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Bowring A92

1917

14 August

Last previous Paper  
S.L. 5489  
H/3525

FEMALE POSTAL OFFICERS

Requests as to successor to Barnes, MURPHY, AND other certain number have not yet left England. Would be glad if departure could be expedited.

SPO Com 22 Aug 17  
SPO numbers 18 Sept 17

Minute also on File 700 EA

The OAG asks for a successor to Miss Barnes as a Postal Clerk Telegraphist - the vacancy occurred 4 July. He has also asked for a successor to Miss Phillips, as a Telegraphist, the vacancy falling due on 1 December next (File 720)

The present position is that the <sup>eight</sup> ladies who have been selected for appt as Postal Clerks and Telegraphists are not allowed to proceed to EA on account of the submarine (see 9265 (H.P.)); and we have asked SPO to inform them that they are at liberty to offer themselves for other service, their nomination for EA to be cancelled if they do (H.3525). It seems useless therefore, to ask SPO

Next subsequent Paper.  
46205

To select any more ladies at present

SPO

Telegraph to OAS

Your tel. 14 Aug no 492.

see my tel. of 16 Feb. There is no change in position, and selected candidates have been given permission to take up other service if they wish. In the circumstances do not propose to ask GPO for successors to Barnes and Phillips see your despatch 25 June

Feb  
7280  
EA

no. 354

? M. J. 17.8.17

was 17.8.17

W. Read.

I think we must stick to the position, unless Mr. Bowring replies that the Postal services will break down if he doesn't get more ladies.

W. R.

17.8.17

PTO

Mr. Borthwick

Please see C.A. minute annexed, and the minute thereon, giving the Secretary of State's decision that these Postal Clerks ought now to be allowed to go.

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The persons concerned are -

- Miss L. A. Anderson, File 7760 EA.
- Miss M. D. Benson, File 7766 EA.
- Miss A. M. Herbert, File 7773 EA.
- Miss M. Harpham, File 7764 EA.
- Miss I. R. Kemp, File 7763 EA.
- Miss J. Shandland, File 7767 EA (separate minute on this file)
- Miss F. Wetherald, File 7765 EA.

and Miss M. U. J. Williams, correspondence with whom is temporarily attached to  $\frac{SPO}{51}$  (16-17) SAP. Her selection was proceeding when the decision not to allow these ladies to sail was taken.

The O.A.S. has asked for successors to Miss Barnes & Miss Phillips. There are two reserve candidates left in the list in  $\frac{SPO}{55}$  (16-17), namely Miss B. Wales, and Miss M. M. Smith.

Write to the P.O. stating the decision now arrived at, ask whether any of the eight ladies named above are not now available, and say that it is proposed to instruct ~~any~~ all who are still available to sail by an early steamer.

I think also that, before drafting offers to Miss Wales & Miss Smith, it would be better to ask S.P.O. in the same letter, whether they are still available, and if so it is proposed to offer them the appointments?  $\frac{M}{51}$  (16-17) above 210-17

*R. 3*  
*7767*

From table to Postal Clerks; whose return is in question  
M/PO.

Remind G. P.O. - that draft

was 15.9.17 about

313/17

East African Department,  
Colonial Office.

Miss M.S. McClure, Senior Clerk, Grade 2, Uganda  
Railway has asked us to let her know as soon as possible when  
she is to sail. Her leave ends 11th September and there will  
probably be a Union-Castle boat soon after that date carrying  
women and children to South Africa in cases where permission  
has been received from the Passport Department.

Shall we try to arrange Miss McClure's passage by  
this boat?

There were several female postal clerks and telegraph-  
ists whose sailing was prevented by the regulations. (see  
your letter of the 17th February) If you wish us to arrange  
passages in the same way for any or all of these, perhaps  
you will let us know.

*re: Ransom*

"E" Dept.,  
Crown Agents.

17/5/17

I mentioned the case to  
the postal clerks at W-Long today &  
he thinks that they might be  
allowed to go. I think that Miss  
McClure might also go.

*with  
the P.P. EA*

General

I have told Mr Ransom  
about Miss McClure & promised a letter about the  
Postal Clerks. Please round up the papers -  
some of the Postal Clerks may not be available  
Wed 18/5/17

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TELEGRAM. From the Officer Administering the  
Government of the East Africa Protectorate to the  
Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Dated 14th.

(Received Colonial Office 7.35 p.m. 14th August, 1917).

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492. 14th August.

*File*  
*2489*

Your despatch of 21st June No. 465 Barnes  
would be grateful if substitute could be sent I  
understand that number of female Post Office Clerks  
telegraphists appointed to East Africa Protectorate  
have not yet left England and should be glad if their  
departure could be expedited.

BOWRING.



# TELEGRAM

ISSUED FROM [Redacted] ELECTRA HOUSE, PINEWOOD PARK, LONDON  
RECEIVED [Redacted] ORDERED [Redacted]



Doubtful words should be OFFICIALLY repeated. See Rule Book  
No inquiry respecting this Telegram can be attended to without production of this Copy  
See back of form for list of Company's Stations in London and Telephone Numbers

No. **8VI** 14 AUG 17

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*Ke ang 7x dep of 21 June No 465*

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*we be grateful if substitute could be sent*  
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NUNALE FEMALE *Post Office Clerks Telegrammists, appointed by* PETERARO STRIPLEAF ALTERETIC

E.A.P  
SAGLET HAVE *not yet left England* NOMOFTLAGE LAKEPOET AND

*should be glad if*  
GENOPLISIC THEIR DEPARTURE *could be* BRISTATI EXPEDITE

*arrives 4/8 7:30 pm*

- BOWRING

*[Handwritten mark]*

22 August 1917

Sir

msd 46205

DRAFT.

The Sec  
- GPO

MINUTE.

- Mr. Bramley, 22 Aug.
- Mr. Balfour, 22.8.17
- Mr. [unclear]
- Mr. Grindle.
- Mr. Lambert.
- Mr. Read.
- Sir G. Eades.
- Sir A. Steel-Maitland.
- Mr. Long.

(13332)

With reference to your letter of the 12th of March, to me, 978/16, I am to request you to inform the Postmaster General that I have ~~not~~ been decided that the <sup>female</sup> Postoffice Clerks and Telegraphists who had been selected for service in Ceylon but were being detained in this country on account of the submarine rates should now be allowed to sail.

2. It is proposed to inform the eight ladies

also Draft on file 7767 Co.

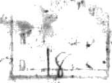


question, viz. Mrs L. E. A.  
Andrews, Mrs M. S. Duncan,  
Miss A. M. Herbert, Miss M.  
Haupham, Mrs C. R. Kemp,  
Miss J. Shankland, Miss F.  
Wetherald and Mrs M.  
J. Williams, that they  
should be prepared to embark  
by an early steamer, but  
before doing so to enquire  
would wish to know whether  
any of them are not now  
available to take up these  
appts

3. It is further proposed, with  
the Postmaster General's concurrence,  
to offer similar appts to Miss  
B. Wales and Miss M. M. Smith  
who are two of the <sup>candidate</sup> ~~several~~ submitted  
in your letter of the 30th of Dec  
last, 249978, <sup>but without any idea as to how and</sup>  
~~proposed~~ <sup>they</sup>  
be glad to learn in the first instance whether they  
are still available & candidates  
for the posts.

(Signed) G. GRIND

For review of 17 Oct.



18 September 1917

Sir,

I am etc to request you to inform the ~~Army General~~ <sup>Postmaster General</sup> that he would be glad to learn whether ~~they can now furnish~~ <sup>they can now furnish</sup> a reply to the letter from this Department

Ans'd 46205-

of the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Aug. on the subject of ~~the staff of~~ <sup>the staff of</sup> female ~~clerks~~ <sup>clerks</sup> ~~selected for~~ <sup>selected for</sup> service in East Africa

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