy, could be used for the development of East Africa in peace-time."

interests will inevitably call for consideration, but these and other desirable developments will not offset the need for much improved liaison from the territories themselves. That liaison, we say again, has always left much to be desired. Given the will, it could be quickly reformed now.

the urgent necessities of the war are past, and that there will soon be regular and rapid air mail services, which will bring to London not only an ample supply of information, but more frequent and most welcome visits by the leaders of opinion in the territories between the Nile and the Zambezi.

## **Interview with Kenya's Settler Leader**

#### Importance of London Representation in Eastern Africa

MR. ALFRED VINCENT, Leader of the European  
elected members of the Legislative Council of  
Kenya, and the only non-official among its mem-  
bers of the recently constituted Kenya Development  
Authority, gave EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA his views  
on several important matters before he left London last  
week to return to Nairobi by air.

Strong representation of African interests in world affairs was to be emphasized, of the greatest importance, and there would consequently be great satisfaction throughout East and Central Africa at the demand lately made by the Dominions for "a full voice in the peace talks," especially as the Government of the Union of South Africa had been one of the first to make that demand, and make it publicly.

It was fortunate for the other British territories in Africa, said Mr. Vincent, that the Union of South Africa was able and ready to voice its opinion, and so help protect the interests of the area as a whole. The Union would, he had no doubt, make it clear to the Big Five Powers that no part of Africa could nowadays be regarded as a pawn in continental politics without due regard to African opinion.

#### America's Interests

Indeed, because the Union was still in its early stages of development, and had not progressed to the point of being the United States of America with a united voice, it was believed that there was still a grave danger of starting national decisions in regard to territorial matters to be made by the various dominions without the territories being consulted in any way whatsoever. Although it was possible that some decisions of the Union might ultimately affect the dominions, not only in the U.S., but to the British Empire as a whole, the San Francisco Conference had shown that to clarify the value of the presence of the dominions at such gatherings, a formal meeting of delegations the representatives of the dominions had stated that the views of the smaller Powers must be recognized and not overwhelmed by the greater Powers. Perhaps, indeed, the conference had been an influence of San Francisco. History might reveal how Africa owed the Union of South Africa, and the other dominions for their actions in world affairs.

...and increasing increasingly concerned that America's  
materialities and its institutions become more  
and more in accordance with its obligations to its neighbors  
and to the world, actual application of all a long and  
comprehensive program, it is abundantly clear that  
our interests must be sound, not prostituted by  
any international organization.

British Colonies in Africa learn the lesson it is manifest that the British Colonies in Africa will come more closely together with one voice whenever possible. In the achievement of this aim, it should be with the return of normal conditions, for the

whole of those territories which were  
under the Colonial Office to have a voice  
in London. Consideration of any common  
interest in Africa and its peoples, by the  
Parliament of all parties interested, would  
be willing to study the problems involved  
and thus assist in overcoming the difficulties  
in England of the truth about the native  
peoples of Africa, as far as they can be  
ascertained from the documents in the  
possession of the Colonial Office.

If such a body, acting in the closest possible connection with the  
African, were constituted, a very great service could be done,  
to be created for the consolidation of the various  
the British African Dependencies. Such a body  
would be inevitable not only to the various  
Colonial authorities.

The prime need was to do away with the old tribal land to get away from the old tribal boundaries which served no purpose in the division of boundaries, and most important, the division of interests.

Armenia's present troubles. You will be interested to know that we are almost wholly economic in our relations with the people of the African Colonies. This makes it easier for us to allow decisions to be thrust upon us without our being able to suggest every opportunity of expressing a point of view before the decisions were reached. As the Dominions have made it plain to us that they expect us to act on their behalf in snap decisions made on most important matters by the Big Five without prior consultation with them, so the Colonies must be on their guard.

It was, of course, not a question of distrusting Great Britain. But as the Dominions had found it essential to assist the Government of Great Britain to keep imperial and colonial affairs in their right perspective, so it was vital for the Colonies to organize themselves in such a manner as to give full assistance to the Colonial authorities who could not afford to disregard the other power which, or well-informed and sometimes very vocal, were at work during this peculiar critical period of

returning to America again. Mr. Vincent said he had no objection to all the passengers taking passage on his ship to take the same route as the one he had taken, but he would not be responsible for their safety. He said he had been told by the American Consul at Liverpool that the American Government would not be responsible for the safety of the passengers on the ship.

equal territories. Much has, of course, been done during the intervening two decades, but consideration of problems of all kinds, something like an East African basis being the result. But of all such changes has been the least, and necessary and not less than half were directed by Lord Delagoa and those who followed him in the colonies.

Mr. Vincent's book within the last week, D.S. has now seven speakers in terms which that great leader and leader of East Africa would have been wholeheartedly. He would have been wholeheartedly. He

describes the same think in terms of necessity as that of thinking in terms of

Great Africa. In Great Africa he has, for many years past, shown in his own committal to the same territorial boundaries, to that extent, of interests between the British Protectorate and the next, that were for administrative conveniences, which have become political and economic inconveniences and administrative anachronisms. Let it not be thought that Kenya's settler leader speaks from the standpoint of the Colony alone, or even of Kenya and its immediate neighbours. A few months ago he has decided to take counsel upon matters of state policy with Cabinet Ministers and other leaders in the Union of South Africa and in Southern Rhodesia, and during this recent visit to London he has discussed with the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Under Secretary of State, other senior officials in the Colonial Office, members of both Houses of Parliament, and many men who have had the closest contact with Eastern Africa affairs throughout their working lives. These facts give added emphasis to his statement, which merits the attention of all concerned for the progress of the territories to which this newspaper is devoted.

One essential requirement in Mr. Vincent's opinion is five representative body in London, comprising not only of men with a general interest in Africa and its problems, but also of men who represent the various sections of the population in the territories. This body will be able to bring the existing amount of information available about the territories, among the naturally mentioned no names, this is quite evidently a plea for the re-invigoration of the Joint East African Board. That body has done much useful work in its life of some twenty years, but its greatest opportunities appear to lie

in the future. To the best of our knowledge, the best work there ever was done in Africa, is to be done in the field of unparallelled activities. It is true that many of them fraught with difficulty of high success or sorry disaster, have to be faced, and if the best possible use is to be made of this turning point, there will be need both in Africa and in interested circles in this country for the clearest understanding of the essential facts and factors, honest and courageous thinking, equally honest and courageous decisions, and a determination to act boldly upon them. Innuendos must be accepted and risks run, if only because there will often be greater risks in refusal to depart from precedent.

If this be a trustworthy appreciation of the situation, it is evident that the best possible machinery in Africa and London will be only ~~the~~ good enough, and that no time

**The Best Machinery**, in its assembly, should be lost. **Only just Good Enough**. Under the guidance of Sir Philip Mitchell, Kenya has set a lead, in organizing the Government machine. We hope that the new Secretary of State, once he has had time to acquaint himself with the fundamental points at issue, will take the still more important step of providing the East African Dependencies with a bright union, with at least a workable move towards it. As Mr. Vincent addresses, there would remain the need for a London organization acting in close liaison with a representative of the highest type of statesmen, and preferably including members of both Houses of Parliament, or all parties, with a serious concern for Africa's affairs. The Joint East African Board has increased its Parliamentary representation during the war, and it is no secret that it has from time to time contemplated means of bringing on its Executive Council suitable members of the Labour and Liberal Parties. It is therefore certain that it will sympathize with the proposal now made in the name of Kenya. The difficulty has been that of obtaining the collaboration of a sufficient number of men from the various parties who would pledge themselves to give the time needed to make them really effective contributors to the better understanding of African questions.

The Board has recently introduced the system of informates to the elected and nominated members of its Executive Council (a democratic which has the advantage of including a few and sometimes younger men of promise), and its day-to-day business is now handled by a General Purposes Committee. Extended representation for so important

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Central and Southern Africa, but one of his earlier statements was to the effect that the broad-based, or even imminent, war

as that which **RAE'S** **SCANDAL** made it possible to publish, lay on the British Empire

views. The gist of it came down to this: "In

Dominated Africa, there is no room left for

their views, and the only way to get rid of

Government of the United Kingdom in the

perspective when masses of us do our

world business, is to insist for the Colonies

to impose their own conditions, and

the British Empire to give up twenty years

ago, and to meet the demands of the

Boers in Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland

in the hope that such a meeting would become

an annual event, was not destined to be fulfilled

probably because none of the other non-

official leaders of the colonies had seen that

time, and the outbreak of the war followed in

the political field as the colonial empire

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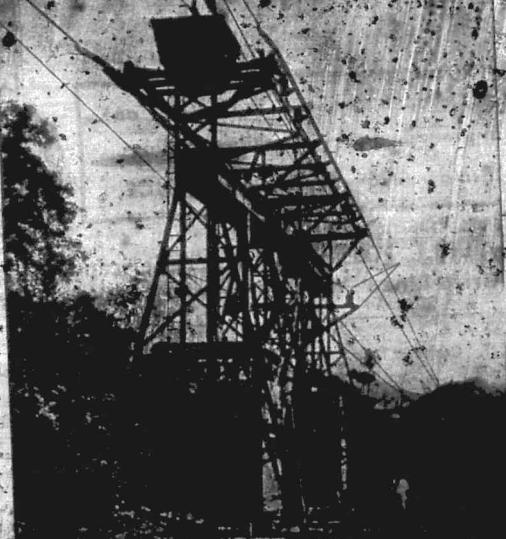
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## Rhodesia's Mining During the War

### A Review of Gold Production

A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW of the mining industry in Southern Rhodesia during the war was presented by the Colony's Department of Statistics at the beginning of which states:

The most striking feature of the export trade during the last two years has been the decline in the aggregate value of bar gold, the steady decline in the value of gold.

The value of gold declined from £1,113,013 fine ounces in 1939 to £56,563 fine ounces, valued at £1,000 per ounce, a decrease of nearly 90%. The result of the decline in gold exports at a time when the value of shipments of base metals and many products of the Colony's primary and secondary industries have shown a marked upward trend, the value of gold bar constituting only 25% of the aggregate value of domestic exports in 1944, as against 40% of the total in 1939. All Southern Rhodesian bar gold is purchased by the United Kingdom Government.

— Despite the heavy decline in exports to the countries of Europe after the outbreak of hostilities in September, 1939, short tons of bar gold were exported from Rhodesia (1,811,042) in 1942, and increased to 2,474,427 during 1944.

Major foreign purchasers during 1944, with amounts supplied in 1943 shown in brackets, were as follows: U.S.A. 1,047,497 short tons (1,610,240); U.K. 1,047,497; Canada 1,389; Australia 1,014; South Africa 1,007; U.S.S.R. 5,000; S.A.S. 1,000; U.S. 5,000; U.K. 1,000; U.S.A. 5,000 tons (1,000); U.K. 1,000; U.S.A. 2,250; U.K. 1,000.

The continued demand from Rhodesia for electrical equipment, steam power plants, industrial plant, and instruments, arose from imports from the U.S.A. in 1943, £1,974,980, in 1944, £1,984,000, valued at £1,000 per unit.

On 17 October, 1943, the monthly after-shelf exports dropped to 1,002,510 tons, valued at £1,000 per ton, 1944, and then increased to 2,474,427 tons, valued at £1,000 per ton, in 1945.

The U.S.S.R. remained the largest customer of Rhodesian shipments, and took 1,014 tons in 1944, and 1,000 tons in 1945.

Exports to the United States of America, which had been 1,000 tons in 1944, increased to 2,250 tons in 1945.

Exports to Canada, which had been 1,000 tons in 1944, increased to 5,000 tons in 1945.

Exports to Australia, which had been 1,000 tons in 1944, increased to 1,389 tons in 1945.

Exports to South Africa, which had been 1,007 tons in 1944, increased to 1,014 tons in 1945.

Exports to the United Kingdom, which had been 1,610,240 tons in 1944, decreased to 1,047,497 tons in 1945.

Exports to U.S.S.R., which had been 5,000 tons in 1944, increased almost tenfold to 50,000 tons in 1945.

The number of employees in the mining industry was 2,712, of whom 1,454 were miners. Corresponding figures a year earlier were 2,712 and 1,454. In May, 1945, there were 1,458 miners, 1,000 miners on gold mines, and 15,879 on gold mines in May of last year.

### Victoria Falls Power

The offices of Victoria Falls and District Electricity Board were yesterday inundated by 12,000 people.

### Phoenix Mining and Finance

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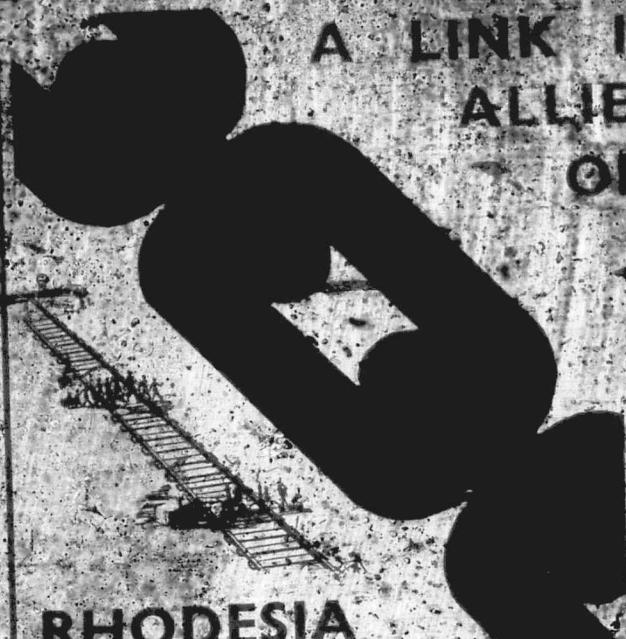
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**News Items in Brief**

The Day celebration at Nairobi, Kenya, and the first day of school in the big camp.

The first stage of the census has concluded. The total population of Rhodesia is estimated at 1,59,100.

Mr. J. D. Macdonald, Minister of Health, has given a sum of £1,000 to the Rhodesian Society for the Blind and Visually Impaired, which has given him and his wife much help during the war years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Macdonald, who have given a sum of £1,000 to the Rhodesian Society for the Blind and Visually Impaired, have again dedicated an amount towards the blind. The total contribution last year was £1,000.

A Rhodesian Army officer was last week committed to trial on a charge of murder. A U.S. staff

officer was also charged with the same offence.

Mr. J. D. Macdonald, the Minister, has given £2,000 in provision of prizes for auxiliary organizations to be used in Southern Rhodesia.

A crowd of about 1,000 men attended the annual Native first-aid convention at Bulawayo recently.

Medalists of the Meritram Shield and a for-the-ground novices trophy.

For free lessons in English, 600 African men and women would attend a school in Tanganyika. At present there is accommodation for only 250, of whom 220 are Africans and 28 Indians.

Of the 12 immigrants into Southern Rhodesia during July, five were from Great Britain, 50 in South Africa, five in Northern Rhodesia, one in Kenya, one in Australia, and three in the U.S.A.

The new rapid trans-air service between this country and East, Central, and South Africa is now expected to start about the middle of next month, with one service a week in each direction at the outset.

rumours of a merger between the United Party and the Liberal Party in Southern Rhodesia have been officially denied by Sir Godfrey Huggins, the Prime Minister, and Mr. E. G. Young, Chairman of the United Party.

An Arab employed by the Kenya Bus Company has been condemned by the Royal Humane Society for rescuing the two occupants of a taxi-cab which fell into the fair of Mombasa. The Arab dived into the water, opened the cab, and saved the lives of the passengers.

Three Sudanese police officers, who all speak fluent English, have come to this country to study police methods and other aspects of English life. They are at present in Cheltenham. Four other Sudanese, now in Gloucester, have arrived to study British administrative methods.

The gross revenue of Rhodesia Railways, Ltd., in July was £535,741, making £5,046,558 for the first 10 months of the current financial year compared with £4,014,221 and £5,344,808 in the corresponding periods of last year. The gross revenues of the Beira Railway Company for the month and 10 months were £71,815 and £17,022,44 compared with £60,014 and £614,071.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen, of Florida, Transvaal, have offered £200 to the Federation of Native Welfare Societies of Southern Rhodesia for prizes over 10 years for essays by European youths on the subject of race relations. The bequest is to be known as the "Dennis Allen Memorial Prize" and is from the estate of the late 15-year-old Dennis Allen, formerly on the staff of the "Bulawayo Chronicle."

In 1939 the exports of the Sevens were valued at only £19,000, and the revenue of the Government was no more than £54,000. It was against that background said Sir Marston Logan, the Governor, recently in the Legislative Council, that it was necessary to measure arrangements to war funds of £10,400, a loan of £5,000 from the Republic Government, and sales of war savings certificates amounting to £500.

**COMPANY MEETING****Thistle-Etna Gold Mine****Statement of Sir T. B. H. Bell**

THIS IS TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE THISTLE ETNA GOLD MINES LIMITED, WHICH WILL BE HELD ON THE 21ST OCTOBER, 1945, AT THE BULAWAYO HOTEL, BULAWAYO.

SIR THOMAS B. H. BELL, K.T., LL.D., M.I.C.E., C.B.E., Chairman of the company, presided.

The following is an extract from the chairman's statement circulated with the notice of meeting:

"The proceeds of gold sales were £92,415, compared with £144,570 for the previous year. Costs, however, rose by some £5,000, while the provision for writing off depreciation and expenditure was some £3,200 higher. The net result of these variables was a reduction in the mining operating profit of £1,265."

"After providing for London expenditure, the net profit after tax, provided for depreciation and taxation, was £2,600, which compares with £1,611. This reduction is mainly accounted for by the provision for the first time of £2,000 to meet interest liability for Southern Rhodesian taxation, which compelled the payment of a dividend of 5%."

"The mine is a difficult one to work owing to the numerous intrusions of rock. Having regard to these conditions, the result may be considered satisfactory and reflects credit on the mine management and the company's consulting engineer in Rhodesia."

The Chairman said that a few days ago they had received a cable from their consulting engineer in Rhodesia which he thought was very satisfactory. It stated that the wing below No. 10 level was now down over 50 ft., and this last 20 ft. sampled assayed 6 down over 28 oz. "The reef width at bottom over 36 ins. was had been inspected by Mr. Parsons, who reported that its appearance was encouraging."

The report was unanimously adopted.

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**Kenya Railways Corporation.**

Kenya Railways Corporation, Government-owned railway company, has now taken over the management of the Uganda-Kenya railway. This was done in accordance with the memorandum of agreement between Kenya and Uganda signed at Entebbe on 1st December 1959. The total investment required to put the Uganda-Kenya railway into full working order is £10 million. The capital investment by the two governments in the construction and equipping of the railway has now reached £5 million. Kenya is about to embark upon a scheme of reorganization which will bring British rail firms and agencies to Kenya for the first time.

**Ethiopian Oil Concession.**

The concession on the grant of an oil concession to an American company by the Government of Ethiopia, Dr. Tafari, has said:

"The man who fought at Kerem had in his mind no concession waiting to be signed. Those British officers and servants who led their warriors on the frontiers did not die for oil." The Empire force which drove the Italians out of Ethiopia, and with sweat and blood restored the Emperor to his throne could not be described as an oil concession busters. Nevertheless, the granting of such a concession to an American company is a definite blow to the economy of the Valdaiets, a largely agricultural people. The Ethiopian campaign was an all British effort. The war of which was waged without any help from the United States. The last world war was also fought without any help from the United States.

**Kenya Mail Order.**

Kenya Post Office has issued a postage stamp of 1/- to mark the opening of the Kenya Mail Order service. The stamp is inscribed "KENYA MAIL ORDER SERVICE". It is the first postage stamp issued by the Government of Kenya. The cost of a postcard is 1/- 3d per half-ounce. The postage on letters is 1/- for postcards. The existing 1/- 3d lower rates remains available to all the above countries except Madagascar and Reunion.

**Kenya Needy Better Farmers.**

A further jolting shock to the Soil Conservation Service, the result of the little apparent effect which has been had upon a great proportion of the farmers in the northern areas of Kenya by five years of almost continuous writing, talking, and demonstrating by government officers. Some farmers who have been most zealous in their denunciation of despoilers of the land and advocates of the new techniques in the country have shown themselves to be receptive not to readjust their farming methods but to go back to a herd with terracing practice. From the Annual Report of the Soil Conservation Service.

**Makindu Hospital.**

Plans are now in hand for the new Makindu hospital and school, which will be built with £100,000 funds thanks to Colonial Development and Welfare Fund grant of £100,000. The architect of the hospital is Mr. R. H. Phillips, designed the large hospital at Kapsabet, Nyeri, and the new wing of the Bromley Hospital for Tuberculosis. The new Makindu will provide accommodation for 200 patients and medical students will be admitted at the rate of 60 a year. The African section of the staff will have

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THE REV. C. F. L. BISHOP, the pioneer missionary who labored in the Southern Sudan and among the Dinka tribes, wrote shortly before his death, a letter first published by the "Daily Standard,"

The Nazis do not want change. They do not want European or European-wide

As a mission we have had neither funds nor time to develop all sides of missionary work evenly, and we have allowed the opportunity of Government grants to percolate as far as possible of developing literacy, education almost to the exclusion of other lines of approach. This policy has resulted in worked out well to the increase of our church among some tribes, but among the Negroes has proved a failure. Every new have become attached Christians, and opportunities of keeping in touch with remaining older men have not been provided.

To concentrate on giving literary education to small boys who cannot really influence the community for many years to come is a poor way of helping the Nuer to raise their standard of living. It does not help the people to produce more food or in other ways better their conditions. We have overlooked the truth that the backbone of any normal progressive community is not the clerk or teacher, but the craftsman, artisan, shopkeeper, and farmer. We have done nothing to develop these skills or seen the farmer learn better methods.

### Qualities which Must Be Inculcated

In planning for the future we must have a positive idea of what we should like things to be. To meet the weaknesses in the Church which most hold them back from progress and the Christians from giving effective leadership, we need to inculcate the following qualities: ambition and willingness to learn, perseverance, a sense of duty, cleanliness and self-discipline, a recognition that manual labour is not degrading but honourable, people, and a spirit of service.

"In order to encourage the growth of an agricultural society on some such lines as these, there must be established on the mission station a community living according to the new pattern. The mission station should be a farm. All methods introduced should be carefully considered from the point of view of the Negro, and nothing being found undesirable that would be beyond the purchasing power of a man prepared to sell, say a dozen cows to buy a

"On the mission farm, laborers, craftsmen, and  
with their families, would form a solid basis for the com-  
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Bishop G. M. Woodward has written to Mr. Benjamin F. Tracy, the author of the "Architectural News," giving him some information concerning the new building at Princeton. He does not like to give the name of the architect, but he does say that he loves these buildings. The Bishop says that he has been in Europe recently, and that he has seen many fine buildings there, but that he has not seen any that equal those at Princeton. He says that he has seen many fine buildings in Europe, but that he has not seen any that equal those at Princeton. He says that he has seen many fine buildings in Europe, but that he has not seen any that equal those at Princeton.

He wanted to keep an active part in it, and in all his planning he had there would be one, the place, and he would be able to do five years among the above stations, and then he longed for the possibility of the rest, but just now they knew not much to sacrifice for the which they were enabled. He was not much of a man, but had the confidence of the father, and as he intended to make that life, and feed no claim that he was ever likely to come back.

I know of no example for the missionary  
people as that of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. (Dr.) M.  
Bertram.

西漢武帝時的《鹽鐵論》

The Government School for Africans at Runnymede, Nairobi, is well endowed, and there is a great need for an elementary school. Eight hours in the day, remedial and remedial subjects are well attended, distressing because of the want of dormitory facilities, and the students are well educated.

**CELESTINE AND THE AFRICAN**

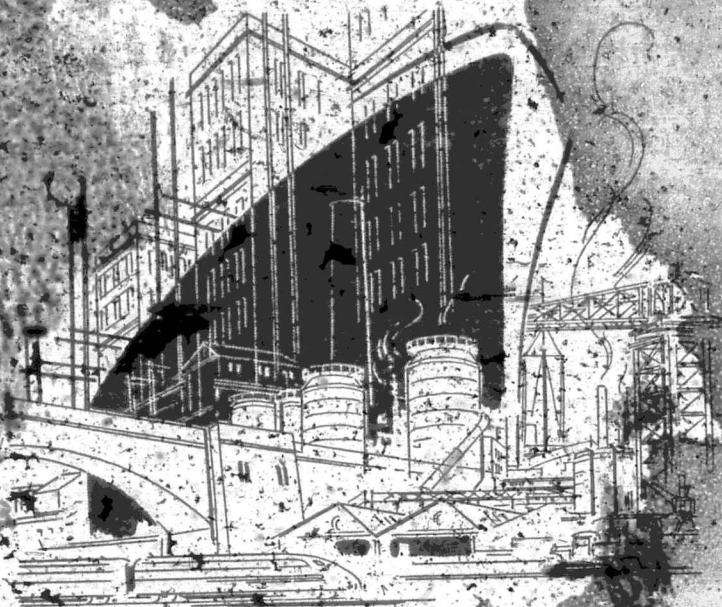
the first evidence of the presence of a sandstone in the present embayment suitable for the settlement of a village where it can be made a permanent habitation. It is located in the main stream of the "Creek" which was the name given to the waterway by the Indians who had a trading post there. Another probably in the vicinity is the "Piney Branch" which is a tributary of the creek. The creek is about one-half mile long and flows into the "Creek" about one-half mile from its mouth. The creek is about one-half mile long and flows into the "Creek" about one-half mile from its mouth. The creek is about one-half mile long and flows into the "Creek" about one-half mile from its mouth. The creek is about one-half mile long and flows into the "Creek" about one-half mile from its mouth.

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## Food Gifts for Great Britain.

**From Southern Rhodesia and Kenya.**

The Rhodesian National Farmers' Union, meeting in congress last week, unanimously resolved that the Colony should do without bacon or pork for the next six months in order that the whole of its production might be sent to Great Britain to meet the winter needs of the population. Sir Godfrey Huggins had previously said in an address to the congress that Britain was in urgent need of food, and had asked Southern Rhodesia for beef, pig products, and 60,000 tons of groundnuts. He suggested that farmers should produce to the utmost, and that other people in the Colony should buy the food and send it home as a free gift.

A sum of £4,000 dozen eggs is to be made to Great Britain by egg producers in Southern Rhodesia.

The people of Kenya are so anxious to help food to Britain that, in the words of the Governor, "the spontaneous demand to be allowed to help has now assumed the dimensions of a public campaign." Government offices and newspapers in the Colony are being bombarded with letters asking what Kenya can do, and Kenya people are offering to give up their own coupons for goods rationed in the Colony in order to make food stuffs available. Describing the offer to help as a "spontaneous and generous gesture by the people of Kenya," the Secretary of State for the Colonies has telegraphed to say that the offer will be most helpful and will be welcomed by the Ministry of Food. The Kenya Government will organize the collection of the food, probably by allowing a public appeal to be made for foodstuffs or for funds to purchase food in bulk.

## Imperial Preference.

### Importance to Colonial Empire.

The existence of the United States of America on the reduction, if not the abolition, of the preferential duties on trade within the British Empire, is awakening the public in the United Kingdom to the nature of the threat to inter-Empire trade, and the fundamental facts are being given emphasis in the Press.

CAPTAIN PETER MACDONALD, M.P., wrote in *The Times*:

"Lord Keynes proposed to be preparing to sacrifice a long-term policy established by Canadian action nearly 50 years ago, accepted in principle by Great Britain in 1919, based upon a complete reciprocation in 1932, and containing the promise of continued Empire agreement for generations to come. It would be a sacrifice of the substance of future prosperity for the shadow of immediate financial accommodation."

Americans in their turn should realize not only that a prosperous British Empire will always be of immense, if not vital, importance to themselves, but that without Imperial preference it is impossible for attainment. Moreover, the establishment of a system which is of equal importance to them in that it has in the past provided a means of transferring valuable dollars from those who at the moment did not require them to those who did.

"Perhaps the most important aspect of the matter is the complete lack of respectivity which the proposal displays towards the Colonial Empire. I had the responsibility of leading a Parliamentary delegation to the West Indies some months ago, and it was made clear to me of the anxiety, especially in the tobacco-growing Colony, which was felt over the question whether the preference to Empire-grown tobacco and American interests could put Eastern American tobacco producers out of business in their markets if they so desired. West Africa again has its own problems, and it would be multiplied if one had to consider every country under the sun if it grew tobacco."

"It is difficult to conceive of friends a word of advice, if only to tell them that they should not use our present difficulties in our study to our wily advantage in the common cause, as it is never too safe to trust the British to secure a fiscal system of American origin. This is the lesson we can very easily learn from our government both in the name of trade and in the name of protection."

MR. C. W. W. GREENIDGE wrote:

"Imperial preference has been a help to struggling industries in our Colonies, but it has been a palliative and not a cure for their economic ills. The remedy lies rather in making long-term agreements with our Dominions and Colonies for the purchase and distribution by the British Government of materials produced by them with reciprocal bulk sales to them of manufactured goods."

"The greatest evils from which overseas producers have suffered have been fluctuation of prices and low prices. Stability and reasonable profit is their greatest need." Sir Philip Mitchell, Governor of Kenya, is reported to have said recently that "it is idle to talk of Colonial welfare until prices are paid for Colonial products to make it possible." No truer statement has ever been made, and it should influence policy profoundly.

"Stability of prices could be attained through commodity control by the Government. It was the main recommendation of the commission of inquiry in 1930 into the West Indian sugar industry. It is the basis of the more recent West African sugar marketing scheme, and it should be applied to other products."

"There should be an early statement by the Government of its policy to encourage and control capital required for Colonial development. It will probably require ten times the £120,000,000 provided by the Colonial Development and Welfare Act, 1947, to develop the Colonies sufficiently even to double the low purchasing power of the Colonial people. Part of this should come from the savings of the Colonial people, but most of it will need to come from private sources elsewhere. Until the Government states its policy for encouraging and controlling capital in the Colonies little is likely to be forthcoming."

"Study of the proposals of the Indian Government for achieving that aim, as well as of the practice of the Belgian Government in the Congo, would repay study by our Colonial Office."

## The Goodwill of Imperial Trade.

SIR LESLIE BOYCE, former member of the Executive Council of the Joint East African Board, wrote in the *Daily Telegraph*:

"Great Britain now apparently proposes to hand over her remaining asset, the goodwill of Imperial Trade, to Americans in exchange for some sort of financial largesse. Such a course would place the United Kingdom, each Dominion, India, Burma, and the Colonies all on the same individual competition with the overwhelming mass of American production. Standing alone, not one of them will live up to the standards of world trade on an effective basis and responsible to the world."

"The late Prime Minister decided to preside over the liquidation of the British Empire. We have not yet learnt whether his successor is of the same mind, but should this policy be pursued he stands the inenviable chance of being down to history as the man who sold the British Empire to the United States."

A special conference of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, which is to meet in London on October 15, is to consider commercial relations within the Empire, stabilization of the prices of primary and secondary products, development of Empire communications, and other matters. Each of the Dominions and India have been invited to send two delegates, and the principal Colonies have been asked to send one each.

## Inspiration Not From Politicians.

"Has the inspiration in past ages come from Government? I can recall to mind some of the world's greatest men who have pushed it forward—not one of them statesmen. Michael Angelo and his paintings in the Sistine Chapel; Francis of Assisi, one of the great saints of the Roman Church, whose influence has been dynamical today; Sir Isaac Newton, who with his scientific discoveries laid the base of our material prosperity in the capitalist system of today; Shakespeare, beloved for all poets; great novelists like Dickens and others; Beethoven and his choral symphony; Livingstone, our great explorer. These are the men who have pushed humanity along and made us what we are. The politicians, including the hon. gentlemen opposite and those on this side of the House, are but secondary in the body politic." The Hon. W. M. Leggate, addressing the Parliament of Southern Rhodesia.

## Mr. Pether on Export Prospects

### Finds British Manufacturers Alert

**M**ISTER GODFREY PELLETIER, the well-known Northern Rhodesian businessman and former elected member of the Legislative Council, who has been in this country since June exploring the possibilities of the earliest possible resumption of normal trade relations, and who is now on his way back to N.R.D. by air, said a few days ago in a special broadcast programme for Northern Rhodesia arranged by the B.B.C.:

"Since my arrival I have visited a very large number of manufacturing and shipping houses in London, Birmingham, Manchester and Liverpool. The major problem in regard to exports is the acute shortage of labour in practically every type of business or manufacture. One manufacturer told me that before the war he had 1,500 employees, but has now only 500. This particular concern was a spinning business—not of very high priority—but the same is true in varying degrees of textiles, clothing, boots and shoes, any other article you like to mention."

"Until this problem is solved there is little prospect for any large volume of merchandise being shipped from the United Kingdom for some time to come."

"There seems to be an impression abroad that with the end of the war there is an unlimited supply of merchandise immediately available for shipment, and London's shipping houses tell me that they are meeting with an avalanche of indentations overseas. And the Rhodesian market is not conspicuous by any means. Here again the labour situation is slowing things down. These singing voices lack trained staff, especially stenographers, to cope with the inquiries and orders."

"The most we can hope for, in the main, is to have our imports satisfied with the manufacturer and await our turn for re-exportation as and when industry gets a better supply of labour."

### Overseas Importers Should Be Patient

"There will be a substantial time lag before we importers from overseas can expect shipments in any regularity. These immediate difficulties have been still further increased by the urgent demands of shipping from the Far East, and no-one will grudge our sailors, sailors and soldiers their priority in this respect."

All this may sound a little discouraging, but I can assure you from what I've seen that British manufacturers are just as keen to start shipping their goods to us as we are to receive them, as soon as conditions permit. Indeed, England's economy largely depends upon the speedy return of her export trade, and she hopes that the Empire will have a larger share in it than, ever before.

There is another side to the picture which we in Northern Rhodesia must not forget. We in Northern Rhodesia have not tasted the hardships of the war, and the people of England have also to be clothed and fed. Believe me, for years they have been rationed to an extent that we can hardly realize."

Let me give you one instance—clothing. The clothing allowance for the next eight months, September to April, has just been announced. It is 16 shillings. That won't convey much to you all. I explain that a man's set takes 26 yards, more than the whole eight months' allocation—an overcoat 18, a pair of socks two, and a handkerchief one. A pair of shoes cost nine. This has been going on for five or six years, and I'm sure you'll agree that perhaps the English need new clothes as much as, or even more than, we do in Northern Rhodesia.

Again, rationing for food is something which we have to face. On many occasions here I have seen queues of up to 50 and 100 yards long awaiting their turn at some provision shop. In fact, a great deal of one's life in London appears to be spent in queues—queues for food, queues for clothing, queues for buses, queues for bioscopes, queues for trains."

I have been greatly impressed by the tolerance and patience of the people of England and I wish you will share with me the hope that some of their hardships will quickly be removed, even if that means that we have to wait a little longer for some of the things we want.

Before I finish I should like to thank Rhodesia House for the warm and cordial welcome they give to all Northern Rhodesian members, and particularly to our Servicemen. I have several times visited Rhodesia House on a Saturday morning when Rhodesians from both countries meet for tea. The guests of Mrs. Marion O'Keeffe, the wife of the High Commissioner. On these occasions I have witnessed many happy reunions of old friends. I have met several there myself.



Two identical sets of barrels in Termito-infested regions. These barrels (treated with "Atlas A" in the factory) stand on right (unburnt stack) and barrels destroyed. Test conducted in Rhodesia by independent body.

**S**HIPS of sailing boats and the practical experience of users in Termito infested regions throughout the world, have established beyond doubt that "Atlas A" Wood Preservative is far and away class A higher, both native and foreign, in volume from timber treated.

Once timber is thoroughly treated with this powerful preservative the omnipresent insect will touch it or stay in the vicinity. Yet "Atlas A" is quite economical, whereas treated carcases quickly become sterilized as desired.

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The method of application is simple—either brush-coating or immersion—and as "Atlas A" is supplied in a highly concentrated form (for dilution with water) the cost of treatment is very reasonable. Send now for particulars and prices of

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Available in two grades—STANDARD (Stainless) & BROWN

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**ATLAS PRESERVATIVE CO. LTD., ERITH, KENT.**

Mrs. L. J. I. Noyce died in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, last week.

Mrs E. Martin ("Wendy") Nash, who has died after a motor accident, went to Kenya as a V.A.D. during the last war after having been injured in an explosion in a munition factory at which she was working, and remained in East Africa until her marriage in Cape Town in 1919. She had done much voluntary work during the war which has just ended and was secretary of the Stoke Pages Infant Welfare Centre.

Flight Lieut. Ivor ("Kim") Fynn, whose death in Bultaway has been announced at the age of 37, was in the meteorological Office of Southern Rhodesia from 1931 to 1938 and then in the Department of Mines and Works until he joined the Southern Rhodesian Air Force at the beginning of the war. He was on duty in Kenya when his health sent him back to the [redacted] where he was placed in charge of meteorological work in Bala-  
wayo.

Lieut.-Colonel Rowland Charles Feilding, D.S.O., who died recently in Wimbleton at the age of 41, was the youngest son of the Hon. Charles Feilding, youngest son of the seventh Earl of Denby. Feilding, a mining engineer by profession, saw service during the Matabele Rebellion, in which he was wounded, and in the 1914-18 war first served in the Coldstream Guards and then commanded battalions of the 6th Connaught Rangers and the Civil Service Rifles.

Warrant Officer J. R. Greening, for 24 years a member of the Bulawayo Theatre orchestra, has died in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. Born in 1878 in London, he served in the South African War, and first reached Rhodesia in 1906. When the Southern Rhodesia Volunteers were disbanded, he became part-time bandmaster to the Defence Force. At the outbreak of this war he again got into uniform, and became bandmaster to the Rhodesian Air Askari Corps.

Mr. James Blyth Currie, whose sudden death in LOR-  
don at the age of 76 years is reported, joined the firm of  
Blyth, Green, Jourdain and Co., Ltd., in 1857, was  
elected Chairman in 1923, and had taken a very active  
part in the conduct of the business up to the day of his  
death. The company has close business relations  
with East Africa for many years, and although Mr.  
Currie had not visited the territories, he was keenly in-  
terested in their development. He was also Chairman  
of the Anglo-French Textile Co., Ltd., and Deputy  
Chairman of the Ocean Marine Insurance Co.

Mrs. Florence Rangeley, whose death in the Fort Jameson area of Northern Rhodesia is reported, had been for many years one of the best known of local residents. She had lived in that district since it was the seat of the separate Government of North-Eastern Rhodesia, to which her husband was secretary. Mrs. Rangeley was headmistress of the local school for some years, had been a Fort Jameson representative on the European Education Advisory Board of Northern Rhodesia, was for long the Chairman of the local Women's Institute, and was eager in Church, charitable, and social work. She is survived by Mr. Rangeley and three children.

Twenty Years Ago

From collection of Detach. 8, 194

The last ferro-concrete pile of Zanzibar's new wharf has been driven.

"One of the worst legacies left to Tanganyika by the Germans was the system of akatas."

Dr. Saxon Pope's expedition to Abyssinia  
has killed four lions with bow and arrow.

"Mr. Verstrum Bünbury, the first settler at Sabuk, is the pioneer of sugar-cane growing in Kenya, to which he first imported canes in 1907."

## Kenya's Settler Leader

Satisfied with London Talk.

As he passed through London en route to East Africa from a visit to the United States, Mr. J. B. M. Hertzog, President of the Transvaal, Leader of the Elected Assembly, and Vice-Chairman of the Legislative Council of Kaffraria, had talks with the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, the Permanent Under-Secretary of State, and other officials in the Colonial Office. He also had contact with the Dominions Office and the High Commission for the Union of South Africa, and with Rhodesia, and with many other people directly interested in East African problems.

He was entertained to luncheon by the Chairman of the Joint-East African Board, who other members included the members of the General Purposes Committee of that body.

Mr. Vincent expressed great interest in the new

much impressed by the very keen interest shown in Africa's future.

Just before leaving by air for  
AFRICA AND RHODESIA an interview with which  
will appear in our next issue.

## Arrivals from

Officials who have recently  
been included in the following:

Kenya:- Capt. A. T. A.  
Lindsay, Deputy Chief Secretary  
Colchester, and G. C. M. Dowse,  
C. W. Bowles and L. R. Fisher,  
Joint Income Tax Department; Mr.  
Technical Instructor; Education  
G. L. Roberts and J. Scally, Technical  
Instructors; Mr. E. H. Tyler, Inspector of Police; Mr. A. D. McLean, Inspect  
Spector of Police; Mr. A. D. McLean, Inspect  
T. Lindahl, Inspector of Schools; Mr. G. S. Campbell, Registrar of Births, Deaths  
Mr. W. L. H. N. Turner, Esq., Establishment Officer, Sheriff of  
County of Kieniwa.

Tananyika Territory:- Mr. R. W. Miller, Director of Agriculture; Mr. E. C. Alison, Assistant Director of Agriculture; Mr. R. W. Broad, Government Teacher; Mr. G. F. M. Miller, Provincial Commissioner; Mr. G. S. Hopkins, Inspector of Cancer; Mr. M. W. Pittton-Brown, Assistant District Officer; Mr. A. B. Heckford, Staff Matron; Dr. A. H. Moore, Medical Officer; Mr. Col. W. Pitt, Assistant Conservator of Forests; Mr. J. F. Skerl, Inspector of Mines; Mr. L. F. Mylan, Assistant Surveyor; Superintendent of Prisons; Dr. B. O. Williams, Medical Officer; Mr. G. Gibson, Chief Mechanical Engineer, Tananyika Railways.

## **Colonial Office Changes**

Sir Clifford Figg has relinquished the appointment of Business Adviser to the Secretary of State for Colonies, which post he had held since September, 1918. No new appointment is being made.

No new appointment is made.  
Following the retirement of Sir Harry Duncan K.C.M.G., Legal Adviser to the Secretaries of State for Dominion Affairs and the Colonies, Mr. A. O. Robert has been appointed Legal Adviser to the Secretary of State. He has served on the legal staff of the Home Office and Colonial Office since 1931.

## Matabeleland and Mashonaland Campaigns

A luncheon to commemorate the 50th anniversary of  
the Battle of Bokwaggo, the occupation of Matabele-  
land, and the Orange Patrol will be held at the  
Waldorf Hotel, London, on Saturday, November 3,  
under the presidency of General Sir Alexander Godley.  
All ranks of any ranks who served in the Matabeleland  
and Mashonaland campaigns are invited to attend.  
Applications for places (1s. 6d. for officers and 1s. for  
other ranks) should be sent to Major T. J. May, C.M.G.,  
Rhodesia House, 429 Strand, London, W.C.2.

Colonel Macleander, Chairman of the Imperial Commission, since its establishment in 1924, has been a victim of disappointment and has recently written to His Majesty's Government to say that he has no objection to Sir Harold being in the first place appointed.

The most recent news announced between Mr. Thomas and Mr. Macleander, the Royal Services' youngest son, was that he was going to Millerscombe, Witwatersrand, to live with his wife, Miss Mackie, Second Daughter of Professor J. D. Mackie, of the University of St. Andrews, and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mackie.

Mr. Thomas' mother, Mrs. Mary Thomas, has also rendered services to the Royal Services, and in this connection Mr. Macleander has mentioned her in his letter to the Queen.

Mr. Thomas' services to the Royal Services have been acknowledged by the Royal Commission on Transport, which last week appointed him to the post of Southern Rhodesia Commissioner of Railways and Minerals.

Sir Edward Grey, the Colonial Minister for South Africa, has appointed Mr. Thomas to the post of Commissioner of Railways and Minerals, and he qualified in Scotland as a chemist and apothecary and practised pharmacy for some years at Dundee, Edinburgh, and London, was later Vice-President of the Metropolitan Board of Health, situated under the London County Council, and a Member of Gisborne House.

Mr. Thomas' return to Britain, England, by air from Nairobi, preceded by a fortnight in Nairobi, has been owing back in time to take up his duties as the Permanent Secretary to the Commissioner to H.M. East African Dependencies, Trade and Information Office, in Nairobi. His appointment—which has still not been officially announced—was exclusively forecast by *THE EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA*, as long ago as July 19.

Mr. Oliver Stanley, M.P., Secretary of State for the Colonies until the recent change of government, was to have spoken yesterday afternoon in our "Colonial Empire: The Next Chapter" at a meeting of the Royal Empire Society. He had said, in Liverpool last week that during his 20 years and more in politics he had been asked only about half a dozen questions about the Colonies in public meetings, yet the Colonies were of more importance than any of the present domestic issues in this country.

Seretse Khama, the 21-year-old hereditary chief elect of the Tswana people of Bechuanaland, has arrived in this country to attend at Balliol College, Oxford. He is already at Bulawayo. He reached London just in time to speak at a meeting held in the Royal Albert Hall on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the foundation of the London Missionary Society, the centenary celebrations of which were started by his grandfather, Khama, one of the society's original converts.

Mr. Robert Duff, and Miss Edith Ruth, formerly of Durban, were married at Durban on Saturday. Mr. Duff has been a prominent figure in the cultural and social life of Durban, and his wife is the daughter of Mr. J. C. Duff, former Mayor of Durban.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Owen, Archdeacon and Mrs. W. E. Wright, former Dean of Nairobi,

## Obituary

### Archdeacon W. E. Owen

Archdeacon W. E. Wright, former Dean of Nairobi,

has died. An obituary notice of Archdeacon Owen, of whom he was ex-dean, but I should be grateful if I could add this to what I was greatly attached. In a letter which I received from him some weeks ago he said that he had been pleased for him to come home this summer, but that he did not think he would live to make it. Perhaps he was content that his bones should remain where his heart was set.

Archdeacon Owen was a very lively person, a loyal friend, a keen controversialist; he delighted to be provocative, though always for what he believed to be the truth.

More than a year ago, when I asked him to preach again, he selected a controversial subject and asked whether I would like to know what he was preparing to say. "I'll tell you with a smile," I certainly should if there is any misgiving." The address was admirable, but it contained one significant observation. I pointed it out, mentioning that it was, straight as a rhetorical statement in order to arrest attention, purveyed that the speaker went on to explain and qualify it. When he came to the danger point of the sermon, to my astonishment the archdeacon said: "Now I am going to say something, but perhaps I had better not. If I had said it a year ago, I should be in prison." People almost rose in their seats, and I had to intervene and say that the archdeacon would attend in the church one evening in the week to answer questions.

Soon afterwards I asked him to preach again. The result was complete calm, which leads me to say that he was not a troubler of Israel but rather a worker to good works. The man he loved and served will not forget him. Nor will the tree that he planted cease to bear good fruit."

Mr. H. V. Tasker, a member of the Union Castle staff, who was for many years resident in Beira, has died in that town.

Mr. James Young Fletcher, a director of the General Electric Co., Ltd., has died in a London nursing home in his 9th year.

Mr. E. J. Williams, a district officer in Tanganyika, has died in Arusha. He had served in the Territory since 1931.

Mr. Reginald Holmes, of Nakuru, has died in Kenya. He owned one of the most complete collections of African snakes in the world, and lived by himself with his collection on the shore of Lake Nakuru.

Mr. H. B. Auld, Registrar of Trade Unions and Chief Industrial Inspector in Southern Rhodesia, is retiring, and will take up a new post as organizing director of the Joint Council of the Building Trade Employers, and secretary to the Salisbury Master Builders Association.

Mr. Walter Ross, who recently died in Bulawayo at the age of 84, had lived in Southern Rhodesia since 1897, and was for many years a Town Councillor of Bulawayo. He was a Past Master of the Allan Wilson Lodge of Freemasons, and at one time a captain in the Life Guards.

Mr. G. A. Dobbin, whose death at the age of 78 years is reported from Southern Rhodesia, was a well-known breeder of high-grade cattle. He was the widower of the late Gertrude Page, whose Rhodesian novels had a very wide circulation. Mr. Dobbin was farming in Northern Rhodesia in the early days.

Major C. E. Pitt-Schenkel, a retired officer of the S.A.P., has died at Bulawayo. He served through the Boer War and the Transvaal Rebellion, the South African War, the first World War, and was on the police reserve during that which has just ended. He retired in 1932 after 38 years' service. A son is serving with the K.A.R.

Mr. Anthony Edward Button, of Umvuma, has died at the age of 75. Born in Durban of one of the oldest Natal families, he first reached Rhodesia in 1896, and served with Grey's Scouts in the 1899 Rebellion. From 1910 Umvuma was his permanent home. He had been engaged in gold mining for many years.

## PERSONALIA

Sir Ernest and Lady Anderson have returned from land.

Mr. A. E. Galloway, Swindon, has been appointed now in Uganda.

The Rev. R. Brown is a new member of the Uganda mission team.

Mr. C. E. Davy, formerly of the Gold Coast, is Chairman of the Nakan Mineral Policy Committee.

Mr. C. A. Verster has been appointed to Matero College.

Mr. George S. S. M. T. has been appointed Africar Affairs Commissioner in the Gold Colony and Rhodesia.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Collier and Mrs. Lindsay Scott.

Mr. Donald F. A. Smith, of London, has joined the League of Nations Bureau.

Mount Stanhope's agents have appointed executive officer of the Coffee Board.

Mr. G. M. Johnson, recently elected Chairman of the Eutelbe Formular Authority.

Mr. W. F. Pitt, Vice-chairman of the Rhodesian Sugar Industry, has been appointed to the Rhodesian Sugar Commission.

Mr. H. Le Gall, of Paris, has joined the Executive Committee of the Rhodesia Country Club.

Service.

Sir George Schuster, Chairman of Messrs. Bamford and Fletcher, of Southern Rhodesia, has died.

Sunday, Oct. 2.

Mr. T. D. Wilson, a member of the Cabinet of the cultured States of South Africa, has been announced as a subscriber to the Rhodesian Standard.

Mr. J. M. Miller has been appointed to the Rhodesian Rhodesia.

Gatooma, Southern Rhodesia.

Sir Edward Grey, Foreign Secretary and Adams' successor, attended the general opening of the new Parliament yesterday.

Mr. William Hartland, of the Royal African Corps, has recently joined the British Guards.

John L. Thompson, of the Rhodesian Railways, has been appointed to the Rhodesian Railways.

Mr. J. M. Milne, a member of the Salisbury Branch of the Standard Bank of South Africa, has returned to Rhodesia.

Mr. G. E. Jeffreys, manager of Allerton Jeffreys.

Colonel J. P. Parker, Secretary of the Rhodesian War Office, will shortly be released from his duties.

Army, and resume his former duties.

Mr. G. E. Simons, Sudan Agent in Cairo, has returned.

Mr. C. E. G. V. Governor of the Northern Province.

of the Sudan, has returned from leave.

Major Warwick Bromfield, of County Donegal, Ireland, and Miss Sidney Winifred Brooks, of Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, have announced their engagement.

Viscount Milbank, a director of a number of companies operating in Rhodesia, is due back in London this week from his visits to the Colony and the Union of

South Africa.

General Sir William Platt, former G.O.C. in

East Africa, is to address a joint meeting in London

of the Royal African and Royal Empire Societies on

October 3.

Captain P. G. W. Anderson, K.A.R., elder son of

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. W. Anderson of Highclere, and Miss

Cynthia Brettell, of Ripley, Hampshire, have been

married in Nairobi.

A son was born in Nairobi last week to Major A. Grahame Molson, Royal Artillery.

Major E. F. Bromfield, of the Rhodesian Colonial and Mrs. Bromfield, and Miss Andie Brooks of Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, were married in the Colony last week.

Mr. F. G. L. Sturz, who has been a member of the staff of the East African Legislative Council since 1924, has been appointed to the Legislative Assembly.

T. A. B. Miller, of Nairobi, has been appointed to the

House of Representatives of the Rhodesian Legislative Assembly.

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### MARRIAGE

DALE—MORRISON.—At St. Albans Parish Church on October 2, Robert Dale, of Sidcup, Kent, and Ruth, elder daughter of Mr. and the late Mr. Morrison, of Mongai House, Hampshire.

Chief Sambari's sister, also of the same estate.

Sir George Schuster, who has accepted the invitation of the President of the Board of Trade to become the independent Chairman of the Cotton Industry Working Committee, was Financial Secretary in the Sudan from 1922 to 1927 and a member of the East Africa Committee of 1923.

# to the News

**Opinions Epitomized**  
Belgium is the only European country not left with a debt by the end of Lend Lease." — M. Krafft, Belgian Minister of Supply.

"The historian of lend lease may write that nothing in its life became it so badly as the grading of it." — P.M., New York.

"If ever there is another war, South Africa would be within range of rocket-propelled or other missiles." — Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Harris.

"The financial actions of the United States as a creditor nation between the two wars were the major cause of the world slump." — The Rt. Hon. Oliver Lyttelton, M.P.

"The P.D.A. Control allows 22,000 tons of rice a year to iterminate our 1939 rations a year to H.M. Treasury One for Gov expenses, etc. — John Belcher."

"British manufacturers before the war exported more than 20% of their output. The American trade exported approximately 6% of its output." — Sir Miles Thomas.

"Typical black market prices in the Port Dickson area of Malaya have been £1 for an egg, £1 for a pound of rice, £10 for a pound of dried fish and £10 each for jewels." — S.P.A.C. communiqué.

"Armies who do not work regularly and efficiently should know themselves beaten. That is the message which is being sent round Britain and held by the Army's own organization."

"It would be an excellent thing if the Indian Government were able to widen the production and non-importation and general economic life of the country in the way that is done in South Africa." — Sir Walter Citrine.

"Three of the 12 ships which formerly brought bananas from Jamaica to Great Britain are being reconditioned. The first post-war cargo of the fruit is expected to reach Britain early next year." — Eric Ministry of Food.

The first Douglas Skymaster will fly Washington at 10 p.m. on Saturday. The Transport Committee officials and other observers were all convinced the maiden flight night will return to Washington 151 hours later after circling the world at its greatest circumference, a total of 23,142 miles. — U.S. Information Service.

South Africa must not expect her troops back for the best part of another year. Between four and five thousand are returning each month by air, but we cannot bring back 70,000 men and women within a year." — Major-General Mitchell-Baker.

"With God's help, the United Nations, inspired by the example of Great Britain, were able in the end by faith and sacrifice and united effort to secure victory and preserve the ways of life." — Mr. T. E. Erskine, Acting Governor-General of the Sudan.

In Sumatra 80% of British and Australian men, 30% of Dutch men, 30% of British women, and 20% of Dutch women died of starvation, malaria, dysentery, and beriberi. — Mr. William McDougall, a prisoner in Sumatra throughout the war.

"The prescription for success during the transition from war to peace is speed. Powerful economic and social forces are being unleashed, and the only choice is between guiding and canalizing these forces and being submerged by them." — *Round Tables*.

"By the end of this year the production of our big industries will be 12% higher in dollar value than the 1939-41 average. By June it should be 87% above the average." — Ms. Julian Albert Krug, Chief of the War Production Board of the United States.

"During the past four years the three flying-boats of British Overseas Airways Corporation engaged in the trans Atlantic route have all covered more than 2,000,000 miles, and without mishap of any kind. They made 1,321 Atlantic crossings last year." — Aeroflot's correspondent of *The Times*.

"If we used our resources and our power of making things we can manage to do without a little longer, instead of concentrating energy and resources on establishing our export trade, we might find ourselves short of the essentials that we get by imports." — Mr. Herbert Morrison, Lord President of the Council.

I do not imagine that it has passed the notice of General Franco that the British victory in Europe was ultimately won because he was entitled the "Master of the Balkans," which if I could suggest was addressed at the front in Spain and urged on in Spain's struggle by the present Prime Minister of Great Britain. — Mr. Geoffrey Cox.

In 1938 one in every six coal miners in Britain was killed or injured. In 1943 it had risen to one in four." — Mr. J. L. A. Machen.

The conduct of the American G.I. and his officers has become so bad in Western Europe that responsible quarters are very much concerned. Some American troops in Brussels took Belgian girls to a dance given by the Belgian Resistance Movement. Some American troops show no discretion in their approach to women. — Brussels correspondent of the *New York Times*.

"Americans at home can take more than 90% of the total production of steel, but probably cannot take more than half of the production of heavy goods. We must sell some ships, aircraft, machinery, tanks, etc., abroad and machine tools abroad if we are to avoid large-scale factory stand-downs here at home." — Mr. Bill Perkins, former Director of the U.S. Board of Economic Warfare.

Citrus growers in the British West Indies recently learned that growers in Florida were receiving United States federal subsidy of \$1 a box, making the price to the American grower about five and half times as much as the British West Indian "grower-in-residence." This subsidy was ignored by the United States Government in computing the price at which citrus products were exported to the United Kingdom.

The fact that at this stage of the proceedings the U.K. ought to have so placed before the American public a record of certain significant work which has been done and the 140 million of pounds which have been lent to the Ministry of Information over the past three years, it seems have been a first charge on the M.O.I. to see that the credit of Britain's ledger was not lost and before the American public a forcible language. It will alone appreciate the attitude of the public.

The present merchant fleet in the United States is 15,000 tons should be divided so that 17,000,000 tons remain in America and 20,000,000 tons sold in Europe against future emergency. The remainder sold to foreign buyers Britain and America and the western countries will probably bear over most of Germany's sea routes and we ought to take over the bulk of the Japanese shipping business. Our future lies in the Pacific." — Vice Admiral Land, head of the United States Maritime Commis-

**The Money Motive.**— Is the stimulus of competitive life the right and true spur to bring the best out of people? Or do they do equally well in national service? I think it easy to exaggerate the part played by the money motive. In science men and women are often happy to work at a poor salary, because they are doing work they want to do, and what appeals to the world of science is going to appeal increasingly to the younger people in the medical profession. Many men look back on their war service with its monotony, discomfort, and danger, as the happiest days of their lives because it is a man's life and they are serving a cause which cannot bring any benefit to themselves. — D.G.D.

#### Scar and Scarce over China

In China during the past two years it has been difficult to visit even the remotest corners of the Republic without meeting uniformed representatives of the U.S. State Department. Their propagandists have been working from Lanchow, gateway to Tibet, to the Gobi desert of Mongolia. Their railway experts and engineers have worked the length and breadth of Free China. A great plan to dam the Yangtze, known as the Yangtze Valley Authority, will be one of the greatest engineering contrasts of modern times, and the American are getting in on the ground floor. Their geologists have blottedted the old caravan trails to the frontiers of Tibet and the wild western tribal countries. Their transportation divisions have been largely composed of men who before the Sino-Japanese War were special sales representatives in China of such great companies as General Motors, Ford, and Chrysler. The main motivating factor has been to help Chinese militarily, but nothing has been done without a glancing eye to the future.—Mr. George Johnston, Special Correspondent of the *New York Times*.

**Attlee, M.P.s.**— Mr. Attlee joined the Fabians during his researches into life in the East End of London. Now as Home Minister, he has nine other Fabians in the Cabinet, seven others in control of ministries, and twelve in his subordinate ministries in the Government. These include 22 Fabians in the Post Office, 13 in the new House of Commons, 12 in Workers' Education, 12 education students, and authors (Graham Greene, Tom Williams, W. P. Tait, G. Tom Williams, Frank Lawton, and George Isaacs). Sixty-fourthly, there are 19 P.C.A. students, who were once V.P.A. students, and are now, as far as after the war is concerned, members of the P.C.A.

Palestine and the U.S.A.—A question larger than that of Palestine is raised by President Truman's request to Great Britain to allow 100,000 Jews into that country. It is whether Britain is to continue to act as policeman of the world, and whether her fighting forces are to be embroiled in every quarter remote from their own shores. For 20 years before the war British soldiers fought and died and the British taxpayer bled out millions to help to keep peace in Palestine. All we ever received for our trouble was the hearty dislike of both sides and the acid criticism of other nations. Yet British pacificating tactics served the free world well. When the Germans went to war in 1939, we knew that the British were in Palestine may have saved the world. It was a valuable strategic position well placed not merely to cover the Middle East but to help Russia. The United States declined the Palestine Mandate after the last war. Within the past few weeks, it is reported, she has refused to accept joint responsibility with Britain. If it is true that the United States is unwilling to undertake any responsibility, except that of criticizing and making unattractive suggestions, then must be prepared to accept a British solution. — *Daily Mail*.

**Sheep and Goats.**— The announcement that 50% of first-class sleeping accommodation, and 30% of third-class accommodation, will now be available to the general public, and that ratings of equivalent ranks in the armed services and civil servants whose salaries are over £1,200 per year are entitled to priorities when travelling on official business will doubtless mollify public feeling. The war days majors and civil servants took their chance with other members of the public. Why not now? Today the claims of any commercial traveller, whose journey is beyond the wheels of our transport, no greater than those of any major or off-duty, and of most servants' Is the public prepared to admit the right of the Government to curtail the freedom of individuals by restricting them to dorms to move about the country at will? Is the right of the Government to favour one class of citizens at its discretion so be admitted? Are we now dealing with commissioners interested only in looking after their officials? Major-General Sir Edward Spears,

**Expedite Demobilization.**— Next in Class A get 56 days plus one day for every month's overseas service. Why not bring them home and give them their leave before demobilization instead of after? The effect of this would be that men would normally be reabsorbed into industry even before demobilization, and weeks of productive effort given to a hard-pressed country. — *Sunday Express*.

**Saving Dollars.**— In order to avoid the use of the Panama Canal, upon which have to be paid \$1,000,000 in tolls, the Ministry have given instructions for the recruiting of ships from New Zealand and Australia. Ships will normally proceed via Cape Town although the return voyage may be direct via Suez. Ships will be recruited as follows: 600 tonners via the Cape; 1,000 tonners via Panama via Suez; 1,500 tonners via New Zealand and Britain using the Panama Canal, having dues in dollar currency at the rate of nearly £100,000 a year. — Ministry of War Transport.

**Rivers Today.**— There is no river anywhere in the world, and no floodgates on the Rhine, that is not in the hands of the Gestapo. Its secret police, the SD, has its headquarters in Paris, and France does not have a single river that is not under their watchful eye. — *Daily Mail*.

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## Men of Two Worlds

### The Story of the Film

FOR NEARLY THREE YEARS an English film company has been hard at work on the most ambitious East African story picture yet attempted. Moreover, it is a film with a serious purpose.

The author, Mr. Joyce Cary, who has for some years been an administrative officer in West Africa, has used a district commissioner in Tanganyika Territory as one of his chief characters. The part of Randall is played by Mr. Eric Portman, who describes it as the best he has had since "Forty Ninth Parallel."

The other principal roles are played by Miss Phyllis Calvert as a woman doctor, Mr. Robert Adams, the Negro actor as Magole, and Mrs. Gladys Martin as Magole's wife, doctor.

Richard Dickinson, the director of the film, spent more than 18 months in Tanganyika on the preparatory work. The producer is Mr. John Sutro.

After 15 years in Europe, where he has attained success as a musician and composer, Kisenga, an East African, returns to his country to teach and assist the District Commissioner, Randall, in the establishment of new schools. One of Randall's greatest problems is the removal of the people under his care from their homes in the steady-isee bush to cleared land, where the fly, carrier of sleeping sickness, cannot live.

### Out of Touch with Tribal Life

Randall, a man of understanding and sympathy, welcomes Kisenga, and a real co-operative friendship springs up between them. A sudden outbreak of sleeping sickness leads Randall to call the chiefs and headmen to discuss the re-settlement plan, but Rafi, chief of the Litu, Kisenga's own tribe, refuses to come. Feeling that Kisenga is the best person to reason with Rafi, the D.C. sends him to the Litu. Kisenga is pleased; he has seen neither his people nor his family for many years. His parents greet him with joy, and after two weeks' welcome, Kisenga explains his mission. "Chief and people are under the sway of the witch doctor, Magole, a shyster fellow." Kisenga, fresh from England, does not understand Magole's power—he has lost touch with the old superstitions and traditions of his people.

Kisenga pleases with his cure of the sickness that is rampant in the Litu, and the re-located new arrivals meet him with love and respect for the doctor and his children—but Magole has spoken his ominous words that the sickness shall not come to the Litu. Kisenga watches an age-old ceremony performed by Magole, in which the people cancelebrate his powers by stabbing their skin with sharp sticks, and dancing to a drum of dissonant notes. He is appalled by the savagery and bestiality of the ceremony.

Kisenga's influence is now at its height, and Magole prophesies his death because of his continual preaching of the power of the Devil. Catherine, Munjo, the Power of the Devil, is the name of the assistant of the increasing cendy and treacherous Magole in controlling the natives. He and Magole in constant conflict, Kisenga sends for a white doctor. There is no hope for the old man—but what can be done? Kisenga uses every means to save him. Catherine gives him an injection as a last effort. He dies. At the hour Magole had foretold.

When Kisenga suffers his first attack of the people come to him to find him dead. But on the second day he comes to life with the knowledge that the white doctor has died, and stronger thoughts of his own people. He has returned to help.

Catherine, too, is a determined leader of East Africa, and her problems await her well. She takes strong measures against Magole. This includes a woman doctor to take care of the sick in tribal areas.

refuses to do as she asks and they quarrel, but he realizes that something must be done.

He calls a meeting of the chiefs and the whole village, and in their presence he challenges Magole to take his blood and see if he will die. The wily Magole repines that he has no power over the white man, he merely wants his people to be left in peace to continue their own way of life. Randall and Catherine recognize that their only hope is to get Kisenga to challenge Magole. "I am an African," he says. "A Litu, you cannot refuse my challenge." You are a white man with a black skin." Magole answers contemptuously, but he accepts the challenge, telling Kisenga he will do when the moon wanes.

### The Sable Power of Infection

Kisenga goes about his work this night, but each time Magole's magic is effective, bringing about the subtle power of suggestion. Kisenga, who sleeps little, is not worried, as he is a specialist in sickness; he becomes Kisenga—something right, something good, hunting. He does not sleep—he cannot concentrate, even his music is neglected, and when he tries to play it is a wild, distorted imitation through which the threatening thoughts of Magole's death claims seems to seep.

His chest becomes hollow; he goes down with fever. In desperation he tells Randall that he cannot go back to the village. Torn between real sympathy for Kisenga and the knowledge that he must go through with it if the Litu are to be saved from the sickness, Randall makes Kisenga return. Catherine is furious. Kisenga is in very ill—worse, he has lost the desire to live.

Then another comes to Randall. Among some torn fragments of music he spots a line of the score, written for children's voices. Randall bends over Kisenga, whose eyes are open, but unseeing, his head sways from side to side in time as it were with the throbs of Magole's drum. "Listen, Kisenga," Randall repeats over and over again. "you're going to live. You people need you."

Catherine has gathered the children, sing the music Kisenga had composed for them. Magole appears stern and angry, and the group shrink back. One by one the women try to remove their children. Then a woman's voice takes up the song again. It is Saburi, no longer afraid of Magole. Her courage reaches the others, soon the whole village is singing.

"Inside the hut, Randall," Catherine, watch anxious. "Once again Randall thinks over Kisenga. The children are clinging to you, Kisenga. You must live or they will die. The people need you. The sickness has come to the village."

As the children sing, Kisenga slowly, filters Randall's hair, and again whitens. Deeply moved, Catherine slips his arm through Randall's, as Rafi and the villagers crowd the emaciated. It is as though a miracle has happened in their midst. The cry that Kisenga lives is taken up. The sable power is broken. As dawn breaks fully, Kisenga drives his rifle through the robes of Magole.

Magole looks at the surviving members and wearily stretches for the charred remains of his studio staff. They look on sombrely in the darkness of the Litu land, walk away through the now deserted village. Catherine helps him to go the lorries loaded with the bodies of those who have died. It is the road to the frontier.

### EMPLOYMENT WANTED

WANTED: AIR FORCE PERSONNEL, aged 43, qualifications where practical, energy and willingness to accept responsibility essential. Experience in aircraft machine shop, liaison, production planning, labour control, and factory administration. Excellent references from present employers. Air letters please to H. K. Groombridge, Templeview, Barston, Hampton-in-Arden, Warwickshire.

Wing Commander J. A. Plagis, whose D.S.O. was awarded not long ago, has been awarded the Netherlands Flying Cross for his work over Holland, including that at Arnhem. He is now O.C. Kimata Air Station, and is responsible for the arrangements for the reception of Rhodesian repatriates from the north. He also heads the D.F.C. and B.A.

Wing Commander J. H. Deall, whose home is in Southern Rhodesia, and who was educated at St. Paul's High School, has been awarded the D.S.O. As leader of his squadron he planned and led a number of important attacks.

Squadron Leader J. H. R. Shand, D.F.C., of No. 1 Squadron, has been awarded the D.S.O. Flying his squadron throughout two complete tours of operational flying, he invariably showed a great degree of courage and devotion to duty, and instilled into his crew his own fine fighting spirit and efficiency. Under his leadership the squadron caused considerable damage to enemy transport movement and communications in the Po Valley. He was born in Salisbury in 1915, and returned to Rhodesia in May of this year.

Major T. E. Hendrie, son of Mr. Bryce Hendrie of Bulawayo, has been awarded the D.S.O. for "unbeatable determination and devotion to duty in Italy." Major Hendrie was educated at Merton School, Bulawayo, Oundle School, and Oxford University.

Captain Paul Newton Brietsche, a Rhodesian, and a member of the Bulawayo staff of Barclays Bank (D.C. & O.), until he joined the forces, has been awarded the M.C.

Major-General C. C. Bowkes, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., has been mentioned in dispatches for gallant and distinguished services in Burma. He commanded the Southern (later the 22nd) East African Brigade at the outbreak of war, and took a leading part in the Ethiopia campaign. Later he commanded the 12th East African Division, and subsequently the 11th East African Division in Burma. He returned to Kenya some months ago.

#### Visiting Southern Rhodesia

Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, Deputy Supreme Commander in Europe under General Eisenhower, and Lady Tedder, recently spent a few days in Bulawayo, while on their way to the Union of South Africa.

Lieut-General Sir Kenneth Anderson, G.C.B., in command of East Africa Command, and Lady Anderson have been visiting Southern Rhodesia.

Major-General Eyred Poole, Commander of the 6th South African Armoured Division, is paying a short visit to this country.

Lieut-Colonel J. Crawford, civil affairs officer in Asmara, has returned from leave in England.

Squadron-Officer Roxburgh-Smith, Commandant of the Southern Rhodesia Women's Auxiliary Air Service since its inception five years ago, has left to join her husband, who was posted out of the R.A.F. 18 months ago. As Miss Dulcie Evans, she was the first woman in Southern Africa to gain an air pilot's licence, and before the war she owned a Gipsy Moth. More than 1,000 women have been admitted to the W.A.A.S. in Rhodesia during the war.

C. Squadron Leader R. Riddian Green, who lately commanded the Royal Air Force in Diego Suarez, Madagascar, has returned to Kenya for release after rather more than six years' service. During the early part of the war he was engaged in reconnaissance flying over East African waters, and has since held various other appointments. He expects to leave Nairobi before the end of the year to take up residence in Johannesburg. Captain Hugo Denton is now on leave from Burma. At the outbreak of war he was seconded from The Manchester Regiment to The Northern Rhodesia Regiment, with which he served in the early part of the East

African campaign. In 1941 he held a staff appointment in British Somaliland, and in the following year went to the Staff College in Haifa, after which he served as a brigade major in Madagascar and Burma.

Captain Barber, whose amusing article about Lieutenant Sympson and the Kragombas have appeared in *Punch*, recently paid a flying visit to Nairobi. He is a public relations officer in the Middle East, where he has been in close contact with the American Colonial Troops.

Sergeant Ruppert, of Matola, who is now in this country, saw service in North Africa with the Long Range Desert Group.

#### Repatriation of Rhodesians

Between VE Day and the end of August 1945 Rhodesians serving in the Army and the Royal Navy had begun to repatriate. There still remained 2,350 Rhodesians from the Colony awaiting return from service in the Army and the Navy. About 650 Rhodesians serving in the R.A.F. have still to be repatriated.

Training will soon be the only scheme for the Rhodesian Air Training Group, still engaged in flight instruction. Since the scheme started in the Colony in May 1940, 7,700 pilots, 1,550 gunnars, 720 flying instructors, and 778 navigators have passed out. An illustrated booklet entitled "The Pilots' Handbook" is issued by the R.A.F. Station, Heavy Conversion, Rhodesia. It records the achievements of the flying training school from 1941 to 1945.

More than 1,000 R.A.F. men spent their leave in Gambia, Southern Rhodesia, under the hospitality scheme of the Women's National Service League.

The Women's National Service League of Southern Rhodesia came to an end at the end of September. This league, which has 42 branches, has a fine war record. It raised nearly £61,000 for various war charities, organised large-scale hospitality for R.A.F. men training in the Colony, sent off thousands of parcels, and knitted many thousands of comforts for the forces.

A farewell parade of the Polish W.N.S.L. at Eastleigh Aerodrome was held recently before several senior members of the British Command. These Polish women had been employed in Nairobi for more than two years.

#### Gifts for War Charities

The Victory Gift Shop in the capital city of Southern Rhodesia has raised more than £8,700 since it was opened in 1942.

Sir Campbell Taft, Governor of Southern Rhodesia, opened the Bulawayo War Fund fete and fun fair in Market Square. On the first day about £5,000 was given.

The Lilongwe district of Nyasaland has to its credit a remarkable achievement of raising more than £1,000 for the Red Cross at a fete attended by just about 100 Europeans. A year ago a similar fete raised just less than £1,000.

A fete and dance held at Umuuma raised £650 for the National War Fund of Southern Rhodesia.

A Red Cross ball held in Bulawayo to welcome released prisoners of war raised £905.

An entertainment in the golf club at Kuanshyra raised £22 for the Red Cross.

Mr. C. H. Stone, Southern Rhodesian thrift officer, has announced the end of the national salvage campaign. In the past three years 2,150 tons of scrap were collected. Some of the material was sold for £4,973 and some was handed to the National War Fund.

Two South African soldiers before leaving Nairobi paid £1 for a wreath to the grave of Lady Delamere, who did so much in the early days of the war for the Southern Rhodesian tribes.

The Minister of Finance has given a special grant to the new twin ship ETHIOPIA VICTORY.

The War

# Ten Thousand Askari To Be Released This Month

## Details of Casualties During Eritrean Campaign

**A**SKARI, who have passed at the rate of 500 a week through the African Discharge Wing of the General Base Depot at Langata, near Nairobi, have been taught a variety of practical handicrafts to ensure that when they return to the reserves they will have a useful job to which they can turn their hands. The courses have been organized entirely by the Welfare Officer—who in civil life was an industrial psychologist—assisted by Africans only, and the bulk of the teaching is done by the askari themselves, those who have finished the courses instructing those who have just come in.

The subjects taught include spinning and weaving, the making of sisal mats, agriculture (including the prevention of soil erosion), and rough carpentry. The men are also taught how to build themselves better huts from local materials available, and are instructed in hygiene.

Using sun-dried mud bricks, and working under the supervision of an Italian mason, the men have built and thatched a church large enough to seat some 500 men. Undenominational services are conducted by an African padre, and as the building has not been consecrated, it is also used for instructional purposes with a cinema projector, a strip projector and epidiascopes.

### Spinning and Mat-Making

The scheme is self-supporting. Starting with a small quantity of wool and some elementary apparatus, funds were raised for the purchase of further equipment, and material by selling the cloth made by the men. Today there are 60 men working in the spinning room alone. Similar progress has been made in mat-making, and there is now a surplus of funds which is returned to the men in the form of welfare amenities.

The work serves a double purpose. Not only does the askari learn a useful job, but his mind is occupied and his morale maintained during the difficult weeks while he is awaiting his discharge. Attendance at the classes is compulsory, and emphasis is laid off the operative aspect of the work—one man combing while another spins and a third operates the loom.

"We are trying to demilitarize the men and teach them to take up again the civic responsibilities that they have forgotten," said the Welfare Officer. "I have received many letters from grateful askari, and one recently wrote to me that he and his family were earning 110 shillings a month making sisal mats."

Liaison between the military and the civil authorities is maintained by Civil Disposal Officers, many of them former D.C.O.s. One of their duties is to see that before an askari is discharged all his troubles are settled. Every African passing one of our courses is given a certificate stating the degree of proficiency he has achieved.

### Most Men Want Long Holiday

The first three groups of East African askari, comprising about 10,000 men (of whom 3,000 belong to H.E.A.V.), will have been released by the end of the month. The post-war training establishments, partly initiated by the Army, are about to be taken over by the Civilian Power and Reabsorption Board, but it is understood that they will not be ready to receive ex-servicemen until January. Less than 1% of the men are expected to want immediate employment, and most wish to return to their reserves for six or 12 months to enjoy a rest and their gratuity.

Major Ockendon, who has been appointed Civil Reabsorption Officer in Northern Rhodesia, is to make contact with askari on their arrival in the territory for release from the Army, and ensure as far as possible that they leave for their homes without grievances. He

will keep touch with the district after-care committees and the Post-War Problems Committee. The welfare of sick and disabled askari, and of the dependants of casualties will also be part of his duties. He will work in close co-operation with the Labour Commissioner and employers in regard to re-employment.

An African section of the British Legion has been formed in Nairobi. Life-membership costs only 5s.

### Casualties

It has now been made known that during the campaign against the Italians in Eritrea the Sudan Defence Force sustained 500 casualties, the Indian Army 5,000, the British Army 1,000, and the South Africans 400. Between June, 1940, and June, 1945, the Sudan Defence Force lost six British officers and one British and 153 Sudanese other ranks killed or died of wounds. The total number of casualties of all kinds was 1,336, including 780 Sudanese other ranks who died on service.

A Dakota aircraft of the South African Air Force shuttle service crashed last Friday to the south of Broken Hill, Northern Rhodesia. Nine members of the South African Defence Forces were killed and 12 injured.

Air Vice Marshal Conway Walter Heathcote, C.B., O.B.E., A.F.C., who commanded the R.A.F. reliability flight from Cairo to the Cape and back in 1926, is now known to have died of malaria at the time of the fall of Singora. He was Air Officer Commanding in the Far East.

Four British soldiers were drowned at the Njangoro drift, near Kisumu, Kenya, when flood waters swept away a truck in which they had been travelling to the farm of Mr. A. G. L. Ward, with whom they were spending their leave.

Major James F. Firth, "Jimmy" Firth, The King's African Rifles, 1st Battalion, previously reported missing, believed killed in action in October 1944, is presumed to have been killed in an accident on October 22 last year. He was the only son of Mrs. James F. Firth, of Rustington, Sussex, and is a widow.

Flying Officer Michael Arthur Ward, who was previously reported missing, is now re-classified as believed killed in action.

Mrs. Dorothy M. Ward, who arrived in Kenya in 1926 and was a member of the Nairobi stage, has died in a Siumai hospital.

Major J. W. G. Ockendon served as D.A.D.M.S. to 11th East African Division, and has emphasized the remarkable immunity of the troops to tropical diseases. He also paid his last respects to the work of the Belgian Congo casualty unit, which was under Colonel Thomas, which has gone into service in Malaya, British Somaliland, Madras, and Burma.

### Awards

While serving in the 1st Battalion, Royal West African Frontier Force, Major Ockendon served in East Africa during the Italian campaign, and was before the war a member of the staff of the 1st Battalion, Royal West African Frontier Force.

In August, 1944, Major Ockendon, during the attack on Monte Cassino, was severely wounded when the platoon of his company was pinned down in commando, another platoon being held up by enemy emplacement. Single-handedly he cleared one machine gun nest, and two more nests were cleared by his crew with grenades and wiped out by a Bren gun, accounting for 15 riflemen. He was awarded the D.S.O. and the D.S.M. for gallantry, and upper rooms of a house, taking cover behind a wall, and silencing the enemy. Though wounded and weak from loss of blood, he continued to lead his platoon with valour, and by his determination and leadership inspired the success of the Gothic Line at this point.

able to apply the principle of total eradication to large mainland areas, particularly when we can use D.D.T. in key places.

The experience of the war has shown that adult control is sometimes more economical than larval control, and that it is particularly suitable for rural communities.

In the later Mediterranean campaigns, fought through extremely malarious country, including the classical home of the disease in Italy, we started with quite elementary methods, which grew in size till at the end we had power lorries mounted on motor vehicles, distributing pyrethrum in every village within a few hours of its capture. The result was that malaria cases in the Eighth Army in Italy were extraordinarily few, and malaria was never a serious cause of trouble.

The methods we used were too elaborate and expensive for civil use, but while this military work was going on, it had been shown in India that water extracts of pyrethrum extracts could be sprayed in larval houses with power apparatus and without elaborate organization. The costs were as low as 3d. per head, per annum, and most of this sum was spent on local labour and materials. Truly remarkable reductions in malaria were secured, and a new way shown for rural control throughout the world. It does not need highly skilled

supervision, and the work can be carried out by village labour. Its cost is well within the means of the community, and the results are of great value.

I think that D.D.T. will be used increasingly against adult mosquitoes, rather than mosquito larvae, and will greatly improve the present technique.

If we develop these three methods, we shall have a better layout something like this. We shall have stretches of well developed country from which malaria has been eradicated completely. In these areas these areas will be protected by mosquito repellents round them—or gifts of country in which malaria is prevented and all possible sheltering places for mosquitoes are made impenetrable by walls or screens. We shall have the less well developed country where eradication is not an economic possibility, and which will be kept reasonably healthy by adult mosquito control, using D.D.T. where its action is effective, and where it is not so efficient.

In such a way you could eliminate the scourge of malaria that now hangs over most of Central Africa. The general working capacity of the African population, educational standards will improve, farming will become more productive, the purchasing power of the farmer will grow, and there will be a general economic advance.

## Northern Rhodesia's Royal Air Force Squadron

**NEWS OF THE NORTHERN RHODESIAN SQUADRON** of the Royal Air Force, No. 245, was given in a broadcast a few days ago by Mr. Harry Franklin, the Information Officer, who is now here in this country. He said:

The squadron was disbanded about a month ago, but it is soon to be reformed by new men and new aircraft, keeping its number and name, to preserve its traditions and ties of friendship with our country.

We have good reason to be proud of our squadron. It has always been in the thick of the fighting, and has earned 14 D.F.C.s, besides a number of other decorations, including the Victoria Cross.

The squadron, flying Typhoons, went over 100 days after D-Day to the famous Falaise pocket, fighting near Caen. As the adjutant stepped out of his aircraft, a sergeant next to him was hit by a shell splinter. The party was on. "All's not party!" said Squadron Leader Monk. The gas was chock-full of enemy transport—a dream. We just went up and smashed our rockets into motor transport, tanks, armoured cars, trains, signal boxes, infantry and guns; came down for more rockets, and went up and did the same again. To the adjutant it wasn't fun. The squadron does planes and that mattered more to him—men. He said: "Perhaps I shouldn't have said secretly I always used to think a lot more of the lives of my boys than the success of the operation."

After Eight Days in Battle without Food or Water

It was here that Flying Officer Lee, nicknamed the American express as the 'Man of Great Heart'—was shot down in No Man's Land. The squadron had gone in to smash a desperate German tank attack. This pilot was hit by Ack-Ack, his left hand wounded and a cannon shell through his knee. He crashed. The plane turned over leaving him upside down and trapped in the cockpit. Hoping his plane would not catch fire, he managed to wriggle painfully into a hunched-up position right end up, but he could not get out of the cockpit.

Around him for four days a battle raged. Machine gun shell splinters from both sides were hitting the plane. Only the armour of the cockpit saved him. The Germans set fire to a wide close-by field again,

late was with him. The wind blew the flames away. Lee was there eight days, without food or water before our troops advanced and released him.

After Falaise the Hun beat it too fast for close support work. The squadron strafed small shipping, jetty, canal barges and railway yards to prevent the Germans from escaping out of North-West Belgium.

### Arnhem

Then came the tragic glory of Arnhem, and the squadron, under their German fighters under Air Ace Mantoni, gave an strike after air strike against the German artillery and mortar positions closing on our gallant paratroops.

The squadron moved to Linnehaven to attack German artillery and go on long range patrols, shooting up anything including 45-millimetre engines in one day.

Then on to their base airstrip in Germany west of the Rhine, waiting for the great day. It came—the battle of the Rhine. They were on the cat's rank giving close support to the 6th Airborne Division and the Guards Armoured Division. The planes of the squadron took off every hour for battle.

Captain Cooke's D.F.C. came from the ground. The enemy was racing up the Rhine, and the British guns and infantry struggled to hold them back at Haaksbergen. The weather was very bad, cloud base 1,500 feet, but the divisional commander insisted on air support. Captain Cooke led an eight-plane divisional like any other, so that he and them all got hits and cannon shells and bombs and machine guns and the tanks were held at bay with sheer guts and determination.

The paratroops took off and won the battle. One week and the ground was covered with dead Germans who had come from lost German planes. The worst was yet to come. The division had to conduct a withdrawal through Germany, shooting up supply lorries, trucks and observation posts, infantry concentrations, tanks, anti-aircraft guns, and in the last few days shipping the men north through the sea.

Of all the vessels they sank, they were most pleased about the U-boat damaged by Flight Lieutenant Murphy, the first German U-boat to be sunk by rocket Typhoons, and in one of the squadron's last attacks.

own experience leads me to suggest that reasonable price levels for some of the more important crops in many areas are:

maize, 1/- per bushel per lb.; maize, ex-sail, 1/- per bushel; 1/- per lb. naked grain;

corn, 1/- per lb. per lb. naked grain;

peas, 1/- per lb. per lb.

### Fundamentally Unsound Economics

It always appeared to me to be fundamentally unsound economics in developing African economies to base prices on the free on board values or values at cost plus a fixed percentage of his producer's costs. Such a policy would only tend to cover production expenses near the market and leaving nothing for the entrepreneur, who, in addition to covering his costs, has the responsibility of the development of the community from economic development, marketing and other factors. How inherently unsound may be the actual practices.

Before the last half century there has been over emphasis in the introduction of zoning legislation, which tends to fix the payment of a flat price in relation to all primary markets within a zone, and during the war a standard had been developed whereby production of certain crops for the Ministries of Food and Supply had been based on a reasonable return to the producer irrespective of his situation and a fair on board price accepted which averaged market value, collection, and transport cost.

As far as the internal market requirements are concerned there is no reason why within reasonable limits this latter principle should not be applied.

The possibilities of air-cured tobacco and cotton have been explored, and production of these commodities has been established on a small scale. Very short amounts made up in excess production of these items in the meantime.

The possibilities of establishing permanent crops such as sugar-cane should be more fully explored, and I recommend that the Department explore the possibilities of introduction, trial and establishment of new crops. This would involve the organization of trial plots throughout the territory.

I have already suggested to the Director of Agriculture that with the importance of the fishing industry, the possibilities of fish production as a Native crop should be explored, as prima facie there seems no reason why in certain parts of the Northern Province this should not be possible, and, if established the local processing and manufacture of fishing nets might follow.

## How To Bid East and Central Africa of Malaria

Confident Hope of Director of Ross Institute of Tropical Hygiene

PRACTICALLY EVERY AFRICAN CHILD in the lowlands suffers continuously from malaria until the age of 12 or 14, in a way that we should regard as slightly needing medical attention if our own children were affected. They regard it as so much the normal state that they are literally unaware of what healthy childhood means.

If they acquire some degree of immunity before they reach adult life, their background of illness has often prevented normal development; it has handicapped a lot of the efforts of education, and it may leave a legacy of lethargy. Our object should be to extend malaria control to reach the entire population—urban, semi-urban, and rural; to create wide stretches of healthy country, including towns, villages, and hamlets; and to avoid the present concentration of benefit on urban people.

Three really important developments have quite changed the picture. Relatively large geographical areas have been tackled, and mosquito species have been entirely eradicated from them—no mere limited or controlled, but eradicated. Secondly we have gained much new experience in the destruction of insect infestations, and we have learnt that this method is particularly applicable to rural areas. Lastly there have been great advances in our knowledge of insecticides, resulting in the production of D.D.T.

\* By Dr. G. Macdonald, M.D., D.P.H., D.T.M.  
Director of the Ross Institute of Tropical Hygiene, in a broadcast last Sunday in the "Calling East" programme of the B.B.C.

More will have to be done to the possibilities of maintaining an effective system of control centres as here outlined. The Onderstepoort Research Station, which is at present in the process of being considerably increased.

The ratio would be roughly one to one between the needs of the service and the available resources, and a research and instructional unit should be set up to help the national and international health services to maintain and develop their training in public health.

There is now a number of suitable training centres in the country, but there is still a need for some revenue to meet the various expenses of the institution itself. If properly run the cost of running a training centre is a small place through which passes a considerable amount of meat for the community.

It is also necessary to regularise the sale of cattle in the market, and to provide for training of those who are engaged in the business of breeding cattle.

The Government has already made improvements in the structure of the Veterinary Services and Abattoirs, and the Ministry of Health and Veterinary Services can expect ample time to come with the development of similar facilities for the selection and culling of stock bulls. These measures will widen the scope of the secondary range.

### Food Supplies Should Be Stimulated

The most important thing to stimulate is by agricultural production. It is suggested that the Board of National Education should be strengthened. In the first place it is suggested that the Board be brought down to 10 members, although 12 is the maximum number, and that the members be given the power to obtain grants for the construction of schools, with the assistance of the local authorities.

The Board should be given the power to hire and employ the services of the State Surveyor General and the Director of the Ordnance Survey Office, and to make arrangements to hire the necessary scientific, technical, and auxiliary staff, and to connect with the meteorological stations.

It is the hope of this work to be carried on in view that

in any possible planning scheme provision should be made for this work.

The Ross Institute of Tropical Hygiene

A mosquito can carry the cause of most of the malaria in Africa, and the worst carrier of the disease in the world—entered Brazil on a ship, just as yellow fever had done some hundreds of years before, and multiplied and spread until by 1938 it had invaded about 5,000 square miles of country. Of course, malaria was by no means unknown in Brazil before this, but the malaria carried by this mosquito was something very new.

The organization which had tackled yellow fever—the Rockefeller Foundation—now set out to eradicate this mosquito. The methods used were almost elementary, but they were controlled by a superb organization. Within less than two years the mosquito which had caused so much damage had disappeared. The cost was well over half a million pounds, but it had saved Brazil from degenerating in health standards to the level of the coastal belts of tropical Africa.

In April of 1943 and 1944 the same mosquito caused an epidemic of malaria in the Valley of the Nile between the Sudan frontier and Aswan, which is not far from Cairo. The epidemic was far worse than anything known there before; the mortality in one outbreak was actually estimated at 20,000. During that six months Rockefeller workers have sacked 15,000 houses, and with simple methods and selected organizations probably by now the last specimen of *Anopheles pseudopunctipennis* disappeared from Upper Egypt, and so ended the last fresh cases of malaria in the ocean-side districts of the African desert well beyond cultivated land.

With further experience I am sure that

# Development Plan for Northern Rhodesia.

## Interests of the Efficient Producer Must Be Protected.

**I**N ORDER TO ENSURE THE FULLEST CO-ORDINATION on all forms of development, it might be argued that one central, high-level Development and Welfare Council would be preferable to the continuation of some form of Native Development Board, and there is certainly much to be said for such a conception.

I feel, however, that in Northern Rhodesia problems of native development are such that they would be better dealt with by the Central Government directly, although again, in view of the stress being placed on development, it is conceivable that a post of Secretary for Non-Native Affairs, equal in status to the Secretary for Native Affairs, might assist in co-operation and co-ordination. Possibly the post of Administrative Secretary does in fact perform this function.

### Native Development and Welfare Council

I should favour the Chief Secretary and the Financial Secretary remaining outside the preliminary examination, co-ordination and collation of schemes for Native development in their capacity as members of the inner Government, and suggest that a Native Development and Welfare Council should be constituted to take the place of the Native Development Board, with the following constitution:

Secretary for Native Affairs (Chairman), the Directors of Medical Services, Agriculture, African Education, Veterinary Services, and Game and Tsetse Control, an elected member of the Legislative Council, a member of Legislative Council nominated to represent Native interests, the Director of the Rhodes-Livingstone Institute, one representative of the Northern Rhodesia Christian Council, one representative of the Roman Catholic missions, and the Commissioner for Native Development.

The following standing committees should, in my view, be set up, or where already existing as independent bodies, be reconstituted as standing committees of the Council:

- (1) African Education Advisory Committee;
- (2) African Labour Advisory Committee (Chairman, Labour Commissioner);
- (3) Tsetse and Trypanosomiasis Committee (Chairman, Director of Game and Tsetse Control);
- (4) Rural Industries Committee (Chairman, Commissioner for Native Development);
- (5) Native Produce Marketing Committee (Chairman, Director of Agriculture);
- (6) Advisory Committee on African Townships and African Housing (Chairman, Director of Medical Services);
- (7) African Welfare Committee (Chairman, Secretary for Native Affairs);
- (8) Juvenile Delinquency Committee (Chairman, Secretary for Native Affairs).

### Economic Development Policy

Finally, I believe that the fullest co-ordination in social and economic development will be achieved if the headquarters of the departments mainly concerned are grouped at ~~one centre~~. Early consideration should be given to the removal of the headquarters of the Agricultural, Veterinary, and African Education Departments to the seat of Government, and it would be preferable that these departments, together with the Medical Department, the Secretary for Native Affairs, and the Commissioner for Native Development, should be housed under one roof.

It is suggested that it should be a cardinal feature of Government policy that the internal needs of the territory should as far as is reasonably possible be met from internal production based on a reasonable return to the producer.

At the first meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Board, it was stated that Government would be prepared to take any steps which the Board may recommend.

From further extracts from Mr. G. F. Clew's Memorandum on Post-War Development Planning in Northern Rhodesia.

I demand if it feels it necessary to restrict, regulate, or prohibit the importation from outside of any produce available in this country except to the extent to which importation is required to meet local demands. It also, of course, carries with it the necessary corollary that the interests of the consumer must be protected.

It appears to me that if the last sentence had read: "It follows that if a policy of maximum production of our internal needs is to be assured, the interests of the efficient producer must be protected," the statement would have been an admirable declaration of Government policy.

If stability between the urban industrial areas and the rural agricultural areas is to be achieved, means must be found of enabling the producer to be paid to the maximum the foodstuffs and other requirements of the industrial areas.

This can be done by a policy of planned production on the basis of assured returns at fair prices to the agricultural producer, and if a producer is paid the price of means is entailed a reduction in the wages of wage labour in order to ensure the stability of the agricultural producer. This in my view would be in the best interests of the economy as a whole.

If this policy of giving stability to the agricultural producer up to the limit of the internal consumption as indicated, it is suggested that production should be planned on the basis of complementary production by Europeans and Africans.

It is suggested that the policy should be to encourage a reduction in one-crop farming and a gradual development of mixed farming aimed at producing dairy products, live stock, and an extension of the area under irrigation for the production of wheat and vegetables.

### Limited Increase in European Settlement

Such a policy would probably involve limited additional European settlement and direct assistance by Government in the establishment of capital works such as water supplies, irrigation works, bacon factories, and so on, necessitating additional capital plant for Native production. It might also involve some form of financial assistance to individual farmers, necessitating the establishment of a Land Bank, and might entail the acquisition of land in areas suitable for such development.

It is suggested that a special committee be set up, with a constitution similar to that of the Agricultural Advisory Board, to make recommendations for the action required for the carrying out of such a policy over a period of 10 years. Any financial assistance required might be sought under the Colonial Development and Welfare Act.

Associated with this development, experiments work by the Agricultural and Veterinary Department would be necessary in such matters as fodder conservation, rotations, grass leys, etc., and might be best carried out by the establishment of a Government farm in the producing areas with an advisory committee having on its representatives of the farming industry.

It would also be necessary to envisage the appointment of an agricultural economist, who would be responsible for organizing the collection of the data necessary for the fixation of prices and their periodic review. We might also prove desirable to obtain the services of a qualified irrigation engineer to investigate and report the possibilities of increased irrigation.

The future development of the sugar industry, particularly in the Fort Jameson area, dependent upon certain unknown factors, but Government has allocated land for additional settlement subject to certain conditions.

### Reasonable Price for Native Produce

A development worthy of further investigation is the production of eucalyptus oil for use in the flotation process in copper extraction, as a substitute for imported pine oils. On inquiry at the mines I was informed that the substitute is quite satisfactory, but that they would require some assurance of continuity of supply. As the development of this industry would provide employment for Africans in an area where at present production of cash crops is impracticable? I consider it worthy of Government to propose to investigate this matter further with a view to ascertaining what assistance, if any, is necessary to encourage development.

First priority must be given to meeting internal needs for cereals, including rice, oilseeds, and pulse crops, and I suggest that as first requirement is a survey by the Agricultural Department based on the ecological survey of the potential production based on population and potential crops for all areas with an indication of the reasonable producer price levels in the various areas which are considered necessary in order to make production as far as possible

they have had some liberal and valuable education than would have been given by any normal university.

**Colonial Services Need** ~~normal~~ **askari**. They have **themselves** ~~reliant~~ men and affairs which make them valuable workers. Even in the unlikely case they would still have a claim to preferential entry into all the public services for which their character and capacity render them suitable. In the development and welfare tasks in which the teams would be engaged, the leading achievements of the European leaders would be far less important than the power of instant loyalty. Who can doubt that the same qualities would splendidly serve the British at a later stage in the many appointments which have hitherto been filled on the basis of academic proficiency plus mere seniority? The Dependencies would gain in every way a far higher proportion of their officials from those qualities of self-reliance and initiative which were normal in the early days of British administration—and would again be made normal again by the deliberate policy of recruiting the best men produced by the harsh school of war. Many are certain to be accepted for the Colonial administrative and technical services, but there should be the prospect of subsequent entry for others from these ex-askari teams.

At the outset the teams would require a concentrated course of instruction followed by the earliest possible dispersal to their scene of operations, whence they could return back to time to time for refreshments from

**Speed Essential** to success, and it would therefore be far wiser to start active work forthwith on this basis than to postpone a beginning. Soon there would be need for supervisors of groups of teams, and this would present the first opportunity for the promotion of the best men, who would bring to each team up-to-date news of the most successful efforts of the best. As the number of teams grew, each province would require its liaison officer, and there would be a growing demand for instructors. Moreover, a considerable proportion of the 1941 entrants would show themselves capable of discharging their duties so well as to gain admission to the various other departments of the public service mentioned above; some would prefer to farm or trade on their own account after a few years; and some would be content to devote their lives to their original

tasks. The name and the leaders should on no account be frivolously moved from province to province. They should learn the local language thoroughly, set themselves to earn the trust of the tribe, and know that headquarters recognized that their satisfaction would come principally from the day-to-day evidence of useful tasks being completed, and revisited from time to time.

What we have also been asked, do officers who have served with the askari think of the proposal? Neither fewer than a dozen have yet had the opportunity of expressing their views, but every

**An Opportunity Which Will Not Long Persist**. comment which we have so far received from officers who have served with East African askari has been wholly favourable, and some have been enthusiastic. These commentators know from their own experience that the askari is not the ignorant, complacent, brainless being which some publicists in this country imagine; but they also know that, with all his faults, he almost always responds to the best leadership, and that the best of them are very good indeed. The point at issue is, in essence, that of seizing with promptitude, imagination and faith an opportunity which has never previously existed and will not long persist. Unless these exemplars are engaged in practical tasks under the tuition and discipline of Europeans in whom they have full trust, Eastern Africa will be wasting an asset of incalculable potential value. Indeed, unless the best of the askari are used in some such way, they will not only lose tone themselves, but their relapse will inevitably contribute to a still further fall from maintainable standards in their less good comrades. On one point let us be clear: there is no time for dalliance. Prompt decision in high quarters, immediate instructions, repatriation by air of Europeans and Africans to schools awaiting their pupils—that must be the pattern for real success. The opportunity will be crippled by leisurely deliberations, hurried reference backwards and forwards between authorities, suspicious of speed, the haphazard or nepoticistic selection of personnel, routine return of the most suitable according to their age and service groups, and the availability of shipping, or other pedantries. By the method some of the teams would be at work within a few weeks; by another double or treble the number of months might elapse, with the constant growth of a discontent which can be prevented in some cases and checked in many by quickly setting selected parties of ex-Servicemen to work in the Native areas.

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## MATTERS OF MOMENT

A STRONG SUPPORTER OF OUR PROPOSALS for the immediate formation of picked teams of ex-askari for various works of development and welfare in the Native areas throughout

**Importance of the Sense of Service.** the British East and Central African Dependencies has asked us to outline the kind of future which we visualize for the European leaders of the teams. Himself for many years a farmer in the Kenya Highlands, who served in the last two wars with the King's African Rifles, and also in other units with African troops, he expresses the conviction that the plan is practicable, necessary and more promising in regard to both immediate and long-range results than any other scheme of which he has knowledge for the training and employment of African ex-Servicemen. In common with other correspondents, he welcomes our insistence that only the best of the volunteers, white and black, should be selected, and urges that a high standard should not merely be set at the start, but rigidly maintained, since the whole idea might otherwise be undermined by the admission of second and third-rate men, who would be more concerned to obtain a job than to serve with that sense of mission which should sustain this noble movement.

But, says our friend, with manifest justification, if all except men of real dependability and enthusiasm are to be excluded, as is assuredly the case, to what future may the team leaders look

**Future Careers for Askari Team Leaders.** forward? Our short

reply would be to a career of real usefulness, which should offer numerous opportunities of personal progress and of continuing public service. The officers and non-commissioned officers selected should, we have stressed, be the best obtainable. They would be young men, or men not long out of that category, with marked qualities of leadership, and most of them would have developed inclinations, if not academic qualifications, in some specialist direction. For instance, some will have shown administrative capabilities in the Army, others will have had useful technical instruction and so laid a foundation on which to build (perhaps by correspondence courses) competence for posts in the Public Works Survey, or Postal Departments, while others might be more interested in eventual admission to the Agricultural or Veterinary Departments or the Police.

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