

acknowledged his letter earlier and explained that we had only a Mandate to speak for Kenya, and that we had intended that his letter to Mr. Turner should refer to that Dependency only. Mr. Oldham thought that no harm would be done as so far as he knew there were no applications at present from Negro Missionaries for any part of Africa, though there may possibly be some before long, and in that event he only asked that applications should be held up for a month or two until the whole question of negro missionaries was discussed in July, when Mr. Turner visits this country.

I arranged with Mr. Oldham that he will come here with Mr. Turner and have an informal talk with Sir H. Read, before taking any official action. He is going to ask for such an interview when Mr. Turner arrives in the country.

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Wait

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3.5.23

See Sir H. Read's letter
to Mr. Turner. There
are 2 copies 690. *MSH*

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The assumed S.D. copy is a mix out
of a meeting in Sir H. Read's room with
Mr. Oldham & Mr. Turner. The view was
strongly held by Mr. Stanley & Mr. Read that
it was unnecessary & undesirable to
attempt to exclude negro missionaries. It
was decided to arrange a meeting at
which Sir R. Lyndon could express his
opinions.

Sir H. Read has not yet been in on
this next stage.

- X Meeting on Wed. afternoon

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Sir H. Read

At the meeting

- (a) Sir R. Lyndon cordially agreed
to a visit by Dr. Jones, Dr. Gifford
Williams and Mr. Gray (the negro
Mr. Subject who appears to have
made a v.g. impression on Sir
H. Gifford in the Gold Coast)
- (b) Mr. Turner offered
(1) in the case of unorganised Societies

Let them know that negro
missionaries were not wanted in
Kenya &
(1) as suggested, in the case of
unrecognized societies, that
applications on behalf of
negro missionaries should in the
case of Kenya be turned down
by the Passport Control Officer,
& if possible advise, that he should
definitely state the line that
such unrecognized societies
could not be regarded as equal
to the responsibility of looking after
negro missionaries. He said
that the P.C.O. was in the
habit of consulting him as regards
the nominees of miscellaneous
societies & that this procedure
might be made the rule.

I said that in view of the
right of ^{Kenya} ~~our~~ attitude becoming
generally known, with sufficient
warning from the above, if we from
the international point of view,
I think cannot begin and only
other suggestions.

After the meeting, Sir R. Longman 213
told me that he would leave the
matter to the Hon. Mr. O'Shaughnessy & his
Treasurer, and not press for a definite
policy of exclusion being laid down
for Kenya. The risk of getting propaganda
or "controversial" negro missionaries
worse, he agreed, to less than that of
being involved in legal complications.

It was agreed that the Society
should be asked to supply more details
of the societies mentioned in para. 6
of 14/1/39 - e.g. "Home Towns" in U.S.A.
as there are ~~so~~ so many different
organizations under the same name
that the Treasurer in many cases
could not place them.

The important thing is to get
something through to Mr. Turner
before he goes on the 25th of Aug.,
& I should left.

G.C.S. 20/7/33
R.B. The Treasurer considered that the

arrangements for visiting countries
for the various parts of Africa
were not sufficiently definite.
This is what I mean by saying that
I should be obliged to look into
the matter, later.

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2 RATON GATE, LONDON, S.W.1

25th March 1931

Mr. P. Waterbee, Esq.,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.1

Dear Mr Waterbee,

Thank you for your letter of the 24th instant enclosing a copy of the paragraph from the recent Despatch of the Governor of Kenya giving a list of American societies operating in that Colony.

I enclose a copy of the letter I have written to Mr. Emmell P. Turner, the secretary of the Foreign Missionary Conference of North America, asking him to see that no applications for passports are submitted by "recognised" societies until the question has been further considered.

I am,

Yours very truly,



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Mr. R. B. Bitterbee, Esq.,
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27th March 1925

Fennell P. Turner Esq.,
Committee of Reference & Counsel,
25 Madison Avenue,
New York City
USA.

My dear Turner,

When I was at the Colonial Office the other day my attention was directed to difficulties which the Government is having with undesirable propaganda of the Marcus Garvey type. In considering the steps necessary to deal with these difficulties the question arises of the admission of negro missionaries. I was consulted in regard to this matter.

I suggested that, as the question was coming up for consideration at the meeting of the International Missionary Council next July, definite action might be held over till then, and said that I thought that I could give a definite assurance if it were desired that no applications for the admission of negro missionaries would be made in connection with "recognized" societies in the interval. Applications under Memorandum C the Government is, of course, able to deal with.

I think you will have no difficulty in communicating with any American societies on the "recognized" list who might possibly be sending negroes to British Africa and saying to them that, in view of the fact that the whole question is coming up for consideration at the meeting of the International Missionary Council it is desirable that a

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Mr Turner

matter should not be prejudiced by the sending in of individual applications before that date.

You may have some other plan for dealing with the matter which will be even better. The main thing is, can you give me an assurance that no applications on behalf of negro missionaries will be made by "recognized" societies until after we meet in July?

On the strength of my assurance the Government will, I think, be willing to postpone taking definite measures in regard to missionaries. Unless they have some practical assurance that no applications will be made in the meantime, I do not think they will be willing to postpone the matter.

I said that I was certain that the missionary societies both in Great Britain and America were fully alive to the difficulties involved and that there would be no disposition to press proposals which the Government would find embarrassing. The problem is, how to secure the safeguards which the Government requires in the way which will least give rise to objection and criticism and will not bar negroes trained at Freetown when Colonial Governments are willing to avail themselves of the help of this type of negro, as I believe they are in West Africa.

I shall be glad if you will let me have a reply at your early convenience. If we can secure that no applications for negroes are sent in by "recognized" societies for the next few months, we shall be able to take up the matter when you come to this country and discuss with the Colonial Office the best way of dealing with the difficulty.

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4th May 1927.

H. F. Batterbee, Esq.,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.1

Dear Batterbee,

I meant you to keep the copy of Dr Jones' Report which I sent you. The Phelps-Stokes Fund have placed at our disposal a certain number of copies for presentation purposes and after my talk with you I found that a few copies were still available. Please keep the copy if it is of any use to you.

I have just had a cable from Mr. Turner to say that no applications from negro missionaries from "recognised" societies will be endorsed by the Foreign Missions Conference of North America until after the meeting/

Handwritten notes:
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Mr Batterbee

meeting in July. This, I think, is what you wanted
to ensure.

I am,

Yours very sincerely, .

P. H. Oldham

Downing Street,

12 July, 1923.

Dear Mr. Oldham,

Since you called here with Mr. Turner the other day in connection with the question of Negro Missionaries going to Tropical Africa I have had an opportunity of speaking to Sir Robert Coryndon and ascertaining when it will be convenient to him to have the meeting which was suggested at our discussion.

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14th July, 1923.

W.C. Bottomley, Esq.
Colonial Office, Downing Street.

Dear Mr Bottomley,

Thank you for your letter of the 12th instant.

It will suit Mr Turner and myself to come on July 19th
at 10.30 to see Sir Robert Corydon, and I have booked
that time.

I am

Yours very truly,

J. H. Oldham

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Dear Mr. Oldham,

In view of meeting with Sir

Robert Coryndon on Thursday

Oldham

I have been able, as a result of

discussion with him and with

higher authority here, to obtain

approval for the following, which

I shall be glad if you will

communicate to Mr. Turner

(by giving him the enclosed copy

of this letter) before he returns

to America.

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Mr. Rostrom

Mr. 21/7/23

Mr.

Mr. Davis

Mr. G. Grindle

Mr. H. Read

Mr. J. Masterton Smith

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M. G. Amos
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Dear Mr. Stokan,
I have been meeting with Sir
Robert Gordon on Thursday

Oldham

I have been able, as a result of
discussion with him and with

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approval for the following, which

- Mr. [Name]
- Mr. [Name]
- Mr. [Name]
- Mr. Davis
- Sir G. Grindall
- Sir H. Bond
- Sir J. [Name]
- Mr. [Name]
- Mr. [Name]

I shall be glad if you will
communicate to Sir Turner

(by giving him the enclosed copy

of this letter) before he returns
to America.

2. The Governor is in no way
at all from the best type of

republican missionary (e.g. the "Task Force"
[Name]) entering Kenya and, as he

said at the meeting, would
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Amos
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Mr. Oldham,

Since our meeting with Sir

Robert Grayson on Thursday

I have been able, as a result of

discussion with him and with

higher authority here, to obtain

approval for the following, etc.

I shall be glad if you will

communicate to Sir Thomas

(by giving him the enclosed copy

of this letter) before he returns

to America.

2. The Governor is in no way

at variance from the best type of

repr. missionary (i.e. the Tuskegee

type) entering Kenya and, as he

said at the meeting, would

welcome Mr. Aggrey, accompanying

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Mr. Davis.

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Mr. H. Read.

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Robert Coryndon on Thursday

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G. Grindle.

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Mr Churchill.

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the Government's conclusion is, of

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and the danger of Kenya's
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by any society which felt itself
aggrieved.

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societies, it is proposed to
ask the Foreign Office to arrange
that the Passport Control Officer
should consult Mr. Turner
in all cases of applications
made by them, that is, to ~~submit~~
arrangements to a general ~~rule~~
that I understood to be the usual
practice.

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- Davis,
- G. Grindie,
- H. Reid,
- J. Masterton Smith,
- Wood,
- Churchill.

5. We will, on any day at the
meeting, ask the Acting Governor
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Yours sincerely

(Ed) W. B. Hamley.

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Yours sincerely

(Signed) W. B. Hamilton
