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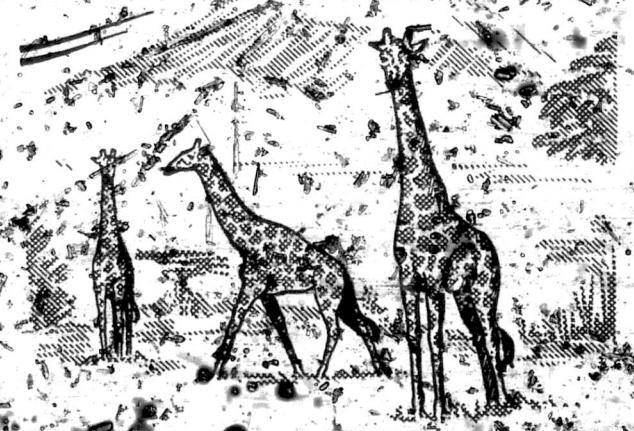
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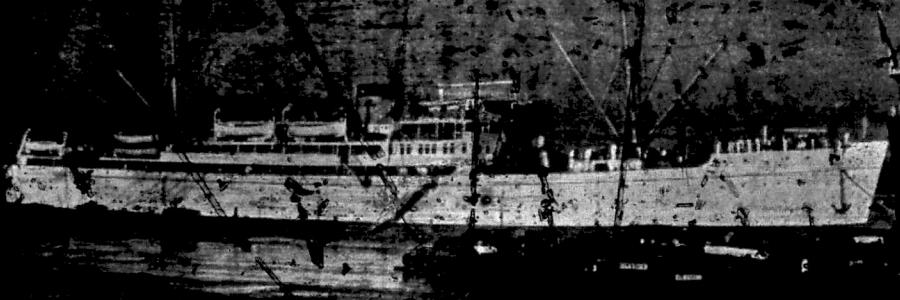
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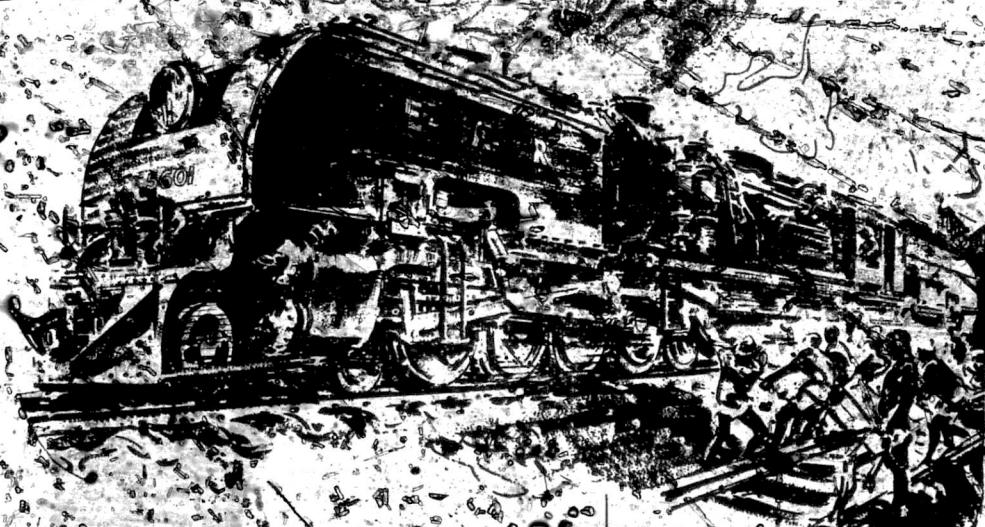
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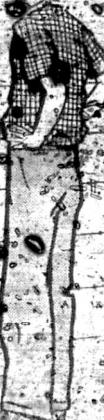
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MATTERS OF MOMENT

THE Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland has seized the opportunity offered by the first British Industries Fair held since its inauguration to stage at Earl's Court a bright exhibit illustrating

Federation—the interdependence of three constituent territories, their progress and prospects, and their fascination from the standpoint of tourist travel. It can certainly not be said that trade emphasis has been given to Southern Rhodesia, the senior partner in the enterprise. Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland have as much prominence as any resident in either could reasonably wish, and the impression is of a union, not of separate States, with disparate interests. By panoramas, diaramas, coloured slides, photographs, maps, a few well-selected and well-displayed statistical tables, and specially prepared leaflets the visitor in a hurry is shown the main outlines of the story of the Federation. Economic interdependence is the subject of a special pamphlet; others deal with tobacco, copper, tea, tung and cotton. Financial and industrialists are invited to consider investment opportunities, and more comprehensive literature is available for those requiring more detailed information. There is no better stand in the Commonwealth section except that of India, which must have spent something like ten times as much as the Federation in its display.

Claiming the constituent States to be a paradise for tourists, with some of the most breathtaking scenery in the world, the exhibitors have wisely set themselves to stimulate a traffic which, if adequately developed, would yield immense benefits. For

some strange reason Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia, and Nyasaland have hitherto failed to give this matter the serious attention which it merits. Two decades have passed since Eng-

Africa and Nyasaland first sought to persuade the Government of Southern Rhodesia that only one of the three territories had adequate resources of that kind to plan a continuing selective, originally inexpensive, but developing campaign to make known the tourist attractions of the colony. We have been similar endeavours since but always without reaching a satisfactory scale. For successive Ministers of Finance have declined to face the expenditure involved. Yet many other countries within and without the Empire have proved the shortsightedness of that attitude.

The East Africa Tourist Travel Association is a working model which Central Africa could and should emulate. Indeed, if an organization of the same type were created in the Federation it

Real Need for Better Publicity would have the great advantage of being able

to draw on the experience of South and East Africa, both of which would assuredly co-operate willingly with a body concerned to promote travel in Central Africa. The interests of the three groups are complementary rather than competitive. A high proportion of visitors to South Africa could by the right means be induced to go north of the borders of the Union, and visitors to East Africa could be drawn to the Rhodesias and Nyasaland. But those three territories are making no real effort to make known their scenic and other attractions. Nyasaland, which badly needs new sources of revenue, has charm enough to justify the development of a substantial tourist business if hotel accommodation were improved (which does not mean the provision of luxury), and her neighbours have their points of appeal. But if potentialities are to be turned into business, they must make them widely known in Central, East and South Africa, Great Britain, and in North America in particular.

Notes By The Way

The Queen's Visit

SOME OF THE POLITICIANS in Great Britain who consider self-government for Africans a panacea for all the problems of their countries frequently suggest that the Baganda are peculiarly fitted for that heavy responsibility. There are, of course, many competent Baganda, but they represent only a tiny minority of their tribe. Its general susceptibility to fantastic misleadership was shown again during the visit of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh. The Uganda (African) National Congress had tried for weeks to get the arrangements cancelled. Its spokesmen began by professing loyalty coupled with regret that a visit of the Sovereign should be unacceptable because the only person fitted by tribal tradition to greet her was the Kabaka, now exiled. The next idea was to make three days of public mourning for the Kabaka coincide with the Royal visit. Then came the notion of "persuading" all Baganda to absent themselves from the line of the route and all ceremonies (persuasion being achieved by intimidation). Party as a result of these last-ditch manœuvres the visit to the commercial capital, Kampala, was cancelled; but, to their credit, the three Regents of Buganda were the first to greet Her Majesty as she set foot in Buganda.

Whispering Campaign

AT THE LAST MOMENT men closely connected with the Congress began to spread the rumour that it was a substitute, not the Queen, who would come to Uganda, and a whispering campaign to that effect was maintained until after the Royal departure, presumably as an added inducement to the Baganda to refrain from seeing the Head of the Commonwealth. But the element took charge. Until just before the aircraft was due to reach Entebbe from Aden there had been heavy rain. Immediately on the appearance of the Queen's party the downpour began again and it continued for two days. For the whole of the three days of Her Majesty's presence, however, the weather was kind. That seemed strange to the Baganda, and I understand that many of them told the Congress whisperers that it proved them to have been wrong when they claimed that the visitor was a substitute for the Queen. Only the Queen, they argued, could have stopped the rain for three days in order that the ceremonies might proceed without hindrance according to the programme. Considering that too strong a case to refute, the Congress admitted that they had made a mistake. And these are the people who flounce for political power!

Kenya's Lost Opportunities

BRIGADIER W. L. GIBSON, Director of Information in Kenya since 1952, is, I understand, about to relinquish that office. So Kenya will have yet another opportunity of making arrangements for a proper Department of Information. For more years than I care to recall I have been a persistent critic—and for most of the time a lone critic—of the Government and the non-official leaders in Kenya for creating a situation which from the publicity standpoint has never been good and has for long periods been extremely bad. It is not that Kenya has been unwilling to spend money for this purpose. A considerable expenditure has been incurred, nobody appears to have cared that there was nothing like commensurate return in results. That first Northern Rhodesia, then Uganda, and laterly the Sudan were

producing far, far better results left Kenya indolently complacent.

Tolerant Non-Official

AN EXCEPTIONALLY EXPERIENCED EXPERT who was recently in Kenya told quite a number of influential people there that he knew no country worse equipped than that Colony from the Government information standpoint he has. I have never visited a couple of other Eastern African territories which I could name), and I have heard searching criticism from many journalists who have spent varying periods in Kenya in recent years. Not even the Mau Mau rebellion, with its inevitable consequence of bad publicity for Kenya throughout much of the world, has aroused the official and non-official leaders to the need for sweeping changes, even to the elementary course of re-organizing the indifferent products of the civil and military staffs engaged on information work. Why the settler and business communities have been so patient in this matter passes my comprehension.

Kenya's Own Fault

THEY SHOULD HAVE REALIZED long ago that among other consequent dangers the work of the organization for which they subsisted more than £40,000, The Voice of Kenya, would inevitably be seriously prejudiced by the absence of at least moderate good public relations work in Kenya itself. Lack of such provision helped them to misorganize on the spot and helped to spread the crazy notion in many circles in Europe, America, and Asia that this insurrection is a genuine nationalistic movement worthy of sympathy. For years the Government in Nairobi and some influential non-official members of the legislature met criticisms of the Information Department with the excuse that if it was not very strong in external service, it was wonderfully successful in winning African understanding of the intentions of the Administration. The folly of that assumption is now universally admitted, but the essential remedial measures have still not been taken. What one competent man of strong personality could have done a couple of years ago with a small staff may now be beyond the achievement of a fair larger and much-more costly organization. Bad publicity for Kenya is very largely Kenya's own fault.

Room for Improvement

MY PARAGRAPH LAST WEEK ending the B.B.C. for the reference to the Governor of Uganda as Sir Alexander Cohen, brought me an interesting little piece of news. A friend (who shall remain nameless) who has very close associations with Uganda had just got into bed when he heard the recorded broadcast describing the inauguration of the Owen Falls hydro-electric station. Annoyed by the reference to Sir Alexander Cohen, he grabbed the telephone and told the B.B.C. in very direct terms what he thought of its inability to name the Governor correctly, even on a Royal occasion, for which full preparation ought to have been made. Scarcely had he turned in again before he heard the broadcast apology to Sir Andrew Cohen. But many thousands of listeners had probably switched on meantime. So far as East and Central Africa are concerned, the B.B.C.'s standard of accuracy during the past couple of years has been less good than it ought to have been.

Unbalanced View of Kenya

Mrs. ELIZABETH NICHOLAS, who recently visited East Africa for the *Sunday Times*, appears to have a disproporionate number of reactionary soldiers. She was in Kenya for 10 days during which time she was now writing of "the white man and the black in Kenya looked at each other in bitter enmity," and she closed her article with these words: "The white man will have to come to terms with the Africans or be disposed of; for 10,000 people cannot, through all eternity, hold out against five million." Those words show that Mrs. Nicholas has entirely misunderstood Kenya. It is a most damaging over-simplification to portray the white and black communities as "locked in bitter enmity." The Mau Mau movement must of course be crushed, but there are Europeans in Kenya, and no less than 150,000 who while abhorring that terrible conspiracy have given up everything else to try to restrain some of its adherents from their folly and sin. And all Kenya draws a distinction between the Mau Mau adherents and the mass of the African population.

Kenyans Should Rejoice

IT IS SO ALREADY VICTORIOUS that the correspondent does, that all the white Kenyans who number rather fewer than 10,000 are toolish and stubborn enough to wish to roll out against the African population. The great majority of whom, who have always treated Africans fairly, have no inclination to do anything from that policy, and nor even the crimes of the rebels have halted the development of liberal mindedness. Mrs. Nicholas makes nothing to suggest the extent of inter-racial co-operation in Kenya, or that the settlement has been the greatest single factor in the advancement of the country. There was, it is true, a passing

reference to "the immense work the settlers had done, the benefits he had conferred," but it was followed immediately by the implication that he had not come to terms with the African. Because of the influence of the *Sunday Times*, I hope that prudent Kenyans will reply to this unbalanced assessment and that the letters will be published.

No Complaint

THE NEW TAXES imposed in Kenya seem to have been accepted with a sense of relief. At least one letter yet received by this newspaper has complained of their severity, whereas many friends in the Colony believe that, considering all the circumstances, harsher imposts might well have been inflicted. It would be impudent to demand from Kenyans a program of self-maturity, for it would not be surprising to find that the budget introduced by the Kenyan in which the tax never would suffer another turn in the screw. Mr. Vasey has made it quite clear that he is alive to the dangers of excessive taxation, but the continuance of rebellion in Kenya is costing so much that it may now be impossible to keep taxation at its present level, for the taxpayers in the United Kingdom—the most highly taxed in the world—may fairly expect Kenya to add one million if they are to pour out more than two millions pounds to assist her difficulties.

Churchillism

"NEVER FORGET that we can always say to the United States: Will you take over a mandate for Kenya? We certainly will not. You will and that you will receive weekly and with great rapidity." Sir Winston Churchill quoting himself in one of his histories of the last year from a minute written during

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There are 50 continuing projects and investigations. Among five new projects in the year was one in Kenya at Horiong, 1,000 ft., and one in Uganda, Kilembe Mines, Ltd. Of seven abandoned, one was in Tanganyika, namely Tanganyika Railways, Ltd., and one in Nyasaland, the works depot at Mkata Bay. There were two sales of enterprises, one being the Lake Victoria Hotel, Entebbe, Uganda. Three investigations were terminated in Kenya, in connection with fish farms, famine, and lead.

Capital Sanctioned £43.5m.

The capital sanctioned has increased from £39.4m. in 1952 to just over £43.5m., and the capital employed from £22,885,000 to £25,349,000.

The corporation is directly and solely responsible for only 16 of the 50 continuing projects, and twelve of those are negotiated for association with business interests. The results of private enterprise participation

and management are described as "still uncertain." The corporation expresses willingness to consider withdrawal from established projects when its work is done.

The report in the statutory style which Lord Reith introduced when he became chairman, starts a section summarizing results and prospects.

Report shows that much time and effort, even in 1953, had still to be spent in scrapping, processing, and otherwise modifying; it shows what has been done in these respects.

Corporation has also suffered from continued fall in world prices of raw materials it produces, notably rubber.

Corporation is particularly charged to expand production of foodstuffs and raw materials in Colonial territories; a fall in world prices may be a vital hazard, not so foreign competition in "Commonwealth" markets on the other normal commercial terms—if that were to come.

Terrorism in Kenya, while danger itself at inconvenience to the local state, did not make favorable economic conditions.

Accounts do not yet show full details of all corrective measures taken in recent years; nor is the process of disentanglement and reorganization complete; but corporation was not too be panicked into hiller or quicker reaction than was considered prudent just because too much was attempted too quickly in early years.

There are many new proposals under review; the more that can be approved as sound development requires, the more satisfactory corporation.

The main item of direction and guidance is that corporation should be able to accomplish the purpose for which it was established.

Organization is thus described:

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solutely, quite in charge of chief executive entitling authority to possibility of very significant.

"In corporation interest, present chairman with colleagues approval asked him received a secretary State's sanction for separation of these posts from 1952 chairman as part-time chairman office general to 1953, the responsibilities.

"Board, Board of financial committee, executive manager, members board, and regional controllers have functioned in their devolution of responsibility on regional controllers and functional division of responsibilities at head office work with increasing care and efficiency."

"United Kingdom Company was formed in 1952 (1952) to unify to go much more widespread operation, as well regional offices, all was done in 1952."

"Head Office management costs which were £339,510 in 1951 and £297,648 in 1952, were reduced last year by a further £50,000."

East African Commitments

For the work in East Africa the following statements are made:

EAST AFRICA INDUSTRIES, LTD.—Company's business was mixture of unrelated activities mostly begun in war emergency and nationalization of 1952 succeeded; all activity except Hydrogenation, formulating, and lubricatory areas closed down last two years will be sold; net profit before tax of £2,400 from sales of £1,759,000.

Discussions mentioned last year led to Unilever, Ltd., taking 50% equity interest; they remain responsible shareholders and our 10% Industrial Management Corporation Kenya Government retaining an interest, cost of corporation investment £1,900,000 constructed. Company continues hydrogenation proposals to produce margarine in 1955."

EAST AFRICA KARIE INVESTIGATION—This investigation into commercial production of rank began 1951 original plan for trial plots on private farms was abandoned owing to farmers lack of interest. Last year reports on samples produced were encouraging and discontinued investigation. Native transfers to other project; efforts continue to dispose of decontaminated and ancillary equipment locally. Imported American equipment has been handed to Agricultural Department in Kenya and Tanganyika for further trials. Spent amount given in statement.

KENYA FARMERS' FARMS—An investigation to test commercial possibilities of freshwater culture. It has been abandoned because over 12 months do not warrant further expenditure spent and written off £1,675.

KENYA HOUSING LOAN—can be £2m. to Kenya Government for approved municipal and private housing programme to meet urgent necessity of African housing in urban districts. Nothing further.

Macalder-Nyanza Mine

MACALDER-NYANZA MINE, LTD.—The only face mine in south-west Kenya which worked successfully for gold, was on point of being closed in 1947. The Kenya Government asked corporation to save it. Orebody was completed copper, gold, silver, zinc and other metals. Company was formed in 1950 to develop and bring mine to production. Property consists of a special mining lease of 10 square miles and several small claims in Southern Nyanza Province, Kenya.

Drilling on main sulphide orebody stopped early in year; a shallow carbonate orebody discovered early in 1953, was drilled; geological investigation was concentrated on gold prospects away from main orebody with encouraging results.

Pilot milling finished when operating data for future completed; working costs and recoveries were close to original estimates; 40,123 tons were milled in 1953 producing 3,002 tons export copper concentrate; sales, 3,975 tons realized £11,671, or £30/ton. 3,380 tons for float-leach treatment, bringing total 7,358 tons. Results of Derr. Corp.'s research work in U.S.A. were satisfactory; demonstrated float-leach technique suitable for production of 100,000 gold and silver; recovery of zinc also technically possible but uneconomic at present price.

Stoping operations closed down with cessation of float leach milling; development in depth and laterally continued during construction stage. Mining, milling and float leach plant complete mine will now be brought into full production at 10,000 tons ore per month; additional capital required will bring total capitalization to £2,100,000. Alternative sources for power are still under consideration.

Agreement has been signed by which Kilembe Mines, Ltd., acquire an interest in Macalder-Nyanza Mine, Ltd., and treat Macalder products in new smelter at Jinja; this is linked with corporation participation in new finance for Kilembe Mines, Ltd., Frobisher, Ltd. and local business interests are represented on board.

Ordinary capital will be increased from £500,000 to £700,000 of which corporation will hold 50%. After new corporation will provide balance of finance required to commence to production (40,400,000 tons ore). Corporation losses was £1,361 as 31.12.53.

VELVETINE LEAD INVESTIGATION—New Consolidated Gold Fields, Ltd., and corporation shared costs investigating this lead deposit at Mombasa. Drilling and diamond drilling started in August, 1952, 12 boreholes averaging 3,708 ft. completed. Investigation was abandoned in October 1953, on recommendation of New Consolidated Gold Fields, Ltd., since deposit was economic to 1,000 ft. and uneconomic to 2,000 ft. Total spent at 31.12.53 was £19,866 of which corporation share written off £6,627; final figure will not exceed £7,000.

MURUNGO MINES INVESTIGATION—In 1951 corporation acquired Farsons properties of this mineralized area at invitation of Tanganyika Government, which asked systematic prospecting and development done; area lies to west Lake Victoria in extreme north west corner of Tanganyika.

At beginning of year corporation assessment of area and indicated ore reserves was 210,000 tons of 0.58% tin metal. Estimation is difficult owing to presence of bodies of coarse tin; only bulk sampling could give more accurate valuation. Expert investigation by an independent mining house assessed, proved and indicated reserves as 304,000 tons of 0.58% tin metal with additional unferred reserves of 790,000 tons; agreed necessary for bulk sampling metall.

There is hard for second stage of investigation, including addition of pilot-mill to carry out bulk sampling, establish ore characteristics and put job on basis supporting basic negotiations. Investigations by mining house were progressing well, but cost of the stopped having to below estimated payable of mine; so investigation operations were stopped and prospecting put on care and maintenance. Caretaking to fulfil obligations is scrupulous. In small scale realization of ore in sight and in dumps by mining engineers; output should pay for caretaking.

Tanganyika Government is granting a special mining lease of eight square miles covering all important known mineral occurrences selected from area of special exclusive prospecting license held, which will be surrendered. Spent at 31.12.53, £23,066.

Tanganyika Coal

TANGANYIKA COALFIELDS INVESTIGATION—Corporation undertaken exploration of coalfields of south-west Tanganyika at cost of Tanganyika Government. Field investigation concluded 12.52 with 2,560,000 tons proved and indicated. In 1953 investigation team was withdrawn; plant buildings, plant and equipment released.

A company, Tanganyika Coalfields, Ltd., is being formed by corporation with Government of Tanganyika, Frobisher, Ltd., of Canada, and Anglo American Corporation of South Africa, Ltd., to take over coalfields of area. Corporation interest 33%, balance of consideration being met by sum of unsecured notes by company.

Development depends on somebody providing railway, meantime mining lease held for land and plant available on care and maintenance basis. Spent in year £24,920; total at 31.12.53 £243,986, of which £21,589 contributed by local Government and others.

TANGANYIKA IRON (UGANDA) INVESTIGATION—in 1952 corporation, Frobisher, Ltd., of Canada, and Anglo American Corporation of South Africa, Ltd., formed a syndicate to investigate Liganga iron ore deposit about 10 miles north of coalfield. Results of geological survey in 1953 are not promising. An investigation continues to limited period. A company, Liganga Iron, Ltd., is being formed by same syndicate with Tanganyika Government; corporation interest 32%. Spent at 31.12.53, £15,399.

TANGANYIKA ROADWAYS, LTD.—Corporation went into the project, with insufficient inquiry, no help in developing road transport in Tanganyika. Last two reports indicated great uncertainty and increasing concentration of operation. Scheme is now abandoned; has been given every reasonable chance. Tanga depot was closed in May; Barusha depot sold in September; remaining depot at Dar es Salaam closed in February.

TANGANYIKA WATTLE ESTATES—This scheme to establish 10,000 acres of black wattle in Southern Highlands, and manufacture of tanning extract from 1953, began in 1949. 17,000 acres of wattle was sown by end of 1952; season as planned; owing to drought early 1953 growth was below average. 1953-54 rainy season started normally; harrowing and seeding of 3,000 acres completed by 31.12.53. Maize is grown as seedbed for wattle. Yield and estimates for factory and for private enterprise association are now under consideration.

Agreement propose to establish African works growing up to 20,000 acres nearby; corporation advice and equipment would be used for planting, and factory for processing. Spent at 31.12.53, £407,356.

CANGOLD MINING CO. LTD./KASABAKARI INVESTIGATION—Corporation investigated Kasabakari gold project near Masoma; exploration continued under general manager Macalder-Nyanza Mines, Ltd. Prospecting stage results were satisfactory; justify proceeding to underground development stage. New Consolidated Gold Fields, Ltd., took half interest in Cangold Mining Co., Ltd., formed to take over Shurber investigation and development; company has £250,000

authorised capital, £100,000 issued at £25 per share. New Gold Fields, Ltd., also consulting engineers, general manager Macalder-Nyanza Mines, Ltd., continue to manage.

Twenty days ago diamond exploration in prospecting stage, consisting of 100 square miles, sufficient one square mile indicated, has justified development of a minor mine established 900 ft below surface. Second stage exploration and development programme has started, covering further diamond areas, usually and to greater depth, shaft sinking and mining level, estimated to be completed early in 1955, when decision whether to go ahead to full-scale development and production will be taken.

KILEMBE MINE, in Kilembe Mine, lies in Rukinga Mountains, western Uganda; it has been developed exclusively by work and diamond drilling. Corporation has signed an agreement with Frobenius, Ltd., of Canada, Kilomele Copper Co., Ltd., Kilembe Mines, Ltd. and Uganda Development Corporation, Ltd., for finance to bring mine into production.

Approximately £2m has been spent by mining company since 1948; additional expenditure required is estimated at £4m, bringing total to £6m, of which corporation will subscribe £1m in ordinary shares and £750,000 of debenture. Corporation is represented on board.

Frobenius, Ltd., have been appointed general managers and Consulting Engineers by Kilembe Mines, Ltd. Agreement is still to be finalised on construction and production plan to equip Kilembe for production of copper and molybdenum. Initial mining and milling rate of 40,000 tons per month, estimate the productive capacity about 8,000 tons per tonne, and 400 tons cobalt as by-product. Output from a smelter to be built at Jinja. Products from Macalder Mine will under linked agreement, be treated at Jinja smelter. Estimated rate of production life should be at least 30 years. Dissoada Government is extending rally road from Kampala to link with mine. Corporation advance at 31.12.53 £30,000.

LAKE VICTORIA HOTEL LTD. Corporation in 1950 acquired 100 shares of £100,000 issued in the hotel built by Government under corporation management hotel opened in 1958-1959. 1952. Corporation transferred its interest at 50% to Uganda Hotels Corporation, Ltd., which is holding shares; management also relinquished. Corporation received £25s per 20s share and information evident.

The reports on the Central African project appear next week.

Sir Keith Hancock Outlines His Mission

Plea for Confidence and Co-operation of Buganda

SIR KEITH HANCOCK has written the following letter to Sir Andrew Cohen, Governor of Uganda, who has had a copy sent to the three Regents of Buganda with an intimation that he would see the views of Professor Hancock. The letter reads:

Consultation with Representatives of the Baganda

Here there are no precedents, and I am in consequence prepared to be experimental. Moreover, the committee appointed by the Great Lukiko will have its own ideas about the form our consultations should take. I can only say that I shall be prepared if they so desire to be in pretty continuous session with them throughout the three months of my residence in Uganda.

I should propose to bring with me to the meetings my personal assistant, Mr. S. A. de Smith, who is Lecturer in Constitutional Law at the London School of Economics. I should wish him to keep fairly brief minutes of our proceedings, which will be typed and circulated after each meeting. They will be helpful to the committee and me when the time comes for us to translate our discussions into the form of definite proposals.

"I can envisage various questions that may arise about the organization of our meetings, but I think it best to postpone them until I meet the committee. I have full confidence that we shall find good workable rules of discussion.

Consulting Leaders in Other Provinces

Consultation with Representatives from other parts of Uganda.—In your speech to the Great Lukiko of March 3 you said that such consultations may become necessary when my special inquiries within Buganda expand into matters of concern concern to the whole Protectorate. I agree; but I am very conscious of the limited time at my disposal and unwilling to commit myself prematurely to an excessively ambitious programme.

It shall of course be available for consultation with the Ssesevo, Toro, and Ankole Native Governments, should they so desire, in accordance with the Secretary of State's statement of February 23.

Consultation with the Government.—The Secretary of State's statement of February 23 authorized me to consult, also with the Protectorate Government, with a view to reaching agreement with it and the representatives of the Buganda upon the constitutional proposals to be put forward.

As far as I am prepared for experimental, I shall wish to consult with the Government personally and with official experts

as far as possible, giving essential information about the financial and other relevant aspects of our inquiry. I shall probably wish from time to time to invite one or other of these experts to join our discussions at Namirembe.

Later I might possibly propose bringing together a joint committee representing both the Baganda and the Protectorate Government in order to put our constitutional proposals into their final shape. I myself shall expect to play a major part in drafting this final document.

The Final Document or Documents.—It would be imprudent not to envisage the possibility of disagreement on questions of principle. In the event the Baganda representatives would, I expect, wish to submit a separate report to the Great Lukiko, and I should probably find it necessary to write my own individual report.

"I do not however anticipate such an anti-climax to our work. I expect the work to proceed well to achieve at least one important result; namely an agreed memorandum of the Government and the representatives of the Baganda. This memorandum would be submitted to the Secretary of State. I presume that he in turn would lay it before parliament.

Terms of Reference

In General.—My terms of reference are contained in the Secretary of State's statement of February 23. I interpret this statement as giving authority to the representatives of the Baganda and myself to attempt a thorough "tidying up" of the constitutional system of Buganda, both as regards its internal structure and distribution of powers, and also as regards the position of Buganda as a constituent part of the Protectorate.

Limitations.—There are two important matters which I consider to be outside my terms of reference:

(a) The present position of Kabaka Mutesa II and the events leading up to his deportation.

"Since I am specifically enjoined to study the future relationship between the Kabakabship, the Ministers and the Great Lukiko, I must naturally bear these events in mind. In so far as they illustrate a basic constitutional problem, however, past and current controversies associated with these events are beyond the scope of the constitutional task assigned to me.

(b) The permanent constitution of the whole Protectorate.

This, I take it, will be a task for a later time and a different person, or different persons, although questions concerning the Legislative Council in relation to Buganda are bound to come up in our discussions.

Since it is a good rule that all the main regions and communities of a country should have their full and equal shares in discussing their common constitution, I should need to consult with representative committees of the other three provinces just as closely and continuously as I shall be consulting with the Baganda representatives. As I have already said, I may have discussions with representatives from the other three provinces, but I do not expect that I shall be able to make them as comprehensive and detailed as my talks with the Lukiko committee. Buganda must be my main base and its affairs must be my primary concern.

The Impossibility of Drawing a Very Sharp Line.—At the

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I regard it as inevitable and also desirable that my work with the representatives of the Baganda should bring into view "four" some matters concerning which we can concern themselves as a whole.

"I shall be sending one illustration. A reorganization of membership within the Protectorate of Uganda has been proposed and an appropriate solution for Buganda must be certain to this proposal. It arises and have been examined by me and a committee we are empowered to go. The negotiations between the Great Lukulu and the Legislative Council will be continued. I expect to go to Uganda very soon. I am sending, but shall not here enumerate, other very important matters of general administration of interest which I expect to arise. That country will call for some assistance, probably help, in the recovery of the wider Protectorate field."

Present Task and Future Policy

Relation Between my Present Task and the Long-Term Objectives of Our Policy in Uganda. In his statement of claims, and the Secretary of State gave assurances, which were well received, endorsed by the members on behalf of the Labour Party both about the methods, and consequences of economic development in Uganda and about the political future, as far as primarily African and self-governing State.

Recently I have just taken some time to make it clear that my three-month mission cannot possibly realize these long-term objectives. I feel bound to say that the mission will have to make a start in this direction, something immediate, and I have to open the road to the organization and strengthen confidence among the tribes, and others that they will in fact be progressive, responsible, and useful. — In my attempts to explain with reasonable brevity the procedure, and in my own interpretation of the terms of reference, I have of course omitted various points. But I hope that I have covered the essential ones and I am prepared to return to what I have written.

From the discussions that I have had with you both, verbally and by exchange of letters, I understand that you will in general remain with what I have written. If this assumption is correct, will you please give a copy of my letter to the Katikiro so that he can, if necessary, put it before the Great Lukulu. My chief concern is that the public should make no misconception as to how I conceive the rôle of the army to be an essential element of the task which they now have.

Resignations from the Committee

There is one further matter which is important to me. I am sorry when I read that Mr. Kironde, Mr. Mwiria, and Mr. Mwiria have resigned from the committee appointed to advise. When I met them in London I did great stress on the need for having a committee that would reflect the main currents of opinion among the Baganda and I believe they fully agreed.

Now that this letter, together with our acceptance of all its main points, which I confidently expect, will clear away the misunderstandings that have arisen. Should it not be fulfilled, the gentlemen I have mentioned will, I trust, feel compelled to press their resignations.

A renewal and strengthening of confidence in what I need now, and no doubt that the Baganda, your and everybody else concerned in our common task will feel the same need. I hope that this letter may do something to achieve this necessary strengthening of confidence.

Yours the Resident in Uganda, Mr. J. P. Birch, who handed the above document to the Regents, he wrote:

The Governor asks me to add that in his opinion Professor Hancock's mission offers a great opportunity to the Colony. The Governor accordingly advises all concerned when Professor Hancock arrives to set about the task of considering in consultation with him the problems arising in connexion with the mission.

One Quarter of Nairobi's Africans Detained

Stock Inspector's Escape from Poisoned Arrow

THE TOTAL number of Kitui, Embu and Meru tribesmen so far detained in Operation Anvil is officially stated to be 24,000, fully a quarter of the African population of Nairobi. Operations immediately preceding the round-up are included in these figures. Many thousands more will be detained over a period of weeks. Though operations are now on a smaller scale. Trains and buses have transported 2,400 women and more than 6,000 children to the reserves.

Many of the women have been defiant, singing Mai Mai songs and refusing the rations of food issued as rations at the railway staff. Metal screens were later fitted over the carriage windows to prevent such demonstrations.

More than 35,000 Africans had been dealt with by Thursday last. It has been decided that employees of Government, the East Africa High Commission and the Railways and Harbours Administration will be screened separately and over a longer period. Identification pass books are being issued to those whose records are satisfactory, visiting the owners to work outside the tribal reserves, and replacing the many documents they have been carrying hitherto. Nearly 25% of the Africans detained had forged papers.

Casualties

During the week ended last Sunday 69 Mai Mai were killed, 40 captured, wounded, and 135 suspects held. The security forces lost three Africans killed and three wounded.

The detention camps at Mackinnon Road and Manyani have been visited by General Sir George Erskine, G.O.C., East Africa, the Director of Medical Services, the Commissioner of Prisons and Mr. Michael McConnell, Minister without Portfolio,

owing to rumours of disease which were found to be without foundation. There appears to be no evidence of hostility or non-co-operation, and discipline and administration are reported good. The Director of Medical Services said conditions were better than he had expected.

On arrival many detainees were suffering from disease and at one time the number of patients rose to 1,000. After treatment only a negligible number of cases remain. One death has occurred from cerebral malaria and one from a camp fever.

We Do Mean Business

General Erskine said in a broadcast last week that Operation Anvil would show other tribes that "we do mean business" and the Maasi needed never suffer from terrorist domination of Mai Mai in the city. To a large degree the future control of terrorism in Nairobi lies in their hands. If all Africans will show courage and co-operate fully with the police, the task of the security forces will be greatly simplified.

It is planned that the people detained would go through a very thorough examination and be graded into white, grey, and black. The white would be allowed to return to their normal placement; the black would be detained for a long time and be subject to rehabilitation designed to make them good citizens; the greys would be of varying shades, and the War Council's plan was gradually to move them into works camps, where they would do something useful for their own tribe or the Colony as a whole.

In other words, the greys will be given an opportunity to prove by co-operation and hard work that they can be trusted without danger to the rest of the community.

"We have not finished with Nairobi, and for as long as necessary I shall retain strong military forces in the city to enforce the new pass laws. Regulations (pass book) are to be issued to approved Kitui, Embu, and Meru, who will be permitted to travel or to seek employment outside the tribal reserves and without the police."

The Army would now be directed to other tasks. The basic principle was to create a state of law and order area by

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area, which the administration and police could impose. From now on, the administrative staff in Nairobi would have to strengthen its new law responsibilities in full.

It had been thought that roughly 40% of the Kikuyu, Embu and Meru in Nairobi would fall in the preliminary examination, but the figure had been higher. In some areas as high as 60%. He was certain that a very large number of bad hats had been collected, and the most respected and highly paid employees was found to have given his hour 25,000 passenger photographs, and arrangements for running a lucrative business in forged documents.

Captain G. R. McCausland, a European stock inspector, was attacked in Nairobi at his home in the Shimanzi district by two Kikuyu tribesmen, one armed with bow and arrow, and the other with a pistol. Four shots were fired. Captain McCausland received two bullet holes in the leg. He was also hit with a poisoned arrow, but the poisoned blade did not enter the flesh. When Mr. and Mrs. Harold Temple, two guests, came to his assistance, the gangsters fled with three others who were shooting outside. Asia room of the incident, Mr. Temple had a heart attack and was admitted to hospital in Nairobi. Captain McCausland has said that the first African to come to his aid was a Kenyan mechanic. Three arrests have been made by the police.

He believed that Kikuyu tribesmen were responsible for an attack on a medical dresser and a local policeman in the Machakos district. The police had been called. The Machakos police declared that many Kikuyu gangsters had left Nairobi during Operation Arusha.

Kenyan tribesmen employed on a farm here said that the Nyandarua district was quiet and six burglaries had been committed by a gang of armed bandits. Another night in the Fort area, broke into a shop and killed a man and a woman, and wounded two men.

Incident at Mombasa

The first instance of Mau Mau violence had been reported since December 1st Monday, when a European woman whose daughter was badly slashed by an African armed with a bus-knife in Changamwe near Mombasa. Both are in a critical condition.

The following statement has been issued by the Kenya Public Relations Office in London:

"The rise in the morale of Africans in Nairobi which has resulted from Operation Arusha has brought with it a slight increase in the use of bus services in Nairobi by Africans. Signs of a lifting of the bus boycotts are more encouraging than for some time. Starting this in Nairobi has officially added that he thought Africans were making sure the bad element had gone before they resumed full use of the buses."

"Since the start of the operation, crimes of violence in Nairobi have almost ceased. Before the operation, the average was more than 20 crimes a day. Now it has dropped to an average of nine, many of which are of a minor nature. A senior policeman said that these figures were the lowest on record."

"From April 1 to midnight on April 20 (the eve of Operation Arusha) there were seven murders, two attempted murders, 16 robberies with fire-arms, and 29 other robberies. In the past 10 days there have been no murders and only seven robberies."

"There is an on cycling by Kikuyu tribesmen, and this has resulted in a remarkable drop in the number of bicycles stolen. In 10 days ending May 10 only six were stolen, compared with 19 in the first 10 days of April. On the other hand, house break-ins have also dropped sharply."

"It is believed that those giving the death penalty under the emergency regulations distinguish between those in which murder is committed in cold blood and offences which might be described as technical. Unless the legal representatives of the Crown have evidence to indicate that the accused are active terrorists or are assisting Mau Mau, the charges are not pressed."

"Even in certain cases the judges are obliged to pass death sentences under the emergency regulations, it is usual for them to call attention to extenuating circumstances and ground for mercy which seldom is ever ignored. The number of executions is mounting. This is partly owing to the increased effectiveness of the security forces. There is a sub-committee of the Executive Council dealing with death sentences, many of which have been commuted."

The land belonging to Dedan Kimathi in the Kikuyu region has been confiscated by Government, and will be used for public purposes. Proceedings are pending in connexion with the trial of 10 more terrorist leaders.

Protests against the Tanzanian Government's intention to build a wall in the Selous Game Reserve for 85 Kilometres and 200 miles have been sent by nearly 100 non-African settlers in the districts to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the Chief Secretary of Tanganyika, non-official members of the Legislature, and senior officials of the Territorial Force. Mau Mau suspects, one of whom is accused to be a commandant, have been arrested in Uganda.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council adjourned on Monday a petition by Justice S. F. Gibbs for special leave to appeal from an order of the Court of Appeal in Eastern Rhodesia summarily dismissing his appeal against a death sentence. The Soaring was a person in possession of a firearm at the prosecution and alleged that the Soaring was identified while going about the scene of a Mau Mau raid, but he had done no connection with the terrorist.

Land Problems of Nyasaland

Mrs Lyttelton's Statement

BEFORE LEAVING NYASALAND last Saturday for London, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, Secretary of State for the Colonies, issued the following statement:

"The Secretary of State much regretted that, owing to his unfortunate accident, he was not able to meet as many people or to see quite so much of the country as he had hoped. He was however able to meet representative groups of the three main companies, and this morning had a long talk at Government House with Sir Godfrey Huggins."

During the next few months the Secretary of State will consider further, in consultation with the Governor, the various representations which have been made to him in regard to changes in the constitution. This question will be further pursued by the Governor after his return from leave, and it is hoped that by the end of the year the Governor will be in a position to put forward definite proposals for the consideration of the Government. These proposals will include some provision for an increase in African representation in Legislative Council.

Development of Estates

On May 8 the Secretary of State discussed with a representative group of estate owners the land problems of the Southern Province. He considers that the agricultural development on estates has been the foundation of the economic progress and wealth of the territory and will continue to play an essential part in its economy. He believes however that the *tingatwa* system has outlived its usefulness and should be progressively brought to an end.

With this object the Governor will shortly enter into negotiations with the owners of certain large estates with a view to consolidating land which is occupied by African tenants, and securing that any developed and unoccupied lands are either put to use within a reasonable period or else are suitable for the settlement of Africans and are not required for development within a reasonable period, are acquired by Government.

In the light of his discussions with the representatives of estate owners the Secretary of State hopes that he can count on their co-operation in this matter. He has also been told that the process of drafting and taking over land to be acquired will be a long one.

"The Secretary of State will study the written representations which have been made in the course of his visit and will arrange for a reply to seem to those in the country."

Roddy O'Brien

SIR WILLIAM GUNNERY, a former Governor of Uganda, has an interesting record in the racing world. He was the Fielder on Captain E. B. Roddy's team, after whom the Owen Paterson-Uganda were named. He proved himself a capable soldier in East Africa and was one of the best cross-country riders and amateur steeplechase jockeys that England has known. In the 10 years from 1882 he rode in 82 races and won 25 of them. In 1892 he won the Grand National on Father O'Flynn, having finished second a year earlier on Lord Dudley's Clootie.

To the Editor.

Constitutional Changes in Kenya

Mr. S. V. Cooke's Six Objections

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA & RHODESIA

SIR.—I am receiving letters from outside Kenya expressing surprise that a man who knows to hold liberal views on racial matters, should be opposed to the recent constitutional changes. As many other liberal-minded people here share my views may I briefly tabulate them? We feel:

(1) that the changes are inopportune. They will not help to end the emergency. On the contrary, they have exasperated racial and personal animosities when all our thoughts and energies should be devoted to its early ending.

(2) That they are liable to be an encumbrance to most races within and outside Kenya, that we are still able to force upon us, if we refused to consent to reason.

(3) that they are a sacrifice of principle to expediency. Many of us, in spite of the views of Cabinet Ministers, bishops and special correspondents, and columnists, believe that in the long run honesty is the best policy.

(4) That they indulgently favour the Russians over the Arabs and Africans.

(5) That they are a breach of the Subsidiary Agreement, the Statement of Policy in the 1952 Kenyan election speech, and the recent categorical statement by Mr. Lytton, Mr. James Griffiths, and Sir Evelyn Baring.

(6) That for many reasons they will not be welcomed and accepted.

They have presented many of us with a most unfair dilemma. Openly to oppose what is now a fait accompli would only further exasperate racial passions and so hinder the military and civil campaign against the terrorists. We recall that Sir Winston Churchill's continued hostility to the Indian constitutional reforms accomplished no good purpose. To accept them is today ourselves open to the charge of being weaklings. Nevertheless, most of us will choose the latter alternative, but we are left with bitter feelings against those who, we feel, have betrayed us. An intense mistrust of our erstwhile "leaders." If they do these things in a green-field what will be done in the dry?

Yours faithfully,

Nairobi

S. V. COOKE

In Reply to Dr. Gluckman

Man-Mau & Producer of Pagan Africa

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA & RHODESIA

SIR.—You recently published an extract from an article by Dr. Max Gluckman in which he asserted that Man-Mau is a product of the colonization of Africa, not of pagan Africa. If he means that had there been no colonization, there would be no Europeans to expel from Kenya, he is, of course, quite right; but if he suggests that the revolting ritual to which Man-Mau initiates are subjected and the atrocious cruelties perpetrated by them are innovations produced by our colonization of the country, I submit that he is emphatically mistaken.

Nearly every feature in those initiatory ceremonies can be paralleled by analogous acts of depravity in the so-called secret societies among the Bantu in the early years of the century, and judging from the archaic words used in their songs, a long time previously. Most certainly they date from a time when Man-Mau could not be attributed to the effects of colonization.

The most brutal of the Liki massacres and the incidents before them parallel in the attack by the Maasai on the Barotsi in 1893, when 300 missionaries, 110

found, *inter vivos et exanimis*, 40 babies and young children suspended alive by their heels over a slow-burning fire while the Maasai lay around enjoying the pitiful cries of the roasting infants.

That the Man-Mau initiates believe that they derive their strength from "the breath of universal nations" I suspect, certainly true, as they did in the past.

Man-Mau cannot be explained away by attributing it to colonization or mistakes by the Colonial administration. The Massai were very busy and greatly concerned in driving the Europeans from Kenya, and are employing precisely the same methods as their ancestors did for different purposes in the pagan past.

Yours faithfully,

J. LANE POOLE

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The Option in Central Africa

Progress Inhibited by Unsound Ideas

MR. COLIN WELLS, who recently visited the Congo and Northern Rhodesia as a special correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*, has written in the course of a longer article in that paper:

"To advocate casuistry disapproved by the European Mine Workers' Union in Northern Rhodesia to prove that there is no colour bar in work in favour of African advancement, they argue we must insist that all African who takes over European jobs should be paid double full rates of pay."

The full rates paid to Europeans has been artificially raised by an extraordinary leap. In 1952 the average monthly salary of a European underground worker was £108 (it is more now), exclusive of a copper bonus now amounting at about 10% of the basic rate. The cost of living is automatically high, with care and arrival is a matter of course.

Managements would not regard such rates as justified even for Europeans, let alone for Africans. Be that as may be, if they have to pay twice to anyone, they will always pay them to a European in preference to an African. The European is harder working, more reliable, accountable and resourceful. This is a lesson well known.

They are, moreover determined that the situation should not change. By refusing to allow one European job to be split among two or more Africans, they ensure that the latter have no opportunity of learning from a skill.

"To suggest that Africans should get European pay for doing European jobs is also unsatisfactory from another point of view. The average European wage is about five times that paid to the highest paid African. Therefore, upon crossing the colour bar (a very slight increase in skill which is all that is really involved) would lead to an African's pay quadrupling overnight. This would infuriate the less fortunate and lead to vast African wage claims."

Creating Non-Existence Problems

"The African union was created by the Colonial Office, true, to that institution's policy of creating problems where none exist. It is tragic that no separate union was formed to safeguard the interests of the higher-classed African. The present mass union has actually hindered African progress by making it more difficult for one African to hold authority over another.

"The European unionists did not seem to me to be in a yielding mood. Behind their fear for their own future lies a deeper fear for that of their children; it is this, in fact which enables them to be intransigent with a clear conscience."

"How to impress on them the fact that it is precisely their children who will suffer from the premature statification of the Central African economy? How to convince them that to prevent the inefficient from falling is inevitably to prevent the efficient from rising? How to persuade them that cheap labour is not a blessing? How to show clearly to them that a young country can develop fully only if it is left free to do so?"

"It is hard to find nourishing in Central Africa, a land so rich in promise to many of the economic nations which are intelligent only in the aspect of a tired, aging society, self-sufficient in its own security, without suspicion, the misfortune of seeing that exploitation and government might be even worse than statism. What are we to do? We must recognize our own intellectual poverty."

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During the first world war, General Smuts accepted the post of chief of Imperial Forces in East Africa in February, 1916, with the rank of Lieut.-General in the British Army. Launching his first offensive in May of that year, he drove his men and himself ruthlessly through all manner of country, and, in spite of heavy losses through sickness, successfully forced the Germans out of Tanganyika.

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Mr. Musazi on Affairs in Uganda

"Only by Positive Action to Save Situation"

"...we will be obliged to find justice by positive action if they cannot get justice through means of peace and honest give-and-take," Mr. Ignatius R. Musazi told a Press conference in the House of Commons last week.

The 49-year-old President of the Uganda National Congress and Federation of Uganda African Farmers, who was formerly teacher at King's College, Buganda, is visiting this country for a month "to impress upon the British people the full implication of the crisis now facing Uganda."

"There is peace and calm in the country, and I am thankful that this is so, but I know my people," said Mr. Musazi, "and we would be condemning ourselves if we imagined that the calmness would endure indefinitely. I think we have probably a few months—not more—to save the situation."

Two steps could be taken to avoid widening the gap between Britain and Uganda—the Kabaka's restoration to his throne and the "courage to recognise yourselves to the idea of transferring to us the responsibility for our own nation's life in the shortest possible time." He added that "the whole foundation of British rule in Uganda is at stake. If we are disappointed in the hope of getting justice through the means of peace and honest give-and-take discussion, my people will be obliged to find justice by positive action."

Timing of Kabaka's Deposition

The British had not realized the rude shock, anger, and stupefaction which had been felt in Uganda at the Kabaka's deposition. It had been particularly unfortunate in this thing, "when the most uncharitable interpretation would be placed on any move undertaken to preserve foreign rule in Uganda, from which we are determined to liberate ourselves."

The speaker welcomed the attitude of Bishop Stuart, late of Uganda, Canon John Collins and some other Church of England leaders on the Kabaka's case, but he advised certain Church dignitaries to be cautious in commenting on the present Uganda crisis, "a crisis which would not have arisen but for the part played by Church representatives in drawing up the 1949 Uganda Agreement and persuading different Baganda chiefs to accept the genuineness of the document."

Although Uganda wanted to be free to exercise the right of determining its own destiny, "we nevertheless would very much prefer to do so through and with the co-operation of Great Britain."

When it was pointed out to Mr. Musazi that his present avowal of loyalty to the Kabaka conflicted with findings of the Kingdom report on the 1949 Uganda disturbances in that his Uganda Farmers' Union had been guilty of fomenting treason and rebellion against the Kabaka, he replied that there was not a shred of evidence to support that charge in the report.

Closely questioned about his phrase "positive action," Mr. Musazi said that he did not advocate violence. He preferred the Ghanaian principle of passive resistance, and mentioned the present boycott of the purchase of anything but essential foodstuffs and medicines. He added: "If necessary we would stop growing cotton."

Asked what effect the Owen-Fleming scheme would have on Uganda, he expressed anxiety about "the industrial route" which Africans could not control or in which they could not participate. The influx of foreign technicians would in the long run create a big problem, and possibly a colour bar. He feared that increasing industrialization would turn Uganda into a multi-racial society.

Investment is another headache. We must be very careful where money comes from. It would be better to

have it from the World Bank instead of from industrial monies giants.

Sir Keith Hancock's forthcoming visit to Uganda to discuss constitutional reform would serve no useful purpose, and his terms of reference were too vague: Uganda, he added, should have a constituent assembly by the end of the year.

Mr. Musazi declined to say whether it would be possible to equate his political beliefs with those of any British party, or whether, if an M.P., he would sit behind Sir Winston Churchill or Mr. Attlee. Uganda must achieve independence before we can think about political parties, he said.

Mr. Fenner Brockway, M.P., chairman of the Movement for Colonial Freedom, presides.

Whereas Mr. Musazi was described at the greeting as President of the Congress, vernacular newspapers in Kampala still refer to Mr. J. W. Nyanuka as president-general and to Mr. A. M. Sebania as acting general.

Attack on Uganda Trade

The Congress has called upon the people of Buganda and other Africans in the Protectorate to restrict their spending to the bare necessities of life, ostensibly in protest against the Deportation Ordinance under which its president-general, J. W. Kiwanuka, has been rusticated by order of the Governor to the West Nile district.

A notice issued by Congress states, *inter alia*:

"We have decided to keep our money for three months, using the bare necessities of life, dressing in rags, paying little attention to personal appearance, and avoiding all entertainment, so as to convince H.M. Government of our dislike of the Deportation Ordinance."

Every Muganda, "and all Uganda Natives who have the spirit of their country at heart," were therefore enjoined to cease buying any commodity except food, medicine, reading matter, petrol and oil from May 1.

Your weapon to fight this ordinance is your own money over which nobody has the control. Use that money in a manner calculated to bring about freedom to our country, the people are being urged.

Is the ordinance consistent with democratic principles? It asks the Congress to state, emphasizing that no such law exists in the United Kingdom and that a similar ordinance has been repealed in West Africa.

African leaders told him nothing illegal, to "anybody doing illegal and unconstitutional things the police will not be far from you." The ordinance we seek to obtain. If you happen to be tempted to break this law, ask yourself whether you are doing the right thing for yourself or your grandchildren."

The acting president, Mr. A. M. Sebania, said in his comment that the attack was not directed at European or Asian traders, that it must apply to all African-owned shops, and that there was no intention of just pickets in support of the boycott.

Later reports have referred to statements by Congress leaders that such purchases as Africans make should be from African shops.

Differing Views on Boycott

There has been some confusion and difference of opinion in Congress, for Mr. S. Nsubuga, secretary of its Buganda branch, wrote dissociating it from the trade boycott announced by Mr. Sekabatja, in his letter stating that "to impede trade is not in keeping with the aims of the Congress, as shown in the constitution, namely, to obtain self-government for Uganda." But later another letter, bearing the signatures of the president and secretary of the Buganda branch and of Mr. Sekabatja, stated: "This point has now been clarified and agreed to by the parties concerned that the boycott will stand in Buganda as well as in the rest of Uganda."

The African Cultural Society has now joined the movement for the restoration of the Kabaka of Buganda. It resolved at a recent special meeting:

"The African Cultural Society, consisting mostly of the educated Africans in the country, are deeply grieved by the continued absence of their patron, H.M. the Kabaka Mutesa II of Buganda, who is the symbol of the richness and also the focus of their African culture. We feel that African culture has been slighted because the Kabaka Mutesa II all that was best in our culture was found. He was therefore an inspiration to us. Without him everything is silent. No royal drums are silent, many rites remain unperformed, and social life is impaired."

We wish therefore to request H.M. Government most earnestly to reconsider their decision to banish the source and

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heads of our culture and set him to us. Until he is restored to us we shall find it extremely difficult to engage in social and cultural activities that used to form the bulk of our programme.

No comment appears in *British Weekly* on this.

Harsch and Intemperate Comment

"British Weekly" Reply

EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA recently charged the "British Weekly" with harsh, intemperate, and misleading comment in one of its leading articles. We wrote:

"A publication which describes itself as a Christian journal of news and comment is under special obligation to be sure of its facts and accurate and restrained in its comment. The *British Weekly* can scarcely be said to have fulfilled such obligations in its leading article entitled 'Lyttelton's Paper Plan', which went so far as to declare that there is nothing to choose between some of the black and some of the white savages in Kenya". This is immensely untrue, as no man of sense would argue that the very worst European that *Colonial* has descended to the level of the de-humanized being who have taken the higher Mau Mau oaths.

"The whole article is intemperate and misleading. It asserts that the settlers bracket all Kikuyu with the Mau Mau rebels, and that is nonsense. As we know since the insurrection started to have set aside individual and collective failings to draw a distinction between good Kikuyu and bad Kikuyu, even though it has been officially stated on many occasions that about 95% of the tribe have taken one or more parts of the Mau Mau. His record dispels the charge of hostility to Africa. As far as I am aware, His record disproves the charge of hostility to Africa. As far as I am aware, if the *British Weekly* had combed the dictionary it could scarcely have found a more inappropriate word than 'piously'.

"At the foot of the same page the paper emphasizes that to 'prove' the truth is a noble avocation. It is a pity that that injunction did not inspire its comment on constitutional development in Kenya."

What purpose can be served by this? It has been made by our contemporary in the following words:

"*East Africa and Rhodesia* does best by us by saying that there is nothing to choose between some of the black and some of the white savages in Kenya. This is manifestly untrue, says the paper. Not according to the evidence produced, in court cases and in court martial. They say also: 'At no time since the insurrection started have settlers, individuals and collectively failed to draw a distinction between good Kikuyu and bad Kikuyu'. Is there a Marlin in the house?"

Readers may judge for themselves whether that brief paragraph is any answer to our criticisms.

Royal Visit Awards

THE QUEEN has conferred awards upon a number of persons closely connected with the Royal visit to Uganda. Sir Andrew Colan, the Governor, has been made K.C.V.O. and Mr. C. H. Wrenley, Chief Secretary and Mr. E. D. G. Anson, Commissioner of Police, are now Companion of the Royal Victorian Order. Among new M.V.O.s is Mr. C. S. Allen, Lieutenant-Colonel E. S. S. Barlow, Major G. Herlow, Major G. Griffiths, and Captain E. E. Morris. The Royal Victorian Medal has been awarded to Regimental Sergeant-Major Jimi Farajalla, 1st (Ugandan) Battalion, K.A.R.s and Head Constable Moses Mwirriani, who were special orderlies, and to Alfire Zabuga, constable.

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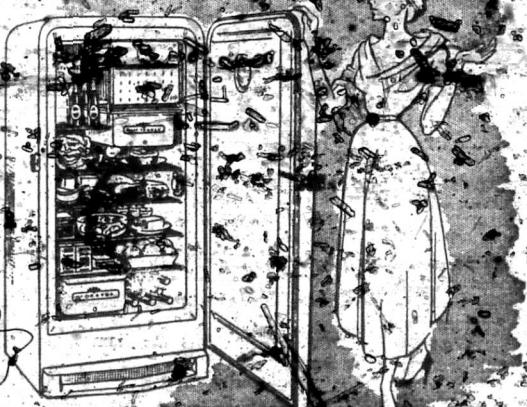
THE SILVER JUBILEE of the United Africa Co., Ltd., was celebrated on Tuesday by a dinner at Claridge's Hotel, London, which was attended by many men outstanding in politics, in financial commerce, and industry. The Queen's own personal ladies connected with Africa, Dr. Geoffrey Newbold presided. Further particulars will be given next week.

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PERSONALIA

MAJOR SALAH SALEM is to visit the United States next month.

MR. E. J. E. LAV has been appointed an acting puisne judge in Kenya.

MR. STANLEY MCKNIGHT has returned to Kenya from his visit to London.

DR. S. A. B. LEAKEY is due in England from Kenya towards the end of this month.

After a few days in London, Dr. MIND GREGORY, of Nairobi, has left for Ireland to fish.

THE REV. J. B. STURDY has been appointed an honorary canon of the Upper Nile diocese.

MR. EDWARD F. HITCHCOCK left London last Saturday to return to Tanganyika Territory.

MR. IAN D. HUNTER, a chartered accountant in Kampala, arrived in England by air a few days ago.

MR. J. A. C. LORENCE has been elected mayor of Bulawayo, Nyasaland, and MR. R. H. KIRKCALDY, deputy mayor.

SIR ALFRED and LADY VINCENT arrived in London by air at the end of last week for a stay of about four days.

MR. R. MARTIN, Deputy Government Printer in the Gold Coast, has been appointed Government Printer in Nyasaland.

MR. R. PATER, chairman, and MR. F. O. INNES, director, of Messrs. Hubert Davies & Co., Ltd., arrived in London.

SIR HILARY BLOOD, Governor of Mauritius, is to address the Royal Empire Society at a lunch-time meeting on June 17.

MR. M. K. MULIRA, who was a member of the delegation from Buganda which recently visited London, is returning to this country.

MR. RALPH PECKOVER, editor of the "Bulawayo Chronicle," is revisiting old haunts in Norfolk. He is accompanied by MRS. PECKOVER.

The Rev. E. H. ARBLASTER is in the country from Tanganyika Territory. An Australian, he first went to East Africa in 1919 as a chaplain.

MR. A. C. W. DIXON, M.I.C., has been elected president of the Convention of Associations of Nyasaland, with Mr. A. TATE as vice-president.

MRS. FANNIE HELEN GILL recently celebrated her 80th birthday in Bulawayo. She lived in Livingstone, Northern Rhodesia, from 1909 to 1944.

MRS. M. B. THORNEY is chairman of the Uganda branch of the Y.W.C.A. for 1954. MRS. S. C. EDWARDS, secretary, and MRS. S. VISRAM, treasurer.

MR. G. WARD PRICE, who has travelled a great deal in South, Central, and East Africa, has arrived back in England from an extensive tour of Canada.

LORD LEEWELLIN, Governor-General of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, has just paid his official visit to the Portuguese Colony of Mozambique.

SIR ROBERT HOYES, Governor-General of the Sudan, arrived in England last Thursday on leave, accompanied by MR. W. H. LUCE, his adviser on constitutional and external affairs.

SIR WILLIAM HALCROW is to address the Commonwealth Section of the Royal Society of Arts at 10 on Tuesday, May 18, on "Engineering Developments in Central Africa." Sir GILBERT LENNIE, High Commissioner in London for the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, will preside.

MR. W. D. LEWIS has been re-elected president of the Nyasaland Tobacco Association. MR. G. B. THORNEYCROFT is vice-president, and the other members of the committee are MRS. F. B. WILSON, MESSRS. R. E. DANIELS, W. M. M. ELVORY, J. M. HENDERSON, K. ROBINSON and G. THORNEYCROFT.

SIR ARTHUR BENSON, accompanied by LADY BENSON, left Southampton last Thursday for the CAPE TOWN CASTLE on his way to Northern Rhodesia to take up his duties as Governor.

In business visiting London, is present from Southern Rhodesia also MR. A. W. REDWEST, MR. OSWALD N. DENNIS, MR. T. K. JACKSON, MR. C. J. BOWDEN, MR. ALEXANDER COBBAN, and MR. R. J. DICKENSEN.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR DONALD ROGERS is to address the Commonwealth Section of the Royal Society of Arts at 5.15 p.m. on May 25 on progress towards the Eradication of Leprosy from the British Commonwealth.

MR. S. J. OLIVER is now First Secretary at Rhodesia House, London. Mr. J. A. KINSLEY, who has had that appointment for the past five years, is to be Commissioner in East Africa for the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

MR. R. MCLELLAN, 32m, has been elected president of the Kenya Arts and Craft Society. MRS. V. PEDERSEN and LIEUT.-COLONEL R. B. BARROTT are the vice-presidents. MRS. G. M. STREET is honorary secretary, and MR. DUDLEY HAWKINS editor of the magazine.

MR. L. E. ADAMS, a present service manager of Transport Equipment (Norway), Ltd., has been appointed manager of the motor division of the Uganda Co. (Africa), Ltd., and will leave London by air on June 12 to take up his appointment in Kampala.

MR. K. M. GOODENOUGH, former High Commissioner in London for Southern Rhodesia, will represent the Chamber of Commerce of Central Africa at the 18th Congress of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, which is to be held in Montreal in mid-June. Mrs. GOODENOUGH will accompany him.

LORD KNOX, who is to become chairman of the Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, Ltd., when LORD COWDRAY THOMSON retires at the end of this year, is former chairman of British Overseas Airways Corporation, and was for a considerable period a member of the Cape Town board of Barclays Bank, D.C. & O.

THE ETHIOPIAN AMBASSADEE in London held a reception last week on the anniversary of Ethiopian Independence Day. Among those present were LORD and LADY DE L'WARRE, LORD and LADY JOWITT, LORD and LADY TWEEDSMUIR, SIR CHRISTOPHER and Lady CHANCELLOR, MR. and MRS. A. EODDS PARKE, and the Rev. A. E. and MRS. COOPER.

MARY GREENFEILD, secretary to Northern Rhodesia of the British South Africa Company, has been elected president of the Northern Rhodesia Agricultural Society. She succeeds Mr. J. G. LEANE, president since the society's resuscitation after the war, who has been appointed an honorary life vice-president. On the committee are MRS. NAN STAPLES and MESSRS. S. G. MYBURGH, J. B. BOTES, and A. E. CARLISLE.

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Mrs EDITH TODD, younger sister of Southern Rhodesia's Prime Minister, Mr R. S. Genther, and one of the three HANSDAUS, who writers in the Federal Parliament of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, went to Southern Rhodesia for a holiday 16 years ago, and stayed, and was seen a Harare reporter in the Colonial Parliament for two years.

Lord LAMBERT has been nominated the new president of the M.C.C., in which office he will succeed Lord ROSEBERRY at the end of the present cricket season. As Mr. G. J. C. COOK, Cord Cobham, played for the latter, he was captain of the county XI from 1931 to 1939, and he was a member of the M.C.C.'s New Zealand and Australia in 1935-36. He has business interests in East Africa, and recently visited Kenya and Rhodesia.

Among passengers outward bound in the DURBAN CASTLE were MR. and MRS. G. B. ARCHER, DR. L. WOODS, MR. F. G. H. JONES, MR. and MRS. K. HENCHELL, MR. and MRS. H. H. PHILLIPS, MRS. S. J. PARKEFOY, and DR. and MRS. P. SACHERSON, for Mombasa; MR. and MRS. J. R. CALDERWOOD, SISTER E. FANCY, and MR. and MRS. D. MCCALLUM, for Dar es Salaam; and MR. and MRS. J. SHAW, and MR. and MRS. COOMBE for Beira.

MRS. HENRY COLGATE, and the MISSSES EDITH BENNETT, MARY, and MARGARET ROBINSON, four members of the British Missions, have gone to Kenya to assist in screening and transit camps in the Nairobi district and undertake welfare work for women and children in forest villages. MISS JOSEPHINE WILSON, director of the overseas branches of the British Red Cross Society, recently returned from a visit to the Colony, in which she believes that impartial rehabilitation work by members of the society might make an important contribution to overcoming the Maasi movements. Miss Robinson and Miss Bennett are State registered nurses.

Four of the members elected to the council of the London Chamber of Commerce have East and Central African associations, namely, MR. JOHN TAYLOR, managing director of Messrs Steel Brothers & Co.; MR. NEL K. GRUM BURING, a director of shipping and forwarding companies; MR. J. F. FORD, managing director of Associated British Oil Engineers Exporto Ltd., Brush Export, and other enterprises; and MR. A. B. MACFARLANE, managing director of Messrs Mossmann Sons & Co., Ltd., shipping companies; Mr. W. A. DU BUSSON, who has been duly elected to the council as a partner in Messrs HENCHELL & Du Buisson & Co., East African merchants.

Obituary

M.R.S. School

MR. HAROLD SHAPORTE SHREWS, who has died at his home at Port Johnston, Lake Nyasa, at the age of 65, was the younger son of the late Captain Frederick Courtney Shrews, the great big-game hunter and scout, who was killed in the German East African campaign in the 1914-18 war. He had won a commission in the Royal West Surrey Regiment in 1918-19. On demobilization he went to Pembroke College, Cambridge, and in 1922 became a Colonial Service cadet in Nyasaland. The whole of his service was spent in that Protectorate until he retired in 1948. He was a keen angler, yachtsman, and falconer.

MRS. EDITH WELSENDEN HENDERSON, mother of Lady Wellesley, has died in Bulawayo after a long illness.

MR. RALPH DRAYTON, who has died in Bulawayo, went to Southern Rhodesia in 1927. He had been engaged mainly in mining.

Protecting Africa's Fauna

Results of the Lukavu Conference

CAPTAIN STEPHEN CALDWELL writes in the current issue of the journal of the Fauna Preservation Society on the conference held in Bulawayo to discuss the better protection of African fauna and flora. He says, *in part*,

"The greatest threat to the African wild fauna is caused by Natives, especially when they kill for profit. The value of meat is in places 10 times what it was before the swans and pheasants creates supply."

"Certain Governments have a strong reluctance to take any steps, put an end to, or even curtail seriously, what they have held to be Native hunting rights." An admirable paper was presented by the Belgian delegation showing that the so-called rights were in fact trivial, and that before the advent of the European they were strictly limited and closely defined.

"General hunting was admitted only by special permission of the local chief, who said what might be hunted and where; moreover, the animal when killed could be cut up in the presence of the chief or his representative. Needless to say, the chief took the best of the meat and was distributed according to tribal custom."

How Profit Motive Was Discouraged

"All the demands of the hunter's party, wives, brothers, sisters, uncles, girl friends, and others, to say nothing of the folk who helped in the chase, had been satisfied, the hunter was lucky if he got a fifth of the intestines and perhaps the heart. Thus Native custom eliminated in a very sure way the profit motive and prevented any undue diminution of game. Still the tribes agreed that some action must be taken in the interest of the Africans themselves, and recommended that game was an important food supply, particularly in less densely populated areas. Governments should take all possible steps to restrict the excessive destruction of wild animals, whether for meat, profit or Sophia."

"It was agreed further that the Convention of 1933 should be amended so that the sale, purchase, barter or exchange of trophies or meat be regulated, and where possible prohibited unless with proper permission. Further recommendation was that the contracting Government should take powers to proscribe the movement of large quantities of game meat. Action on these lines has been of great value in putting the biltong peddler out of business."

"A resolution drew attention to the great importance of the education of people of all ages and classes in the conservation of wild life. Some years ago I gave what I hoped was an impassioned address on the rights of national parks to a native audience that seemed interested and interested. I drew attention to the great success of the Nairobi National Park at our doorstep and finally stood for questions."

"T promptly got one. Sir, why are we not allowed to kill and eat the guinea fowl in the park? Good food for the people is being wasted."

Makerere College

MR. DE BUNSEN, principal of Makerere College, Uganda, said when 116 freshmen were admitted this month, it was a record number, bringing the student membership to 487, among whom were 17 African girls.

The idea that the woman graduate is an alarming ornament but a shocking cook is on the way out, he suggested, adding that a significant increase in the number of women students from Uganda was to be noticed early soon. Mr. Philip Mitchell warned the students that a degree would not enable them to float quietly through life without hindrance. If it would mean, on the contrary, that they were qualified to begin their efforts and endeavours.

Nationalism in the Colonies

THE EMPIRE SUMMER SCHOOL to be held under the auspices of the Royal Empire Society at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, from August 6 to 10, will consider the theme of "Nationalism in the British Colonial Empire." The inaugural address will be given by Professor Vincent Harlow, and among those who have promised to speak are Lord Hemingford of Uganda, and Mr. George Brown, M.P.

Parliament

Military Expenditure in the Colonies Husbandry and Marketing in Nyasaland

MR. I. REID asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies the policy of His Government in regard to the cost of military forces required for the internal security of Colonies; and the extent to which these forces should be controlled by Colonial Governments, and for a list of Dependencies showing how much each proposed to spend on military forces in 1954-55, and what cash subventions H.M. Government proposed to make to each.

The table submitted by Mr. Hopkinson showing proposed expenditure in 1954-55 on the maintenance of Colonial military forces amounted to the following items for territorial expenditure and subventions by H.M. Government respectively: Somaliland Protectorate, nil; £300,000; Kenya, £160,000 and nil; Uganda, £260,000 and nil; Tanganyika, £275,000 and nil; Northern Rhodesia £120,000 and nil; and Nyasaland £7,500 (together with Mauritius) £616,000. Total subventions amounted to £1,980,000 for all Colonies and Dependencies.

The Minister of State said that the figures excluded certain expenditure of the local forces of the East and West African territories which was met from Army rates and the financial assistance by H.M.G. towards the cost of the emergency in Kenya, some of which would be spent on the local forces. The figures also excluded financial assistance by H.M.G. to the Federation of Malaya (£1,009,000 in 1954-55) in respect of the capital costs of the expansion of the Federation's forces, and expenditure by other territories on capital works for the forces.

Good Husbandry and Co-operative Marketing

MR. JOHNSON asked how much of the 300,000 acres of land bought by the Nyasaland Government following the recommendations of the Abrams Commission had been allocated to Africans; the terms of the allocation; and what steps the Agricultural Department were taking to ensure good husbandry and co-operative marketing.

Mr. HOPKINSON: As far as I am aware, to which the hon. member refers, is available to Africans, and most of it was, in fact, already heavily settled at the time of its acquisition. In most areas the land acquired is treated as public land, but it is intended that when areas are fully occupied and developed they should revert to African trust land.

As regards agricultural measures on the land acquired, concentration of huts permitting economic land use and contour bunding has been completed or is under way; planting of useful trees is being encouraged; 35 successful bore holes have been sunk; hillside and stream banks are being protected; land is being demarcated to allow of alternate cultivation and fallow; and many miles of track have been made or improved to permit easy access and extraction of produce.

No steps have been taken to introduce co-operative marketing, since adequate alternative co-operative arrangements already exist through the Products Co-operative Board and the African Tobacco Board.

Mrs. WHITE asked the Minister if, in view of the conflicting accounts which have been published concerning the failure to secure the surrender of the Mau Mau terrorists who had gathered with a view to surrender on April 1, he would publish a White Paper giving an authoritative report on what occurred.

Mr. HOPKINSON: "I have seen one account in a recent periodical which was definitely inaccurate. For an authoritative report, I would refer the hon. member to the report which I gave to a supplementary question by Mr. I. Griffin on April 14 and to the Kenyatta Government's statement of April 1, which is available in the Library, and in which copies have been given in the Press. In these circumstances I do not think a White Paper necessary."

Mr. SPENCE asked what differences existed in the scale of charges for sending letters, parcels and telegrams to our armed forces in Kenya and Korea respectively.

Mr. GAMMONS: "None in regard to letters and parcels except that there is no air-speeded service to our forces in Korea. The only difference in respect of telegrams is that forces' official (D.F.M.) telegrams cost 3s. 6d. to Kenya and 2s. 6d. to Korea."

Mr. SPENCE: Will the hon. gentleman consider the desirability of having a uniform rate of telegrams to our forces overseas?"

Mr. GAMMONS: There is a subsidy on these telegrams, as well as a subsidy on letters and parcels, and the question of amending that subsidy would, of course, have to be referred to the Minister of Defence, to whom I think any similar questions on this subject should be addressed.

Mr. BROWNLOW: In view of the fact that telegrams might be more expensive now to those serving in Kenya, would it not be considered to reduce the charge in that case?

Mr. GAMMONS: There is a subsidy on these telegrams. If the hon. gentleman feels that there is a strong case for this, it is no good his asking me, as the matter does not rest with me. He should make his representation to the Minister of Defence."

Postal Marks to the Forces

Mr. SPENCE asked the average time taken for delivering a parcel to a member of the Armed Forces in Kenya.

Mr. GAMMONS: About 22 days by surface mail. I am looking into the particular instances of delay notified by my hon. friend, and I will write to him when the inquiries are complete.

Mr. SORENSEN asked the Prime Minister if he had considered the desirability of calling a Commonwealth conference after the termination of the Geneva conference in order to deal with the possibility of common action in respect of the world situation, and also with internal Commonwealth matters affecting its present and its potential membership.

The PRIME MINISTER: This might take its place among matters to be considered after the Geneva conference.

Mr. SORENSEN: Could the Prime Minister be a little more positive and suggest that it will probably take place?

THE PRIME MINISTER: No, I could not go any further than I have gone.

Mr. T. REID asked the Secretary of State what steps he was taking to establish a twinned system in British Colonies.

Mr. HOPKINSON: I understand the hon. member means it to suggest that there are, broadly, two kinds of Colonial territory: those which can look forward to eventual independence either on their own account or in association with others, and those which for one reason or another must, so far as can be foreseen, continue to be, in some measure, dependent upon the United Kingdom. With this proposition, my hon. friend, of course, agrees, but he does not think it would be possible now to assign any territory finally to one category or the other. There are too many differences in local circumstances, and too many uncertain factors.

Mr. REID: Are the Government adhering to the former policy that those Colonies should be advanced gradually to self-government, and that no Colony will become a Dominion without consultation with the existing Dominions?

Mr. HOPKINSON: Yes, sir. It is certainly our aim to promote every territory to the fullest practical degree of self-government within the Commonwealth."

Mr. GRIFFITHS: May I make it clear that it has been laid down by successive Governments that the degree of self-government granted to Colonial territories is a matter for H.M. Government and for our Parliament? May I ask further whether it is policy—policy as I suppose it is—that when a Colony reaches Dominion status it will enjoy equal status with other members of the Commonwealth who have already reached Dominion status?

Mr. HOPKINSON: As regards the first part of the question, it is certainly our view that it is a decision for H.M. Government and this Parliament, as to the way in which territories should progress towards self-government. When such a colony becomes a full member of the Commonwealth, it is conceded and have to be consulted."

Immigration from Portuguese East Africa

Mr. SORENSEN asked to what extent Nyasaland suffered from tree-cutting, fires and consequential soil erosion caused through the entry of Anguru from Portuguese East Africa, and what control was exercised over their entry.

Mr. HOPKINSON: "It is not easy to assess the proportion of the effects of congestion attributable to a particular group, but the idea behind the hon. member's question, which I appreciate, is being considered with the Governor, who is difficult with limited resources to police a frontier which runs through difficult country and is not everywhere demarcated. The Native authorities of the frontier districts concerned have, however, already made rules to control alien Africans, and further steps are being seriously considered by the Governor."

There are 5 institutions in Kenya concerned with training African teachers, 41 of them under mission control. The Member for Education and Culture in Kenya.

Royal African Society

Annual Report for 1953

THE ANNUAL REPORT for 1953 of the Royal African Society gives the membership at 992, and 557 are resident overseas.

During the year there were nine lunch-time meetings jointly with the Royal Empire Society, nine evening meetings of the Society, and two Africa Day conferences, one for London County Council school teachers. There was also an adjoint evening meeting with the International African Institute and the Royal Empire Society, and a supper meeting. There was thus greater activity in the dissemination of general knowledge of Africa. Because the extension of present activities depends upon increased revenue, members are asked to obtain recruits for the society.

For Dedicated Service

The Wellcome bronze medal and a clause for £50 were presented to Dr. Albert Schweizer. The society decided to award bronze medals of its own "for dedicated service to Africa." The council now recommends five awards for 1953 and five for 1954. Those concerned with East and Central Africa are cited as follows:

Miss Una Coe (Anglo-Egyptian Sudan).—Miss Coe, who received her education and teaching training in America, first went to the Sudan in 1918. Except for periods of leave every sixth year, she has lived in the country continuously since then. After two years spent with the American Mission Girls' School at Wadi Halfa, she was transferred to Khartoum in 1920 where, during the following 30 years she was a teacher, also for women's education, assisted by a small staff of American and Sudanese girls, and women who were either unable or not permitted to attend schools. In 1951 Miss Coe went to Gedaref, a newly-opened American mission station, and set on foot there a similar organization. Indeed, throughout her ministry at all times and in all conditions to help the women of the Sudan, untrained and ignorant, and sympathetic with the problem of Sudanese women, Miss Coe has for 35 years given herself selflessly to the welfare and service of the women of this country.

Mr. William L. Hammond, M.B.E. (Northern Rhodesia).—Mr. Hammond assisted in founding the Johnston Falls mission station (Christian Missions in Many Lands) in 1900 and has played an active part in an activity important and very difficult, as part in providing educational and medical work in the southern Luapula area of the Kabwama district of the Northern Province. In addition he established an industrial-training school, including hand-craftsmanship, a school for the blind, a dental practice and an institution for the treatment of lepers. He has devoted 53 years of his life to the unhealthy climate of the Luapula Valley, African welfare and the furtherance of African progress. The award of the M.B.E. was conferred on him in 1945 in recognition of his outstanding work.

Mr. William John Maynard (Tanganyika Territory).—Mr. Maynard went to Shinyanga in September, 1913, and with the assistance of the German district officer obtained a plot of 25 acres at Kololo where a mission hospital was opened and a dispensary, staffed by his wife, who was a qualified doctor.

At the same time he began evangelical work in the area and by his courage and persistence overcame the antagonism and distrust then prevalent in the region. Gradually he became to be respected, particularly by the local people, and the work and staff expanded until at present the mission has 100 children, 100 adults, and the Kololo school, and the dispensary houses 100 in patients. It is estimated that there are over 700 inmates. Mr. Maynard is still in full health, his faith and his love for the local people have remained a source of inspiration to his staff, and there is no doubt that Kololo is highly esteemed and appreciated by peoples of all races due to the courage and fine character of its founder.

Miss Norah Elizabeth Ainley (Uganda and Sudan).—Miss Ainley, who was born in 1889 and received her B.A. from London University, first joined the Church Missionary Society and went to Uganda in 1920. For the next 20 years she taught in various schools, finally becoming supervisor of the Church Missionary Society's girls' education in that country. In 1940 she went to the Sudan as adviser to the mission on organization and development of girls' education. Since then she has served continuously in Equatoria Province. In 1949, Miss Ainley, having reached the age of 60, was due to retire. At the request of the mission she agreed to serve, however, for a further five years. So great has been Miss Ainley's attitude to teacher training that she now undertakes the training of men as well as women so that full use may be made of her special talents. During 33 years of devoted service to the cause of education in Africa, Miss Ainley has proved herself an education expert of the highest caliber, and has made a notable contribution to the expansion of Church-missionary educational institutes in Uganda and the Sudan.

Mrs. Mary Ferguson (Tanganyika Territory).—Mrs. Ferguson is a lay missionary attached to the Universities' Mission to Central Africa, and has for almost 30 years served in the diocese of Nyasaland; which up to 1952 included the Tanganja districts of Songea, Njombe and Tanganja. Mrs. Ferguson was the education secretary of the mission who dealt with all educational matters in this area. Mrs. Ferguson is a remarkable personality who has probably done more for the education of Africans in the Lake Area of Tanganyika than any other living person. She has brought the standard of education in the numerous public schools in her charge up to an extremely high standard and in her own efforts has probably helped the mission, following on this area, the most literate people in Tanganyika.

That Miss Ferguson should have accomplished this on such slender financial resources adds to the remarkable success of her efforts. Her work was done either in a canoe on Lake Nyasa or on foot and a bicycle was her only other means of locomotion. Her very energetic long journeys in the bush alone, which she undertook with the greatest cheerfulness and with a remarkable disregard for the difficulties that could beset a lone woman in such travel. She was held in great esteem by all the local population. Furthermore, she has given great assistance to Government in putting over educational policies and in assuring that the relations between Government, missions and the Africans were on an extremely harmonious basis. In fact, Miss Ferguson was almost the perfect example of the self-denying English woman who by her singleness of purpose, good nature and great courage has done more than anyone to ensure that the relationship between European and African in that area is on such a friendly and harmonious basis.

Hydro-Electric Projects

SIR KELVIN FLENSKY, Acting Prime Minister of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, said last week that nothing had been brought to the notice of the Federal Government which could influence its decision to proceed with the Kariba hydro-electric power scheme before the Kariba Gorge project. He was referring to a statement of Mr. Garfield Todd, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, that his Government considered that Kariba should have precedence, and that new facts now available might lead to reconsideration of the question of priority. In Northern Rhodesia it had been expected that electricity from Kariba would be available by 1960, by which time the copper mines will need more power and cheaper power. Progress on progress with the Kariba scheme is therefore considered essential by the mining industry and the Government. The respective costs of the Kariba and Kafue schemes are put at £85m. and £30m.

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Northern Rhodesia's New Governor Farewell Gathering in London

JUST BEFORE SIR ARTHUR BENSON, Governor of Northern Rhodesia, and Lady Benson sailed last week, the High Commissioner in London for the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and Sir Rennie and the Commissioner for Northern Rhodesia and Mrs. Wallace held a reception for them at Rhodesia House. Among those present were:

Mr. L. S. Amery, Mr. C. J. M. Alport, M.P., Mr. C. H. Baxter, Sir George & Lady Beresford-Stoke, Mr. & Mrs. Colin Black, Mr. & Mrs. P. B. Broadbent, Sir Alexander Carr-Saunders, Sir Christopher & Lady Chichester, Sir Christopher Cox, Mr. Julian S. Crossley, Mr. J. C. Foster, Mr. David Friedman, Mr. & Mrs. A. L. Geyer, Mr. J. A. Grey, Sir William & Lady Halcrow, Mr. & Mrs. C. R. Hill, Mr. Henry Hopkinson, Lord & Lady Hudson, Mr. & Mrs. R. Hudson, Mr. F. S. Joelson, Lord & Lady Jowitt,

Mr. & Mrs. E. H. Keppel-side, Sir John & Lady Kennedy, Colonel & Mrs. J. Kiggell, Mr. J. A. Kinsey, Sir Reginald & Lady Leeper, Sir Percival & Lady Leisching, Mr. & Mrs. H. Leisham, Mr. & Mrs. B. F. Masdoma, Mr. & Mrs. Niall Macpherson, Mr. & Mrs. J. Marham, Sir Douglas & Lady Evelyn Malcolm, Mr. & Mrs. P. McDonagh, Mr. & Mrs. P. E. Milbourne, Lord & Lady Milverton, Captain & Mrs. I. Morris, The Earl of Munster, Mr. & Mrs. S. S. Murray, Mr. & Mrs. S. J. Olivier, Mr. J. Pollock,

Colonel & Mrs. G. G. Montby, Mr. & Mrs. R. P. Prain, Sir Stanley & Lady Rawson, Lord & Lady Reith, Lord & Lady Renell, Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Ross, the Marquess of Salisbury, Lady Sandford, Sir George & Lady Seel, Viscount Swinton, Mr. F. O. Talbot-Phibbs, Mr. & Mrs. K. J. Wade, Sir John Weston, Mr. & Mrs. A. C. Weller, and Lieutenant-Colonel Sir R. Wilson.

"Mr. Nehru, Prime Minister of India, has laid it down that Africa she wants the white man out. She says deliberately that he is the enemy of the white man," Dr. Malan, Prime Minister of South Africa, told a session of Parliament.

Forthcoming Events in U.K.

- May 15.—The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh return to London from their Commonwealth tour.
- May 18.—Sir William Halcrow to address Royal Society of Arts on "Engineering Developments in Central Africa."
- May 20.—Royal Windsor Horse Show (three days).
- May 21.—B. P. Uvarov to address Royal Empire Society on "The Soviet Problem."
- May 24.—Empire Day.
- May 25.—Sir Leonard Rogers to address Royal Society of Arts on "Leprosy in the Commonwealth."
- May 25.—South Africa Club dinner for Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Geyer.
- May 27.—Sir Stewart Symes to address Royal African Society on "Africa Review."
- May 28.—Kenya Church Association luncheon at annual meeting at Church Missionary House.
- May 29.—C.M.S. missionaries' conference (London) (seven days).
- May 30.—Empire Youth Sunday Service, Westminster Abbey.
- May 31.—Union Day, South Africa.
- June 1.—Natal African Mission to Central Africa 60th anniversary meeting.
- June 2.—The Derby, Epsom.
- June 3.—Royal Tournament, Earl's Court (ends June 19).
- Bath and West Show, Bath (four days).
- June 4.—The Oaks, Epsom.
- Burgh of June afternoon.
- June 7.—Big Monday.
- June 10.—The Queen's official birthday. Troop to the colour Household Guards Parade.
- First-class Match: England v. Pakistan, Lord's.
- June 15.—The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh at Royal Ascot meeting.
- June 16.—The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh at Royal Ascot meeting (Roy Hunt Cup).
- June 17.—The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh at Royal Ascot meeting (Gold Cup).
- June 18.—Sir Hilary Blood to address Royal Empire Society, Mauritius.
- June 18.—The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh at Royal Ascot meeting (Woolwich Stakes).
- June 21.—All England lawn tennis championships, Wimbledon (ends July 5).
- June 23.—Royal County Shows, Salisbury (Trotting Cup).
- June 23.—Annual meeting of Joint East and Central African Board.
- Miss Mary Trevelyan to address Royal African Society on "Overseas Students."
- June 24.—Keepsake in honour of Prince Charles, Countess of Athlone and Major-General Sir Earl of Athlone, organized by joint Empire Societies, House of Commons terrace.
- June 25.—Sudan Defence Force Dinner.
- June 26.—East Africa Daimler Ltd. dinner.
- July 1.—H.M. Royal Visit to Canada (July 1).
- July 1.—Second Test Match: England v. Pakistan, Mottram.

African Transport Co., Ltd.

THE BRITISH ELECTRIC TRACTION GROUP have acquired a substantial holding in African Transport Co., Ltd., from Commander F. T. Hare, the chairman, and his associates. Commander Hare is retiring at the end of June. The subsidiaries of African Transport Co., Ltd., include the Kenya Bus Services, the Kenya Bus Services (Mombasa), Ltd., Overseas Touring Co. (East Africa), Ltd., Dar es Salaam Motor Transport Co., Ltd., Nyasaland Transport Co., Ltd., Rhodesia Omnibus Ltd., Esso and four motor trade companies. Before the outbreak of war, British Electric Traction intended that they were ready to buy 16,276 ordinary shares all the available ordinary share capital in African Transport, subject to a premium of 25% of £37,500 ordinary shares. Commander Hare has advised shareholders that he thought the company's programme to develop services in the Salisbury district of Southern Rhodesia alone would need about £100,000 of new money, and he therefore recommended them to consider the offer. United Transport Co., Ltd., still retain the majority holding. Mr. J. S. Wells, managing director of B.E.T., has said that it was too early to say who the representatives on the new board would be. There were no special new plans, but they were always ready to expand their activities in the interest of shareholders.

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Persistent Neglect of Colonial Police

Colonial Office Primarily to Blame

Mr. E. W. Bovill comments in the current issue of his *East African Broadsheet* on the recommendation of the Parliamentary delegation to Kenya for urgent reorganization of the police "from the highest level downwards".

Was there ever a time when not only Kenya but the whole of the Colonial Empire did not require police of the highest efficiency, integrity and reputation? Manifestly never. The blame for the sorry state of the Kenya Police does not lie wholly with the force. The Colony itself is partly responsible, but blame primarily lies at the door of the Colonial Office, where, just there should be any doubt about the low esteem in which police services are held, the Inspector-General of Colonial Police is paid less than the adviser on animal health, the fisheries adviser, and the labour adviser.

At £1,500 a year, rising to £1,700, he ranks equal with the chief manager of insecticides research, which is nothing short of scandalous. But it is not the very right down scale to the most junior police officer who is also substantially lower salary than that paid to those entering one of the less important branches of the Colonial Service.

"Some people may recall the publication in the Kenya Press of the budget of a young police officer with a wife and one child. This clearly showed that, even without tobacco and alcohol, on his salary he could not make both ends meet. In such circumstances it is surprising that the presence of inefficiency and corruption in the Colonial Police Service but the high morale of many of its officers."

Weakness of Kenya Government

During this recent visit to Kenya, one of many, Mr. Bovill further examined the present state of affairs, on which he comments as follows:

"The emergency has not grown less acute, and tellingly actively the Mau Mau problem do not exceed 5% of the time

The lack of progress is largely due to the failure of Government to realize that the havoc wrought by years of maladministration was as deep-seated as so many knew it to be. From the first repressive measures were weak and half-hearted, and pressure was increased more slowly than Mau Mau's capacity for organization and retaliation grew.

That practically the whole of the tribe adheres to Mau Mau is due first to Government's short-sighted policy in its first days in driving many thousands of Kikuyu, many of whom are unquestionably loyal, into a tribal reserve where they had to turn to Mau Mau, or secondly, nothing has yet been done to persuade the Kikuyu that control better to be on the side of law and order than on that of torture, murder, and pillage. It is seldom easy to made a people to accept an authority, or to regard as their friends a police force which is notoriously corrupt.

In all these tragic circumstances popular sentiment has changed a good deal in recent months. The settlers' confidence in the future has weakened. Many of them now admit, albeit reluctantly, to doubts about the prospects of the country for the children, if not for themselves. A few farmers have sold out, an half dozen or so have been forced by dire peril to abandon their farms for want of buyers. But these are a very small minority.

Setters' Traditional Regard for Africans

"Local" patriotism is as strong as ever, and men are still prepared to sacrifice not to let the country or the African go, and one again one hears of farmers and their families holding on to their farms, foregoing their annual holiday on the coast or even refusing rates of rent or respite in Nairobi just because it would be unfair to leave their servants and labour unprotected. The traditional regard of the Kenya farmer for his Africans has never been so severely tested, and never has his selflessness been seen to greater advantage.

"With the growing concern for the future of the country goes a new readiness to face realities such as the imperative need for racial adjustments which the ethics of a changing world demand. Nothing bodes better for stability than the growing recognition of the need for sacrifices to establish the same inter-racial harmony as formerly. Tanganyika enjoys. When that has been accomplished and Mau Mau has been crushed, as surely it will be, the major causes of concern for Kenya's future will have gone."

It is surprising, but encouraging, that most of the buyers of properties coming on to the market are foreigners. As one of them recently pointed out, "Kenya stands on foreign grounds. Kenya is a better bet than South Africa. Whereas in Nairobi it is safe for European to enter a Native location after dark, in most cities of the Cape we cannot do so any hour of the day or night."

A long past multi-racial government has been accepted, but what a tragedy that the Kenya electors, so long as they can't accept the inescapable! Instead of the result for service and statesmanship going to the white half, as to Mr. Lytton: What an opportunity missed! Worse still, Mau Mau will now rightly claim a large share of the credit. Only they made it possible.

New Form of Oath

Members in the Government of Kenya are to be asked to swear an oath in new terms, as follows: "I, X being over twenty-one years of age, admitted of the Council of Ministers, do swear that I will be true and faithful to the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya, and that I will to the best of my judgment at all times when thereto required freely give my counsel and advice to the Governor or his deputy for the government and the public affairs of the Colony and Protectorate; that I will not directly or indirectly reveal such matters as shall be communicated to me or debated in the Council and committed to my secret; and that I will in all things be a true and faithful counsellor. So help me God."

"Most managers of sisal estates are keenly interested in the physical and material well-being of their workers. Some also realize the importance of their spiritual care and the most enterprising, but the managers who are either non-Christians or only nominal Christians can hardly be expected to show much concern for their workers' spiritual welfare." The Rev. J. C. W. Potts Hughes, writing in the magazine of the Universities Missions to Central Africa.

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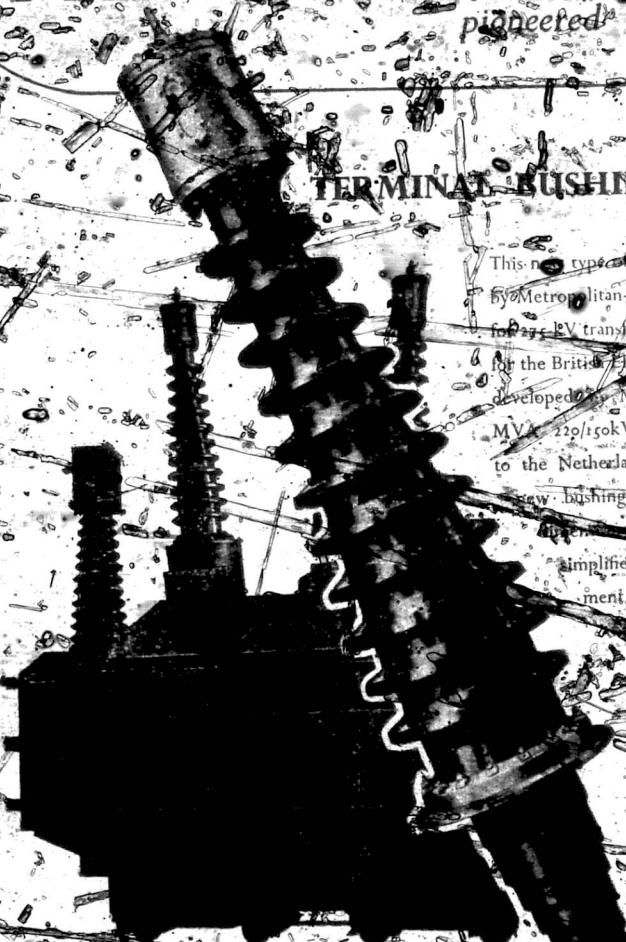
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Tourist Traffic in East Africa

General Magazet's Report

EAST AFRICA TOURIST TRAVEL ASSOCIATION'S account for last year now shows income at £0.472 was £4,124 above the expenditure. Subscriptions included £8,000 from the Kenyan Government, £500 from Uganda, £2,000 from Tanganyika and £2,000 from East African Railways and Harbours. The surplus was due mainly to reduced air fares.

In his report for 1953, Mr. Michael Dunford, the association's manager, writes that though the number of visitors to Kenya fell by 10% last year, there was an increase in visitors to Uganda and Tanganyika. He believes that in Kenya traffic has been attributed to what he describes as "a report of lawlessness in the Mount Kenya, Meru, Nakuru, and Nairobi areas."

He believes that East Africa's development may have reached the point of temporary saturation, and that no further substantial increase may be expected until new capital has been invested in the rehabilitation and extension of transport facilities. Hotel construction remains slow in Mombasa and Kisumu.

Large Travel Market

The potential travel market of East Africa remains of such vast dimensions that East Africa will never suffer a loss to its customs, but the percentage cannot be taken of a situation in which we decide on a much larger scale these amenities and facilities that are also sold in trade of the travel industry.

While welcoming publicity offered by Territorial Governments, he urges that care be taken to ensure that politics or partisan propaganda are excluded.

Mr. Dunford, which swindled in the earlier months of

the year, was approaching normal by December, but only 3,300 letters were handled against 6,000 in the previous year. Average length of stay in East Africa was always in the case of persons in transit, 36 days for visitors on business, and 49.9 for those on holiday, this being larger than in any other part of the world. There appears to be no seasonal variation in tourist traffic.

The safari industry reported an unusually good year, and bookings for this year appear to be unaffected by the emergency.

The association has commissioned a short colour and sound film of tourism in East Africa in the territories. It should be ready shortly.

Coffee Crops

THE MARKET PRICE OF COFFEE in New York has risen by almost 50% in the past three months, says the current monthly letter of Messrs. Eum. Schiltz & Co., Ltd., which states that the quality of the 110,000 bags of the Kenya 1952-54 crop already sold has not been as good as that of last season. About 18,500 bags of various grades have still to be sold. It is expected that the balance of 35,000 bags of Tanganyika K.N.C. coffee will have been auctioned by the end of this month. New crop robustas from Bukoba will become available in May-June. The Bugishu crop from Uganda is estimated at 40,000 bags, of which 11,000 bags are under contract to the Ministry of Food. The latest estimate of the Uganda crop is 160,000 bags between now and the end of October.

Sisal Outlook

WORLD PRODUCTION OF SISAL this year is computed by Hard Fibres at 332,000 tons, a drop of 8,000 tons from the 1952 total. The estimate for Tanganyika is 154,000 and for Kenya 36,000, falls of 9,000 and 4,000 tons respectively. Mozambique production at an estimate of 24,000 tons is up about 2%. World demand is expected to exceed production by 3,500 tons. Provided there be no change in world economic conditions, market prices are expected to be firm and slightly higher for the better grades during the current quarter. Brazil's experiment in sisal growing on a large scale is said to be over, having "ended in failure" from a few hundred tons at the time of the outbreak of the last war, production rose to 25,000 tons in 1948 and 60,000 three years later. Now it is back to about one-third of that figure.

Tobacco Varieties

TOBACCO PLANTERS in Southern Rhodesia have been warned by the Rhodesia Tobacco Association not to increase their acreages of Hicks' and Delcros varieties for flue-cured tobacco in the coming season without further tests. Disappointment has been experienced by one large manufacturer as the failure of these varieties to hold their position. Hicks' and Delcros were developed in Canada where they produced a higher yield and better quality leaf than any of the tobacco previously grown, and it is suggested that new varieties formed half the crop planted in Southern Rhodesia this season. No further comments are in hand.

International African Institute

The International African Institute has now 1,304 members of whom 352 are in British African territories, 258 in Great Britain, 62 in the Union of South Africa, 51 in Belgium, 42 in the Belgian Congo, 42 in French African territories, 22 in Holland, 22 in Germany, 13 in Portugal, 11 in Egypt, six in Ethiopia, six in India, 10 in Switzerland, 11 in Sweden, and 221 in the United States of America.

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NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF

Last Monday was the 50th anniversary of the death of Sir Henry Morton Stanley, the African explorer.

African Consolidated Films, Ltd., of Johannesburg are making a documentary picture about Mau Mau.

Thin one two-storey blocks of flats built by the Mombasa Corporation for Africans are now ready for occupation.

An annual flag day to raise funds for African education has been approved by the Municipal Council of Nakuru, Kenya.

The Sudan Senate will reassemble on June 24, and the House of Representatives on June 10, when the budget will be presented.

The Government of Kenya has forbidden the import of a pamphlet entitled "The Doctrine of Passive Resistance," written by an Indian.

Spring rains in the Somaliland Protectorate are likely to constitute a record. Many of the river beds have been in spate for several days at a time.

A contingent consisting of 25 members of the Somaliland Scouts and 10 of the girls took part in the parade inspected by the Governor of Aden.

A plaque to the brothers Eric and John Moir, two of the pioneers of Nyasaland, was unveiled last week in the Livingstone National Memorial in Scotland.

Another delivery of Vampire jet fighters and Percival Pembroke is being made at the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland by pilots of the Southern Rhodesian Air Force.

The cost of calling up, transporting and maintaining the Defence Force during the strike at Wankie Colliery in Southern Rhodesia and afterwards in Bulawayo was £10,216. The cost of the British South Africa Police was £2,763.

Membership of East Africa House, the inter-racial club for East Africans in London, is now almost 1,800. Purchase of the adjoining house has raised the accommodation to 47 bedrooms.

The seventh annual dinner of the Sudan Defence Force Dinner Club will be held on June 25. Particulars may be obtained from Major-General A. J. Knott, 5 High Street, Harrow-on-the-Hill.

Arrangements have now been made that newcomers to Kenya liable for call-up under the Compulsory Military Training Ordinance shall not receive their papers within 18 months of arrival in the Colony.

A verdict of suicide while temporarily of unsound mind has been returned at the inquest on Sir James K. Patrick, an assistant game warden in Kenya, who was found dead in his house in Limuru on April 3.

The Sudan Supplementary Appropriation Bill for 1954 provides an addition of £120,000 to the original vote of £1,166,241 for the Sudan Defence Force, and of £50,000 to the original vote of £1,752,617 for the Ministry of Works.

S. Rhodesian Immigration

Immigrants to Southern Rhodesia in February numbered 824, of whom 725 were British subjects, 517 being British born, and 346 South African. The total for the first two months of the year was 1,552. The capital declared for February was £252,788, or £29,870 less than for January.

Speakers of the Sudan Senate and Sudan House of Representatives and visitors from Southern Rhodesia and Uganda, among those attending a course on parliamentary procedure and practice which has been organized in London by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.

Southern Rhodesia's receipts for the past year were £2,264,000, and its revenue expenditure totalled £2,26,600, said Mr. C. G. Staff, Minister of Finance, in the Legislative Assembly recently. The adverse balance of payments, which was £51m. in 1953, had been reduced to £41m. in 1954, and to less than £27m. for 1955.

The Umma Party in the Sudan has protested against the appointment of Senator Mrio Iro, who favours union with Egypt, to the Governor-General's Advisory Commission in place of Sayed Ibrahim Ahmed, an independent and again accused Egypt of interference in Sudanese affairs. Appeals by this party to restore Basra and in particular to the Commission have been made to Great Britain and Egypt.

Too Many Elephants

Mr. A. Fraser, a game officer, and Mr. J. Cramer, Native Commissioner for Swaziland, represented Southern Rhodesia at a conference at Beaufort to discuss with representatives of South Africa, and Bechuanaland measures to control the herds of elephant which are damaging crops of Africans in the Tuli area. An African hunter was recently gored to death by one of the beasts. Proposals to drive the herds from the areas where their presence is incompatible with Native interests or to thin them down to harmless proportions without eliminating the elephants altogether are being submitted to the governments concerned.

East African Dinner

The eighth dinner of the East Africa Dinner Club will be held in London on Tuesday, June 29. Major-General Kenneth, president of the club for 1954, will take the chair. Tickets (7s. 6d. to members of the club, or themselves, and their guests; and 30s. each to non-members) may be obtained from the honorary secretary, Miss Brown, 10, East Africa Avenue, Grand Buildings, Finsbury, London, E.C.1.

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Rhodesia Railways will spend more than £500,000 in the next two-and-a-half years on installing centralized train control working on the line between Bulawayo and Gwelo. The first stretch of centralized train control line in Africa was that completed last year between Bulawayo and Gwelo. The system means doubles traffic capacity. The new section to Weekie, 26 miles, will be the longest in the Commonwealth and one of the longest in the world under this type of operation.

East African Coffee Plantations, Ltd., an Australian company claiming to be the largest individual planter of coffee in Kenya, made a net profit of £A66,288 last year, against £A77,079 in the previous year. Reduced earnings were due to drought and resting trees on some of the estates. An area of 260 acres has been planted with coffee and an expansion is planned over three years.

Uganda Exports

Uganda's exports last year totalled only £33m., compared with £37m. in 1952, the fall being almost entirely attributable to the reduction in the world price of cotton from about 48d/kg (80d. per lb) within the period in question. In 1952 cotton exports from Uganda had reached the record figure of almost £30m. Last year they were under £17m.

In answer to a question in the Ugandan Senate, the Minister of Agriculture said that the results of pilot schemes in sugar growing conducted by Messrs. Boxall & Co., Ltd., in the Mongalla District showed that both the yield of cane per feddas and the sugar content were satisfactory.

The railway line from Mwara to Ruo and Nachingwea, which is now operating under construction conditions, will be taken into normal traffic on July 17. The temporary port facilities at Mkwaye, including the big and lighter services between Mvaya and Ruo, will be closed for public traffic from October 1.

Last year Australia exported to Southern Rhodesia rather more than £2m. worth of goods, wheat accounting for £1.1m., and condensed milk for £250,000. Southern Rhodesia's exports to Australia, worth £2.2m., were mainly unmanufactured tobacco, and smaller quantities of asbestos, chrome, and manganese.

At last week's auction in London 5,100 bales of African teas were sold for an average price of 4s. 6d./lb., compared with 4s. 17d./lb. in 1952, averaging 4s. 5.5d./lb. per lb. in the previous year. The highest price reached was £100/lb. per cwt. for consignment from Kenya and Nyasaland.

East African Land and Development Co., Ltd., in its preliminary statement report investment in Seringi Box at £13,760 (market value £15,640), cash balance at £1,507 (£8,299), and current liabilities at £3,424 (£3,683). No sales of land were effected during the year.

The International Sugar Council has issued export quotas by a further 5% on the basic export tonnages, and has recommended exporting countries to limit their exports during the first six months of the present year to 75% of their initial export quotas. Prices paid to cultivators of cotton in the Arusha Mountains, on the Sudan, for the 1953/54 season were £f.2,500 m./ha. per kapita for grade L, £f.2,400 m./ha. for grade H, and £f.2,200 m./ha. for grade Hf.

British Ropes

British Ropes, Ltd., the largest manufacturer of East African sisal, report current assets at £1,04,952 (£7,002,361) and current liabilities at £1,01,347 (£2,037,497).

The name of Percival Aircraft, Ltd., has been changed to Hunting Percival Aircraft, Ltd., to identify it more closely with the Hunting group.

Messrs. Gairland and Wolf, Ltd., report current liabilities at £8,791,935 (£8,415,662) and current assets at £15,021,416 (£18,606,692).

The World Bank will send a mission to Rhodesia and Nyasaland in about a month, particularly to examine the hydro-electric projects.

Messrs. Woodrow, Ltd., report group assets at £3,848,614 (£2,602,628) and current liabilities at £1,592,326 (£148,718).

Messrs. Spicer (Export), Ltd., of London, have opened a Nairobi office. Mr. Kenneth N. Mitchell is in charge.

Production of steel windows and doors by Kenya Casements, Ltd., Mombasa, is expected to start this month.

Dividends

Dwa Plantations, Ltd.—10% actual (4s. per share) on the ordinary shares for 1953, absorbing net £2,200 last year 25% absorbing £6,102, and 4% actual (4s. per share) on the cumulative participating preference shares, absorbing net £1,200, the same as last year. Profits for the year were £7,219 (£16,021), after all charges and taxation. U.K. taxation was £2,915 (£17,664). The annual general meeting will be held in London on June 16.

British Overseas Stores, Ltd.—Ultim 24% (the same).

Sisal Imports for April

Dwa Plantations, Ltd.—82,200m. of fibre, making 356 tons for four months.

East Afric Co. (Africa), Ltd.—1,090 tons imported with 1,085 tons in April 1953.



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Oil Prices Prejudice the Colonies.**Mr. E. F. Hitchcock's Statement.**

Mr. E. F. Hitchcock wrote in a letter in Saturday's *Times*:

"The price of oil is of concern to interests far beyond the direct consumer. As an example, over the past year negotiations have been taking place with the United Kingdom Shipping Conference for the reduction of ocean freight rates which primary producers in East Africa have to pay for shipment of their products to Europe. One of the main arguments advanced by the shipping companies in resisting this claim was the rising cost to them of stern fuel oil, the price of which is assessed on dollar costs and is fictitious. It was stated that this represented annual operating costs of over £1m. to one British shipping group alone."

"With America was a net exporter of oil prices in dollar Gulf costs might have been justified, but for years now Africa has been the importer of oil and refining capacity in the U.K. now exceeds demand, while tankers are even in surplus supply. I am informed that the oil companies have oil 'oozing' out of their ears."

"Over a wide range of Colonial primary commodities there have been heavy falls in world prices. Costs of production are not very far to, and in some cases exceed, the level of world commodity prices, and every effort is being made by producers to reduce costs. On the prosperity of these various tropical Colonial economies all the welfare and contentment of the people depend. The African shipping producer has to pay for these high charges for oil in inflated freight rates, and on what he sells.

"Accidently, he does not the oil companies be well advised if they should not clearly to consumers what proportion of the oil price represents taxation."

"There may be a prima facie case for a reasonable managed stability of world oil prices, including proper depreciation for wasting assets and for exploration and research. Nevertheless, the maintenance of the present artificially inflated level of oil prices anathematised to the pre-structure of the economy. They are detrimental to producers as well as consumers in the Commonwealth, and is a form of monopoly which requires serious investigation."

MR. W. D. LEWIS, president of the Nyasaland Tobacco Association, suggested at the annual meeting that the committee might take a survey of the tobacco grown in Nyasaland. Marketers claimed 34m. lbs were assured for the current year, 1934, but put had been just over 30m. lbs., and it had realized £240,000. There were demands this year for 51m. lbs of all grades leaf. There was doubt about the supply sufficient for the average over the past five years had been only 27m. or above 31m. lbs. It was hoped that this would do much to close the gap. To his great disappointment the association and the Nyasaland Government representative had decided some years ago not to enter into an agreement in regard to future production with the Tobacoo Advisory Committee in the United Kingdom. Events had, Mr. Lewis thought, proved the decision wrong, and he considered that it should be re-examined.

Five Railway Weeks.

A SPENDITURE OF £2M. on new works and equipment is recommended by the Transport Advisory Council of the East African Railways and Harbours Administrations. The chief projects are: relaying 10 miles of the Nairobi-Nairobi main line with 95lb. track; realigning and regrading the line between Tanga and Korogwe; installation of a system of interlocking signals at 63 stations to provide greater safety and quicker movement between Mombasa and Nakuru; a maralling yard and warehouse at Chimgami; improvements to water, waste, housing, schemes for Asian and African employees; increased rolling stock and provision of refrigerator wagons for chilled meat traffic; new tipples, a new tug, and a large number of pontoons and dredges. An appeals committee is to examine and arrange for the increased railway rates.



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The issued capital of the parent company consists of £1,750,000 in 6½% cumulative preference stock units and £1,300,000 in ordinary stock units, both of 10/- denomination. Revenue reserves stand at £3,585,622 unsecured registered convertible notes at £1,706,000, loan at £2m., provision for taxation at £243,688 and current liabilities at £619,903. Fixed assets appear at £1,419,442 subsidiary companies at £163,964, mining properties at £99,875, loans to affiliated companies and others at £1,079,709, quoted investments at £6,974,605, market value £1,800,000, unquoted investments at £821,455, and current assets at £44,349, including £1,034 in cash.

The directors are Messrs. J. E. Nagart (chairman), T. Coulter (Managing director), Mr. A. E. Edge, H. C. Koch, Sir Ernest Oppenheimer (retired), Mr. Wilson, H. F. Oppenheimer, M. W. Rush, G. S. Shilling, and W. D. Wilson. The London committee consists of Messrs. W. D. Dyerham, W. E. Graves (alternate), R. V. Pritchard, S. A. Ross, and A. C. Wilson (alternate), W. C. Squires.

The 49th annual general meeting will be held in Johannesburg on June 18.

Railway Freight on Copper

FROM JUNE 1 a tonnage scale will be applied to copper exports from Northern Rhodesia which will give the railways an average return of 1.12d. per ton-mile, compared with the present 0.72d. per ton-mile paid by the copper mining companies, and an overall rate for coal, copper, and imports of 0.572d. per ton-mile. Under new agreements the companies will pay public rates less 10% for imports and 10% for public rates for coal.

Progress Reports for April

Rankin Colliers—15,800 tons of coal and 12,500 tons of coke were sold.

Rhodesian Broken Hill—1,650 tons of lead and 2,630 tons of zinc were produced.

Premier—6,100 tons of ore were treated for 1,196 oz. gold and a working profit of £296.

Can & Motor—5,767 oz. gold were recovered from 2,500 tons of ore and the working profit was £44,963.

Anglo—2,900 tons of ore were treated at the Geita mine for 3,198 oz. gold. The operating profit was £2,301.

London and Rhodesian—At the Connaught mine 805 tons of ore were milled for 263 oz. gold and a working profit of £1,297.

Cordorao—1,069 oz. gold were recovered at the Pebekwe mine from 7,800 tons of ore milled. The working profit was £1,200. The respective figures for the Argentea mine were 888 oz., 10,100 tons, and £2,676; and for the Marica mine 973 oz., 2,968 tons, and £10,544.

Copperbelt Returns

Mufulira Copper Mines, Ltd. produced 38,724 long tons of primary copper in the nine months ended March 31 last. Revenue from sales, less operating and administrative expenditure, was £4,977,000, the difference in the value of stocks adding £749,000. A sum of £1,322,000 was provided for replacements and loan interest, leaving an estimated profit of £1,942,000 before taxation.

Rhodesian Antelope Copper Mines, Ltd. produced 66,003 long tons of blister copper in the nine months ended March 31 last. Revenue from sales less operating and administrative expenditure was £3,84,000 and the difference in the value of stocks added £1,736,000. After providing £771,000 for replacements, obsolescence, and interest, there remained an estimated profit of £1,927,000 before taxation.

Enterprise Mining and Finance

The Rhodesian Mining and Finance Co., Ltd.—providing £1,117 for taxation earned a profit of £4,565 in the calendar year 1953, compared with £1,840 in 1952. A dividend of 12½% less tax requires £1,569, leaving £10,891, against £10,563 brought in. The issued capital is £51,912 in stock units of 4s. Revenue reserves stand at £27,991 and current liabilities at £5,007. Current assets appear at £84,817, including stocks and shares at £80,958 (market value £81,297) and cash at £2,776. The directors are Messrs. J. N. Kest (Chairman), A. T. Wells, and Major H. E. Morell, and the secretary is Mr. A. G. Ellins. The annual general meeting will be held in London on May 28.

Mining Dividends

Exploration Co., Ltd.—Nil. Net profit for 1952 after tax was £10,120 (£6,000).

African and European Investment Co., Ltd.—26½% the same. Revenue for 1953 was £1,095,332 (£1,080,000), profit £355,194 (£29,144), and taxation £66,000 (£15,000).

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Tanganyika Concessions

TANGANYIKA HOLDINGS, LTD. announced that a quotation for the ordinary units of Tanganyika Concessions, Ltd., has been granted by the Butawaya Stock Exchange.

Mineral Survey of Kenya

A SURVEY of the geology and mineral resources of Kenya by Mr. W. Sulfray has been published by the Government Printer, Nairobi, at 5s.

Eileen Alannah

EILEEN ALANNAH MINING CO., LTD. report a net profit of £62,000 for 1953, against £4,137 in the previous year, after tax of £16,721 (£1,960).

Prospecting for Oil

Conoco Soal is prospecting for oil in the Semimillid Project area. The resident manager is Dr. R. W. Pike.

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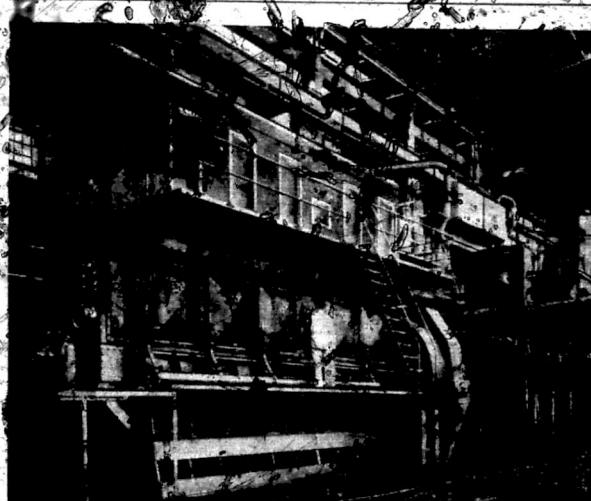
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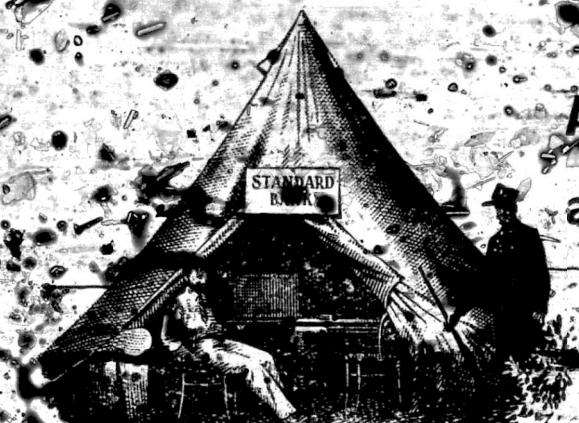
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MATTERS OF MOMENT

THE GREAT SURPRISE about Operation Anvil is not its success, but that it should have been so belated. That almost two-thirds of all Africans interrogated in Nairobi should have had to be detained for further examination, and that many hundreds of hard-core members of Mau Mau should be among their number, are twin facts which surely condemn the civil and military authorities for having so long tolerated the presence in the capital of Kenya of these anti-social men and women. For many months large numbers of the Africans in Nairobi have been openly contemptuous of the authorities' so-called "boycott" of the use of buses by Africans. As contemptuous as these Mau Mau oath-taking ceremonies have continued in Nairobi itself, where murder, intimidation, armed robbery, bribery, and corruption have been widespread. Yet more than eighteen months were allowed to pass before this thorough-going operation was undertaken against what all Kenya knew to be a key point of rebellion.

The official excuse is, we believe, that there was not enough accommodation until quite recently for the thousands who would have to be detained. That means merely that proper plans were not made at the proper time for this elementary requirement (assuming that the Mackinnon Road Depot could not have been used). In other words, this is another indication of lack of decisive leadership. From the start of the emergency there have been divided counsels, division of responsibility, and the pathetic pretence that half-measures would suffice. It has not even been agreed to call rebellion by its proper name to the Government of Kenya, and

even to the European-elected members of the Legislature, it is still an "emergency"—though when the Secretary of State was in Kenya recently he recognized facts by creating a "War Council," consisting of the Governor, the Commander-in-Chief, and the leader of the European electorate. The triumvirate is at least an improvement on the more cumbersome machinery which it replaced, but it leaves individual initiative greatly to the advantage of the insurrectionists. Incredibly though, be an administrative officer who learns of a Mau Mau ceremony in his district may not summon a police escort and leave immediately to arrest the malefactors; he must report to his local committee, which can probably not act before the Mau Mau scatter. If ever there was a time for strong leadership and instant action, it has been during the past year and a half; but even now there is evidence from highly responsible quarters of lack of a sense of urgency, or dithering while gangsters work their evil deeds.

How badly the military have miscalculated is evident from the statement by the Member for Finance in Kenya that the cost of emergency operations to the end of June

of this year would be about eight and a half million pounds, which is more than four times the sum given him when he compiled his budget, and Mr. Vansittart has to add the warning that by the end of June next year the total figure may rise to twenty millions. And that would represent only part of the direct cost upon the public purse. To take one of numerous items not included, the reduced demand for imported goods would decrease the revenue of the Customs Department, the Railways and Harbours Administration, and the Income Tax Department. The burden upon business and agriculture, though in-

Lack of Decisive Leadership

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calculable, is heavy and increasing, and the cost of measures for the rehabilitation of the Kikuyu is bound to be far heavier than most people imagine. Moreover, that process will be far lengthier than even the pessimists dare to admit. It would be wholly unrealistic, therefore, to compute the costs of Mau Mau or something like twenty million pounds. Directly and indirectly it will involve a much greater sum.

This grave hurt to a Colony of high promise has resulted primarily from the stubborn refusal to face unpleasant facts and deal adequately with them. The blame, as this newspaper has ex-

Refusal to Face Unpleasant Facts. plained in considerable detail in the past, is by no means attributable solely to officialdom. The Colonial Service must bear the main share because it had ultimate responsibility and power, but the non-official political leaders of Kenya in recent years have compromised by their unwise insistence on the retention of police, welfare, and other services which the Government wanted to provide, and by their failure to use the strong measures of protest which were available to them when they considered the Government dangerously wrong in its policy. If they were convinced, as they have claimed during the past year, that official inaction was jeopardizing the public well-being, it was their duty to do very much more than sound a warning

or two in one or more speeches which would be quickly forgotten. They should have utilized, with maximum publicity, the device of the disposal of members of a Legislature. Determination of that kind would have proved the depth of their anxiety, and assuredly less appropriate official action, for the Government would have known that further fecklessness would have caused criticism in the British Parliament and Press.

Non-official political leaders have not served their cause by the unconvincing impression that all the faults were on the other side. That merely closed the official ranks in mutual self-protection.

What Kenya Had The non-officials, hubristically admitted their shortcomings, they would have

been much more likely to evoke cordial co-operation from the Government, probably beginning with the removal of some senior officials who were obvious misfits, but to whom the Government clung while extravagant general charges were being made. The need was and is to close ranks, and the greatest advantage of Mr. Lyttelton's plan is that it sets all parties and all races to work on the major common problems. A cessation of political clamour while this task proceeds would be much to Kenya's benefit. But the overriding needs are unquestionably a sense of urgency, a sense of decision, a true sense of direction, and a high sense of mission.

Notes By The Way

The Queen

THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A QUEEN before like this in the distance travelled, countries visited, number of people met and greeted and addressed and inspired, nor in the insistent demands made on the Queen herself. By universal consent she has done it marvellously, flawlessly, with all her heart, bringing a new power to old loyalties, a new unity to the far-flung family of the Commonwealth, and a new and lovely fragrance in the lives of all those who came within reach of her. So spoke Dr. Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury, in a message to the nation on the evening of the day on which Her Majesty arrived back in London from an absence of six months, during which she had travelled some 50,000 miles. On the following day Dr. Garbett, Archbishop of York, said when dedicating a new pulpit in Bridlington to commemorate the Coronation: "When the Crown is worn by one of such simplicity, grace, and goodness as our Queen, the people of the Commonwealth are drawn not only nearer to her but also nearer to one another."

Grace and Dignity

"THE CLEANING EPISODE of the Queen's journey among her people, their joy in welcoming her, and the impact of her personality upon their vast numbers, constitute an event which stands forth without equal in our records and casts a light, clear, gay, and benign atmosphere upon the whole human scene," said the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons on Monday. "The Sovereign has rendered a service of lasting value which could have sprung from no other source, a service involving not only tireless exertion but an element of danger through air travel and other hazards of which everyone concerned was conscious except herself. We express our gratitude to her and her husband for the work that they have done together which no one else could do." The Queen's journey of nearly six months has reminded all the nations of the causes for which we stand—the constitutional monarchy, surely founded in the hearts of its people; the Crown—the symbol of the State; the harmonious reconciliation of the past with the present; the spirit of individual freedom.

and courage and fair play; the capacity at the same time to change and to endure. From beginning to end this royal pilgrimage has reassessed human values and given a new pre-eminence to the grace and dignity of life. All over the globe there has been a sense of kindly feeling and of generous admiration. Even envy were a friendly smile."

The Importance of Personality

MR. ATTLEE paid no less warm a tribute if in very different phraseology, saying: "The note that was struck everywhere was the personal, human, friendly note. People saw not only a leader but a friend. They saw a young and beautiful woman and her husband symbolizing the kind of family life that we all love and respect. I am quite sure that this journey, which at times must have been very burdensome, has done a great service to the people of the British Commonwealth. There is something in personality—it is all very well to have a formula, or a constitution, or even a flag, but people want to feel a loyalty and affection towards people, and see those people and know those people; and I feel that, to-day, as perhaps never before, the people of the Commonwealth feel what is expressed in this address—not only loyalty but affection."

For the Liberal Party Mr. Clement Davies declared that "We of the Commonwealth are in our gracious Queen and the Royal Family the envy of the rest of the world."

An African Occasion

UNTIL LAST WEEK I had never seen a toast list or menu for a public dinner printed without an outline map of Africa. That happy innovation distinguished the souvenir received by each guest of the United Africa Company at the dinner given at Carrington's Hotel to mark the 25th anniversary of its formation—or, as Sir Geoffrey Neworth, the chairman, said in his light-hearted speech, in thanksgiving for survival! The inside covers, printed in colour, were also put to novel use, namely the trademarks of the great organizations represented by U.A.C. Among them are the giants of British industry, many of which were represented at the function by their chairman or managing director. Trumpeters of the Household Cavalry announced the service of dinner by a bugle fanfare composed by the band-master of the Gold Coast Training Regiment, and Grace and "God Save the Queen" were sung by a choir of eight men. An exceptionally distinguished gathering is likely to remember such evidences of thoughtful planning.

Prophecies Fulfilled

EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA is now proved to have been right in suggesting long ago that under the new "parity" constitution in Tanganyika Territory there would be nine European, nine African, and nine Asian non-official members of the Legislature, not seven of each race, as was generally assumed. Indeed, so far as I know, this paper was the only one to reject the popular seven-seven-seven formula and predict that it would prove to be nine-nine-nine. This journal also held that the change would be introduced in less than the five years officially mentioned when the constitutional change was first announced. In that respect also the forecast now proves to have been well founded.

Extravagant Ambitions

THE ANNOUNCEMENT in Nyasaland by the Secretary of State for the Colonies that within about the next six months the Governor would submit proposals to increase the numbers of Africans in the Legislative Council has been quickly followed by a statement from Mr. W. Chilwa, a Nyasaland African member of the

Federal Parliament, that the Nyasaland African Congress had asked Mr. Lyttelton to provide an additional 10 seats from Africans and Asians. Not surprisingly they were told that that was not practicable. The absurdity of the request is clear from the fact that until July of last year there were only two African members of the Legislature, and that since that time there have been three. The Council has 20 members, half official and half non-official. On the non-official benches there are five Europeans, three Africans, one Asian, and one member nominated by the Governor at his discretion without regard to race.

Rufiji Venture

FOR MANY YEARS I have been surprised that no great company engaged in growing sugar has decided to embark upon its production in the Rufiji Valley of Tanganyika Territory. At long last such a venture is to be made under very experienced auspices. For the moment I say no more except to suggest that the locality chosen for this particular purpose seems much more promising than another area about which there has been a good deal of private discussion during the past year or so. East Africa does not yet grow enough sugar to meet local requirements, which will increase immensely with the rise in population and earning power. The territories, and especially Tanganyika, ought to be exporters. So there should be general measure at the prospect of large-scale sugar growing by a group new to East Africa. Other interests may undertake similar operations in Uganda, but a decision in that matter cannot be expected for some time.

Mr. J. A. Kinsey

MR. J. A. KINSEY, who has been appointed Commissioner for the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland in East Africa, with headquarters in Nairobi, has been First Secretary at Rhodesia House, London, where he has made many friends. After serving in the Royal Engineers in the first world war, he joined the Education Department of Southern Rhodesia, in which he served until his transfer to the Treasury in 1948. He came to London not long afterwards. A few days ago he left by air for Salisbury to do a quick tour of the Rhodeses and Nyasaland before taking up his new duties. Mr. Kinsey plays the piano and cello. At the Coronation last year he was a Gold Staff Officer in Westminster Abbey.

Dr. Henry Oliver

DR. HENRY OLIVER, upon whom the Queen conferred the C.M.G. at the opening of the Owen Falls hydro-electric station, is Rhodesian, born in Uganda, who has had an exceptionally successful career as a civil engineer. Though still only about 40, for almost four years he has been the chief representative in Uganda of Sir Alexander Gibb and Partners, the consulting civil engineers to the Uganda Electricity Board, in connexion with the building of the great dam and power station. Previously he had undertaken responsible work in Iran. I have heard friends in excellent positions to judge praise Dr. Oliver's service in Uganda most highly. He was a Bell scholar at Cape Town University.

Before-Going

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD anyone in ordinary conversation refer to the "before-going day" or the "before-going question"? Nairobi City Council appears to be developing the habit of employing this unusual and inelegant term. It has appeared twice recently in the published minutes of committees. The Works Committee hyphenates the word, but it is spelt without a dash by the Town Planning Committee. May I plead that "after-coming" should not be employed as a synonym for "next"?

Sir William Halcrow on the Kariba and Kafue Schemes

Extract from an Address to the Royal Society of Arts*

THE KARIBA SCHEME is situated in the Kariba Gorge on the Zambezi, about 225 miles down stream from Livingstone. The river flows through a narrow gorge 10 miles in length, through which it passes with only a slight fall. A high dam at any suitable point would force the water back over a great distance and form a vast lake.

The catchment area above the gorge is some 300,000 sq. miles and the average flow in the river is about 37,000 c.s.f.p.s. per second. It has, however, a large seasonal variation, while in the dry season it may fall to 7,000 c.s.f.p.s. per second or less. In the floods it may rise to 300,000 c.s.f.p.s. per second or more, that is over 40 times as much. The proposal is to construct a dam across the gorge; some 400 ft. high, which will pond the river back to form a great lake some 100 miles long, or roughly the distance from London to Sheffield.

This lake will be so vast that the storage in a 100 ft. layer of less than 40 ft. will be sufficient to permit of complete regulation of the river flow. The surplus water in the floods and in years of heavy rainfall will be stored and released as required to give a constant discharge in the river.

Considerable engineering problems arise in the construction of a high dam across a great river like the Zambezi, subject to heavy seasonal floods. During construction it is proposed to divert the water through four diversion tunnels each 50 ft. in diameter. The dam will be constructed in the dry between cofferdams. Two or more of these tunnels will subsequently be adapted as spillway tunnels for flood water.

Alternative Sites

Alternative sites for the dam are under consideration—one near the upper end and the other near the lower end of the gorge. The lower site presents certain technical advantages but is not so favourable as regards foundation. At the upper site the river bed is, on rock, but at the lower site the rock is overlaid by riverine deposits of considerable thickness.

The layout of the station at the two sites would vary. At the lower site the power station would be placed across the river at the foot of the dam and the turbines would be fed by leading the water through the dam by down-take pipes. The four diversion tunnels would be adapted as spillways. At the upper site the dam would be similar, but the power house would be detached and located well below the dam on the right flank. Two power tunnels would be constructed with short adits leading to each turbine.

The regulated output capacity of the Kariba scheme is estimated at 1,000,000 kW at 70% load factor, equivalent to 700,000 kW of continuous power. The cost excluding the transmission system, was estimated in December 1950, at about £44m. An idea of the capacity of the station will be gained when it is mentioned that Battersea power station, with the extension at present in hand, has a capacity of 500,000 kW, or just half that of Kariba.

The dam would have to be constructed to its full height before any power could be generated, but the scheme could be developed in stages by installing the generating plant as required. An initial installation was proposed of 200,000 kW at 70% load factor, and the

*Sir William Halcrow was chairman of the panel of four engineers appointed by the Central African Council in 1948 to investigate the Kariba and Kafue hydroelectric power schemes, on which he has now addressed the Commonwealth Section of the Royal Society of Arts.

estimated cost of this was £30m., excluding transmission. The period of construction of this initial scheme would be about seven years.

The estimated cost of energy was 0.2d. per kWh. from the initial scheme and 0.10d. from the full scheme. The cost of energy delivered at the receiving stations, and including the cost of and loss in transmission, was 0.34d. for the initial and 0.10d. for the full scheme. The cost of steam power as given in the report of 1952 of the Electricity Supply Commission of Southern Rhodesia was 0.55d. per unit. There has been a rise in costs of construction and plant since the estimates were prepared, but, even allowing for this, the Kariba scheme offers the possibility of a large supply of energy at extremely cheap rates, far below those obtainable from steam power.

Kafue River

The Kafue, a tributary of the Zambezi, joins it about 25 miles downstream of the Kariba Gorge. The Kafue rises on the frontier of the Belgian Congo, and running in a generally southerly direction, joins the Lukanga, a large tributary emerging from a vast swamp. The river then turns first in a westerly direction, then south to a gap in a ridge of hills known as the Meshi Teshi gap, and then meanders in an easterly direction across a great flood plain known as the Kafue Flats. This plain has a length of 200 miles and a width of about 150 miles, and is subject to considerable flooding in wet years.

Emerging from the flat, the river is crossed by railway and road bridges, and enters the narrow Kafue Gorge, through which it passes in a series of falls and cascades 40 descend 1,900 ft. in the 16½-mile length. Leaving the gorge, the river crosses 25 miles of the Zambezi plain to join that river. The steep fall through the gorge offers the opportunity for power development.

The layout of the scheme is as follows: a dam of about 100 ft. high is to be built across the gorge at its upper end. From here a high-level tunnel leads to a point near the Kafue ravine on the right flank of the river. Here a vertical surge shaft is to be constructed and extended as down-take shaft leading to a short low-level tunnel connecting to a power station in the ravine. The total length of tunnel from the dam to the power station is about 8½ miles, and the head 950 ft. A second dam across the ravine forms a small reservoir, into which the water is taken through a second tunnel some five miles long, similar to the first tunnel, and leading to a second power station on the Kafue Gorge. The layout is so arranged that the heads at the power station, and, consequently the plant, are the same.

Seasonal Variations

The river, which has wide seasonal and annual variations of flow, undergoes considerable natural regulation in its passage across the Kafue Flats, but the flow at Kafue, though perennial, is subject to considerable variation, and the site affords no opportunity for creating a large storage lake to regulate this. The 100-ft. dam creates a small storage which is valuable in tiding over low flows in the dry season, thus enabling a constant discharge to be obtained considerably higher than determined by the minimum dry weather flow.

It might be thought at first sight that, by raising the dam, a large lake could be formed on Kafue Flats which would give the requisite storage to regulate the river, but the flats are too large and too flat for this purpose. Raising the dam a few feet would create an expanse of shallow water, on which the evaporation loss would be so great as to exclude the lake being kept full. The storage near the dam site is therefore limited. The nearest other possible storage site is at the Meshi Teshi gap. Investigations are being carried out as to the practicability of a storage dam here and the capacity of the reservoir that would be formed.

But this is not the whole problem. It has to be ascertained how much of a regulated flow released at Meshi Teshi would reach the Kafue Gorge after its passage across the 200 miles of the flats. The solution of this requires not only extensive survey but, what takes much longer, the collection and building up of hydrological data. The Meshi Teshi project must therefore be regarded provisionally as a possible future option.

The scheme proposed, therefore, is one based on the storage obtainable in the immediate vicinity of the Kafue Gorge, but it has been designed so as to be elastic and readily capable of extension by provision of additional storage or otherwise.

the available water can be increased. The scheme is estimated to give an initial output of 257,000 kW at 80% load factor, equivalent to 205,000 kW of continuous power. The cost, excluding transmission, is estimated at £18m. The cost of energy is estimated at 0.15d. per kWh of energy sent and 0.26d. per kWh of energy delivered at the receiving stations after allowing for the cost of end loss in transmission. It is estimated that the complete scheme would take six and a half years to construct; but that partial operation could start after five years.

Comparing the Kariba and Kafue schemes, if construction of both were started at the same time, Kafue could begin to supply power in a shorter time than would a Kariba scheme of the same initial size as Kafue, and the cost of energy from Kafue would be lower than that from Kariba. But Kariba can be extended to give about three and a half times the output of Kafue and the cost of energy from the full development will be considerably less than from Kafue.

It is interesting to compare the characteristics of the two schemes. Kariba on the Zambezi has an enormous volume of flow, and the opportunity exists for creating so large a storage as will enable the variable flow to be fully regulated, but it has a relatively small available head. Kafue, situated on a tributary of the Zambezi, has a much smaller flow, and no opportunity to store on a scale to regulate the variations to a high degree. It has, however, a high head nearly seven times that at Kariba.

The schemes should in no sense be considered as rival but as complementary to each other. Both will undoubtedly be required in the not too distant future to meet the growing demands of Central Africa. They have always been looked on as developments to serve both Rhodesias, and in fact the original investigations of both were carried out by the Inter-Territorial Hydro-Electric Power Commission, a body under the chairmanship of Mr. A. B. Cowen, appointed by the Central African Council and representative of both Southern Rhodesia and Northern Rhodesia.

Joint Grid Committee

Much benefit could be derived by interlinking the two schemes, to form a joint grid. By doing so the vast storage at Kariba could virtually be utilized to supplement the small storage of Kafue and so take fuller advantage of the high head of Kafue.

Much discussion has taken place on the relative merits of the Kafue and Kariba schemes, but the only real issue that arises is which scheme should be constructed first. This indeed, was one of the terms of reference given to the panel for the preparation of their 1950 report.

They recommended that on purely economic considerations it would be advantageous to construct Kariba first. The grounds for this opinion were these: the Kariba dam would have to be constructed to its full height before any power could be obtained and extensions would consist of additions of plant. The lesser output of Kafue would meet only the prospective load in the Rhodesias for a short time and then any addition must come from Kafue. As this involved the construction of Kariba dam to full height, this incremental energy would become very costly.

On the load curve forecast, it was found that, within the limits of 400 and 1,000 m.W. at 70% load factor, construction of Kafue first would involve a large additional capital expenditure. This view was endorsed by the Commission representative of both Rhodesias.

The Government of Northern Rhodesia were, however, not satisfied that Kariba should be developed first, and they invited the panel to investigate whether 200 m.W. could be obtained from Kafue at an earlier date than from a partial development of Kariba. The panel reported that 257,000 could be got from Kafue at a cost per unit less than from an initial development of the same size at Kariba, but considerably more than that from the full development of Kariba. Power supply could start in five years, and reach full service in six and a half years, as against seven years for the initial Kariba scheme.

The Legislature of Northern Rhodesia unanimously adopted the report and decided to proceed with the Kafue scheme. They appointed a Kafue Authority for this purpose, on which the copper mines were strongly represented.

The arguments in favour of constructing Kafue first were that the expanding demands of the copper belt necessitated a power supply earlier than could be obtained from Kariba, and that it would be easier to raise the funds required for such a considerably larger amount for Kariba. The first argument has been somewhat weakened by the fact that

the copper companies have meanwhile arranged for a temporary supply of power from the Belgian Congo.

Since the Federation has come about and power development has become a general subject, during the discussion of a Hydro Electric Bill in the Federal Parliament recently it was evident that there was a considerable change of opinion in favour of constructing Kariba first, indeed the Economic grounds for doing so advanced in the panel's 1950 report still held good. The matter appears to have taken somewhat of a political turn, so that final issue may be in the melting-pot.

The two great rivers do not by any means exhaust the power potential of Central Africa. There are other sites of magnitude on the Zambezi and many smaller sites on its tributaries.

Shire River Scheme

A lengthy investigation is being carried out for the Government of Nyasaland on the possibilities of regulating the level of Lake Nyasa and the discharge of the Shire River. The object sought are to restrict the variation of lake level within prescribed limits to regulate the flow of the Shire, to reclaim the swamps, to extend irrigation, and to develop power. The upper and lower Shire have very flat gradients, but on the middle course, which has a length of some 80 miles and falls some 1,400 ft., there are possibilities for power development.

Whilst no large power site exists comparable with those of Kariba and Kafue, there are a number of sites, and the aggregate power that could be realized is considerable and may be of the order of 500 m.W. This power will be important both as a local supply and as a valuable contribution to a Central African grid. Nyasaland is densely populated and large numbers emigrate to the Rand and elsewhere to obtain work. The increased food supply arising from drainage and irrigation, and the employment following the establishment of industries based on the power development, will be of great benefit to the country.

The Financial Secretary to the Government of Northern Rhodesia said in Lusaka on Saturday that the latest investigations indicated that a minimum continuous supply of water would permit constant power generation at Kafue of 375 m.W. at 80% load factor, whereas at the beginning of last year 257 m.W. had been contemplated.

"Parity" Constitution Next Year

Changes in Tanganyika Legislature

SIR EDWARD TWINING, Governor of Tanganyika, told the Legislative Council last week that its construction would take place in the first half of next year, before the budget session, and that on the non-official benches there would be nine Europeans, nine Africans, and nine Asians, all nominated one of each race from each of the eight provinces and one each from Dar es Salaam.

The total membership is to be 55. At present the Council is composed of 15 officials and seven European, four African and three Asian non-officials.

It will be seen that in the reconstituted Chamber the official majority will be maintained.

The Governor said, *inter alia*:

"Most of the views which have been expressed to me have been in favour of proceeding step-by-step and ensuring that the new Legislature becomes firmly established before elections are introduced. It is proposed that nominations shall be for a period of three years instead of five as at present."

The constitutional committee recommended that the official majority should be retained, and this has the approval of the Secretary of State. This will mean 28 members on the official benches for a Territory of this size a council of 55 official and 27 non-official members is not too large.

The Territory needs at this time the services of men possessing the highest qualities of intelligence, integrity, and leadership, and I hope it will be possible to set up a Legislature which will not only be truly representative but will be outstandingly high in personal quality and will approach our problems not on a basis of narrow communal interests but as good Tanganyikans on a basis of common interests."

"Operation Anvil" Described in the House of Commons

Position of British Officials in the Sudan

MR. OLIVER LYTTELTON, Secretary of State for the Colonies, told the House of Commons last week:

The main military operation has now been completed; some 30,000 persons were picked up for examination, of which about 19,000 have been detained for further screening. In addition, 4,500 have been detained on individual detention orders; and 9,500 dependent women and children have been repatriated to Kenya.

The operation has been most successful. Hooliganism has been curbed, and the boycott enforced by the guerrillas on buses, beer and tobacco has been broken. There has been a spectacular reduction in crime, particularly violent crime, and the law-abiding African population has been heartened and reassured.

MR. BROCKWAY. "May I express the hope that the Minister has fully recovered from the accident which he had in East Africa? In regard to the situation in Kenya, and the unfortunate circumstances in which the negotiations for peace broke down, may I ask him whether the Government are keeping their minds very actively on the question of any further steps which may be taken to end the existing there?"

MR. LYTTELTON. "Yes, sir. I think the Government of Kenya have done all they can to induce surrenders, and I do not think that they were very fortunate in regard to this incident. It was a very unlucky matter."

Efforts to Induce Surrenders

MR. B. R. STOKES. "May I ask the Minister whether any steps have been taken to intensify the loud-speaker appeal from the forests to get those people who were about to surrender on April 10 to understand what really happened on April 7, and to let them know that they can still surrender under the usual guarantees?"

MR. LYTTELTON. "Yes, sir. We have intensified loud-speaker appeals from aeroplanes since then, and the terms upon which terrorists can surrender have been very widely spread. We can only hope for the best."

MR. J. GRIFFITHS. "Will the Minister consider the desirability of sending to send so many Africans back to the reserves? Is not there a very great danger that the reserves will become overcrowded? Whereas we all welcome the improved situation in Nairobi, there is a danger that the situation in the reserves will again become worse. Will the Minister call for a report whether the time has not come to stop sending large masses of Africans back to the reserves which are already grossly overcrowded?"

MR. LYTTELTON. "That is one of the difficult parts of the problem. If we clear out some of the population from areas we tend to increase the difficulties in the reserves. But I think the problem will have to be dealt with by measures in the reserves rather than by other forms of action."

MR. GRIFFITHS. "Will the Minister take an early opportunity to tell us what steps are taken, since the situation we have is that the overcrowding of the reserves is assuming other alarming proportions?"

MR. LYTTELTON. "We have instituted a much closer administration in the reserves. The other outlet will be in bringing into cultivation some of the tracks and areas around our stations. Mr. hon. gentleman is quite right in pointing out that this is one of the difficulties with which we have to contend."

Mrs. JEGGER asked the Minister when he expected the report of the East African Salaries Commission.

MR. LYTTELTON. "I expect to receive advance copies of the Commission's report this month, and that it will be published a few weeks later."

MR. HALE asked when the Report of the Royal Commission on Land in East Africa was expected.

MR. SELVYN LLOYD: "The Minister hopes to submit his report by the autumn."

MR. ALPORT asked the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs for a statement in regard to the Sudan Government's announcement on the terms of compensation to be offered to British officials whose appointments were Sudanized.

MR. E. WAKEFIELD asked if arrangements were being made for payment of compensation to British officials in the Sudan who, in accordance with the Sudanization programme, would shortly relinquish their appointments.

Compensation for British Officials in the Sudan

MR. SELVYN LLOYD: "A statement was made in the Sudanese House of Representatives on April 22 on behalf of the Sudanese Government outlining the principles of the Government's policy regarding expatriate officials. The most important of these is that both the Government and expatriate civil servants shall have the right on giving due notice to terminate their contracts on July 1, 1954, and the officials whose services are terminated under this provision shall have fair treatment in accordance with terms of compensation to be decided. The Government had already announced that those whose services were terminated as a result of termination should receive fair compensation."

It was understood that a joint committee of the Sudanese Government and representatives of the Governor-General has been set up in Khartoum and is studying actual compensation terms with a view to early adoption in the Sudanese Parliament, which resembles ours on June 11."

MR. ALPORT: "Might I ask whether the panel of experts to advise the Sudanese Government on matters of compensation has been appointed and, if so, whether it contains a representative of the United Kingdom?"

MR. LLOYD: "I do not know whether the word 'panel' is the right word to describe the body. I understand that the Sudanese Government have invited certain experts from certain countries to advise them. They have invited one from the U.K., whom they have already got, or is about to go, to the Sudan."

MR. WAKEFIELD: "Is my hon. and learned friend aware that, in order to create goodwill between British and Sudanese, money has been collected in the streets of Khartoum for a fund to provide compensation for British expatriate officers? What is the attitude of the Government towards that fund, which has been arranged by the Ministry of the Interior? Cannot the Government do something to anticipate a complaint of ours from the Egyptian Government?"

MR. LLOYD: "I am not aware of the fund about which my hon. friend has asked. I have no knowledge that the Sudanese Government are unwilling to deal with this matter on a fair basis. I cannot believe that the Sudanese Council of Ministers would regard it as inconsistent with the dignity of a self-governing country to encourage the practice to which my hon. friend referred."

Withdrawal of British Representatives

MR. ALPORT asked why Mrs. Burnett, the British representative on the Sudanization Committee, had withdrawn.

MR. SELVYN LLOYD: "Mr. Burnett has not withdrawn from the Sudanization Committee. When the Committee proposed to discuss the Sudanization of the judiciary, the independent position of which it specially safeguards under the Self-Government Statute, Mr. Burnett expressed the view that this was not a subject within the competence of the Sudanization Committee, which is concerned with the Sudanization of Government posts which may affect the free and neutral atmosphere required for self-government."

When the rest of the committee persisted in discussing this matter, Mr. Burnett said he could not take part in discussions on this issue. We have informed Mr. Burnett that we approve of his attitude. There can be no doubt the Sudanization of the judiciary is within the committee's terms of reference. The functions of the judiciary must depend on arrangements made between the Sudanese Council of Ministers and the judges themselves, subject, of course, to the terms of the Self-Government Statute."

MR. ALPORT: "Is this view accepted by the Council of Ministers of the Sudanese Government?"

MR. LLOYD: "So far I am aware, that matter has not yet been formally discussed."

MR. LLOYD: "What will be the attitude of H.M. Government to decisions of the Sudanization Committee with regard to the judiciary?"

Mr. LLOYD: "I have indicated that we regard the Amara Ultra wires the organization committee, and therefore do not regard any decisions of the committee on this as of any effect whatever."

Mr. WAKEFIELD: Is the present composition of the Governor-General's Commission in the Sudan, and what changes in personnel are in prospect?

Mr. LLOYD: "The Governor-General's Commission consists of one Pakistani chairman, one British and one Egyptian member, and two Sudanese members. The two Sudanese members were originally appointed by agreement between the British and Egyptian Governments, and under the provisions of Article 10 of the Anglo-Egyptian Agreement their appointment was subject to the unanimous approval of the Sudanese Parliament, which was obtained without alternative candidates, save of escape." (笑声)

Mr. WAKEFIELD: "Is the original Sudanese nominee, who was a supporter of the independence party, and the other member of the National Unionist Party. When their appointments to the commission came before the Sudanese Parliament on April 22 and 23, the latter's proposal was approved and that of the pro-independence member disapproved. A South African belonging to the National Unionist Party being nominated in his place. This is no doubt the change to which my hon. friend is referring."

Mr. WAKEFIELD: "Are the Government prepared to recognize the validity of the new commission?"

Mr. LLOYD: "We consider that it was a matter of regret that the Sudanese Parliament should have disturbed the balance on the Governor-General's Commission, which was not only a political balance but also a balance between the two sects, the Khatmia and the Ansar. We regretted, and indicated that we regretted, very much any alteration of the balance in the composition of the commission. So far as the future is concerned we must wait and see how the new commission conducts itself."

"Wait and See"

Mr. STOKES: "Is it not a fact that, as a result of this change, there is considerable feeling in Southern Sudan that the whole balance has been tilted in favour of Egypt and against the Governor-General's Commission acting in the neutral way in which it was intended to act? What steps does the rt. hon. and learned gentleman propose actively to take about it?"

Mr. LLOYD: "The course which we must take is to wait and see whether the new commission behaves in such a way that it does not carry out the spirit of the agreement, and when that fact has been established, if it is established, we shall then take action."

CAPTAIN WATERHOUSE: "Is it not too late to make these protests? Is not this action perfectly in accord with the agreement signed 18 months ago, which hon. members opposite and hon. members in other parts of the House endorsed?"

Mr. LLOYD: "Without doubt under the letter of the agreement, it was a matter for the Sudanese Parliament."

Mr. STOKES: "Was not an undertaking given, at the time the Governor-General's Commission was set up, that the Sudanese influence on the Governor-General's Commission would not be spared? Is it not a fact that, as a result of the recent changes, it has been spared? Surely it is up to H.M. Government to do something about it."

Mr. LLOYD: "I entirely agree that the disturbing of the balance on the commission is a matter very much to be regretted. When I was in Khartoum I pointed out to the Council of Ministers and to Sudanese leaders the unfortunate effects that this would have. We must wait and see whether the commission behaves in a manner which indicates that it is simply the servant of one party. If that happens, as I have said, we shall have to take action."

Mr. ATTENBOROUGH asked for a statement regarding the proposed revision of the Nile Waters Agreement of 1929.

Mr. SEYWARD LLOYD: "The Nile Water Agreement contained provision for adjustment to take account of developments in Nile conservation. It has become apparent in recent years that the time will soon come when better provision should be made for the Sudan's increasing needs. H.M. Government were therefore glad to hear that, as a result of conversations last February, an agreement was reached between the Egyptian and Sudanese Governments that technical discussions should shortly take place on the sharing of waters which will become available from new works now being planned."

Mr. ATTENBOROUGH: "In view of British interests on behalf of Uganda in the Nile Valley, and of Ethiopia's interests in the Nile waters, will those two countries take part in any discussions or negotiations for a treaty to revise the 1929 Agreement in due course?"

Mr. LLOYD: "We certainly would have the right to take part in any revised 1929 treaty. There are however some strictly technical discussions which are within the framework of the existing Agreement."

Mr. J. JOHNSON asked how many African chiefs had

been held in detention in Rhodesia for offences against the State and regulations.

Mr. LYTTELTON: "I assure you that the regulations to which the hon. member refers are the orders made for the conservation of natural resources under the Natural Resources Ordinance of 1939. In the past year three village headmen in the Southern Province were arrested after failing to obey summonses in connection with offences against these orders."

Prisoners in Northern Rhodesia

Mr. YOUNGER asked why the Northern Rhodesia Ordinance, No. 54 of 1953 had been passed permitting the removal of convicted persons to the Union of South Africa; and whether the Minister had justified himself upon the prison conditions to which such persons would be committed to the Union.

Mr. LYTTELTON: "An agreement between the Governments of the Union and Northern Rhodesia providing for the transfer of prisoners had existed since 1922. Recently when the Government of Northern Rhodesia wished to transfer a prisoner who was a citizen of the Union to South Africa under the agreement it was discovered that the power to transfer adult prisoners had been inadvertently repealed in 1933, through the power to transfer juvenile prisoners was retained when the Juvenile Offenders Ordinance was passed in that year. The ordinance of which the hon. member refers restores to the Government of Northern Rhodesia a permissive power which existed before 1933."

The hon. Gentleman has informed me that it is the intention of his Government normally to transfer to South Africa only long-term prisoners who are citizens of the Union. Powers in relation to the removal of prisoners are set out under Item 2 of the Federal Constitution, to become the responsibility of the Federal Government, and it will be for them to consider whether the present policy calls for review."

Mr. BROCKWAY asked the Under-Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations for a statement on the future of the Colonial Development Corporation's station at Lobatse, Bechuanaland. Mr. JOHNSON put a similar question.

Mr. JOHN FOSTER: "I would refer to my reply on April 29, 1954."

Mr. BROCKWAY: "Have there not been certain developments since that date, and has not Mr. William Rendell, the general manager of the C.D.C., met the European Advisory Council? Have there not been discussions on this issue with the African farmers concerned?"

Mr. FOSTER: "I do not think there has been any development since April 29. The local Administration and H.M. Government will, of course consider all the interests involved. The issues are very complex and I quite agree with the hon. member that they must be seriously considered."

Mr. J. JOHNSON: "Can the Minister confirm or deny the suggestion that neither the Union of South Africa nor Southern Rhodesia will be taking meat in future from this abattoir at Lobatse, and that this is leading to uncertainty about the future of the scheme? Is he prepared to do anything about that in the future if it is a fact?"

Mr. FOSTER: "If it is a fact something would have to be done, but I do not think it is so. I believe that the Union will continue to take the meat. That is a matter which will be very seriously looked at."

Differential Laws

Mr. SØRENSEN asked what action had been taken in respect of the survey of differential treatment of race in the laws of British African territories with a view to encouraging in all territories the most enlightened practices of law now operating in some territories.

Mr. HOPKINSON: "The object of the survey was to illustrate the facts of differential treatment and the grounds on which it was based in the various territories. Whether the purpose of differential legislation is to protect the rights of Africans or to enable different racial communities to live and progress together without clash of interests, its modification or removal must depend on local conditions. The survey has served a useful purpose in showing where advances are desirable and possible as circumstances permit. It is in accordance with the policy of this Government and of previous Administrations to encourage the progress of all communities and to make every effort within the power of Government to secure equal treatment for all."

Mr. J. JOHNSON asked how many Colonial battalions were raised in 1953 in West Africa, East Africa, the West Indies and Malaya.

Mr. HOPKINSON: "One battalion of the Malay Regiment completed formation and became operational in 1953. No new battalions were raised in West Africa, East Africa, or the West Indies."

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THE GREATEST HISTORICAL PUBLISHING VENTURE undertaken in South Central Africa will be inaugurated this year jointly by the Central African Archives and the Arquivo Historico de Moçambique in the publication of the greater part of the original manuscripts dealing with the early history of East and Central Africa. Publication will be in two parts, a Portuguese version containing reproductions of the original documents with modern Portuguese translations and a parallel series with English translations. The first volume, covering the period from 1487 to 1505, will be published before the end of this year.

Announcement of the publication of this series of books marks the success of 18 years of endeavour by the Central African Archives. The achievement has been made possible by the help of many of their well-wishers and the enthusiastic co-operation of the Mozambique Governments.

The period to be covered by the series, which will be entitled "Historical Documents of East and Central Africa," will be from the early Portuguese voyages of exploration which reached the East Coast of Africa in the late 15th Century to the early 19th Century. East and Central Africa, for the purpose of these publications, comprise the territories now known as Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia, Nyasaland, and the northern part of the Portuguese province of Mozambique.

Limited Edition

The subscription, which two volumes are expected to be published each year, will number about 20 volumes. Printing and binding will be of the highest quality and the English version will be limited to 400 copies of each volume. Volumes of demi-quarto size, will contain approximately 320 pages each, will be illustrated with documents, maps, portraits, and other reproductions.

The whole undertaking is under the direction of the chief archivist of the Central African Archives, Mr. V. W. Hills, and the conservator of the Arquivo Historico de Moçambique, Señor C. Monteiro. It is sponsored by the Government of Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, the Government of Mozambique, and the Portuguese Ministry of Overseas Territories.

Dr. Alexandre Lobato, a distinguished Portuguese historian, has been appointed to direct the reading, selection, transcription, and co-ordination of the documents, and Señor Manuel Freire de Andrade is responsible for the translations into English. The English and Portuguese editions will be identical in content and format, and each volume in the series will be published simultaneously in London and Lisbon.

Professor G. P. R. Wallis, well known for his work as editor of a number of volumes in the Central African Archives Oppenheimer Series, will assist in production of the English edition.

Publishing of "Historical Documents of East and Central Africa" will make available for the first time to the Spanish reader and student a mass of original material on the first four centuries of Portuguese enterprise in this part of Africa. The bulk of this material has not previously been published.

Most of the literature of this period is in Portuguese and the majority of the original documents are in the archives of Portugal, Goa, and the Vatican. The documents to be reproduced will be made up mainly of items which were microfilmed by a team appointed by the Central African Archives in 1949 with funds supplied by the Carnegie Corporation of New York and other sources. Approximately 15,000 documents were copied in Europe, to which recently have been added another 4,000 documents from Goa. Up to 1750 the Portuguese possessions in Africa were under the control of the Viceroy of India at Goa. In that year a Governor of Mozambique was appointed.

The importance of the Portuguese archival material has been recognized by historians for over a century. Dr. Bowditch made some attempt in the early 19th Century to collect material from Portuguese sources, but much of his information is garbled, biased, or at least inaccurate. The English reader is vast amount of new information about South East Africa in his "Account of the Discoveries of the Portuguese in the Interior of Angola and Mozambique" (1824).

A former Colonial Secretary in Natal, Major D. Franks, one reason in Lisbon, the results of which were embodied in James Stuart's "The Ancient Goldfields of Africa" in 1891. Cecil Rhodes then took an interest in the matter. He sent Alexander Wilmot, a retired civil servant, to search for important records in Europe, and the results of his work were published in 1896 under the title of "Monomotapa and Rhodesia." In an appendix he included 24 pages of documents copied in Rome.

Rhodes also supported the South African historian Theal in his efforts to bring to the research worker actual documents in his "Record of South East Africa." The first volume of which appeared in 1908. Theal's work is, however, selective and incomplete. He published only three documents from Portuguese archives and libraries that had not been published previously.

Father Stanley Welch, of Cape Town, probably the leading writer in English on the history of the Portuguese in South East Africa, first went to Portugal in 1934 to study the language and literature. In 1930 he published "Some Unpublished Manuscripts Relating to the History of South and East Africa" comprising 68 pages of documents copied from libraries in Rome, London, Paris and Munich.

Ambitions Project

The Central African Archives mission was the most ambitious and comprehensive attempt made to survey the rich fields awaiting exploration in the libraries and archives of Portugal and other parts of Europe.

Three hundred and thirty two of the documents copied by the mission were dated between 1505 and 1535. Most of them referred to the domestic affairs of Sofala, the fortress-factory established on the coast to tap the gold of Monomotapa. From those documents much can be learnt of the condition of the fortress and the factory, of the trade for gold, the nature of the trade in goods, of relations with the Arabs, and explorations deep into the interior.

Only 31 documents date between 1535 and 1557, a period of apparently little Portuguese activity in the interior, but those are referred to ambassadors from Monomotapa reaching Sofala, and to return visits. At the end of that period navigation of the Zambezi was extended, and traders followed shortly afterwards by missionaries, reached Mashonaland. Copies of 19 letters referring to Silveira's mission, 1559-62, were found in different repositories.

Fifty documents relating to the period 1563-1607 were copied. Among those is a decree announcing Barreto's command of an expedition against the Monomatapa and a letter from the King appointing Barreto as Governor of Monomotapa. There is also a report by Homem, Barreto's successor. Other documents relate to the gold trade by the Zambezi.

There is a wealth of material covering 1608-1652. Much valuable information was found in the papers of the Monsos in the Arquivo Nacional, books containing royal letters to the Viceroy of India and copies or summaries of his replies. Only 12 of the 62 books have previously been published. There are also papers of the Council of State and the Council for the Colonies.

Wealth of Material

Two hundred and two documents refer to the second half of the 17th Century. Most of them deal with a scheme for slave immigration to East Africa. At the end of the 17th Century the Portuguese were evicted from the Zambezi colonies, and it was not until the 1730's that they were able to return. Only a score of documents appear to have survived from that period, and these are mostly concerned with problems of re-colonization. Between 1735 and 1750 forty documents were copied dealing mainly with trade and religion.

In 1752 the Portuguese possessions in East Africa were removed from the control of the Viceroy of India and a Governor of Mozambique was appointed. The establishment of a separate administration in East Africa naturally led to a great increase in correspondence dealing with the region, and much of the material has survived. Most of the papers microfilmed cover the years 1752 to 1835, when the Portuguese were again present in the interior. Some of them deal with the mining station and commerce of the country and some with the gold trade, but the larger part refers specifically to the military and trading posts of Manica, Zumbo, and Zimbabwe.

There is also a considerable amount of material dealing with exploration northwards and the establishment of trading posts on the Lusikizi River, i.e. what is today Northern Rhodesia.

Only a few earlier documents were copied, and of those the only real significance was the diary of Silva Porto, the first white man to visit the upper Zambezi. Only extracts from this diary have been published.

It is designed that a plain label has been placed in the studio.

Book Review**Dr. C. J. Wilson's New Book
Plea for Firm Leadership**

Dr. C. J. WILSON, author of "Before the Dawn in Kenya," has now written "Kenya's Warning," a plea for honest recognition of facts and a call for good and firm leadership, discipline, and productive work. It is a short book (of 117 pages), but it contains more good sense about Kenya than many of the more pretentious volumes of recent years.

From long residence and a deep interest in men and affairs, the author knows Kenya and the African, and he has set himself the task of examining with candour the faults and follies of the past and the prospects for the future.

A few determined Europeans and Africans of good will could, he is convinced, revolutionize the position in Kenya, for if they could agree on the essential requirements and supply enough driving power to ensure the adoption of the right policies, the mass of the people of all races could be won over.

Dr. Wilson is not worried by the small number of Africans with "advanced" political views provided the Government can recover the will and power to govern, and if interference by party politicians in the United Kingdom can be stayed. Many passages in the book will be disliked by politicians in the United Kingdom and Africa, as the following samples will indicate:

"The African quite naturally and without sense of shame states a case in the way most likely to advance his argument, with no regard for the facts. So when the British politician engages an African in conversation with the intention of acquiring knowledge of conditions in Kenya, all he gets is a picture of what the African wants him to believe, and not at all a representation of things as they are. Since the politician seldom realizes the complete unreliability, as far as truthfulness goes, of the statements which he is hearing, the resulting confusion can easily be imagined. Herein lies a potent cause of disagreement in home circles about policy in Africa; there is no common ground of accepted history and agreed fact."

Political Visionaries

"Politicians in England completely failed to recognize the true nature of the Mau-Mau insurrection. Remote from the scenes of torture and murder, these visionaries still had dreams of their fool's paradise. They would not believe that the Africans they had met, so plausible in their talk of democracy, so persuasive in their claim to be given a share in the government of Kenya, could be capable of such treachery. All their sympathy seemed to be with the monarchists; all their blame was directed at the Government of Kenya and the white community."

The Mau-Mau rebellion demonstrated the uselessness of the chosen representatives of the Native peoples of Kenya. At a Press conference in London, presided over by Mr. Fenner Brockway in September 1952, their leader and the Kikuyu representative in England of the Kenya African Union declared that no convincing evidence had been produced to establish the existence of such an organization as Mau-Mau was said to be.

The next point was even worse: Should it be proved that such an organization does in fact exist, there being doubt that its significance can be only minimal and that its importance is being exaggerated, we fear, for political and economic reasons."

The statement of these two Africans in London was endorsed by four other African members of Legislative Council in a formal announcement which included the following allegation that the Mau-Mau is a subversive movement in this country known as Mau-Mau may be true only as so far as it is considered to be a localized organization of a few irresponsible beings, who have been embittered by just incidents such as the annihilation of their way to the settlers' unemployment and a persistent disregard of their claims by Government. Their interpretations of the African Government's action are possibly, if I may say so, that they were in fact ignorant of the nature of Mau-Mau and unaware of the intentions of their friends and associates, the other African politicians. That is possible, but extremely improbable. If that is true, then these men showed themselves entirely without honour, as they followed on Legislative Council since the disappearance, without

have been clear proof that they were altogether out of touch with African opinion.

The only other interpretation is that they knew the facts but were trying to keep the truth from becoming known. This is a position of the highest responsibility, having been chosen for appointment to the Legislative Council. Their leader was a member of the Executive Council. One can imagine no more grievous failure to do their duty in the office to which they had been called.

One part of the lesson then, to be learned from the Mau-Mau tragedy is that the Africans whom the Governor delighted to honour with seats in Legislative Council proved useless, and worse than useless. One of them was later taken into custody as being concerned in the insurrection. The best that can be said is that they were a hindrance, wasting time with their futile intervention in debate; the worst to be said is that they were a danger to the security of the State.

But Dr. Wilson, if realistic, is certainly not pessimistic. Elsewhere he writes:

"For Africans of the right stamp Government should be ready to offer employment in one or other of its departments, with a prospect of unrestricted advance according to the standard of consistent work maintained. There is no doubt that in the future more and more chances of such a career will be on offer. There will be a wonderful opportunity for the African who has enjoyed the privilege of higher education to devote himself to the public service and to prove to his fellow workers that he can stay the course with them."

"When appreciable numbers of Africans with the necessary educational qualifications find themselves working with energy and enthusiasm in the service of the Government, the effect on relations between the races will be found. No longer will the actions of the Government be looked on as arbitrary operations of an aghast and unfriendly Power; association of races in the machinery of Government will make it plain to all that the interests of all are one, and that no other object insulates those whose duty it is to rule. Co-operation such as this is the way to fulfilment of the dream of partnership."

"Good will and honest action will effect far, far more than discontented agitation can ever hope to achieve; white men and black, working side by side for the common good, will triumph over the enemies of the State and carry the country forward to a prosperous and contented future."

The book, published by the English Press, Nairobi (no price stated), deserves to be widely read.

E. A. R.

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Mau Mau Spreading to Kamba Successful Operations by Police

ANXIETY about the possible infiltration of Mau Mau into the Kamba Reserve, which is now admitted to have been felt by the Kenya Government for the past nine months, has been openly expressed by Colonial Young, Commissioner of Police, who told a Press conference in Nairobi: "All is not well in the Kamba country, and we are watching it very carefully indeed. More than that I would not like to say."

Considerable success has attended police operations in the area, where the whole Mau Mau headquarters at Kitui are believed to have been captured. A large-scale round-up on the Yatta Plateau is continuing. It is thought that many Mau Mau adherents have fled to that locality from the Machakos district.

Many men of the Kamba tribe serve as regular soldiers in the King's African Rifles and in the Kenya Police.

Oath-taking ceremonies have been held in the Kamba country for some time. Interrogations have revealed that Kikuyu emissaries have been active among the Kamba, and that an organization has been established, with presidents, judges, dath-administrators, treasurers, tax-collectors, and executioners. So far it is considered to be only in the early stages of development.

Last Week's Casualties

Last week 121 terrorists were killed, 15 captured, and 184 detained, by the security forces, which had eight Africans killed and seven wounded.

In a two-day engagement with security forces terrorists were killed and five captured in the Fort Hall area. Eleven gangsters were killed and several wounded in an engagement on the edge of the forest when a gang of about 50 was discovered. Arms and ammunition was seized. There were no casualties among the security forces. One Masai and one tribal policeman were killed by terrorists who raided a home guard post in the Naivasha area. Three rifles and some ammunition were taken by the gang.

Dr. Charles Pegiroth, aged 83, has been attacked by an African armed with a club near Nairobi. His revolver was stolen.

Mr. F. A. Vasey, Member for Finance in Kenya, revealed at a public meeting of Europeans in Nairobi that the cost of R.A.F. services during the first 17 months of the emergency would be about £1.2m., compared with the original estimate of £50,000.

When he had introduced his budget, his information was that the cost of the R.A.F. would be about £50,000 a month. He had now learnt the estimate which he had thought covered the period to last March in fact covered only the period to the end of September.

He had allowed £8m. as a minimum for emergency expenditure for the coming financial year, but he was now convinced that if the emergency continued that would not suffice. The cost of detainees worked out at between £36 and £42 per head per annum, which for 20,000 to 30,000 people would represent a formidable total.

Mr. R. C. Turnbull, Minister for External Security and Defence, told the Press that detainees numbered about 3000. Those against whom nothing was known would be discharged. The great majority came within the category termed "grey," and would be given rehabilitation to work camps in the Kikuyu, Embu, and Meru reserves, where they would be employed on work of benefit to the tribes. The duration of their detention would depend on their state of mind.

Detainees are being tried at Kikuyu, Embu, and Meru before a Nairobi court. The authorities that they have not engaged in Mau Mau activities.

Death sentences were passed last week on 18 Kikuyu. Of 20 armed terrorists arrested after a fight with the forces in the middle of March, one was acquitted, two pleaded that they were under the age of 16 (but according to the doctor were respectively 19 and 20 years of age), and three were still in hospital. Recommendations that they were not guilty were made by the African assessors, and an African advocate for the defence applied for a certificate of permission to appeal, which was refused by Mr. Justice Corrie.

Mr. Hugh Jack Howell, assistant district commandant in the Kenya Police Reserve, has been fined £20 for assaulting a Kikuyu. While pleading not guilty to assault, he admitted intimidating the African during recruiting operations.

Since the beginning of this year 485 Embu Africans have been sentenced to three years' imprisonment each for offences against the emergency regulations, nine to two years, and 73 to one year. Sentences of more than three years have been imposed on 36 Africans of the tribe.

As result of recent registrations of European man-power in Kenya, a pool of 700 men between the ages of 18 and 30 has been made available. Two hundred will be called up in the next fortnight for full-time service with the Kenya Regiment or the Police Reserve, and the remainder at regular intervals.

A total of 510 Asians now serve with the security forces, out of 11,900 men between the ages of 18 and 30 who registered last July. More than 900 men were enrolled, but some 300 had been rejected. In addition, 500 Asians are doing part-time police reserve work, and a further 200 are working in military establishments.

The British and Foreign Bible Society has made a grant of £1,000 worth of Scriptures in Kikuyu for Mau Mau detainees.

Press Comment

The Economist says in its current issue:

"Mr. Vasey, Kenya's Member for Finance, is shortly out on his second visit to Britain in six months, in search of further financial assistance to meet the mounting cost of the emergency. In his recent budget speech, he announced steep increases in local taxation, which will add nearly £2m. to the Colony's diminutive revenue, but which will still leave him with an estimated deficit of £8m. It is not generally recognized that the Kenya Government has to pay all the extra costs of British troops and air forces over and above those usual for forces stationed in Britain on a peacetime basis. Yet it has little control over expensive new importations like jet fighters. It is only reasonable that Britain should contribute something towards paying for General Erskine's increasing expensiveness. Many anxieties have been aroused in this country by recent developments in Kenya beside which mounting expense is a very small moiety indeed."

On Active Service

2ND LIEUT. ANTHONY G. WARNE, a 19-year-old officer of the Royal Engineers, whose home is in Cromer, Norfolk, was killed in an accident near Nyeri on Saturday. His patrol was on patrol for terrorists by his army unit. An inquiry is being held.

Mau Mau in Tanganyika

A STATE OF EMERGENCY was declared in the Northern Provinces of Tanganyika Territory yesterday after a gang of terrorists, estimated at 50, had crossed the border from Kenya. Police have killed one man and captured three, one of whom was wounded. The rest have made for the Mount Meru forests. Police reinforcements have been sent.

S. Rhodesian Civil Service

BEFORE FEDERATION there were 10,048 Europeans and 5,478 Africans in the Southern Rhodesian Civil Service, their salaries and wages amounting to £6,466,730 a year. In addition, there were 142 Europeans and three Africans as civilian staff of uniformed forces, together drawing £84,303. The uniformed forces consisted of 933 Europeans and 5,088 Africans, whose pay amounted to £1,75,497, making a grand total of 12,000 Europeans and 5,293 Africans (excluding labourers), with a pay-roll of £10,524,530. After federation the estimated grand total was 14,19 Europeans and 5,293 Africans, with a pay-roll of £3,76,771.

Locust Control Criticized

Expenditure of £4m. since 1949

LOCUST CONTROL OPERATIONS were criticized by non-official members of the East Africa Central Legislative Assembly during the debate on the estimates for 1954-55.

Sir Oliver Vincent suggested the need to consider whether over the past 40 years it would not have been better to have had a pool for compensation for damage by locusts than to have provided the money spent on anti-locust campaigns.

Turning to income tax, he wondered how many millions of pounds had been lost through the absurd governmental fear of having special posts in that department. If the special investigation now undertaken had been started years ago, £10 million would have been saved. He doubted if the Customs Department was staffed with right men at the salaries, especially in the higher ranks, which would explain their services.

"Operations Could Not Succeed"

Mrs R. W. R. Miller believed that the locust-control operations could never be successful. To take as an example of locusts was, he considered that drought, army worms, cut worm, beetles and other pests of all kinds which affected crops caused far more damage every year than any locust invasion. The locust-control operations were, he thought, a complete waste of time and personnel.

Colonel G. Keyser, Vice-consul of the Netherlands on which the estimates for Finance had based his criticism, "The world was abundantly producing too much food". Canada and the United States had enormous stocks, and production was continuing with consumption even in meat. The millions of half-starved people in the world did not affect the prosperity of the producers, for what had to be

considered was not the number of stomachs to be filled, but the number of owners of stomachs who could pay an economic price to the agricultural producers.

Roughly £4m. had been spent on locust control since 1949. If £1m. had been devoted to an East African locust insurance scheme, it would have had large reserves to-day. But he would not entirely condemn locust control, for there were times when food could not be bought at reasonable prices. The risk should be taken by the community, not by individual growers. A committee should investigate the matter.

Mr. Ohanga complained that the leprosarium at Ilesio had not been completed for lack of funds, and hoped that the work would be supported.

Optimism Defeated

The Member for Umaria, after voicing his optimistic attitude, said that of the £4m. spent on locust control £1m. only had been found in East Africa, so that compensation claims to-day would be higher than was generally supposed, with maize at 5s. per bag, against 2s. 6d. at the time of the locust invasion of 1931. During the last three years there had been a tremendous invasion of locusts in the territories of the north, but only this year had they reached East Africa.

The establishment of the Customs Department would be determined when the report of the Salaries Commission was published. Funds would be available for the completion of the Ilesio leprosarium.

A invasion of similar size had occurred all over the world. No country had found a satisfactory substitute for the tax.

Health projects in Tanzania were being aimed by the people whom they are designed to help, and through deliberate malice but by ignorance, laziness, and negligence to change customs. Professor H. J. Seddon, Nuffield consultant, speaking in Dar es Salaam.

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PERSONALIA

MR. GUY BARRY and Miss DAPHNE PARASCHIS have been married at Nairobi.

DR. DICKENSON BYRON-MOORE, of Salisbury, is in the country from Southern Rhodesia.

MR. MORTON LAFRAY has been appointed an alderman of the City of Cape Town.

MR. W. H. J. REED, Director of Geological Survey in Northern Rhodesia, has arrived in England.

MR. HECTOR LEARNE, since 1951 Chief Justice of Kenya, has left the Colony on retirement.

A memorial service for MAJOR EAGL WATKINS was held last week in Winchester College Chapel.

"African Aftermaths," by Sir Philip MITCHELL, is due for publication at the end of this month.

MR. H. W. D. FRUDY was a passenger for London in the KESTER CASTLE, accompanied by MRS. FRUDY.

MR. H. R. FINN, a director of Rhodesian Selection Trust, Ltd., and MRS. FINN ate at London from Osaka.

MR. F. S. MANNING, assistant editor of the *Bulawayo Chronicle*, has retired after 26 years with that newspaper.

MR. M. E. K. K. KAMBI, chairman of the Rhodesians' Association of Rhodesia and M.P. for Keng, reached London a few days ago.

MR. T. C. AWMAN, lately of Northern Rhodesia, spoke on the English countryside in Friday's B.B.C. service to Southern Africa.

MR. HENRIQUE DE SOUZA FIGUEIREDO has been granted provisional recognition as Honorary Consul for Portugal in Uganda.

MR. PERCY W. SOUTHERN, manager of the Mwanza branch of Barclays Bank (D.C. & Q.), has arrived in this country on leave.

MR. T. G. C. VAUGHAN-JONES, Director of Game and Fauna Control in Northern Rhodesia, has arrived in the United Kingdom on leave.

DR. A. C. E. COLE, Government medical specialist in Tanganyika, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians in London.

MR. E. V. WHITCOMBE, chairman of the East African board of Barclays Bank (D.C. & Q.) will arrive in England on leave towards the end of June.

MR. C. K. MELVILLE, assistant general manager of the Union-Castle Line, and MRS. MELVILLE, have arrived from the Cape in the ARUNDEL CASTLE.

THE BISHOP OF MOMBASA is to address the Kenya Church Association at C.M. House, 6, Salisbury Square, London, W.C.1, after luncheon on Friday, May 28.

SIR CHARLES WESTRIDGE, chairman of the Uganda Electricity Board, is due in England in a few days. He is to address the Institution of Civil Electrical Engineers on May 25.

MR. I. P. G. LEWIS, since 1948 a resident magistrate in Uganda, who has been appointed a public judge, entered the Colonial Service as a magistrate of the High Court of Zanzibar in 1954.

MR. A. WHEELER, a director of Messrs. Baddeley Bond Ltd., who arrived in Southampton a few days ago in the ARUNDEL CASTLE, took a voyage to France for health reasons.

SIR STEPHEN THOMAS will address a joint lunch-time meeting of the Royal African and Royal Danish Societies in London at 1 p.m. on Friday, May 28, on "An African Review."

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MR. HUGH PAGET, director of British Council House, Knightsbridge, spoke on his impressions of Southern Rhodesia at a meeting on Tuesday evening organized by the Royal African Society.

COLONEL ARTHUR YOUNG, Commissioner of the City of London Police, who has been lent to Kenya for about a year as Commissioner, has arrived in London by air from Kenya to take up his appointment.

MR. EDWARD WILSON, Governor of Tanganyika, will today open the new road between Dar es Salaam and Morogoro. It will be some months before the route can be used by heavy vehicles.

MR. J. P. BIRCH, Resident in Buganda, has resigned for private reasons. He will be followed in the office by MR. C. A. L. RICHARDS, who was recently appointed Community Development Officer.

SIR GILBERT RENNIE, High Commissioner in London of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, presided when SIR WILLIAM HALLOWAY addressed the Royal Society of Arts on Tuesday afternoon.

COMMISSIONER WILFRED FITCHING, who has been elected the new General of the Salvation Army, said last week that the future would see a new urge towards missions overseas, particularly in Africa, India, and Indonesia.

MR. JUSTICE G. C. LEWIS is shortly to retire from the Colonial Judicial Service, which he joined in Uganda in 1935. During the last war he served first in the Army, and then in the Royal Navy. He became a puisne judge in Uganda four years ago.

DR. A. L. GIBYER, who is about to retire from the appointment of High Commissioner in London for the Union of South Africa, and MRS. GIBYER are to be the guests of the South Africa Club at a farewell dinner at the Savoy Hotel on May 25.

MR. W. GEMMILL, general manager for Southern Africa of the Witwatersrand Native Labour Association, and South Africa's Government Delegate to the International Labour Organization in Geneva, has arrived in Europe with MRS. GEMMILL.

MAD ISLEWELL, Governor-General of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, during his visit to Lourenco Marques presented the Governor-General of Mozambique with a facsimile of the Treaty of Perpetual Alliance signed in 1386 between England and Portugal. A commission of inquiry, consisting of MR. JUSTICE T. H. W. SEADLE, MRS. J. W. BRETT, MRS. A. S. HICKMAN, and MR. J. M. MACDONALD, with MR. A. P. THOMPSON as secretary, is to investigate inequalities and disabilities between men and women in Southern Rhodesia.

VISCOUNT SWINTON and MR. OLIVER LYNDEN, Secretaries of State respectively for Commonwealth Relations and the Colonies, were among those guests of the Commonwealth Bank on Saturday to meet the Queen at the state dinner at the end of her Commonwealth tour.

Among passengers in the WARWICK CASTLE are MR. and MRS. R. R. RAUCHTER, MR. and MRS. DYSON, MR. and MRS. T. G. ELIAS, MRS. and MRS. E. A. KERNICKE, Mr. Heinz MESSNER, MRS. R. T. ARNOLD, Dr. M. B. BROWNE, ATHENA KONDY, MR. A. J. BECKHAM, MR. S. LAW and MR. D. MARTIN of Montrose.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

MR. F. S. JOELSON will be abroad until the latter part of June, and therefore asks that all private correspondence shall be deferred to me. Letters for the attention of the editorial department should be addressed to the editor (not by name), and for the other departments to the manager, EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA.

PRINCESS ALICE, Countess of ATHLONE has promised to attend a British Commonwealth Ball at Hurstingham on July 2 which is being arranged by the Royal Empire Society, the Victoria League, and the Overseas League.

MR. J. R. LESLIE is to represent the Association of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Eastern Africa at the 18th congress of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, to be held in Montreal in June.

MR. E. H. NIGHTINGALE, for the past two years Governor of Equatoria Province, who has left the Sudan on retirement, joined the service in 1926, was appointed Deputy Governor of Darfur in 1946, and Assistant Civil Secretary two years later. Shortly afterwards he was made Deputy Civil Secretary.

MR. H. J. M. BEATTIE, a lecturer in social anthropology at Oxford University, who some months ago returned after spending a year and a half studying the social organization of the Banyoro people of northwest Uganda, is to address the Royal Anthropological Institute this afternoon on "Nyoro Marriage."

THE EARL OF MUNSTER, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, is due to arrive in Mauritius on June 7, and will stay until June 18. He will be accompanied by MR. T. R. H. GODDEN, his private secretary, and MR. J. B. SIDEBOOTHAM, the assistant secretary responsible for Mauritian affairs in the Colonial Office.

MR. JOHN CAMPBELL, a technical assistant in trigonometrical survey in the Surveyor-General's Department in Southern Rhodesia, and MR. L. F. ROBERTS, of Good Hope Farm, Nyabira, have been selected from 45 applicants for this year's tour of Britain offered by the Princess Elizabeth Fund. They will leave Salisbury by air for London on June 15 and return to the Colony on July 28.

MR. K. J. WADDELL and MR. H. GROSCH gave a party at the Savoy Hotel on Monday evening for MR. W. H. McCALL, general manager of the Argus Printing and Publishing Co., Ltd., who is paying his first visit to England. Among those present with Rhodesian interests were SIR GILBERT RENNIE and MESSRS. J. B. ROSS, JOHN WALLACE, COLIN GRANT, J. V. LEWIS, J. A. GRAY, DAVID FRIEDMAN, and J. H. JOHNSON.

MR. J. K. MICHEL, who has been appointed a director of Messrs. A. Baumann & Co., Ltd., has just paid an other visit to East Africa. After flying to Uganda for the opening of the Owen Falls hydro-electric station, he went on to Tanganyika Territory. In Nairobi he turned to the capital of Kenya for a night, went back to Kampala, and is now in Mombasa awaiting a ship for the United Kingdom. Mr. Michie is chairman of the National Bank of India and chairman and managing director of Messrs. Steel Bros. and Co., Ltd.

At the 96th anniversary meeting of the U.M.G.A., to be held in London on June 1, MR. PEARCEY is expected to be the BISHOP OF BLACKBURN, the official secretary of the mission. MR. W. H. GARDNER, the REV. R. NEIL RUSSELL, of the diocese of Zanzibar, the REV. C. N. FRANCIS, of the same diocese, the REV. H. G. O. WILKINS, of Macassar, MR. RUTH STRUDWICK, of Northern Rhodesia, and MESSRS. ERNEST JOSEPH, assistant director of education in Tanganyika Territory.

Obituaries

MR. MAURICE WILLIAMS GHISSE, who died suddenly in Felixstowe, Suffolk, was a one-time managing director of Produce Disposal for the East African Sugar Council and chairman of the East African Sugar Board, for which service he was made a Companion of Merit by the Queen. Mr. Williams, the widower of Mrs. Dorothy Williams, M.B.E., the

United Africa Company

Guests at Anniversary Dinner

AT THE SILVER JUBILEE DINNER of the United Africa Co., Ltd., held last week at Claridges Hotel, London, there were present a large number of people with East or Central African interests, among them the following:

MR. C. J. DE ALPON, M.P., Sir Charles Arden-Clarke, Mr. E. R. Baines, Mr. R. Barlow, Mr. C. C. Baxter (Mr. I. C. Beaumont, the Belgian Ambassador), Mr. Henry A. Benson, Mr. George Bentwich-Stooke, Mr. T. Booth, Sir Alan Benson, Mr. D. H. Buckle, Sir Geoffrey Clay, Sir Henry Clay, Mr. George Cole, Mr. A. C. Jones, Sir George Earle, Mr. P. H. Ferguson, Dr. Alexander Fleck, Professor S. H. Frankel, Mr. W. A. Franklin, Mr. Leslie Gamage, Sir Frederick Godbea, Mr. W. Le Grelle, Barnes, Mr. L. B. Creavast, Mr. John C. Gridley, Lord Glenconner,

Lord Hertford, Sir Geoffrey Heyworth, Sir William Hunt, Mr. H. S. Joelson, Sir Edward Kynaston, M.P., Viscount Kenilworth, Mr. Casper W. Knight, Sir Frank Lee, the Liberian Ambassador, Mr. R. A. Lindsay, Mr. A. R. Mellor, Mr. E. McCall, Lord Milverton, Mr. H. Muir, Mr. D. M. Oppenheim, Mr. F. J. Pollard, Sir Sydney Phillips, Sir Harry Pilkington, Mr. J. W. Blunt, Sir Hilton Poynton,

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East African Development

SIR GEOFFREY HEYWORTH, chairman of the company, said in reply to a toast proposed by Lord Swinton, that at the crisis in history in 1932 the parent company, Unilever, had had to find £3m. to meet the first impact of the world slump, and that the other British merchant companies in West Africa which had survived that period had all been family businesses.

Speaking of the cost of development in Africa, Sir Geoffrey recalled that the largest of all plantation enterprises, the Huilleries du Congo Belge, started in 1911 by the first Lord Leverhulme, had had to find £3m. of capital (£8m. at today's values) and wait 20 years before receiving any return on the investment. Now, as a result of this experience, a similar project might expect a return of 10 years after clearing the ground.

Mechanized clearing of land, followed by mechanized cultivation and harvesting, would be the best way to be successfully practised in Africa, he said, as direct results of the ground work.

East Africa

MR. OLIVER LYTHTON, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has accepted an invitation to be the chief guest of the East Africa Dinner Club at its gathering in London on Tuesday, June 26, when Lord Rennell will preside. The Rev. Mr. L. J. Beecher, Bishop of Mombasa, will say grace and propose the health of the president, Mr. Roberts (27), 80, to members of the club for themselves and their guests, and 30s. to non-membership to be obtained from the honorary secretary, Miss Young, 10, East African Office, Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, London, S.W.C.2.

Aga Khan's Visit

MR. H.H. THE AGA KHAN visits Uganda in September to be wedded against platinum in the Nakivubo Station, Kasarani, about 12,000 ft. above the African prairie in that town. That community, India and the Belgian Congo, will subscribe £10,000 to the platinum jubilee ring, to be used for social and cultural projects. This has already reached £2,000. East African ducats, the local coinage, will be over £250,000. There will also be a wedding ceremony in Mombasa, Dar es Salaam, and the Aga Khan will stay at the Imperial Hotel, Kampala, for a

Kenya Economy Fundamentally Sound

Mr. Airport Addresses London Chamber

"I ADVISE TRADERS to hang on and have confidence in Kenya," said Mr. C. J. M. Airport, in a meeting of the East African Section of the London Chamber of Commerce last week.

Mau Mau was, he thought, only an incident in Kenya's history. It would not irreparably damage its sound economic fabric. Other States have passed through a similar period in their histories, but although I do not think Mau Mau an insoluble problem, I do not underestimate it. The situation is grave. The virus of Mau Mau is deep and spreading, and will take time to eradicate.

In spite of the emergency, the Colony is fundamentally sound economically. There has been only a relatively small decline in commercial activity. The same can be said of agriculture. The maize crop, for instance, is much higher this year than last, so I strongly advise traders to hang on and have confidence. They will have their reward. Kenya holds out great promise for the patient—but not for those after quick returns.

The Treasury Cherry

Referring to the projected visit of Mr. Vassie, Kenyan Member for Finance, to seek further financial aid from the Imperial Government, Mr. Airport said that he was rather pessimistic over the success of his mission which would be attempting a second bite at the treasury cherry a little too soon.

The new constitution would give a tremendous impetus to reconstruction and progress. Endowed Colonial Office rule had served a Colony like Kenya. Non-official representation was necessary for a sound balanced administration.

"One of the most difficult problems facing the Government is rehabilitation," he continued. "We cannot keep 25,000 Kikuyu in detention camps for ever. Some way must be found to re-absorb them into the life of the Country. Meanwhile, to offset the burdens they put on its resources, the detained Kikuyu should undertake public works. There is, for instance, a great need for an all-weather road from Nairobi to Mombasa. Improved communication would immensely benefit all areas."

The Parliamentary delegation of which he had been a member had unanimously agreed on the need for substantial increases in African wages in the near future. It would be a mistake to postpone long overdue improvements, especially in urban wages, for fear of being labelled appeasers of Mau Mau. The proposed increases would be an additional burden on industry and industrial development, but wise business men would take a philosophic view of climbing pay rolls, which would provide additional purchasing power, and greater demand for local products and imports. Markets in Africa were more likely to expand than those in Europe.

Questioned on the influence of Communism in Mau Mau, Mr. Airport said that it was generally conceded to be comparatively negligible. The pattern of Mau Mau was essentially African in character.

Mr. J. R. Leslie, vice-president of the Association of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of Eastern Africa, delegate of the body to the 48th Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, approved the note of optimism in Mr. Airport's remarks, and said that he hoped to see the shooting war finished this year.

"Then we get started," he commented. "One of the first things we have to do is instill into the Kikuyu a wholesome respect for law and order." Agriculture was prospering in spite of hampering Emergency regulations. Last year's exports of cattle bark, grown mostly in Kikuyu country, were not a record.

Cargo Statistics

The chairman of the section, Mr. E. C. Portwell, reported shipments of general cargo to Mombasa during February and March had been 26,000 tons and 10,000 tons respectively, and Dar es Salaam 4,925 tons, 7,145 tons. The register on April 15 showed 10,000 tons awaiting shipment to Mombasa and 2,400 tons to Dar es Salaam.

Statistics from the Dar es Salaam Chamber of Commerce for Tanganyika port in March were as follows (in tons): Dar es Salaam imports, 13,291 tons; exports, 17,510 tons; total 30,801 tons; 19,497 tons general imports; 1,000 exports; 1,000 tons oil; total 21,497 tons. Total imports, 1,147; exports, 2,272; total 3,419. Mikumi-Kivaro imports, 1,122; exports, 1,296; total 2,418.

During 1953 Kenya imports had totalled £51m. Of that were £2m. worth U.K. exports. Tanganyika imported goods worth £3m., of which the U.K. contributed just under half. Uganda imported £2.5m., of which the U.K. share was £1.4m. Kenya's total exports and re-exports were £22m., giving an unfavourable balance of about £29m., approximately the same as in 1952. Tanganyika and Uganda, on the other hand, both showed a favourable balance of exports over imports—of £1m. and £8m. respectively. There was an unfavourable trade balance for the East African territories of over £1.3m. as compared with a favourable balance of over £4m. in 1952. The change appeared to be explained by a marked drop in exports from Tanganyika and Uganda.

Empire Day Message

Her Majesty's Royal Progress

SIR ANCELLOT GRAHAM, the chairman and the other members of the council of the Royal Empire Society have issued to the members of the society the following message for Empire Day, May 24:

"Last year the theme demanded for this annual message by the course of events was the Coronation of our Sovereign Queen Elizabeth II. The theme for this year's message can only be the splendour of the royal processions in and about Her Majesty's Dominions and Dependencies, the pursuit of their high enterprise. Her Majesty and her royal Consort have inscribed stirring passages on the scroll of the Empire's history."

"The peoples of New Zealand, Australia, and Ceylon have acclaimed her as their own Queen, and in each of those countries she has opened sessions of their Parliaments. Alone in three sovereign states and in those other of her Realms which she has visited, she has seen old and growing cities and has passed across broad countrysides; best of all, in those far-flung dominions to come among them, she has made heart-to-heart contact with the children, the women, and the men of many countries. We have seen graciously, happy friendliness, and the triumph of natural charm."

"How different is the new note of our Royalty from the arrogant tones which rang out in Shakespeare's Richard III: 'I am amazed and thus long have we stood To catch the heart-bending of thy knee'."

"There has been nothing 'fearful' in the relations between the Queen and her subjects. The Empire's Queen went forth on her tireless mission to rule and be seen by her peoples; the 'glory of all eyes,' the embodiment of all the womanly virtue and graces, a paragon whom every man might seek."

"And everby her side ready to share, so far as they could be shared, the exalted duties of royalty, was the royal consort, all of us to admire under the Rule of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh."

"All have we said to ourselves as the wide sweep and grand purpose of this journey was revealed. Never was so arduous a 'quest' set before so joyful a 'couple.' Yet we who were privileged to see the triumph of the Coronation have never doubted that this royal progress would achieve so magnificent a success."

Mr. Nehru on Colonialism

MR. NEHRU, Prime Minister of India, has described Dr. Melchett's statement that he (Mr. Nehru) had his eyes on Africa as a "totally false and misleading allegation," adding that the South African Prime Minister and some of his colleagues had gone "utterly beyond all reasonable bounds of decency and propriety" in international affairs. The views of the Indian Government on Colonialism are well-known, he declared. "I draw attention to the unanimous view expressed at the recent Conference of South-East Asian State Ministers: that colonialism is a violation of fundamental human rights and a threat to the peace of the world."

Rhodesian Meat

LORD MACKPHERSON, chairman of a prominent British meat concern, who visited Southern Rhodesia on his way back from New Zealand and Australia, predicted a bright future for Rhodesian pork and beef exports when meat rationing classes in the United Kingdom ended. After inspecting the quality and preparation of products of the Cold Storage Commission, he said that there would be a ready market for its products.

Statesmanship Needed in Nyasaland

Agitation Should Not Be Appeased

Mr. H. R. DEE GARDINER wrote in a letter to *The Times* recently:

The impounding visit of the Colonial Secretary to Nyasaland draws attention to the problems of that most beautiful territory within the new Central African Federation. Disturbances in the Southern Provinces last year were alleged to be due to African discontent over the large areas of European-held land not under cultivation for commercial crops. Much of this land is earmarked for extensions of tea and sugar plantations, or is needed for farming to increase local food supplies or for reforestation.

African demand for land is due to the dense settlement of immigrants, mostly Natura from Portuguese East Africa, on the slopes of the high plateaus and to the exhaustive maize cropping and grazing practices of these squatters. European estates are already spending time and money resettling tenants and squatters in more compact villages in orderly husbandry. But this work of land-use replanning and restitution cannot be furthered without Government support. The day of action is required to alter the laws of inheritance and land tenure and to prevent parcelisation of holdings, and to enforce soil conservation practices.

Unwarranted Weakness

To seize unused European land and to proclaim African trust land in order to appease political agitation is an unwarranted weakness. Such encised areas will rapidly deteriorate under African lacklessness. The supervision of European estates, with their care and of

management, is likely to be more effective than control by unrepresentative Government officials whose appointments are far less permanent.

Instead of dividing opinion into two camps of European landowners, Africans and Government, all three groups should unite to save the resources of this most productive but easily eroded part of country.

The Colonial Secretary will no doubt be told that the need for appeasement is due to a great deal of political agitation. Statesmen should need to take a frank view of the demands of the people of Nyasaland within the Federation. This most productive agricultural region cannot be sacrificed to appeasement, especially from Nguru, where African land claims are negligible. Transfers of population within the federation may be necessary. The transfer of power should depend on the safeguarding and husbandry of natural resources in the interests of Africans and Europeans alike. No threats should be resorted to directed at that end.

Voluntary Work

Those in positions of influence should encourage the spread of voluntary effort in all classes of the community and in all parts of the country was emphasized by Sir Andrew Cohen, Governor of Uganda, when he delivered the annual speech of the St. John Ambulance Association and launched an appeal for £90,000 for its work. The Governor is president and Lady Cohen chairman of the branch which has received contributions of £1,000 from the Uganda Parliament. As soon as Sir Andrew had finished his speech he handed three cheques for £25 each and one for £25, all by supporters of the work.

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No Extension of Imperial Preference

Door Closed, Says Conservative Party

NO DILATION is seen in the "no extension of Imperial Preference" can be expected in the next few months. Survey of Commonwealth and Colonial Affairs issued by the Conservative Overseas Bureau, part of the centralizers organization of the Conservative Party.

The pamphlet states:

"The door now seems to be closed to any extension of Imperial Preference; since Britain cannot move in that direction without support from the other countries of the Commonwealth, and that, it must be freely admitted, is not forthcoming."

Various factors contribute to this change of outlook on their part. In the first place, the constitutional independence of the Commonwealth has been followed by a sense of economic independence. This is in no way confined to the Commonwealth countries of Asia, Australia, for example, is apprehensive about it as are India, Pakistan, Ceylon, etc.

Change in Economic Structure

Secondly, a decided change has taken place in the economic structure of certain Commonwealth countries since pre-war days. In Canada for instance industrial production has gone ahead steadily and bounds since 1939. The position in Australia is similar. There through the establishment of secondary industries, export trade has quite increased before the year. Other Commonwealth countries are developing their own manufactures and, whether Britain likes it or not, will go on doing so.

Thirdly, a large proportion of the trade economy

nowadays consists of world trade. Inter-Commonwealth trade is still, while Commonwealth countries desire, of course, to maintain their trade within the Commonwealth, they must at the same time keep their eye on their other customers.

Preference was made a subject of study by the Western independent Commonwealth group of the Chamber in speaking of the British Preference in a House of Commons on Friday, May 11. Its report was available immediately which the same subject was discussed in the House of Lords. Lord Swinton, one of the strongest upholders of Imperial Preference spoke very strongly against it and the revision of G.A.T.T. He said:

Differing Views

"I believe that the conference in December last, in common with the Commonwealth, had differing views on this question. I think that in the United Kingdom, and in the whole Commonwealth should join in getting G.A.T.T. amended to allow new preferences in fact, that Imperial Preference should be treated on similar terms to closed and more exclusive customs unions. I argued vehemently that it was neither logical nor sensible for four to say that a customs union which enabled a group of countries to defend themselves with an all-embracing protective tariff, was a blessed thing but that the loose and far less prohibitive system of Imperial Preference was something wicked. . . . I put that very firmly. But I am bound to say that I could not get the majority of the Commonwealth countries to agree."

The largest measure of agreement we should get, as between Commonwealth countries, as the Conference was to find, was a general desire to maintain existing preferences, "so far as they believed them valid." But while the Commonwealth as a whole would not accept the amalgamation of existing preferences, they agreed almost without discussion that there should be a united effort in which they would all be prepared to join, to get the G.A.T.T. conference that the "new preference" should be accepted by the United Kingdom to raise duties where there is no general nor significant protection today, and to raise those duties without implying corresponding losses on Commonwealth products. We all tried to do this, and were only partly successful. I admit that there was some Government regret that we could not persuade a number of Commonwealth countries to go further. It would have been better to talk about this position quite frankly. We could not, and that's a fact, we have to face and accept."

As to the revision of G.A.T.T., Lord Swinton said that he regretted that the new preference rate was never introduced into the agreement. He went on:

"I doubt whether it was really necessary to abandon freedom of preference in order to get the tariff conference. I think that when these agreements were being negotiated, it would have been wise to have taken perhaps a little less in terms of concession and for the Commonwealth to have kept its freedom. But there it is, we have the agreement. We have the attitude of the Commonwealth Governments. Imperial Preference and Empire trade are reciprocal processes, and it is important that we should act in concert."

Unilateral Action Discouraged

Lord Swinton then asked whether we should be wise to take unilateral action. On this he said he was sure that we should do more harm than good by isolating independent action by merely denouncing G.A.T.T. ourselves, which deprives us of every benefit without getting the Commonwealth to move along with us.

In view of the foregoing, Lord Swinton said it was still the more important that Britain should concentrate on the development of the Commonwealth resources. That development not only increases the strength and wealth of the country, but which the development takes place, but is also has an encouragement to exports from the country, it leads to more sterling imports and exports of dollars and to more mutual trade in the future. All this strengthens the whole Commonwealth and fortifies the trade balance and reserves of the Commonwealth Sterling area.

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of Commercial Concern

The Liverpool Cotton Market was opened on Tuesday after being closed for 13 years.

New premises of the National Bank of India in Nakuru have been opened by the mayor, Mr. Norman Hard.

Mr. W. D. Draffan, general manager of Kenya Co-operative Commerces, Ltd., has said that Africans welcome his group members.

Successful experiments in spraying maize with zinc borac chloride to prevent weevil infestation have been carried out in Northern Rhodesia.

An air service between Addis Ababa and Athens has been started by Ethiopian Airlines with pressurized Convair airliners, halts being made at Khartoum, Wadi Halfa, Sind, Cairo. On the first flight the distance of 2,300 miles was completed in 10 hours.

Tea Auctions

At last week's auction in London 3,173 packages of African teas were sold for an average price of 4s. 3.5d. per lb., compared with 5,126 packages averaging 4s. 6.2d. in the previous week. The highest price reached was 3s. 9.1d. per lb. for a consignment from Uganda.

Central African Airways carried 115,332 passengers in the year ended March 31 last, compared with 98,165 in the previous year. Passenger miles flown were 386,200,000, above those of the previous year which increased by more than 80,000 tons miles.

A tobacco auction price of 4.9d. per lb. was realized at the first tobacco auction to be held in Nyasaland this season at Lombe. A small quantity of 22d. tobacco sold well. At the second sale, a fair amount of very good tobacco was offered and the average overall price was 4.98d. per lb.

Loans totalling £1,500 have been sanctioned by the African district council of Embu, Kenya, towards the erection of three coffee factories at Kagaari, Kyeni, and Gatu.

Giant sea snail shells, from which buttons are manufactured in the United States, are being collected on the coast of Kenya. Started three years ago, the industry earned £13,000 last year.

Two caterpillar scrapers needed for the construction of the Sasuma dam near Nairobi, were found to be too wide for the loading gauge of East African Railways, and had to be transported by road some 330 miles from Mombasa. The task was carried out by Messrs. Gailey and Roberts, Ltd., by tractors in two days.

A mobile sugar factory consisting of three furnaces each with two cauldrons, on a three-ton lorry with a trailer carrying the engine to work, cane-crushing machinery, has been devised by Mr. G. Gamble, agricultural officer in the North Nyanza district of Kenya. The service has given impetus to sugar production by Africans.

Production has started at the Bamburi cement works in Kenya. The British Standard Portland Cement Co., Ltd., present production amounts to 100 to 120 tons a day, and the cost is 20% below that of imported cement. Two kilns are in operation, and a third should be ready early next year, when daily production is expected to reach 400 tons.

Dividends

Jangro May and Co., Ltd.—Final 4%, making 6.1% (7%) for the calendar year 1953. Profit after all charges but excluding taxation was £11,285 (£409,209), taxation provision is £17,600 (£55,000).

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Rhodesian Selection Trust Interim Dividends Declared

RHODESIAN SELECTION TRUST LTD., last week declared an interim dividend of 7d. per share in respect of the year ending June 30, 1954, payable on or about July 6, 1954, to members registered at the close of business on June 8, 1954. In event of it proving possible to change the registration of the company to Rhodesia before the dividend is paid, the dividend will be grossed up at the appropriate rate of Rhodesian tax and paid under deduction of that tax. In either case the net payment will be 7d. per share. This compares with an interim dividend last year of 9d. paid under deduction of U.K. tax at 9s. in the £ and equivalent to a net payment of 4.95d. per share. No inference should be drawn from this increase in the net dividend to be paid by the company as to the likely rate of this year's final dividend.

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MULULIRA COPPER MINES LTD., last week declared an interim dividend of 2s. 6d. per share in respect of the year ending June 30, 1954, payable on July 6, to members registered at the close of business on June 8. In the event of it proving possible to change the registration of the company to Rhodesia before the dividend is paid, the dividend will be grossed up at the appropriate rate of Rhodesian tax and paid under deduction of that tax. In either case the net payment by the company will be 2s. 6d. per share, compared with an interim dividend last year of 3s. paid under deduction of U.K. tax at 9s., and equivalent to a net payment of 1s. 7.8d. per share.

The directors announced that they have declared a special interim dividend of £1,750,000, equivalent to 4s. 3.545d. per share payable on May 31, 1954, to members registered at the close of business on May 24, out of the balance in the general reserve as at June 30, 1953. They also announced that arrangements are being made whereby the shareholders of the company will purchase the company's holding of 100,000 shares of £1 in Chibabwa Mines Ltd., for cash at par and subscribe in the aggregate £250,000 as initial share capital of two companies to be formed in Northern Rhodesia to be called Baluba Mines, Ltd., and Chambishi Mines Ltd., which it is intended shall respectively acquire the company's Baluba and Chambishi special grants and other special grants and exclusive prospecting licences owned by the company over areas contiguous thereto, for an aggregate consideration equal to the expenditure of the company thereon, namely, £710,000. The formation of the Baluba and Chambishi Companies does not denote any intention to develop these properties in the near future.

Roan Antelope

ROAN ANTELOPE COPPER MINES LTD., have declared an interim dividend (No. 29) of 7d. per unit of ordinary stock or share in respect of the year ending June 30, 1954, payable on or about July 13, 1954, to members registered at the close of business on June 8th, 1954, and to holders of options over 2% from the company's stock at a share warrant to be exercised in the event of it proving possible to change the registration of the company to Rhodesia before the dividend is paid. The dividend will be grossed up at the appropriate rate of Rhodesian tax and paid under deduction of that tax. In either case the net payment by the company will be 7d. per unit of ordinary stock or share.

This compares with an interim dividend last year of 7d. per unit of ordinary stock or share which was paid under deduction of United Kingdom income-tax at 9s. in the £ and was equivalent to a net payment by the company of 4.125d. per unit of ordinary stock or share.

In making this declaration the directors have been influenced by a desire to distribute as an interim dividend a larger proportion of the estimated total profits for the year than last year, and on the basis of present estimates the final dividend will be materially lower than last year.

S. Rhodesian Mineral Output

SOUTHERN RHODESIA'S mineral output for the first quarter of this year is valued at £6,174,486 against £4,760,241 in the corresponding period of 1953. This decline, the first in this quarter for some time, is attributed to the fall in the world prices of base minerals, especially chrome, whose output fell from 121,114 oz. valued at £1,000,000 to 120,981 oz. at £866,473.

Tanganyika Mineral Output

MINERAL EXPORTS from Tanganyika in the first five months of this year were valued at £10,414, compared with £2,554,912 in the corresponding period of the previous year. February exports were £222,247 (£135,616), while in March exports were mainly responsible for the higher figure this year.

De Beers Consolidated Mines No Rhodesian Prospecting Rights

DE BEERS CONSOLIDATED MINES LTD., after providing £6,661,969 for taxation earned a group profit of £8,354,829 in the calendar year 1953, compared with £9,073,649 in the previous year. Capital reserve receives £4,077,643, revenue reserves £159,512, and special reserve £285,000. Preference dividends require £799,694, and deferred dividends £8,164,344, leaving a carry forward of £20,693,209, against £17,164,441 brought in.

The issued capital of the parent company consists of 2m. preference shares of 50s., and £1,082,184 in deferred shares of £s. Capital reserve stands at £7,512,341, revenue reserves at £14,974,432, special reserve at £434,965, subsidiary companies at £46,461, provision for taxation at £2,079,128, and current liabilities at £6,244,051. Fixed assets appear at £23,545,525 diamonds on hand at £293,553, other interests in subsidiary companies at £7,709,891, a quoted investment at £88,787 (market value £312,767) and current assets at £176,812, including £261,745 in cash.

The report states that for many years the company has held the right to prospect and mine for diamonds in Northern Rhodesia, but has never carried out active prospecting operations. On terms of an agreement with the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland the company has undertaken to carry out a systematic prospecting programme and will relinquish its diamond rights on October 1, 1966, save over any deposits which may be discovered meanwhile.

The directors are Sir Ernest Oppenheimer (chairman), Major-General I. P. De Villiers, Sir Reckitt and Leeper, Sir Dougal Malcolm, Sir Horatio Stanley, and Messrs. A. G. W. Compton, E. H. Farrar, G. J. Joel, H. J. Joel, D. McHardy, H. Oppenheimer, M.P., H. P. Rudd, and A. Wilson.

The London committee consists of Sir Reginald Leeper (chairman), Sir Dougal Malcolm, and Messrs. P. N. Abrahams, E. C. Gass (alternate, R. V. Pritchard), W. A. Chapple, H. J. Joel, P. Oppenheimer, and Mr. A. Wilson (alternate, W. E. Groves). The secretary is Mr. C. H. Beck.

The annual general meeting will be held in Kimberley on June 9.

Rio Tinto Company Report

rio TINTO LTD. report a consolidated profit for 1953 of £614,087, compared with £731,325 in the previous year. Interest on the preference shares requires £4,048 and a 20% dividend on the ordinary shares £42,000, leaving a carry forward of £338,714, against £1,196,818 brought in. The issued capital of the parent company consists of £1,625,000 in 5% preference shares and £3,125,000 in ordinary shares, both of £1 denomination.

Capital reserve stands at £733,939, venue reserves at £3,523,200, and current liabilities at £2,050,065. Fixed assets appear at £3,056,546, investments at £38,137,698 (including quoted stocks valued at £10,442,062), development costs at £182,000, subsidiary companies at £7,100, and current assets at £4,270,082, including £2,113,591 in cash.

There was a slow decrease in the market value of the company's principal Rhodesian holdings. The increase in the net income from that source could not be disregarded but for the increase of excess profits tax. Some areas in Northern Rhodesia and South Africa have been selected for exploration, and field parties are now at work.

The directors are the Earl of Bessborough (chairman), Mr. J. N. V. Duncan (managing director), Mr. Mark Turner, Mr. G. E. Coke, Sir Eric Gore Browne, Mr. A. T. Geoghegan, Mr. F. Bywater, and Mr. J. T. Tinson. The London manager and secretary is Mr. H. A. Mellor.

The 81st annual general meeting will be held in London on June 10.

Uranium

EVERY DISTRICT MINING OFFICER of the Southern Rhodesian Government has been issued with a geiger counter for the detection of uranium ore. Prospecting has ended in the field near Beltrami where no economic deposits have been found.

Emuaba Coal

EMUABA COAL CO. LTD., a company of smallworkers in Southern Rhodesia, may start a second coal mine some 20 miles south of Wankie. The shafts at present being sunk show that the coal could be mined easily.

Rhodesian Selection Trust

THE RHODESIAN SELECTION trust group of companies have announced that they will establish permanent headquarters in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, but not before the first quarter of next year.

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