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East African Priority Passage

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Last previous paper.

Requests - as wishes to proceed to
E.A.P. & back September with wife
by main route line

Mr. Bally

This case & question on which
a decision must be reached sooner or
later, i.e. whether or not to
be recommended for priority or not.

While we are bound to do all
we can to enable them to get to work
as quickly as possible, and to avoid their
having to spend any of their capital by
being put in a position where they
are obliged to pay for their passage
before returning to established work.

have preference over other titles, and
also not still enough of the power to
keep the working arrangements for one
line.

Moreover, it is not to give
priority to meet a chosen person

the priority list will become more
unmanageable than ever, and there would be
no fair way of determining the order
in which the names of these thousand
were placed. Those towards the end would
stand little more chance of getting out
than an ordinary passenger who is
not recommended at all. Under such
a system of recommending as
the most for priority upon an
addition to the list.

The O.S.O. circular makes it
quite clear that the Govt. do not intend
to set priority as a rule to approved
letters or sea.

I do not think therefore that
we can recommend major letters or
any other selected applicant for priority
as to ~~recommend~~ ^{our} ~~letters~~ ^{all} ~~may not~~ ^{be} ~~sent~~ ^{sent} ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~all~~ ^{all} they are being allowed which
that ~~circumstances~~ ⁱⁿ ~~allowed~~ ^{to}
it is to be hoped that it will
be some ~~possible~~ ^{to} ~~use~~ ^{the} ~~result~~ ^{of}
the ~~recommending~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ⁱⁿ ~~case~~ ^{of}
the ~~letters~~ ^{may} ~~at~~ ^{least} ~~during~~ ^{the}
the ~~time~~ ^{when} ~~the~~ ^{the}
the ~~present~~ ^{present} ~~list~~ ^{has} ~~been~~ ^{worked} ~~off~~ ^{off}

I express regret that it cannot
be recommended, as it has been found
impracticable to recommend all approved
applicants under the name for priority,
I had a copy of the O.S.O. report, and
I had to register with the Shipping Co.
as you see he was not already ~~sent~~ ^{sent}
11/7/19

Sir Alasd. Colville Anon

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I have assumed throughout that
the iron sheet farms under the
Scheme will have to wait till
some difficulties arise to visit,
the Scheme gives them ample warning
before they need ~~take~~ go out.

On the other hand, there will
be many who will want their
money well in the hands of
writing, & from by first obtaining
a small visit to little to
with with

To give ~~some~~ ~~idea~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~importance~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~subject~~
I would have to ~~write~~ ~~at~~ ~~length~~ ~~on~~ ~~the~~ ~~subject~~
practical business & ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~importance~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~subject~~
degrees of urgency.

(1). The more impressions, the more
such with the kind of person who
is already admitted to priority in
having urgent business to look
after ~~and~~ ~~is~~ ~~not~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~concerned~~
& so forth

(2). The collection of our ~~own~~
settlers, ^{who} should be regarded as
less urgent & would in practice
have little better chance than
the

The two primary cases

The first we could do would be to tell the Wilson & other engineers that after the allotment of funds is completed we shall be prepared to give some to cover ^{of needed money} (in which it can be shown that a protracted work will seriously prejudice their ability to complete their farms.) This would give us a plenty of work & many a man's life helped.

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[This particular obnoxious may be the Wilson with \$300,000 share. Jeffries has written some]

Oct 12 1919

Get it into the hands of the Wilsons & other people's hands at my rate at the time. ^{Unacceptable} It will be a real mission task to demonstrate between the different applicants.

Reply as proposed by Mr. Jeffries?

I will see the way how we will be prepared to see whether to cover of our other agency
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of the Air Force, officers on the unemployed list and strikers in Class "E" reserve. Soldiers in "Z" reserve and air men in "G" reserve do not require permission to proceed overseas.

It is not intended that the Government should provide special shipping accommodation in connection with this scheme, and passages can only be obtained as space becomes available in the ordinary course. This, however, will not involve any delay in dealing with applications, and applicants, as soon as they have been accepted, will be furnished with a voucher which they can exchange for a passage ticket without payment through the usual channels. Approved applicants may avail themselves of any superior class on payment of the difference to the shipping company.

It is, in any case, unlikely that the Governments of the Self-Governing Dominions will be able to provide special passages for women from this country as settlers on the continent of the present war, owing to the need for settling their own returning troops. There is therefore no prospect that more than a very limited number of free passages to those Dominions can be granted before the beginning of 1920. Even if the Dominions are willing to receive intending settlers from this country earlier than usual date shipping accommodation will probably not be available for such settlers in any number until the return of the Dominions troops has been completed. (N.B.—This does not, of course, apply to those ordinarily resident in other parts of the Empire for whom special arrangements are already in force.)

In these circumstances it has been arranged that applications may be sent in as early as up to the end of December, 1919, or within one year from the date of release from service, whichever date is the latest.

Ex-service men and women need, therefore, be in no hurry to put in their application, and they should in their own interests make sure, before making application, that openings are not available at home. The largest number of opportunities overseas is likely to be open to men with agricultural experience, and to women who are prepared to take up work as helps in the home or on a farm. In any case it must be clearly understood that free passages will only be granted to applicants who are ascertained to be acceptable to the Oversea Governments.

Applicants are warned that it is desirable not to take any final steps towards breaking up their household arrangements, etc., till the last possible moment. No liability can be accepted by the Government on this account.

Arrangements are being made to provide applicants with a discharger which will take the place of a passport.

Forms of application are obtainable from the Secretary Oversea Settlement Office, 34, Victoria Street, London, S.W. 1, or from any Employment Exchange, or District Office of the Appointments Department, or, in the case of ex-service women, from Camp Headquarters. The names of applicants will be recorded at the Oversea Settlement Office.

Nov. 1919.

OVERSEA SETTLEMENT WITHIN THE EMPIRE.

His Majesty's Government have decided that on and after the 8th April, 1919, ex-service men, viz., officers and men of the Royal Navy, the British Army (excluding Dominion and Colonial Forces) or the Royal Air Force, who have served in the present war and who wish to settle within the Empire overseas, may obtain free 3rd class passages at the lowest Government rate for themselves and their dependents to the nearest convenient port to their destination, provided that they are approved under one of the agricultural settlement schemes of the Oversea Governments or are going to assured employment, and are otherwise acceptable to the Government of the territory to which they desire to go. This privilege will also be extended to the widows and dependents of ex-service men as defined above, provided that they are entitled to draw pension from Imperial Funds under the terms of the Pensions Warrant.

Free passages on the same conditions will be granted to ex-service women who are entitled for whole time service for not less than six months in a corps under the direction of a British Government Department.

The term "dependent" includes, in the case of ex-service men, legal wives and legitimate sons and stepsons under 16 years of age and legitimate daughters and stepdaughters under 18 years of age; in the case of ex-service women and widows of ex-service men, legitimate children as defined above.

The chief Corps included in the definition of ex-service women are the Women's Royal Naval Service, Queen Mary's Army Auxiliary Corps, Women's Royal Air Force, Women's Legion, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service and Reserve, Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service and Reserve, Territorial Force Nursing Service, the V. A. D., Naval and Military Nursing and General Service Men's, and Women's Land Corps, British Red Cross and Order of St. John of Jerusalem, Joint War Hospitals, Women's Land Army, Scottish Women's Land Army, Women's Land Corps, Women's Forestry Corps, etc.

The grant of free passages will include the grant of a 3rd class railway warrant from the place of residence to the port of embarkation.

Although pensioners and reservists are eligible for a free passage under the above conditions, such passages should not be granted until they have been referred to the Navy or War Office. Applications for the grant of permission to proceed abroad as required by the above conditions. Pensioners and reservists include, in the case of Naval ranks and ratings, officers on the Reserve, Retired or Emergency Lists, R.N., officers of the Reserve and Special Reserve of Officers, Royal Marines, and pensioners or reservists; in the case of the Army, officers of the Reserve of Officers, Special Reserve of Officers and Territorial Force, and soldiers belonging to any class of the Reserve, etc., etc., and in the case

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8th July 1919

The Secretary
 E. A. S. Selection Board

Very much to acknowledge receipt of your notification
 (2nd class B) that my application to be
 included in the lottery has been approved. As I
 propose to attend the draw myself, it will not be
 necessary to furnish power of attorney.

I am anxious to proceed to the States at
 the end of September or beginning of October.
 May I, as an approved applicant, be granted
 a recommendation for priority passages for my wife
 and self per Union Castle Line to Montreal. Our names
 are on their register as ordinary passengers. Please
 your obedient servant
 J. H. Wilson

16 July 1919

DRAFT.

Mr. H. Wilson

Sir,
I am glad to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 8th of July,
and to inform you that he
regrets that he can be unable

MINUTE.

Mr. House 16.7.19 to recommend your wife &
Mr. Calder 16.7.19

- Mr. Grindle
- Sir H. Lambert
- Sir H. Wood
- Sir G. Fisher
- Mr. Aubrey
- Lord Milner

yourself for private
 2. It is not practicable to
 recommend all approved applica-
 -tions for land-grants, but
 that which ~~is~~ will be prepared
 after the allotment of farms is
 completed, it is considered
 an exceptional agency

Signed H. Wilson