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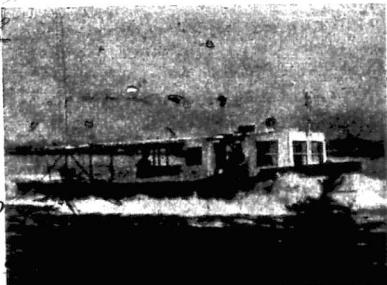
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Mr. Labouchere, M.P., in the House of Commons, July 2nd, 1896, during a debate on the Uganda Railway Bill.

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## MATTERS OF MOMENT

WHY HAS A FILM not been made to show the great and beneficial changes in land use and land and stock husbandry by Africans in Kenya? The splendid photographs and arresting

**Kenya Film Which Needs To Be Made.** facts given in the periodical reports of

the African Land Development Board of the Colony, the coloured slides which Mr. Synderston, the Director of Agriculture recently showed in London to the Royal African Society, and other news of developments combine to indicate that an exciting and valuable picture could be made. If properly done and shown in the right manner it would powerfully refute the persistent propaganda against the work which is conducted by some politicians in Africa and abroad in the United Kingdom. The facts completely disprove their allegations. But for lack of the right kind of publicity for the truth most damaging misconceptions have been allowed to develop. They could be corrected by straight pictures of a factual nature, some of them short news items, and by a story film in which land conservation and consolidation had their part. Films and television are now essential media for the defence of Britain's policy and practice overseas.

The African-Land Development Report for the year to June last starts on the warning note that the kind of agricultural transformation which is now beginning in the Kikuyu Reserves has taken

**Warning Against Undue Optimism.** twenty years among the Kipsigis, an intelligent and co-operative tribe who started with 'no problems' of fragmentation and land tenure'. That statement is a useful correction to the exaggerated expectations of some people who talk as though the whole of Kikuyuland will achieve an 'agricultural revolution'

within another two or three years, and also a reminder that for two decades similar services have been provided elsewhere in Kenya, with so little mention of the fact that it is known only to those in the immediate neighbourhood or otherwise concerned in some way with the task. Nor do many people realize that Southern Rhodesia started its great scheme of betterment through African agricultural demonstrators before anything of the kind had been done on a noticeable scale anywhere else in East or Central Africa. That excellent contribution to improved farming has also had far less recognition than it deserves.

Too many people in this country and the United States, people whose knowledge of East and Central African affairs is usually rudimentary — though more than a few of them pose as experts after visits of a few weeks, or even without any first-hand know-

**Lack of the Right Type of Men.** ledge at all — criticize the Governments for not having done enough in the past and not doing enough now, when, in fact, all the territories have done and are doing their best with the funds at their disposal. If more money could have been raised by taxation or loan there might undoubtedly have been increased efforts in various directions, but lack of money is not the only factor. Grants of millions sterling would not produce overnight more African teachers, more Africans capable of giving guidance on farming and livestock, more Africans able to survey land holdings for tribesmen wanting individual title, more Africans capable of undertaking other professional and technical work for Governments, local governments, or private employers. Years will be needed for adequate numbers of men and women to be trained for these and other duties, and all the Governments are trying to quicken the

supply of such people without any undue reduction in the qualifications hitherto required.

There is plenty of evidence, however, that many Africans (like many Europeans and Asians) disappoint the hopes reposed in them that many having gained entry into some branch of public

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to help their advancement. Similarly groups of Africans to whom the Government offers practical help sometimes refuse it in spite little or no use of it. The latest report of the African Land Development Board in Kenya, for instance, lists case after case of silly non-co-operation, and Mr. Swynnerton told his London audience early this month that the Luo could still not be persuaded to accept anything like the number of coffee seedlings which are offered to them each year. Naturally, that does not prevent unknowledgeable M.P.s. from repeatedly attacking the Government of Kenya for unjustifiably restricting the area of African grown coffee.

## Notes By The Way

### Dissent

AN AMERICAN QUARTERLY MAGAZINE called *Dissent* has published a special number about Africa. I dissent emphatically from almost all its judgments about the East and Central African territories, and I should be astonished if that were not the attitude of anyone who really knows the territories between Southern Rhodesia and the Sudan inclusively. Quite a number of the writers have only a very superficial knowledge. The first article, entitled "Africa Finds Its Voice", is by a Mr. Stanley Plastrik, of whom I have never heard in connexion with any aspect of African affairs. He has some strange notions. For example, he is of the opinion that the West has for two centuries treated Africa as "an object of derision". I was unaware of it. There have been some derisory books about Africa—more often than not from the U.S.A.—but I should have said that the overwhelming majority of Europeans who have lived in East, Central, or West Africa have quickly acquired a real affection for the African.

### The Sudan

MR. PLASTRIK ASSERTS that the Colonial Powers have "painfully and fanatically resisted each step" in the emergence of Africa as an historical reality. What records of the past three-quarters of a century he has read, if any, I cannot imagine; and if he has kept even the most superficial touch with events in the past decade he will scarcely deny that Great Britain, at any rate, has been engaged in rapidly, many people think much too rapidly, accelerating the advancement of Africans, not in resisting it. He is rash enough to write that the Sudan obtained its independence by "conquest"! That will be news to the British forces then in the country, including the admirable and loyal Sudan Defence Force. Independence was not wrested from Great Britain by force, but granted prematurely by Mr. (now Sir Anthony) Trollope, in an absurd attempt to please the German dictator, Bismarck, who imagined that his southern neighbour would promptly accept this gift.

### The Drive for Power

A MR. WILLIAM J. NEWMAN seems to think that Mau Mau is the name of a tribe, for he writes: "The African is amazing in his adaptability, and the Mau Mau is indeed the exception to the rule that the African can-

in fact adjust to town life." He sees "African" on the Copperbelt of Northern Rhodesia as "facing the Marxist stance". I doubt whether a dozen Africans in that area could even define the last two words. As an example of wrapping up harsh facts in cotton wool, consider this statement: "Africa is well supplied with the raw material of revolutionary movements which have a mystique centred around a drive for power". Does that mean that ambitious Africans are ready to lead revolutionary movements? It so, it will not be denied by anyone who knows the territories. That revolution, he says, warningly, "will almost of necessity take on the bloody face of a Mau Mau and the idea of democratic self-government will go down the drain." Does he imagine that any ordered, self-respecting community will or should have the decisions about the form of its Government made by "a bloody-faced Mau Mau"?

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Parliament**African Teachers and Politics****Colonial Secretary Investigating Position**

AT QUESTION TIME in the House of Commons last week, Mr. James Johnson, the Labour member for Rugby, asked the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies if he was aware that African teachers in Northern Rhodesia could not take part in political activities and to what extent this was so in Kenya, Tanzania and Nyasaland.

Mr. NICHOLAS PROFUMO replied that the Colonial Secretary was investigating the position in the four territories.

MR. JOHNSON said it was a fact that these men were not allowed to take part in political life in Northern Rhodesia. If the Minister accepts that fact, does he not think it is childish, and long been to places like Fort Hare and Makerere and universities in Britain, that such men cannot stand up in the public life of the Colony? Is it not possible for them to be candidates in elections in Kenya?"

MR. PROFUMO replied that it would be premature to make a statement before the results of the Minister's investigation were published.

Mr. Johnson then asked Mr. Profumo whether that Africans were education officers in Nyasaland but not in Northern Rhodesia, "is some kind of colonialism in a society which is based on partnership that these men are not allowed to advance in their own profession?"

Mr. Profumo said "it is not much good consulting Government departments and then making ad hoc statements. I should not like to draw on that, but the Colonial Secretary is investigating."

**Mr. HEDGWOOD BENN (Lab.)** asked if, in view of the changed situation in the relations between the United Kingdom and Egypt, he would initiate a conference of representatives of all those countries which depended upon Nile waters.

MR. SELWYN LLOYD: "The situation has not changed since this question was last raised in the House. The Government would be in favour of holding a conference at the appropriate time. Before a full-scale conference can usually be held, a great deal of technical consultation and preparation will be required. Such discussions are already taking place between the technical authorities in British East Africa and the Sudan". He added that the views of the other countries would be borne in mind.

MR. HUGH FRASER (Cons.) asked if Mr. Lloyd would confirm if any international agreement could only be based on a respect for international law by the countries concerned. Mr. Lloyd said he had fully agreed. This was a precedent in the use of watercourses which might well be followed in another connection.

**East Africa Royal Commission****Report to be Debated after Two Years**

THE REPORT of the East Africa Royal Commission, published nearly two years ago, is to be debated in the House of Commons to-morrow. When there is usually no debate, there is very thin attendance. Only last Friday, Mr. Fenton Brockway's Racial Discrimination Bill was counted out.

Neither the Government nor the Opposition has found time for the report. It has been left to James Johnson, the Labour member for Rugby, to raise the matter. He won first place in the ballot for private members' motions and chose extremely tenderly his subject.

Mr. John Profumo, the Colonial Under-Secretary, expected to lead for the Government; Mr. A. Creech-Jones for the Opposition.

A socio-economic survey of the urban African population of Southern Rhodesia is to be made for the first time under the direction of Mr. J. M. H. Shaul, head of the Central African Statistical Office.

**Road Congress in Salisbury****Road from Cape to Nairobi Discussed**

THE NEED FOR A ROAD from Cape Town to Nairobi has been emphasized at the African regional road congress in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia this week. It was attended by delegates from East, Central and Southern Africa, the Belgian Congo and Portuguese East Africa.

Mr. W. H. Eastwood, Federal Minister of Transport and communications, declared that it must rank among the priorities for progress, as the road would serve the rapidly growing towns in the area and open up the last tract of what was once known as darkest Africa. The highway, which he described as the main nerve system along the backbone of the continent, would carry many products and those of industry as well as tourist traffic. It was difficult in young and fast growing countries to raise funds with which to carry out such projects immediately, but the Federal Government was fully alive to the importance of its section of the road and would allocate all that it could afford to the scheme.

**New Legislature**

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL in the Somaliland Protectorate will consist of the Governor, president; ex officio members, the Chief Secretary, the Attorney-General, and the Financial Secretary; official members, the Director of Medical Services, the Commissioner of Somali Affairs, the Director of Education, the Director of Natural Resources, the Director of Public Works, non-official members, Messrs. Jibril Hassan, M. Magan, Sharif Sultan, Ahmed H. Modullah and Abdurrahim Haji Farah Mohamed.

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### Engineering Faculty Needed

THE ESTABLISHMENT of a faculty of engineering at the University of Rhodesia and Nyasaland will be a matter of some urgency even though the cost may run to several million pounds, says Mr. R. H. Roberts, Southern Rhodesia's Director of Irrigation. In his annual report, Mr. Roberts warns that unless such a faculty is established quickly, the whole programme of Federal development will suffer. Discussing the world-wide shortage of qualified engineers, he says that Rhodesia is entirely dependent for recruiting on the universities of the Union of South Africa and Great Britain. "As both these countries are short of thousands of engineers, they snap them up at the source, and it becomes more and more difficult for this country to compete."

### The Enemy

THE REAL ENEMY of the Federal Party, and its source is the African nationalist movement," states the paper's journal, Federal Outlook. "A reasonable man — one that did not look only at Europeans — must band together in common with an energetic and determined programme to counter the 'half-truths' and distortions and wild promises that characterise the speeches of Wellington Chama." The proposed fusion of the Federal and United Rhodesia parties was the obvious first step. Out of this marriage could be born a powerful party of great resources — a party determined to smash through the smoke-screens of political demagogery.

### By-Election

THE DEATH of Mr. W. H. WROTH, reported in our obituary columns, has caused a vacancy in the South-Western electoral district of Southern Rhodesia. Mr. Wroth was returned unopposed to the Legislative Council for the Federal Party. A likely candidate is the territorial Federal Party leader, Mr. G. B. Becken, former Member for the Central and External Resources who represented the constituency until the 1954 general election. He then stood for Livingstone, but in the last minute his nomination papers were found to be incomplete, and he was disqualified.

### Entomology

A REPORT BY THE ANTI-LICEUS RESEARCH CENTRE IN London states that in Eastern Africa scattered populations of adult locusts and hoppers and some small laying swarms have been reported in French Somaliland in late April and early May. In the Somaliland Province, hopper bands were still being controlled during early May, but there were large numbers of scattered hoppers and fledglings. The Sudan, Ethiopia and Central East Africa remained clear of swarms; Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika are clear.

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### News Items in Brief

Trees were planted on May 24 at all schools in the Coast Province of Kenya.

The Tanganyika Legislative Council reassembled in Dar es Salaam on Tuesday.

An rise in the level of Lake Naivasha has caused anxiety to many residents of the Rungu district.

The number of government schools in the Machakos district of Kenya has doubled during the past six months.

The Carnegie Endowment of New York have appropriated \$15,000 dollars for a programme of travel grants for the Commonwealth.

An increase in the staff of the Veterinary Department in Nakuru, Kenya, will enable more services to be provided to the farming community.

The British and Foreign Bible Society has received a message of congratulation from Sir Evelyn Baring on the completion of the Society of the first translation in the Swahili language.

The Representative of Tanganyika England holding aenary luncheon on June 1 to celebrate the birth of Sir Donald Ross, who discovered that malaria is transmitted by the bites of anopheles mosquitoes.

"London Calling" is to appear in a different format. The air-mail version divided into four regional editions, can be better restored but will bring listeners an improved programme service, as it will leave London later than the sea-mail edition.

CASE OF BOMONELLY in Kenya during the war ended May 1945 comprised two Europeans in the Nairobi district, one Asian in the Kitale district, and three Africans in Nairobi, one in Ruaraka, two in Nairobi, six in Kajiado and seven in the Coast Province.

The Southern Rhodesia Drama Association, an end of £850, one of many made by the Cultural and Sporting Fund Board of Northern Rhodesia which assists local cultural and sporting organizations. Since £15,000 has been allocated so far, excluding this year's budget.

Nyasaland finished the last financial year with a surplus of £146,571 instead of anticipated deficit of £100,000 provided for in the estimates for 1955. In his report on the accounts the Accountant-General showed a 10% increase of the country had grown from £2,500 in 1948 to £2,700 in 1955.

A piece of new naval state-of-the-art history, has been presented to the Rhodesia and Nyasaland School of Signals by the Royal Corps of Signals. It was received by Lieut.-Col. D. H. Grainger, Assistant Director of Signals, Central Africa Command, who is attending the Signals exercise and conference at Gattinger.

White no active steps had been taken to encourage African journalists to join the Rhodesian Guild of Journalists, any approach by them would be welcomed in the spirit of the new Industrial Conciliation Bill now before the Southern Rhodesia Parliament, said Mr. George Adeod, the president, at the guild's congress in Bulawayo recently.

Thirty members of the Universities National War College, Washington, under the direction of Major-General W. D. Gandy, U.S.A.F., have arrived in Nairobi on a two-week visit, part of a field study trip which has included West, South, and Central Africa. The guard of honour was provided by second third King's Dragoon Guards.

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## New Commercial Body

A CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE of Chambers of Commerce Central and Southern Africa has been formed in Salisbury. Federal South African and Portuguese East African commercial interests are represented, but the Rhodesias have been left open for other regions such as East Africa, Angola and the Congo, to join if they wish.

The inaugural meeting will be held in Johannesburg after the Association of Chambers of Commerce of South Africa congress this year. Mr. A. Krige, president of Johannesburg Chamber of Commerce, said: "We have deliberately left the organization in a flexible state for the time being. It might lead to an association of Chambers of Commerce of Africa, perhaps at the instance of the association that serves members of commerce throughout the British Commonwealth. Not only will this organization be valuable to our members, but also to the interests of the countries represented. It may be useful for assisting in arriving at customs agreements, and it will certainly help to do away with the undesirable misunderstandings and suspicions of the possibility of fraud discussions with one another."

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Mr. R. S. Gartside Todd, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia.

## Kenya Electricity Supplies

DR. SMALL, chairman and managing director of the East African Power and Lighting Co. Ltd., has said that existing generating stations in Kenya can meet present demands, and that further supplies from the Uganda Electricity Board during the foreseeable future will not be necessary. The difference between capacity and consumption would be more marked when bulk supplies from the Owen Falls started at the end of this year. The present agreement was for 45,000 kw. At present, Mr. Small said, his company could supply 22,800 kw in Kenya, where consumption was only 51,300 kw. The agreement on bulk power from Uganda had been made because it spread the capital outlay during a period when it was not considered right for the company to shoulder the heavy expenditure involved in the Seven Forks scheme on the Tana River, the first phase of which was estimated to cost £12 million.

## Commonwealth Pineapples

DELEGATES from the pineapple canning industries of Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the Union of South Africa discussed in London last week the market for canned pineapple in the U.K. and other markets. Mr. Bernard Braine, M.P., Chairman of the British Commonwealth Producers' Organization, opened the conference. He explored, among other topics, the question of increasing the general consumption of canned pineapple, particularly in the U.S.A. and continental Europe. There was a keen awareness of the dangers — to growers and processors alike — of the expansion of production without due regard to the potential capacity of the world market. A standing committee, representative of the five Commonwealth producers was formed.

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The total capital of the holding company consists of £100,000 in 5% cumulative ordinary shares, and £100,000 in ordinary shares, both of which have a revenue reserve standing at £11,700, and current liabilities at £11,194.

Subsidiary companies appear at £1,332,336, trade investments at £100,000 and cash at £4,201.

The account states that Mr. R. C. A. (P.L.) Ltd., in which the company is a shareholder, has been well received and its initial trials received favourable comments.

The board consists of Messrs. J. R. Millbourn (chairman) and P. G. Clegg (director), C. F. Kemsley (joint managing director), Sir Eric Millbourn and Mr. J. T. Stone. The secretary is Mr. S. H. Farlow.

The main annual general meeting will be held in London on June 30.

## No Mozambique Rail Link

THE FEDERATION HAD NO PLAN to link up with the railway line being built by the Portuguese from the west coast port of Mossamedes, states Sir Andrew Strachan, chairman of the Rhodesia Railways. The Portuguese authorities are running a railway line from the west coast inland easterly direction. Sir Andrew said in yesterday's statement: "I understand that this line has now got as far as Serra Pinta, which is some 350 miles from the Northern Rhodesia border. But this is entirely a Portuguese project, and we have no agreement with them whatsoever. There is no plan to continue the line in the Federation, or any sort of plan, not even know whether the Portuguese intend to carry the line as far as the Federation border."

## Commonwealth Development Finance

COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CO. LTD., after providing £141,332 for taxation, earned a profit of £2,247.37 in the year ended March 31 last, compared with £18,670 in the previous year. £10,000 is reserved, £913 transferred to reserves on realization of investments account, £1,000 written off preliminary expenses, leaving a carry-forward of £9,000 against £7,876 brought in.

The issued capital consists of £825,000 in ordinary shares and £3,032,500 in B ordinary shares, both of £10 each and 2s. and 9s. paid respectively; surplus on realization of investments stands at £510,178, reserves at £14,460, unappropriated at £19,990, taxation reserve at £16,250 and current liabilities at £4,994,727 (including taxation £28,539). Loans and debentures quoted appear at £11,900, included at £6,938,000\* shares (quoted in U.K.) at £22.53 (quoted overseas) at £16.62-82 (the market value of quoted investments on May 18, 1951, £1,743,001). Furniture and fittings are valued at £4,776, current assets at £2,411,111, including £142,385 in cash.

The company's assets include Marimau Sugar estate £350,000, and Federated Farmers' scheme both in Rhodesia.

The directors are Lord Hodder (chairman), Sir George Bolton (deputy chairman), Mr. F. L. Scudamore (managing director), R. E. Fleming, Lord Shilstone, Sir Edward O. Ferris, Lt.-Col. G. W. C. Hope, Sir Ivan Stevenson, The Finance Committee comprising Sir George Bolton (chairman), Messrs. R. E. Fleming, A. S. G. Roar, C. H. G. Mills, and D. M. Oppenheimer. Mr. J. H. Rydell is secretary and G. S. Samways director of operations.

The fourth annual general meeting will be held on June 30 in London.

## B.I.C. Ship

THE B.I.C. ship, the new 8,750-ton cargo ship, B.I.C. Barrow, owned by the British India Steam Navigation Co. Ltd., was launched at Glasgow by Mrs. J. Gilchrist, wife of the chairman of Barclay Curle and Co. Ltd., builders of the ship, on Tuesday. The new vessel's overall length is 515 ft. engine between passengers' decks, 85 ft. breadth measured 68.3 ft. depth measured 33 ft., gross tonnage 8,750 tons, net tonnage 5,056 tons and summer load draft 22ft. 11in.

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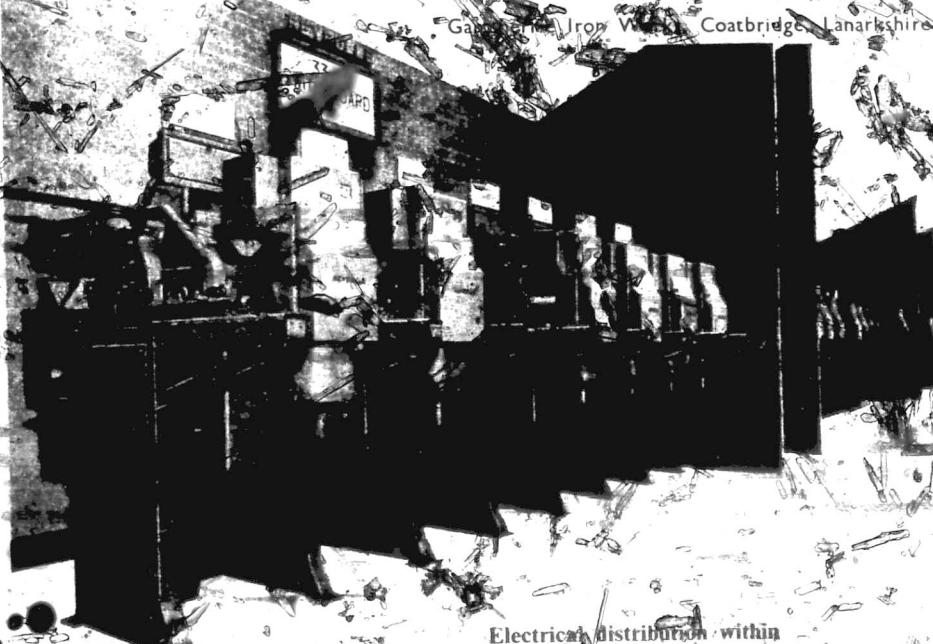
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## £100m. a Year to Spend

AFRICANS IN THE FEDERATION have £100,000,000 a year to spend — and they tend to spend 50% on quality goods instead of Kaffir trinkets. According to a survey published by the *Rhodesian Record*, the figure of £100m. is an estimate based on African wages and salaries plus the income of salaried Africans. These are rising by about £10m. a year. Between 1950 and 1955 the total increased from £31m. to nearly £77m. — the latest official figure. Some Northern Rhodesia Africans are earning four-figure salaries. It will not be long before Government employed doctors and professional Africans in Southern Rhodesia are earning the same. But for practical purposes it is reckoned that Africans in the Rhodesias earn between £11 and £12,800 a year, and in Nyasaland between £20 and £28. This estimate applies among people in tropical Africa of which incidentally the Federation embraces only some 5% — comprising one of the greatest potential markets in the world. This very livelihood constitutes its possibility — for the Government is in the wings of civilization, and the greater the scope for development," states the recorder.

## Report on Uganda Accounts

UGANDA'S REVENUE BUDGET for the year ending June 30 last shows an excess of revenue over expenditure of £1,467,372, the total revenue being £18,927,321 and above-the-line expenditure £17,460,049. In the capital budget above-the-line expenditure amounted to £6,436,558 and revenue £3,570,463. The accumulated deficit on the capital budget was £3,459,964, comparable with an estimate of £4,206,418, the favourable outcome being due to receipts from export taxes exceeding the estimate by £86,993. The value of investments held on the accounts amounted to £49,092,000 on June 30. The fall of more than £6m. during the year, approximately £1.7m. due to withdrawals by the Coffee Industry Board. Deployment of investments accounted for £2,160,000.

The public debt stood at £3,194,000 of which £13,087,000 represented loans relating to the Uganda Electricity Board.

## European Earnings on the Copperbelt

BETWEEN 1950 AND 1956 the average earnings in terms of money of European Mineworkers on the Copperbelt increased by about 14%, mainly as a result of improved basic pay and higher copper bonuses. Earnings in the current year are unlikely to be as high as they were during the 12 months up to the end of June last year, as the copper bonus — which was 702.5% of basic wages for the period July 1955 to June 1956 — had dropped to a provisional rate of 32% in December 1956. The average annual earnings of African employees on the Copperbelt have risen by 162% from 1950 to 1956, according to the Chamber of Mines Year Book.

## Of Commercial Concern

The East African Conference Lines announce that the freight surcharge of 10% operative in the trade between the U.K., Continental and East African ports, onwards and onwards, reduced forthwith to 5% and this will apply to ships set present loading at each individual port, but the 10% surcharge is applicable to shipments already made at previous loading ports. The Conference lines loading outwards to Uganda announce that the freight surcharge of 10% operative to that destination is reduced forthwith to 5% and this will apply to ships at present loading at each individual port, but the 10% surcharge is applicable to shipments already made at previous loading ports.

More than 50 loans were approved by the Local Development Loan Fund and the African Productivity Loan Fund in Tanganyika in the first quarter of the year, a higher loan than usual. The committee has stated that while they have been generous in postponing repayment in times of distress, it is essential that borrowers should be made to understand their responsibilities. The object of the funds would be largely directed to borrowers who led the committee to believe that the loans were just money from Heaven and dividends for the benefits of everybody. It is hoped that genuine borrowers have genuinely improved their position by means of loan money.

Plantations Ltd. have announced that no dividend will be paid for the year ended December 31 last on the Tanganyika participating division of the 10% ordinary shareholders' profits amounting to £1,792,127.780, after credits of £2,245 from the general depreciation reserve.

A major investigation in Uganda showed that India can damage as much as 20% of a stored crop in six months. A campaign to reduce insect infestation in granaries has been started by the Department of Agriculture.

The Federal Information Department suggests in a recent brochure that there may be room in the Blantyre-Limbe area of Rhodesia for a brewery and for textile, furniture, and fertilizer factories.

Private investments in the Belgian Congo are now estimated at 2,100m. dollars, almost all of it Belgian. The 76,000 Belgians living in the colony represent more than 78% of the white population.

Total fish production in Uganda last year amounted to 34,000 tons, valued at £200,000. More than 500 Africans have established ponds for the cultivation of tilapia.

Production of sugar in Uganda increased in the past decade from 46,032 tons to 65,455 tons annually. Consumption has risen from 12,720 to 32,741 tons annually.

At the first sales of BR cotton to be held in Kisumu, Kenya, recently 640 bales were sold for £1,000 an acre, or 150.8 cents a shilling per lb.

S.S. Rhodesia Castle will leave London on the Rhodesia Africa service via the Cape and homeward bound on June 5.

Barclays Bank D.L.O. has declared an interim dividend of 5s. per share of the year ending September 30 next.

National bought dairy products worth more than £1m. last year from Kenya's cooperative dairymen's board.

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**Mining****Brunswick American Corporation Report****Nearly £1m. Profit in 1956**

BUNSWICK AMERICAN CORPORATION OF SOUTH AFRICA LTD. earned a profit of £1,930,105 in the calendar year 1956, against £1,730,128 in the previous year. Total assets stand at £51,770; provision against loans amounts to £4,505,690; contribution to the pension fund to £96,720, and interest on preference stocks to £18,742. Dividends total 12½ pence share, leaving £1,142,320. General reserve receives £100, leaving carry-forward of £331,941, against £344,498 brought in. The issued capital consists of £2,737,375 in 6% cumulative preference stock at £917,671 in ordinary shares at 10s. Share premium account stands at £5,223,873; revenue reserves at £27,000; 4% registered bonds at £81,633; loans at £48,376; 3% provision for doubtful debts at £6,360; and creditors at £46,456. Turnover by companies appears at £6,577, netted £2,805, or market value of £1,495,932, and unquoted investments at £1,746,637; debentures and notes at £1,702,469. Government, municipal and electricity supply commission stocks at £2,137,104; and options and cash at £34,268,846.

The directors are Sir Ernest Oppenheimer (chairman), and Messrs. R. B. Jaggar (deputy chairman), H. L. Oppenheimer (deputy chairman and managing director), W. D. Wilson (assistant managing director), K. C. Acutt, E. C. Baring, D. O. Ham, G. Marshall Clark, D. C. Parker, F. V. Emrys, H. C. Koch, E. O. McKeown, A. S. Wilson, Dr. George W. Abu, the Hon. W. J. O'Brien, Colonel Sir Thomas Robins, the Hon. Mr. V. Smith.

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Mr. K. C. Acutt is resident director in Rhodesia, and London agents are Messrs. E. C. Baring, P. H. A. Brownrigg, P. J. Oppenheimer, R. C. Wilson, and the Hon. Mr. V. Smith. The annual general meeting will be held in Johannesburg on June 21.

**Motapa Gold Mining Co., Ltd. Report**

MOTAPA GOLD MINING CO., LTD., earned a net profit of £24,276 in the calendar year 1956, compared with £11,882 in the previous year. Capital reserve receives £42,530, leaving £721 to be carried forward, against £18,965 brought in. During the year 20,433 tons of ore were treated, and 28,746 oz. gold and a working profit of 2½ dwt. per oz. Our reserves on December 31 amounted to 14,000 tons of a value of 3.5 dwt. per ton.

The issued capital is £800,000 in shares of 5s. Capital reserve stands at £311,859; revenue reserves at £1,135,789. Loan at £26,850, and currency amounting to £32,107. Fixed assets are valued at £155,110, and current assets at £15,361, after preliminary expenses at £2,467.

The directors are Messrs. J. W. A. Williams (chairman); alternate, D. J. White; W. M. Barclay (alternate); J. F. L. Cornwall, T. H. Cooke, P. S. Hammond (alternate), E. S. Hollister, G. R. Ralston, and W. V. Vowles. The London committee consists of Messrs. W. R. Frampton (chairman), D. F. T. Farley, G. J. Haughton, J. H. Cummings (alternate), B. Eilev, H. S. Penistone (alternate), U. C. Knight (alternate), the Johannesburg committee of Messrs. J. W. A. Wright, W. W. Williams (alternate), J. Holiday; W. M. Barclay (alternate), G. R. Ralston, and J. C. Williams (alternate), L. M. Hart.

The 11th annual general meeting will be held in Bulawayo on June 20.

**Rosterman Gold Mines, Ltd. Report**

ROSTERMAN GOLD MINES, LTD., incurred a loss of £5,360 in the calendar year 1956. After writing off £355 for advances to and investment in Rosterman (Uganda), Ltd. and owing £6,904 for sale of fixed assets and stores, and allowing for credit refund and provision no longer required, the debit balance transferred to the balance-sheet is £45,620.

The issued capital is £512,635 in shares of 10s. and current liabilities stand at £1928; current assets amount to £55,637, including £54,361 in cash.

The directors are Messrs. H. C. Cowen (chairman), J. B. Orford, J. A. Garland, and W. R. Carr, and the secretary, Mr. A. C. Skipper.

The 22nd annual general meeting will be held in London on June 17 at which a resolution for the reduction of the company's capital will be discussed.

**Union Minière du Haut-Katanga****Increased Copper Production**

THE YEAR 1956 marked the 50th anniversary of the constitution of Union Minière du Haut-Katanga. Production of copper rose from 234,000 tons in 1955 to 247,452 tons in the year just ended, and the tonnage delivered to customers from 227,700 to 237,600 tons. The available profit balance included in the balance brought forward totalled Frs. 183,219,794 and gave permission for an increase in dividend from Frs. 200 to 220, in spite of important capital expenditure. The statutory reserve fund receives 5% from Fr. 1,000 units, special reserves are contingencies standing at Frs. 1,000. The direct income of 1956 totalled about 4,500,000 Frs.

The annual report and accounts for 1956 is illustrated and gives details as to the wide range of interest the company in other enterprises, including a map of the group's territories.

A full report of the annual meeting, including the chairman's statement, will appear next week.

**Rhodesia Batanga**

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**Company Progress Report**

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