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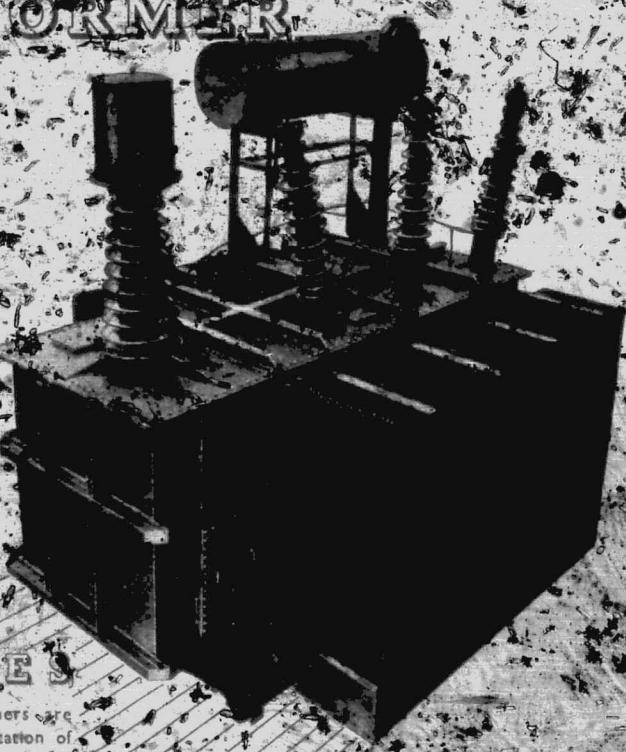
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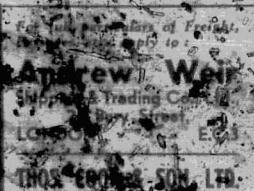


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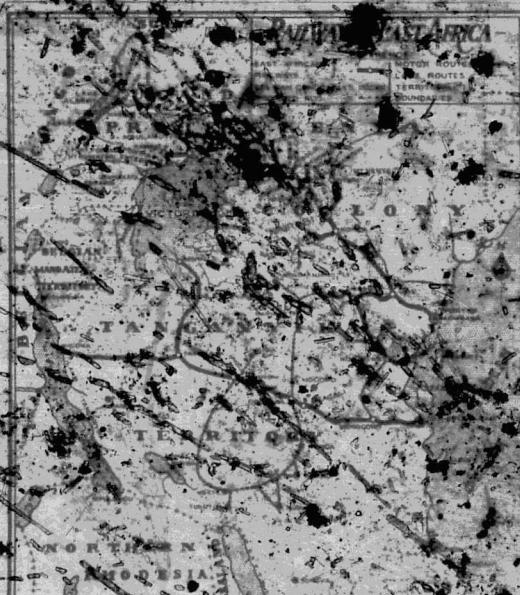
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MATTERS OF MOMENT

EMPHATIC TRIBUTE to the value of European enterprise is paid by His Majesty's Government in its reply to the report issued by the United Nations mission which recently visited Tanganyika. The Labour Party, which visited Tanganyika and other African territory some months ago, the Colonial Office on behalf of the Ministry of Overseas Trade and the Ministry Council. We have devoted many pages to the publication of extracts from the report and the official reply, simply because we consider it essential to make as widely known as possible the statements some of them astonishing, to which the mission was prepared to commit itself after a very brief and cursory visit, and not less important to record the courteous but firm refutation of many of its criticisms and other statements by a Socialist Government in the United Kingdom which, since it came into power nearly four years ago and assumed responsibility for Colonial policy and administration, has learned a great deal about the Colonial Empire. It is to the credit of the Colonial Office, and especially of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Clegg, that his government's conceptions and misapprehensions of the position have, in general, not been allowed to obscure the real facts of the situation demanding attention.

We have already noted the importance of the boast of a minimum of socialism in the colonies, and all the implications of that statement. Fortunately, the report of the mission has not only

military members of the Labour Party have had opportunities of examining the position for themselves on the spot in the East and Central African Dependencies, a much more accurate assessment has been made—and made public.

The present Secretary of State has declared repeatedly in the past couple of years that European farmers and planters have made an indispensable and highly valuable contribution.

European Enterprise—the general welfare is indispensable to the nation.

That contribution has, of course, not been merely a matter of economic though economic benefits derived directly from European investment and other enterprises have been less than trivial, involving the financing of administration, the social services, communications, and other developments. In the extracts which we publish below, we find the British reply to the following words of Mr. Jenkins:

"...in India, Europe has made a most important and indeed essential contribution to the wealth and productivity, and to the safety and security, of Britain. In the opinion of the administering authority it is just conceivable to do so for many years to come to the extractive industries with the confirmation that is an indisputable fact that speakin-

entitle this country, capacity of the African peasant is at present far greater than in paid employment than when left to cultivate for himself as a peasant farmer.

That sentence would have seemed impious to almost any Socialist politician a few years ago, for the whole party held fanatically the *utopian* theory that white settlement in Africa involved deprivation of Theory and Experience. The African who, however, would live happily ever after if given more and more land and left largely to his own devices.

The Labour Party is now beginning to understand that the potentialities of Africa and the African can be expected to reveal themselves progressively only if there be more European enterprise, initiative and subsistence, not less, and that one of the overriding needs is European example, by no means least in agriculture. A Socialist Government in Great Britain has, therefore, encouraged increased European settlement in Kenya, and is committed to a similar policy in respect of Northern Rhodesia, with the proviso that in the last named territory there is at present feeling that administrative measures leave much room for improvement if a fair measure of success is to be achieved.

It is an accepted assertion that the productive capacity of the African peasant is at present far greater when in paid employment than when left to cultivate for himself and individual subsistence. Peasant families receive the guidance and emanate admiration from Dr. D. H. Mitchell, Governor of Rhodesia, and from ignorant Africans armed with axes or primitive tools in the rural areas of Africa and elsewhere, that such up-to-date, soul-destroying methods cannot raise their standard of living in the modern world. The Imperial Governments are, as told in the Special Report on the present methods of agricultural civilization, the standard of living in the peasant class not to be substantially raised, and it is here for which we must develop mechanized cultivation and industrialization. This is to be carried out by the State, and not by mere mercantile interests, particularly those of South Africa. The only chance of increasing cultivation cannot be very easily found among the native tribes, but skilled persons are not scarce, nor are they expensive.

It is true that the other territories in East and Central Africa have much to learn from the white South African system. African

agricultural demonstrators who try living and working in the districts to which they are assigned by Victoria Falls, exemplify for the foreigner the hours of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA first began to call attention to this admirable idea fifteen years ago soon after it was introduced, and on many occasions since I have urged that the Eastern African Colonists under Colonial Office control should learn from the initiative shown by the self-governing Colony of Southern Rhodesia—thanks to the wisdom of Sir Godfrey Huggins—in persistently an outstanding missionary, agricultural, tent Government service and devoted himself to the creation and extension of this very valuable piece of help to the African. But for some reason which we have never been able to fathom, the other territories have been very slow to follow a splendid lead.

European settlement and enterprise just as the British claimed, affords a sense of security, a sense of stability, and a sense of solid policy which, if they are to be established, an

Enterprise Must Mean Security

encouraged in spheres and areas where this can best be done without detriment to any right of the indigenous or the indigenes' inhabitants, but in Rhodesia great benefit and advantage. These results need telling, and retelling, in a way in which millions of people can be triggered into the ambition field with the joy of a fact that private enterprise participation in agriculture is a moral and where, and under a moral influence.

A awakening of the soil is beginning to reach a minority, as yet only a tiny minority, in the minds, for, rather hearts, which basically accepted such ideas. These few are destined to recognize

Character Is Fundamental

that, in almost every department of life, it is character which counts. While private enterprises conducted by men of character can do great things for Africa, their schemes, if operated by smaller men, will not and may not confer benefits merely because the conception was sound. In translating into practice undertaken by the State, Africa's prime need is and always will be the leadership of men of character in every community. Any policy which disregards this fundamental fact, in response to political expediencies will spell disaster.

The King's Birthday Honours List

Awards to East Africans and Rhodesians

SIR ROBERT HOWE, Governor-General of the Gold Coast, has been made G.C.B. in the Birthday Honours List, which has conferred knighthoods on Mr. COLBY, Mr. J. A. LUCIE-SMITH, Mr. T. H. PARKER, and Mr. A. J. DOWELL.

MR. M. GOODENOUGH, High Commissioner in London for Southern Rhodesia, Dr. FRANK LEWIS, Geologist, Adviser to the Secretary of State, and a number of well-known East Africans have been awarded the C.M.G., and among the recipients of the O.B.E. are MR. F. J. LEIGHTON BEGLEY, Mr. RICHARD DALGLISH, the REV. R. W. STOBURG, and MR. CHARLES THOMAS.

Her Majesty has given Her List of awards to persons with East African and Rhodesian connexions:

COMPANION OF THE ORDER

COUNTS LIONEL GEORGE, E.SQ., Member of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, in the foundation of which he was largely concerned. Has been keenly interested in African affairs for many years, and was one of the architects of the Union of South Africa.

KNIGHTS BACHELOR

GRIEVES JOHN, E.SQ., M.A., a director of Messrs. Thomas Smith and John Gurney, Ltd., two large Rhodesian and East African interests, and chairman of the Central Conference of Employers, and a Vice-President of National Education.

HATTON MONA GEORGE, E.SQ., C.B., D.Sc., former Consumers' Director of the Commonwealth Bureau of Architecture, and lately director of the East African Agricultural Research Institute.

PLUMMER LESLIE ARTHUR, E.SQ., in 1947 chairman of the Overseas Post Corporation.

Went to Kenya early this year to take temporary executive control of the Government scheme. Was formerly assistant general manager of the Daily Express.

LUCIE-SMITH JOHN ALFRED, E.SQ., LL.D., Chief Justice, Sierra Leone, since 1945. Joined the Colonial Service in 1920, and in 1931 went to Kenya as Justice judge. Acting Chief Justice in Kenya in 1934, and 1935, and of Zanzibar, in 1942. President of the East African Tribunal and chairman of the Compensation Board in Kenya.

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CARTER MR. RICHARD HENRY ARCHIBALD, K.C.V.O., M.I.E., B.E., B.Sc., Permanent Under-Secretary of State, United Kingdom Ministries, in which capacity he was entrusted with Southern Rhodesian affairs.

C.M.G.

COLBY GEOFREY FRANCIS TAYLOR, E.SQ., since 1947 Governor of Nyasaland. Joined the Colonial Service in Nigeria in 1925, becoming Administrative Secretary in 1945. Acted as Chief Secretary and Controller of Civil Service in Northern Rhodesia.

PARKER ARTHUR HILTON, E.SQ., since 1945 India Secretary of State, Colonial Office.

Entered the Department of Scientific Research in 1937 and transferred to the Colonial Office ten years later. From 1941 to 1943 served as private secretary to the Minister of Supply and Minister of Production. Became head of the International Division in the Colonial Office in 1945, and Vice-Chairman of the Colonial Labour Advisory Committee. Has been a British representative at the United Nations Commission on Humanitarian matters on several occasions, and has defended Uganda's interests in marked wisdom.

C.M.G.

PARKER HARGREVE BULMAN, E.SQ., Provincial Commissioner, Northern Rhodesia, who has served since 1919

the British African High Commission, first as Assistant Colonial Secretary of State in the Commonwealth Relations Office, since 1936.

DARLING CHARLES EDWARD AUGUSTINE, E.SQ., Assistant Chief Secretary, East Africa, High Commission.

DIXYON FRANK, E.SQ., M.B., D.Sc., Geological Adviser to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Director of Colonial Geological Survey.

After serving as geologist in Sierra Leone, transferred to Malaya, where he became Director of Geological Survey in 1926. In 1939 was appointed Director of Water Development in Northern Rhodesia. Has reported on water problems in the Sudan, Kenya, and East Africa. At one time lecturer in geology at University College, Cardiff.

Editor JAMES ROBERT McDOWELL, E.SQ., O.B.E., provincial commissioner, Uganda, where he has served since 1929.

GOODENOUGH ANDREW MATTHEW, E.SQ., M.C., Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia in London since 1945.

Entered service in 1914-18, in which he was taken prisoner on the Western Front, his team assistant surveyor in the Bristol Ordnance Artillery department. Joined the Matabeleland Farmers' Association in 1922, became manager in 1923, and six years later was appointed general manager of Rhodesia Co-operative Society. Was a member of Bulawayo Municipal Council for many years, served on the executive of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of Rhodesia. Was one of the Rhodesian representatives at the British Empire Chamber of Commerce Congress in London in 1935.

HUBERTS DALE, GEOFFREY, M.A., M.C., Pakistan Secretary, Government of India.

Joined the Colonial Office in 1931, and became Political private secretary to the Secretary of State. In 1935 became private secretary to the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State.

HULL ALFRED MCDONALD BRUCE, E.SQ., M.C., Deputy Chairman of the Development Commission, Uganda, where he started his Colonial Service in 1927, seconded to the Secretariat in 1935, and Governor last year.

ROMERSON JOHN HASKEW, E.SQ., M.C., since 1945 general manager of Sudan Railways, from which he is shortly to retire.

Joined the Railways in 1924 as assistant civil engineer, became assistant chief engineer in 1926, and Deputy General Manager two years later. Has been a member of His Governor-General's Council.

TAIMORE HAROLD ALEXANDER, M.C., M.C., Provincial Commissioner, Northern Rhodesia.

WHITE JOHN BISHOP, E.SQ., Superintending assistant secretary, Colonial Office, was seconded to Northern Rhodesia in 1935, 6.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

GENERAL SIR BRIAN HUBERT BROWN, K.C.B., D.S.M., M.C., late Colonel Royal Engineers.

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C.E. (CIVIL DIVISION)

ABBOTT, ARTHUR WILLIAM, ESO, chief clerk and establishment officer, Crown Agents for the Colonies, joining the Crown Agents in 1922, and became head of the Foreign Department in 1938. Appointed assistant secretary of the East African Currency Board in 1932, he was secretary 1939-45.

BECK, EGAR HUDDON, ESO, Chief Native Commissioner of Southern Rhodesia for the past three years. Recently retired after 29 years in the Native Department.

BENNETT, TRAVERS ROBERTS, BRIGADIER, Chief Administrator, British Military Training Institute.

Also at the Worcester College, Oxford, he joined the Sudan Political Service in 1922, and was released for service with the British Military Administration during the recent war.

BROWN, ROBERT SIDNEY, M.A., D.C.E., assistant secretary, Commonwealth Relations Office.

DALGLEISH, ANTHONY, ESO, member of the Colonial Labour Advisory Committee.

Mr. Anthony has visited Northern Rhodesia, the Colonial Service Commission, to research the subject of African indentures.

ESTON, JOHN MURKIN, ESO, M.B., B.C.H., director of Medical Research Institute, London.

PEARSON, ARTHUR ERNEST, M.P., Treasurer to the Royal Household since 1946, and Comptroller of H.M. Household in 1945-46.

Visited East Africa with the Parliamentary delegation of 1944, and later joined the executive council of the Joint East and Central African Board, for which he offered to fly to East Africa with the then chairman, Colonel Charles Ponsonby, to seek agreement with Kenya settler leaders on colonial paper 491, but the leaders of his party felt that he could not be spared. Has been Labour M.P. for Pontypool since 1945.

SPOFFORTH, THE REV. ROBERT WRIGHT, for services to education in the Colonies. Chairman of the Colonial Office sub-committee on mass education.

TAYLOR, MAJOR CHARLES MACRODOR, M.C., has given some 30 years of devoted service to the coffee industry in Kenya, and in 1946 became the first chairman of the Coffee Marketing Board. One of the leading founders of the coffee co-operative movement, chairman of the Kenya M.C. and Marketing Co. Ltd.

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ATTENDRIDGE, HENRY WILLIAMS, ESO, M.A., chief accounts officer, Colonial Office.

CARSON, MURRAY ALEXANDER, ESO, for public services in Tanganyika, where he was a non-official member of the Legislative Council and a leading spokesman for the sisal industry.

CARTER, FRANK ERNEST LEVELL, ESO, principal auditor, Africa and British Somaliland.

CLEADER, STANLEY JOHN, ESO, assistant accountant-general, Commonwealth Relations Office.

CURRIE, WILLIAM JORDIE, ESO, director of the Land and Agriculture Bank and chairman of the Electricity Control Board, Rhodesia.

DAVEY, DAVID GARRETT, ESO, M.Sc., for his work in the cover of the drugs, pharmaceuticals and antiseptics.

Joined the staff of Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd., in 1941, and now in charge of the tropical diseases section of the company's biological department in Blackett. Visited East Africa in connection with research work in 1946-49, received the Gold Medal of the Apothecaries.

GIBSON, GREGORY MERCIER, F.R.C.P., Deputy Director of Services, Deputy Legal Officer, and Deputy Commissioner of Banks, Uganda, since 1946.

GIBSON, CAPTAIN RICHARD PHILIP, M.C., F.R.C.P., owner and farmer in Northern Rhodesia since 1929.

HALL, ALFRED VANCE, M.A., M.R.C.P., of the Northern Rhodesia Agricultural Society, Ltd., and other agricultural bodies.

HILL, SIR ERNST LEWELLYN, ESO, Education Department, Sudan Government.

Emigrated to South Africa from Cheshire, and Robley, Colchester, to become a Sudan in 1929 as assistant master of Methodism Native Education, became principal

KIRIEM, CHUN AL, ESO, for public services in Kenya, where he has served on the Legislative Council and in various Government bodies and committees.

LITTON, GEORGE HERBERT ENTWISTLE, ESO, district commissioner British Somaliland, Emir of the colonial service in 1931-32, and Master of Somaliland in 1937.

LAWRENCE, EDWARD, ESO, acting Deputy Director of Agriculture, Nyasaland, where he has served since 1929.

LITCHFIELD, KATHLEEN, director of the Commonwealth Bureau of Animal Nutrition.

MATROT, SAMUEL, ESO, treasurer, Seychelles.

MUNRO, WILLIAM MACKENZIE SALTBURN, ESO, former president of the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce, Southern Rhodesia.

PAKEM, RICHARD HERCULES WHITFIELD, ESO, M.A., former commissioner, Zanzibar.

ROSE, FRANCIS ESTES, ESO, Ph.D., F.R.C.S., for services in connexion with the discovery of sulfamerazine and sulphonamides.

SNOW, OSCAR WALTER, ESO, B.A., M.R.C.P., joined 1936 to the Research Division, Department of Health and Welfare, Sudan.

After leaving New College, Oxford, he went to the Gordon Research Institute, Winetka, in 1924 as science master and subsequently assistant chemist in the research laboratory.

STELLA, MEL EVERARD, ESO, M.B., F.R.C.P., Research Director, Surrey Branch, British Red Cross Society.

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WEST, EDWARD MILNE-BARDINGE, ESO, M.B., B.C.H., chief officer, African Affairs Department, Southern Rhodesia.

WILLIAMS, CYRUS HERBERT, ESO, District Officer, Kenya.

WILSON, GERALD RICHARD CHATERNAK, ESO, M.R.C.S., F.R.C.P., acting senior medical officer, Rhodesia.

WRAITH, RONALD, ESO, M.A., organizer of Colonial Service training, London School of Economics.

M.B.E. (CIVIL DIVISION)

BALFE, MISS MARY VICTORIA, executive officer, Commonwealth Relations Office.

BASBURST, MRS. MARGARET, for social welfare work in Rhodesia.

BEDFORD, MRS. SISTER, ESO, superintendent of Nurses, Rhodesia.

BENNETT, MRS. ETHELLA, B.Sc., statistician, Statistical Bureau, Rhodesia.

BIGGINS, MRS. ETHELLA, senior sister, F.M.T. Hospital, Rhodesia.

BLOM, MRS. MARY, M.A., M.R.C.P., bacteriologist, Entomological Research Unit, London.

BONHAM-CARTER, MRS. MARY, M.A., M.R.C.P., medical officer, Malaria Research Unit, London.

DAVIS, MRS. JEANNE, C.R.N., midwife, Northern Rhodesia.

HINKS, MRS. ETHELLA, for voluntary social service, Rhodesia.

HOLME, THOMAS, managing agent of the British Thomson-Houston Company's electrical factory in Rhodesia since 1928.

KAPERBIOVY, ARAMAKI, NEHRUMI, for public services in Uganda, where he is an member of the Advisory Council for Indian Education and other public bodies.

KOHL, OSCAR, ESO, senior executive officer, Commonwealth Relations Office.

LAING, FREDERIC, WALTER, ESO, chief treasury officer.

LEADER, MRS. NANCY, FARNHAM, M.V.O., chairman, Employment Committee, Colonial Girls' Club, London.

MCINTYRE, ROBERT, ESO, higher executive officer, Commonwealth Relations Office.

NASH, HILBERT, FREDERIC, WILLIAM, ESO, senior executive officer, Colonial Office.

PEEL, MARGARET, M.A., M.R.C.P., assistant, Tanganian Sudan Government.

ROSE, MARY, ESO, M.R.C.S., medical officer, Central Hospital, Rhodesia.

RUDDE, ISABEL, M.A., M.R.C.P., inspector of domestic medicine, Department of Native Education, Rhodesia.

SANDFORD, MRS. CHRISTINE, British Red Cross Society, Ethiopia.

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European Enterprise Serves African Interests

Affirmation of African Government's Reply to United Nations

NOTE—IT IS ITS view that certain of the most valuable export crops such as sisal and tea, cannot present be successfully cultivated without experience in African management, but it is an indisputable fact that, speaking generally, the productive capacity of the African peasant is at present far greater when in paid employment than when self-employed for himself as an individual peasant farmer.

The experiments in systems of continuous cultivation now being carried out in the Territory will, it is hoped, pave the way to a revolution in indigenous agricultural methods, and in due time to cooperative farming on a large scale with a greatly increased standard of productivity.

It will however take some years to train the mass of indigenous cultivators in these new methods of farming, and to convert their age-old systems of individualistic cultivation to large-scale cooperative farming without causing serious disruption of their traditional tribal structures. In the meantime, therefore, no indigenous agricultural products must be maintained and expanded as far as this can be done without prejudice to the land requirements of the indigenous population.

Because of these vital considerations it is not possible at present to consider the suggestions made that all alienated land in certain districts, including the areas of the other ex-enemy estates, should be made available for African occupation.

Sale Should be Discontinued
THIS is the policy of the administering authority that non-white settlers and their families should not be disturbed in their possession of their present holdings, unless in the most exceptional circumstances. Further, in order to stabilize the economy of the Territory as little as possible, it was decided to retain the same on the former German estate.

The first areas in which it was clear that a proportion of these estates should be made available for African occupation so far were, if only partially, and temporarily, kind settlements on the local populations in the Chirundu and Kilimanjaro Districts. A Committee was formed to contact local officials, and to discuss and to advise recommendations regarding the disposal of ex-enemy estates in those districts.

After a period of discussion to which the visiting Ex-Servicemen's Delegation in its report has received very considerable attention, with certain small modifications, it is proposed to put the recommendations into effect.

Briefly summarized, the proposals may be said to be as follows:—

(a) The following areas of alienated land are to be made available for African occupation: (i) On the Estate of the former German estate, Chirundu, 191 acres of land, 16.25 acres to be made available at once for the balance of the inhabitants of the estate; stipulations are contained in the letter of instructions sent to the Commissioner, who will be writing to the Chirundu estate in due course.

(ii) An area of 200 acres of ex-enemy land, 41,000 acres in the Kilimanjaro, 20 to the north and northwest of Arusha, Kilimanjaro District, if not suitable for cultivation by agricultural tribesmen, at the Chirundu and Kibondo outside the boundaries of either of these districts, to be set aside for large-scale cultivation and to be held available for re-settlement of 400 acres of former German estate, to be known as the Kilimanjaro Estates and Kibondo.

(b) The Chirundu Estate, originally developed for tea and coffee production, is to be replanted with a solely African factor, and plant breeding in those cases, re-education and rehabilitation will be given to the Tea-growing community, and where this is impossible to them, in the coffee-growing community.

These further exerts are referred to the appropriate British Government departments for consideration by the Western Council's Native Affairs Committee.

handover for African occupation now these estates would be cut by more individual farmers as "communal" farms.

The last suggestion made some of the most valuable land and labour resources available run on European lines, and although the result of African occupation in the production of some articles of African agricultural produce and foodstuffs may initially be the loss of the advantage of economies of production, and the decrease in output, and, in the long run, with subsequent adverse repercussions on the Territory's financial position.

(c) 220 estates are frequent in the day-out labour system in the vicinity of Arusha township.

Small Enclosures Undesirable

(d) The remaining 2,062 acres are either wholly or almost entirely surrounded by land already alienated and are considered unacceptable to create small enclosures of African occupied land in the middle of other estates, especially as the administrative process which would arise from the practical segregation of part of the native farming from the lands under the native authorities, the different methods of growing and stock management, and the separated, heterogeneous and non-indigenous shareholders would render it extremely difficult to adopt any comprehensive measures of control of plant and stock.

(e) It has already been mentioned that the day-out African occupation of the areas which have been alienated should not be replicated will not solve the problem of land tenure in the Kilimanjaro area. The solution to the problem lies in the long run, and it is therefore proposed that 1,000 acres of land in the same locality that the former area of tea, coffee and on the slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro, should be cleared with timber and developed for tribal settlements. This is to be started on one such portion of the estate as like the rest, the results of degradation in the tea bushes.

The cost of developing this new area for African occupation is estimated to be £10,000 per acre. Settlements in the case of ex-enemy land, should be made available to the new occupier, the cost of acquiring the estate which is held by the Government, but the native titleholders of the individual occupiers concerned will receive compensation from the Government for such unauthorised encroachments. As regards the opinions expressed by the members in their observations and conclusions, and in their recommendations made in the following Committee:

(a) A Committee recently established by the Tanganyika Government to advise on the re-utilisation of former land held by the Germans during the war, recommended that the services for the African population, which would generally have to be maintained at initial greater cost by the Government, they should be permitted to buy land for growing cash crops, provided that the land is used for property and generally situated in addition to land equally required for subsistence purposes.

(b) A Committee of enquiry was appointed by the Tanganyika Government to inquire into the administration of the land held by the missionaries, and its operation or occupation by them, should be made available for African occupation whenever required for this purpose, in payment of fair compensation to the mission concerned, as provided for in the Land Acquisition Ordinance. It has already been stated, nearly 500 acres of mission-owned land in the Arusha Province are to be made available for this occupation.

The new and proposed administrative scheme, on the general question of land holding by non-white persons, have been made clear. It is assumed that the expressed opinion on the cultivation and control of "Bomaization" the mission did not specifically mean a reference to African participation. But to revert to non-African settlement in the Kilimanjaro.

In this case, however, even if the African population concerned in the Kilimanjaro area, should be kept in the areas under its constituted authority, the majority of the territory, existing in the Kilimanjaro area, is under the authority of a tribal chief, agreed to the position. The present and the long-range plans and intentions of the African population and the tribal chieftainship are to be continued. The repeated demands made in the former, and to the possible doubt as to the ultimate responsibility of the local tribus, regarding

areas in Tanganyika which are capable of development within measurable time only by non-indigenous efforts are few, and there is no present measure to induce indigenous population and where there will be no such measure for many years to come. It is also an indisputable fact that unless some practicable steps is taken to promote the development of the Territory, its capacity to handle much-needed expansion in education, health, social welfare, and other services must be affected adversely.

Sense of Security Essential

But what European or other non-indigenous enterprise requires, both before it enters this field of endeavour and after it is establishing itself and is established, is a sense of security, a sense of stability, and a sense of solid achievement. Without these elements, the investment of private capital cannot be expected, and there can only be a secured return. Those

elements of Tanganyika's history to which the mission referred are the contribution to its security, with the difference, of course, that the contribution was more political than financial.

If Tanganyika is to develop, and if it is to develop successfully, it must be recognized that there are opportunities for non-Africans only to invest and their enterprise must be encouraged in the areas where this can be done, not only for the Government, but in any kind of the interests of the indigenous population, in fact, to their great benefit and advantage.

(c) Due note has been taken of the views of African and non-African estates "should give the indirect African ownership a relatively safe co-operative basis and that where Africans are not immediately capable of operating estates at the present level of productivity, schemes should be considered whereby the estates would be managed by the Africans until Africans are in a position to assume full management."

The recommendation of the mission regarding co-operative ownership is excellent in theory, but is not applicable to the actual situation. "Now, one would be foolish to insist that the Natives should be allowed to take over the farms in the same way as regard to the specific purposes for which they were created, namely, to produce food for the people, to supply them with land, and to apply the principles of democracy, equality, and personal freedom, and to manage their own affairs." Every effort is being made to encourage co-operative development, but the movement is still in its infancy and confined almost entirely to the best market-gardening districts.

The idea of giving co-operative societies to own the estates and to let African conception prevail, an idea that has been advocated, is not artificially fostered co-operative societies by persons who have not learned in any proper "care and development of their own tribal lands" would be disastrous. Co-operation must be based on the principle that the funds, labour, and equipment required to manage the estates must come from the Natives themselves. If this is done, the holding of the estates by the Natives in co-operation of farming communities will be the only sensible way to go. The mission's report, however, does not seem to have been able to take into account the opinions of the various tribal leaders.

Agents Must Have Authority

Without such a degree of autonomy, the inevitable result in present conditions, should be the silo-layering of the present intensive farming standards and methods, with a consequent drop in productivity. In the detriment of the Africans directly concerned and the Territory as a whole. On the other hand, if the manager, given the necessary sovereign authority, is in command of the estate, the position would in time be much improved. It is evident, with non-Africans holding the estates, that the time will come when they will be compelled to sell. This fact must be faced that the initial capital invested in the estates, which is wealth to the State, will be used to liquidate this asset in enabling it to meet its debts and expand its business, and other assets will be sold. These assets are less than non-African capitals will be, and in due time to restrict the initiative of non-African agriculturists for reasons which bear no relation to the safety of the African tribesmen to retain their world-contribution to the economic welfare of the Territory.

Disposition of ex-energy estates

Up to date we have been left re-affirming our ex-energy properties. Some of these have comprised more than one state, where the original units were incorporated. Others have consisted of subdivisions of former large properties. The steps being taken to take certain ex-energy properties available for African acquisition have already been detailed.

On 1st January 1948, I advised the Government that the first all-African non-indigenous settlement in the Colony was set up in 1945. The administration is now in the hands of Mr. James (Chairman), Member of Parliament and National Resources Deputy Chairman, and five non-official members.

In 1948, the Government of the Territory published a list of 200 ex-energy estates which were likely to become available for sale, and of which application for the 100 these estates

set for any other units, and available for purchase, with reduced rates of payment, by the community, queuing.

The selection of farms from the large number of estates available, a selection committee, consisting of the Land Settlement Board, consisting of the chairman, the Deputy chairman, and three other official members, in the interest of the residents of the Province, in which the farms are situated, consideration are situated, with a view to consider the opinion of persons whose advice might be of assistance to the committee in making its decisions.

Applicants in the United Kingdom are now screened by a committee under the chairmanship of the Commissioner in charge of the East African Office in London, and the names and particulars of applicants deemed fitable by the committee are sent out to Tanganyika for final selection by the selection committee in each Land Settlement Area. All applicants have the right to a personal interview with the selection committee. Any unsuccessful applicant may address representations to the Governor or to the Secretary of State.

How Land Has Been Allocated

Up to date the selection committee has allocated 112 allotments of land, 100 of ex-energy properties, and 12 other farms. The areas are in the Southern Highland Province. The successful applicants comprised the following nationalities:

British, 75; South African, 5; Greek, 11; Indian, 6; other nationalities, 2; Arab, Danish, Dutch, German, Norwegian, Russian, Swedish, Swiss, Sycellois, 1; total, 122.

The very great majority of the applicants were British. As an illustration of the non-discriminatory selection of applicants, in the case of the allocation of tobacco farms, may be taken as an example. Of 16 ex-energy properties suitable for tobacco growing, two have been allotted to Greeks and two to Indians. One has been taken as a Government experimental plot for tobacco growing. Of new farms allocated recently to tobacco growing, two have been allotted to British residents, two to Greeks, one to a Russian, one a Hollander, one to a Dane, and one to a Swede.

Land Board

The Land Board was established in 1946, with headquarters in Arusha, and the district board their first meeting in December 1947. Since then numerous applications for loans have been approved. The Board is empowered to make loans for up to 50% of the value of the property for a short term loan up to five years, and for longer periods by arrangement.

The importance of continuing in the Territory and its inhabitants receive a fair return from the extraction of mineral resources is fully appreciated by the administering authority. The declared policy committs itself to this end, and the administrative authority is determined to encourage its members to acquire more from mining activities.

The administrative authority is well aware that it will be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to meet with the mission's suggestion that ex-energy lands and estates should be given away free of charge, or at a nominal price, to the miners, according to the amount of revenue received from the land, as distinct from the amount of taxes paid by the mining company taxation.

To be comprehensive in the ultimate mining revenue claim as income tax paid by the miners, there is a question as to whether the miners' tools, whether temporary or permanent, or the operation or consumption of used by employees, freight, etc., railway, another transport service, taxable, and other expenses, should be taxed. To say nothing of such items as the revenue arising from offices, etc., from the authorities established in mining areas, like formation, mining, geological, mining, not permitting rights, to the administration's suggestion, but consideration will have to be given to the possibility of furnishing an estimate of the net proceeds of any tax.

Trade Control

The 10% surcharge on the cotton piece-goods has, however, been removed.

The administering authority is fully alive to the desirability of stimulating economic and industrial development in the Territory, and is confident that neither the Industries Licensing Ordinance nor the customs control will hinder sound economic development.

The administering authority fully recognizes the importance of giving Africans an opportunity to industry and commerce. The most demand first of the raising of educational standards, educational to which the Territory's educational programme is directed. For the most important thing Africa's are in the possession of an considerable amount of readily realizable capital, participation in industrial and commercial enterprises must also depend on the development of cooperative associations, and, necessarily, on Government financial assistance.

Financial Control

Financial control appears under Matter of Moment.

Sentimentalists the African's Worst Enemies

Mr. Negley Farson's Impressions of East Africa To-day

THROUGH THE COURTESY of the Kenya Government I was asked to come back to Africa and write about that Crown Colony and its problems. "Go where you like, see what you like, say what you like," said Sir Philip Mitchell, its Governor, when he added: "I imagine you will want to be rude about many things." I have taken him at his word.

In four months of some of the most intensive travel I have ever experienced, from the highlands on the shores of that great inland sea Victoria Nyanza, down to the coast, across the vast expanse of East Africa, I have come, situated from an exhilarating safari down one of the great game plains which border Abyssinia, where some of the most beautiful animals in the world are still left alive, to an even more interesting and much tougher safari up through the less Sonoran deserts and lava rubble to the frontier Abyssinia. I was given the opportunity to see Kenya, and some of the problems common to all of East and Central Africa, with a freedom and a liberality such as few men could hope for.

Lack of Plan

In sharing my impressions I wish to make it plain that I have one major object in view. I want to appeal to your interest, a real interest. I am not interested in any journalistic format, a sensational article to catch your attention and then a short, sharp dissertation to prove a point of view.

It would be an omniscient man who would dare have any fixed point of view on Africa of these days. The problems are too vast, too voluminous, too complex, some look like great seas hanging over Africa threatening to fall and destroy the life there. I speak of the population problem.

Here lies a human story, a true story of the humanities, for nothing less than the latter can hope to solve it. No plan, no settler, no government can attempt to disregard this fact, that the Native African has long since passed the point where he began to exceed the carrying capacity of his land, can hope to survive.

Everything Depends on the White Man

This problem is appalling. Everywhere here those four months added up to exactly nothing in my judgment to it. If there ever is to be any solution, other than the starvation and the British will not permit that, everything depends upon what the white man is in East Africa and in West Africa, for the white man is present in charge of the white man intends to do about it.

First consider the social implications of these figures in Kenya: the white population, practically all British, is about 20,000, and there are 5,000,000 Africans. In Tanganyika there are some 11,000 Europeans and over 7,000,000 Africans.

Were it not for the intellectual capacity of the white man, that would seem rather an unequal partnership. But these figures make no mistake about it. They always take into account when analyzing the effects of Colonialism. For one day fugitives are going to come.

Therefore a senior member of the Kenyan legislative Council did his country nothing but harm when he made a speech to the Kenyan settlers, very recently, in which he said that if Kenya had Native reserves, also her white reserves, this is an affront to the facts.

Continued from the first of a series of articles by Mr. Negley Farson, author and reporter, appearing in the "Daily Express."

In some parts of the crowded Kavirondo Reserve there are 900 Africans to the square mile still trying to make a living off the land. I have seen four families trying to make a living out of two-and-a-quarter acres. This was at a place called Lotoo, near Maimbo in the South Marigoli district, where, in a maze of big boulders among which the native crop is huddled the rabbits there are four families, in four huts; 25 people trying to cultivate two-and-a-quarter acres of steep slope planted with cassava, maize and sorghum.

The worst place I ever looked upon, I will admit still, the fact that it was permitted to exist shows the lack of available land somewhere else. For, and this is the other paramount impression that I carried away from Kenya, aside from what seems the insoluble population problem, the Kenya administration is doing everything within its power to better the African way of life.

Settler's Way of Life

It would be easy to put against that sad sight which I saw the 5,000-acre dairy farm of one white man down in the Rift Valley, would say anyone unconcerned with conditions in Africa, is an intensely unfair distribution of the earth's surface.

At the contrary, 20,000 acres is just about the right size unit for a Native farmer, and when I say of him the better has turned out to be the 100 Kamba natives who own

There, in partnership with himself, now encouraging them to lead and develop their own way of life to distinguish. He will not allow them to destroy their own land the way they have done in Uganda. That is practically his own stipulation.

He has built them a school paid for its teacher and is enlarging it to teach the young Africans how to be sane and sensible farmers. He is not the only settler in East Africa who is like that.

For Better or Worse

But this man has been called tooo progressive. My overall impression, or conviction, that I carried away from my last visit to Africa is that unless the white man leaves Africa to-day, is progressive his way is over British Colonialism will be on the way out.

The British are married to East and Central Africa whether they like it or not—for ever or for worse—in spite of the political doctrinaires who, with almost a cruel disregard to what would happen to the Africans are already proclaiming that the kindly intentioned British administration should go out. These sentimental liberals are very likely the worst enemies of the emerging African has to face.

New-Type Factory

A 100,000-tonne-per-year factory for the manufacture of twine and cordage has been built in three weeks at Southern, near Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. The method of construction, from corrugated reinforced concrete, is very simple: light tubular ribs, bent to the form of a semi-arch, are erected and a flexible fabric is stretched over these. Successive coats of cement, together with steel mesh and bar reinforcements, are applied to the fabric. The fabric sags under the weight and produces corrugations which form the distinctive feature of this type of "ctesiphon" building. The old ribs are then removed for re-use. The 84,000-tonne-per-year grain bag factory completed at Umtali was also built on the ctesiphon semi-arch principle.

Information Officers in Conference

Plan for Better Services for the Public

INFORMATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICERS from Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika, Northern Rhodesia, and Nyasaland, and representatives of the East Africa Regional Information Service, the East Africa High Commissioner, the East Africa Literature Bureau, and the Colonial Film Unit met in Nairobi from May 21 to June 2. Mr. E. W. Blackstone, Director of Information Services at the Colonial Office, presided.

The chief object of the conference was to discuss ways and means of telling the public what the Governments are doing and what they propose to do, and at this conference the conference agreed that the news service to the Press could and should be improved. It also therefore recommended that all Government officials should be reminded of the importance of taking the public into their confidence on plans as well as achievements.

When broadcasting was considered, the conference heard an account of experimental work in Northern Rhodesia resulting from the production of a short-wave battery receiver, and agreed that this development should make it possible to develop broadcasting on a regional basis for East Africa from a definite shortwave transmitter in each territory, originating its own programme. That plans should be drawn up on those lines was recommended.

The delegates agreed on the value of films as a means of telling the public what is being done to improve conditions and what the Governments are doing, the production of films in East and Central Africa should be developed, and that plans are necessary for the improved distribution because of such films.

Importance of East and Central Africa

The conference recognized the increasing importance of the East and Central African territories in world affairs, and the need for a steady supply of accurate and unbiased news from outside and to the territories, one of the territories to the outside world. News and means of stimulating this flow of news were discussed. There was agreement that the best way of informing the territories to the outside world through the press and the other services which already exist. The supply of news from Britain to the Central and East African territories was more difficult owing to the inadequacy of the ordinary services. The conference recommended ways by which services through the Central Office of Information and the Colonial Office could be improved.

Each territory now produces material in the form of posters, wall charts, news bulletins, and the delegates agreed that this material should henceforth be made available for use in all other territories in the region.

Mr. Charles Gaynor, of Uganda, said when proposing a vote of thanks to the chairman that he and other delegates had learned so much from the interchange of ideas at the conference that they felt they could materially give better help to their territories, and that regular meetings should be held in future.

I.C.I. And Africa

Lock McGowan, chairman of Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd., said at the 22nd annual general meeting: "The company's expenses, more than £1,000,000 a year, on research and development. The results will continue to be most gratifying. Among many successes, may I point to the introduction of the process which opens up the prospect of raising Central Africa of a cattle disease which has been its Achilles' heel, and of removing one of the main obstacles in the path of those who attempt to develop new markets for food production."

Trade Union Conference in S. Rhodesia

Demand for Price-Legging Action

TRADE UNIONISM in Southern Rhodesia is completely free from any taint of Communism or other subversive tendency.

Mr. T. J. H. W. Beadle, the Colony's Minister of Internal Affairs, made this statement when he recently opened the annual congress of the Trades and Labour Council of Southern Rhodesia at Salisbury.

Informed people, he added, suggested from time to time that trade unionism and Communism were bedfellows, and he was glad that Mr. J. S. McNeille had denied the suggestion in his presidential address. Communism was the very antithesis of that Western democracy of life, which was strongly supported by all sections of the Colony.

Mr. Beadle said that he appreciated the manner in which the trade unions in Southern Rhodesia had responded to the Industrial Conciliation Act which had played an extremely important part in the peaceful development of the Colony. Since the introduction of the Act there had not been one strike in Southern Rhodesia among the Europeans whose activities it covered. In the past 17 years the Government had had to resort to arbitration to decide disputes on 12 occasions.

Solid Union Leaders

The Minister complimented the Council of leaders it had chosen, to whom the proud record of the trade union movement in the Colony was largely attributable.

In his speech, Mr. J. S. McNeille said that the problem of the increased cost of living in Southern Rhodesia demanded vigorous and constant action. The taxation proposals in the recent budget which suggested that the Government was taking action in the right direction.

The conference adopted a resolution calling on the Government to take immediate steps to peg the prices of those essential commodities which affect the cost of living. The urgent necessity for an immediate introduction of a full State medical service was stressed.

On the question of Central African federation, the congress resolved that the Government be asked to accept the dominion status interpretation of the Council on any bodies established to consider this matter. Other resolutions called for executive authority to press the Government to adopt a section of the Industrial Conciliation Act involving a principle of infiltration by Natives into avenues of employment usually reserved for Europeans.

Colonial Supplies Conference

THE PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE for the Colonies said when opening the Colonial Supplies Conference which has been meeting in London since Wednesday of last week:

"This conference of Colonial supplies officers is the first of its kind. We recently instituted a system of liaison officers to keep ourselves more fully posted in an informal way about current supply and surplus problems, and to explain by word of mouth in the Colonial territories what we are trying to do about these problems in the Colonial Office. We believe that a frequent contact as possible between the officials who are handling these problems in the Colonies and in London is helpful."

Where Shoe Still Pinches

Speaking of sugar shortages and the importance of overseas imports, Mr. Keay Williams said:

"Very great efforts have been made over the last 18 months to overcome the supply shortages. Not only the Colonial Office, but the governments of His Majesty's Government concerned, have been doing their utmost to take a measure of the problem. These efforts may have been attended by considerable success, but we do not imagine that there are few still many difficulties to be overcome. Whilst we have made progress to register, we hope to hear at first hand from Col. representatives where the shoe still pinches."

Full Programme for Colonial Month

Inauguration by the King Next Week

THE KING: In a speech tomorrow at the "Inauguration of Colonial Month" at Church House, Westminster, next Tuesday, June 23, the King will call upon the Commonwealth to support the Colonies.

Throughout some weeks, the Colonies' most famous institutions are joining in a sponsored effort from June 16 to July 16 to stimulate interest in the Colonies, and many centres of interest will house their own special displays.

The full programme for "Colonial Month" is as follows:

Colonial Exhibition: A "Focus on Colonial Progress," Central Office of Information Hall, Oxford Street, Marble Arch, W.1, from June 21 to July 26. Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission free.

Scouts Association: An exhibition illustrating Scouting in Colonies; including film shows, numerous photographs, presents presented by Colonial Scouts to the Lord Baden-Powell, and water colours painted by the late Chief Scout. Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 14.30 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission free.

British Museum: A special display of maps and prints of Colonial interest will be held in the Library, and a small exhibition of Colonial Arts and Crafts in the Ethnographical Department. Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays, 1.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Admission free.

Church Missionary Society: An exhibition, "The Changing Face in East and West Africa," will illustrate the impact of Christian work in these areas. Stills from the "C.M.S. Film Report from East Africa" will be on view; the film itself being shown by arrangement with Central Operative, C.M.S., at parties not exceeding 30 persons. Mondays to Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission free. In Salisbury Square, E.C. 2.

Daily Express: "Round the Colonies by Cable," exhibition from hall, Daily Express building, Fleet Street. The principal exhibit will be a full-scale working telegraph circuit of the kind used by Cable and Wireless, Limited. From 12 noon to 5 p.m. from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Visitors will be able to pose questions to and receive answers from Cable and Wireless' stations in Kenya, Aden, Bahrain, Cyprus, Gold Coast, and Malta. Open June 20 to July 29 inclusive. Mondays to Fridays, 10.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Admission free.

Girl Guides Association: Exhibition of Guiding in the Colonial Empire. Saturday, June 23, is "Guiding Day." Girl Guide Headquarters, 16-19, Buck's Row, S.W.1, and Lady Baden-Powell will speak. Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. A "Pioneering Day" will be held on Saturday, June 27, when exhibits will be available from the Girl Guides Association, 16-19, Buck's Row, S.W.1.

Hormann Museum and Library: Exhibition concerning ethnography and ethnographical art of the Colonies, and aspects of Colonial natural history. Mondays to Fridays, 10.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission free. London Road, Forest Hill, S.E. 23.

Imperial Institute: A special display of Colonial posters, etc., will be held in addition to the permanent displays in the public exhibition galleries, featuring comprehensive collections of models, photographs and diagrams illustrating the country's natural resources, industries and life of the Colonies. This will be shown to members of the public at 5 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays, and at 2 p.m. on Saturdays. Open Mondays to Fridays, 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Admission free. Exhibition Road, S.W.7.

International African Institute: Visitors will be shown the library and something of the work of the Institute. Mondays to Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Admission free. 17, Waterloo Place, S.W.1.

International Institute: Works of Colonial interest will be exhibited. Mondays to Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Admission free.

London School of Economics: An exhibition of selected documents on subjects of interest relating to the Commonwealth and its overseas interests. Mondays to Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission free.

Royal Asiatic Society: Lecture on "Malaya and the British," by Sir Richard Winsor. Open June 16 at 5.15 p.m. and July 14 at 5.45 p.m. 25s. Free admission. Apply, Royal Asiatic Society, 14, Grosvenor Gardens, London, S.W.1. Personal application for "The Black Staff," "Our Own Colonial Progress," "Livingstone," Oxford, etc.

Royal Geographical Society: Kew—annual display of Colonial (No. 1) and other products. No. 1, Imperial. Open daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission to gardens, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Royal Geographical Society—Exhibition on Colonial Development: Open June 23 to July 31. Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission free.

Socialist Unit: "A Socialist Unit to Commemorate the Long Nassau Campaign against Fighting Servants and the Colonies." It will include relics of war actions, pictures, uniforms, and badges of Colonial forces, models of ships, etc., and a bust bearing the names of Colonies; and a series of tables showing the names of countries which sent the Colonies their Mother Country. Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays, Admissions to museum and exhibition £1.00; adults 5s; children 2s.

Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge: A display of interesting publications produced for Colonies, etc., in the annex to the ground floor bookshop. Weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission free. Northumberland Avenue, W.C.2.

Victoria and Albert Museum: A "Survey of Colonial Art" and objects of Colonial interest. Weekdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Adults 2s; children 1s. 6d. 2s. 6d. to 5 p.m. Admission free. South Kensington, S.W.7.

Wool Industries Committee: A small exhibition of photographic prints, books, and other items of West Indian interest. Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 2s. 6d. to 5 p.m. Northgate Street, W.C.2.

Zoological Society: Regents Park—exhibitions will be displayed on the animals which animals from Colonial territories are exhibited. Times of opening and admission charges as usual.

Central Office of Information Exhibitions: "The Show," Films at Ulster Hotel, Lower Regent Street, and at Grosvenor Hall, E.C.2. "Link in the Chain."

"Special themes of Colonial life" will be held in Trafalgar Square and at old Westminster Hospital, and at the new Colonial Office, 1, Whitehall Place, S.W.1.

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Uganda's Fertilizer Industry

Further Inquiries and Orders

FOR REACHING EXTENSIONS of Uganda's first hydro-electric power project, the harnessing of the Owen Falls River, the site being its 2,800-mile course across the northern part of Lake Victoria, are being investigated by the Protectorate Government. It is said to a visit paid some months ago to the Tennessee Valley Authority by Dr. E. A. Davies, Mr. H. B. Neal, Dr. G. V. Peterwood, and Mr. C. H. Westlake in order to study certain processes of manufacturing phosphatic fertilizers which might be applicable to East Africa.

The I.C.A.'s task, under the Act of 1952, is to establish laboratories and experimental pilot-works to produce fertilizers as part of the Authority's scheme to rehabilitate roads, land and water in Uganda, and to renew and develop the country's natural resources. Seven new processes have been developed to prepare phosphate fertilizers from locally available material, and the mission hopes to discover from the balance of this great American service if the Taboro rock-phosphates of Uganda could be processed.

Discussions were held on the agricultural application of the new types of fertilizers by with the United States Department of Agriculture, and with the Department of Agricultural Research of T.V.A., and contact was made with chemical engineering firms which have constructed plants for making nitrogenous and phosphatic fertilizers. Problems that have to be solved in plant construction, including the pilot stage, and then to commence full-scale production, were examined.

Development in Uganda

Uganda ore differs materially from those found in the U.S.A. in that the chief impurities are iron minerals, the behaviour of which cannot be predicted. This raises a beneficiation problem that of impurities in the quality of an ore by treatment such as fire, or the addition of chemical or other stabilizing agents, which requires a different technique from that used elsewhere. Much which has been collected from the content of the phosphate ores is generally higher than that of the phosphate ores in general use elsewhere. The effect of this additional iron content in the manufacturing processes will have to be determined.

The Government of Uganda has given instructions for new investigations into the geology of the phosphate deposit, beneficiation problems, the utilization of by-products (for example the production of more), the possibility of large-scale production of coal for use as a reducing agent in the manufacture of elemental phosphorus, and, incidentally, the possibility of obtaining supplies of labour for mines for the manufacture of sulphuric acid.

While emphasis is being laid on the establishment of a phosphate fertilizer industry, the possibility of making nitrogenous fertilizers is also being considered.

Groundnut News

Kotoko will remain the general headquarters of the East African groundnut schemes for many years, said Mr. J. A. Plummer, chairman of the Adverses Food Corporation, at the last Satham last week when he announced the new headquarters for the operations in that part of Central Africa would soon be moved to Kotoko on the northern side of the cultivated area, and that many employees are now being moved to Chimoio, west of Lusaka, or to the Southern Province. Admitting that there had been some dismissals he claimed that redundant employees were being generously treated.

Nairobi's £1,500,000 Loan

Leads to London and Nairobi

THE BANK OF NAIROBI, Ltd., has made its first loan to this East African port city since its incorporation in 1903, and it is the first institution in Colonial Africa to do so in the London market. The total is £1,500,000, and residents in East Africa are to receive even special consideration in allotment up to a total of £500,000 of stock.

It is not seldom that an issue of stock can be made simultaneously in two countries as far apart as Japan and Great Britain, differences in money rates and exchange difficulties making such an operation intricate; in this case, however, co-operation between the authorities in East Africa and London and the law-sellers and the financial institutions concerned have solved the problem by setting a probable pattern for subsequent issues.

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Nairobi requires the money mainly for housing and sewerage schemes and the development of water supplies.

The loan prospectus appears in this issue.

Forestry

TO CONSERVE Southern Rhodesia's timber resources provision for the compulsory afforestation board, and the protection of private forests, trees and forest produce issued in the 1952 Forest Bill, which has been gazetted in the Colony. Provision is made for the establishment of a logging timber permit board and for the use of trade names and marks in connection with forest produce. To preserve the Colony's natural scenery, forests, trees, flora and fauna, the Minister of Agriculture will be empowered under the Act to set aside any area of undemarcated forest as a natural reserve or as a demarcated forest. Furthermore, the owner of any orate land under a system of forest management may apply to his lands to be protected under provisions of the Act. Under the section dealing with the control of mining timber rights, the Bill states that no miner may cut timber without a permit.

C.A.A. Appointments

THE ENTIRE BOARD of the Central African Airways Corporation has resigned, and the resignations have been accepted by the Air Authority subject to the members carrying on until other arrangements can be made. The members are Sir Charles Morrell, chairman, former Officer Commanding the Rhodesian Air Training Group; Mr. R. Weinstock and the Acting Financial Secretary, Mr. Talbot Phipps (Northern Rhodesia) and Mr. H. J. Jossel, and Mr. G. C. Musgrave (Southern Rhodesia).

New appointments will be made without seeing it for themselves. The inland capital city here are civilized human beings living under conditions equivalent to those of the middle-type of European slum." — Mrs. L. T. Tracey, a member of the Salisbury Social Welfare Committee.

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BACKGROUND

A Labour Government? Is the Second Socialist state in which the lion lies down with the lamb, all contradictions are cast aside, and men free from oppression and exploitation, are universally good? This aspiration towards perfection has provided much of the past emotional driving-force of Socialism. Labour has had power for four years. But Socialism is far to seek. Worse still, the nearer it comes, the less attractive it seems. The dominant note of the movement is one of irritation and frustration. Perhaps the trouble is that there has been too little Socialism, and that with more of it all would be well. But here is the executive committee of the party proclaiming that there cannot be any more—or hardly any more—for a long time to come, and here is Sir Stafford Cripps saying that taxation has reached its limit, and that there can be no further social benefits until we can pay for them out of increased production. Sir Stafford stands tall—tall, straight, and shoulders above his colleagues. Outside the party he has become the party's biggest asset. Inside the party many regard him as the party's biggest liability. His strength has lain in the facts of the case and his moral rectitude. But that shows signs of weakening under the strain. His *wolf's face* on profits in his budget second reading speech made a most painful impression on his warmest admirers, who are becoming very sensitive to criticism and also very vain. Many who have looked up to him as to a great height could not help looking down upon from a great height.

Diameter, *Time and Tide*.

Unfavourable Omens.—Here we are passing into a state of depression before we have overcome our wartime shortages and the inflation which they engender. Our most serious shortage of all, our lack of dollars, persists, and may well become aggravated when Marshall Aid ends in three years. During the intervening period many things may have happened, ranging from the devaluation of the pound to the return of a Conservative Government. Much depends on the attitude of the trade unions. Not only over wage demands, but over more over improvements in machinery and organization, and in the rate of production thereof, and so on. Will the coming period be a period of relative security, prices are falling. Before they can rise again people will have money to invest and so desire to invest. —Mr. Norman Clegg, City Editor of the *Labour Times*.

Blackpool Labour Conference.

What can the Labour Party tell the country now that will assist its return to power? The remedies required for the nation's difficulties during the next five years are scarcely the sort that any party, like, to put into election propaganda. They include enterprise, hero-worship, restraint, discipline on the part of all sections of the community in the battle to maintain the present standard of living by enlarging production, improving industrial efficiency, and bringing down costs. The Labour Party having honestly said that even the existing social services may not be sustainable without sacrifice in national wealth, cannot possibly say of the improvements that people like to hear about at election time. The trade unions, with few exceptions, have singularly failed to arouse in the workers they represent, whether in private or public service, any real understanding of their own personal responsibility for the economic restoration of Britain. The junior officers of the Royal Air Force, at last appearing, than can be responsible for minerals, are warning them to hard times ahead, and could be involved by any arrangement transferring money from one group of firms to another. Yet the challenge to themselves and the rank and file is not such in their mood as that of a baited groom. The emotions released at the conference, to the greatest speeches with which the leaders thought it necessary to cheer it, were a further indication of the unripeness of government, notwithstanding dreams of progressive reform leading steadily to a *Land of Milk and Honey*, not far round the corner. As Mr. Disraeli, as Mr. Bevan said, that some sections of workers have achieved material prosperity in excess of their moral stature and are in danger of getting away by a few minutes, inspiring snarls what we have spent our lifetimes building up. But it is doubtful whether the conference took these lessons to heart. If it did not, in effect discuss the conduct of the war in the work-shops, and elsewhere, or the Labour movement's responsibility for all that is called efficient work. Indeed, the continuing debates on the management of semi-nationalized industries, notwithstanding the awareness that nationalization has not so far improved human nature. Many delegates must have left Blackpool uncertain how they are to persuade Bigot to believe in *Marxism*.

Britain's Dilemma.

We know that the Chancellor of the Exchequer thinks that devaluation would be a disaster. We know the Press is against it. Britain's attitude having thus been clearly defined, it is assumed that we can pass out of sight of it, for the next year or two. But you do not solve a problem by saying it is not worth like it to be solved. You do not avoid acute appendicitis by saying you can never believe in operations. Other people have their losses, or however, cure the weakness of the pound and they clash with ours. The Bank of England, the overseas customers have begun to postpone payment of our accounts and to hold back orders that we expected to get. They hope that presently they will be able to buy sterling cheaper. If this tendency is unchecked we shall not be able to continue buying so much from the dollar area, we shall be short of necessities, many of our people will be thrown out of work and our general standard of life will fall. So we face trouble either way. Devaluation would lead to disaster. To continue the present tendency unchecked would also lead to disaster. We simply must check the present tendency. We can. If we produce more, and produce more cheaply, we can reverse that threatening momentum. It is not the bankers who can do it, but industry. The value of the pound depends on the nation's work. To turn out steadily, and boldly, and well— and lose big foreign contracts because Government departments will not promise reasonable amounts of steel at reasonable stages, will never do at all." —Mr. W. L. Andrews, Editor of the *Yorkshire Post*.

Mr. Aneurin Bevan.

Mr. Bevan's reaction to the impending economic crisis seems to me more skilful than that of Mr. Morrison or Sir Stafford Cripps. The Conservatives Godomps are battering at the gates of Orleans? Then what is wanted is an *Ancient of Days*, with a theme of salvation through suffering and sacrifice. This invitation to salvation to wallow in the consequences of their own indecisiveness, when wrapped up in a lurid picture of the internal Vice, Socialism as a blood bath and civil war, gives an ethical and a negative consolation. Mr. Bevan's one foot is as firmly planted in the blood bath as the other is in the stars. I fancy his outbursts are quite coldly calculated." —Mr. Collins Coote, in the *Daily Telegraph*.

FOR THE NEWS

EAST marked—The peak of industrial prosperity has passed.—*Financial Times*

The language of the classes is the religion of Socialism.—W. E. Gurney Bevan, M.P., Minister of Health.

"We are only halfway in the fight to eliminate the social and political influence of Communism," said President Truman.

"I always think it is a good thing for Government departments to be spending so much money on advertising," said Woolton.

"We are not selling anything like armaments machinery to Canada as such," said Mr. Harold Wilson, M.P., President of the Board of Trade.

"Ulster can choose to leave the British Commonwealth. Ulster can and does choose with equal justice to remain in it." — Sir Basil Brooke, Member of Northern Ireland Assembly.

"It's not nobody to have the illusion that the State is a magical organization which can give things away without having to pay for them." — Mr. Herbert Morrison, M.P., Vice-President of the Council.

Nine thousand dentists will cost the country about £30,900,000 in 1954-55, compared with £45,800,000 for 19,000 doctors.—Select Committee on Estimates.

"Mr. Vishinsky's proposal for a German peace treaty is as full of propaganda as a dog is full of fleas. In fact, I should say all dogs and no dogs." — Mr. Dean Acheson, U.S. Secretary of State.

Output of milk in England and Wales is now almost level with the 1952-53 target. "Next year we should be able to end milk rationing," — Sir Thomas Barker, chairman, Milk Marketing Board.

Many people believe that both the British and French capital investment programmes contain too many long-term projects.—Mr. Davie Morse, director-general of the International Labour Organization.

"Instead of pocketing the taxpayers' money away in subsidies why not invest a far higher proportion of our national income in equipping our national farms for production?" — Mr. Noel Norman.

Once the Co-operative movement had agreed to become a State department to operate outside supervision of its right to choose their own supplies, the basis of voluntary co-operation would have been destroyed.—Mr. Jack Bailey, secretary of the Co-operative Party.

The Socialist chiefs, now deeply involved in their general election prospects, have been at pains at the party conference in Blackpool to exert a facade of harmony over an interior of confusion and division.—Mr. Hale Chevers, industrial correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*.

Some people think that social democracy is weak and cannot resist. "How can we build up a stronger resistance if the hearts and courage of voluntary association through a democratic body which will stand longer than any dictatorship?" — Mr. Ernest Bevin, M.P., Foreign Secretary.

When the Central Office of Information was established in 1945 Mr. Justice said that its prime purpose would be to make the nation conscious of its position. But that it has utterly failed. The main proof is that the Socialists still will not believe that we are living beyond our means.—Mr. Alan Oakley.



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PERSONALIA

MR. WILLIAM SHEARER has been re-elected chairman of the Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd.

SIR GEORGE COLBY, Governor of Nyasaland, is settled in London in a few weeks.

DR. ROBERT PARK has arrived from Nyasaland and DR. W. A. YOUNG from Tanganyika.

A son has been born to the wife of Lieut. COLONEL A. O. BISHOPWOOD of Vacoas, Mauritius.

MR. CHARLES LOCKHART, a director of the Overseas Food Corporation, is in East Africa on inspection tour.

MR. AND MRS. F. S. JOELSON and MISS SUE JOELSON have returned to London after an absence of four months.

Mrs. C. G. EASTWOOD, of the staff of the Colonial Office, has returned from her visit to East Africa and the Seychelles.

Mrs. and Mrs. C. D. J. WALDEY, now resident in Nairobi, have just celebrated the 40th anniversary of their marriage.

MR. STEPHEN COSSAN BLACK and Miss MARY QUINN both of St. Albans were married in Lusaka, Northern Rhodesia, earlier this month.

DR. R. A. MASSIEPESTERMAN, a botanist of Leiden, Holland, is spending four or five months in Kenya to collect plants for the State Herbarium.

SIR ALFRED VINCENT and MRS. E. B. HAMILTON have joined the board of the Kenya Farmers Association (Coffey) Ltd., a commercial enterprise.

Mrs. K. W. BLACKBURNE, Director of Information Services at the Colonial Office, has just got back to London from his tour to East and Central Africa.

The hon. degree of D.C.L. of Oxford University is to be conferred upon MR. REGINALD FURSE, lately Director of Recruitment at the Colonial Office, on June 22.

MR. E. M. LOCHARD, lately of the Isimbri Bank of Barclays' Bank (D.C. & G.), is acting manager of the branch, Beira during the leave of MR. T. BRADY, BRIGADIER J. R. COOKE, C.M.G., Chief of Staff, East Africa Command, is acting as G.O.C. during Lieut. GENERAL S. A. N. FOWLER'S present short tour of England.

MR. L. A. PLUMMER, who was made a knight bachelor in the Birthday Honours List will conceivably return to London with MR. STRACHEY, Minister of Food, at the conclusion of his visit to Tanganyika.

TO EMANUEL ARAKHAM, who was secretary to the Ethiopian Legation in London some years ago and later director-general of education in Ethiopia, it is to become the first Ethiopian Minister in India.

DR. WALTER C. LOWERMILL, an American authority on soil conservation, is to visit Southern Rhodesia in September under the auspices of British and American mission societies. He is now in West Africa.

THE HON. MONTAGUE WEIR, of Andrew Weir Shipping and Trading Co. Ltd., who underwent a serious operation in the early part of the year, is now making good progress and hopes to resume his business early in September.

MR. A. J. LOWNDES, the leading authority on African snails, who recently spent several months in Nyasaland with Mr. Lovettson and his sister on a snail-hunting expedition, left Liverpool last Saturday for the United States.

MR. HENRY KEMP of Salisbury, and MISS FRANCES KEMP, his daughter, are at home in England under the firm's "Rebuild Britain" funds scheme, which aims at getting people to go to work in Britain.

MR. H. H. ROBINSON, chairman of the board of directors of Messrs. Smith Mackenzie & Co., has been in London to discuss his return to Kenya.

SIR ERIC STOCKDALE was described in our issue of May 30 as deputy chairman of the Overseas Food Corporation. He is, of course, also chairman of the Colonial Development Corporation and a member of the board of the Overseas Food Corporation.

The marriage took place in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, recently of MR. VICTOR HEDLEY, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hulme of Johannesburg, and MRS. THIRSE SHAW FORTUNE, younger daughter of Colonel D. C. Crombie and the late Mrs. Crombie, of Bideford, Devon.

The marriage took place recently in Northern Rhodesia of MR. ANDREW GAVIN MAXWELL, Northern Rhodesia Police, captain of Mr. and the late Mrs. John Maxwell, and MISS BETTINE MARGARET DUNCAN LITTLE, elder daughter of Major and Mrs. D. Duncan-Little.

MR. W. CAMPBELL WILDS, vice-president of Far Lines Inc., left New York last week on a business tour of France, Switzerland, Britain, and the Dutch Kingdom, to discuss matters relating to East South and West African shipping and development. He is expected to reach London on July 17.

SIR RICHARD HOWINS, Commissioner for Transport in East Africa High Commission, who flew to Europe to attend the recent African Transport Conference in Lisbon, is chief British technical delegate and then goes on to London for consultations, left yesterday by air for Nairobi.

The annual general meeting of the Royal Empire Society will be held in London at 8 p.m. on June 22. Mr. A. T. PERMAN is one of four councilors who retire and are not eligible for re-election this year. Sir William JACKSON, Dr. MARGARET REED, Mr. R. K. BURGESS and Mrs. H. E. PERMAN have been nominated to fill the vacancies.

The engagement has been announced. And the marriage will shortly take place between MR. PETER SHAWGRAY HOWE, only son of Sir Robert G. Howe, Governor-General of the Sudan, and of Lady Howe, The Honourable Kharioush and Cowbridge, Lostwithiel, and MISS JEANNE REED, daughter of the late Mr. William Reid and of Mrs. EDMUND Reid, of Belfast, Northern Ireland.

Appointments to the Seal Board of Tanganyika are as follows: MR. R. W. R. MILLER, MLC (chairman), the Financial Secretary, Director of Agriculture, and Labour Commissioner; MR. J. L. BROWN, MLC, L. DU BOIS, J. C. DENN, E. F. FRITHSTOCK, C. N. HOBSON, MRC, A. J. KIRKET, MEC, T. KING, I. LARSEN, C. W. LECK, H. M. MCKEE, A. M. MAZERAI, MEC, H. H. TRANTER, MEC, J. P. WHITAKER, MEC.

MR. L. DENTON, Government Agent, office for the East and Central African Colonies, Nairobi, Kenya, Tanganyika, where he will remain until the end of the month. His itinerary will then be as follows:—Nyasaland, July 1 to 15; Northern Rhodesia, July 17 to August 3; Kenya, August 4 to 10; Uganda, August 11 to 24; Uganda, August 27 to September 15. He is assisting in the survey of the possibilities of meat production in the colonies.

MR. JOHN DRAFFORD, Master of Food, who was to have left recently for East Africa to inspect proposed oilseed plantations, has postponed his departure at the last moment owing to the difficulties of the African railways and to the fact that his ship is not due to sail until July 20. He is to be replaced by Mr. G. R. D. COOPER, of Derbyshire, Solihull, to whom a parliamentary private secretary in succession to Mr. G. P. W. MAILLARD, one of the first I.P.S.s who lost their posts because they voted against the Government on the miners' Bill.

The marriage took place at Kitwe, Northern Rhodesia, on the 22nd of May, 1958, between MR. GEORGE HENRY WAGNER, eldest son of the late Mr. G. R. Wagner, of Kyabondo, Kenya, and MRS. ANGELA Wingate, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, and MISS JEAN MARGARET Horrocks, only child of the late Dr. and Mrs. T. S. A. Horrocks of Newcastle-on-Tyne.

SIR EDWARD TWINING left London by air on Tuesday for Dar es Salaam to take up his duties as Governor of Tanganyika. He will break his journey in Nairobi. LADY TWINING will leave for East Africa later. Sir Edward, who was born in 1899, served with the King's African Rifles in Uganda from 1921 to 1925, and then joined the Colonial Service in that Protectorate. Ten years later he became Director of Finance in Madras, and after two years in the Windward Islands as administrator went to North Borneo.

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Mr. R. G. Marvin

Mr. ROBERT GEORGE CRAVEN, who was the first member of Parliament to represent the South African Colony under responsible Government, has died at Umhlanga at the age of 65. Born in Ulster, he qualified in America as a dentist; then decided in 1909 to emigrate to Australia. Whilst in Melbourne he was persuaded by a friend to visit Southern Africa; thereupon changed his plans, remaining in the colony as a farmer. He became a recognized expert on agriculture and fruit-growing.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL RONALD LEE BROWN, 75, has died at Nakuru, Kenya, at the age of 25. Educated at King's College, London, and at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, he joined the Royal Lancasters as a private in 1894 and served in the South African War before the First World War, in which he also had a distinguished record, heroes' mention having been awarded him for gallantry. He was promoted to brevet colonel in 1933.

MR. FRANCIS COCHRANE PEER, who farmed in the Colchester area of Southern Rhodesia for over 30 years, died recently in Bulawayo at the age of 72. One of the best known farming judges in the Rhodesias, he devoted his early years to education in experimental work on maize varieties.

Major ROBERT MCKEEEN LEWIS, 5th Regt., the
Navyville, back of the present residence of Major Lewis in
Narragansett, was a result of injuries received during
a skirmish which ensued after having been wounded. He
was conducting a party of Americans on their way to
Leaves at Indoway.

Mr. FREDERICK HAROLD MANGOLD died in Pleasanton recently as a result of an accident. He leaves a widow.

Wanda Soper vs Scotland

Annual meeting of the Nigerian Society in Scotland held in Edinburgh, April 1910. President Mr. J. G. Hudson, Vice-President Mr. R. Fraser, Captains Mr. W. M. Younger and Mr. W. Small, Mrs. J. S. Hart, Mr. J. Stewart, Dr. J. H. Neil, Dr. J. B. Shattock, Dr. A. H. Hoskyns, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Wallace, Mr. T. E. G. Ross, Dr. Vasey, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Light, Col. G. M. Macmillan, Mr. J. H. Neil, Mr. W. M. Younger and Miss M. F. Forrest. At the general meeting, which was held on the same day, the following officers were elected: Mr. J. B. Shattock, hon. president; Dr. J. P. Macmillan, president; Mr. W. M. Younger, hon. secretary. Other members of the committee: Mrs. J. G. Hudson, Mr. R. Fraser, Dr. J. H. Neil, Dr. W. Small and Lieut.-Colonel F. Workman.

Tanganyika's New Government

Receptionen London

SIR EDWARD BACON AND WINNIE WERE the chief guests at a reception held in London a few days ago by the East African Commissioners and Mrs. Norton.

Those who accepted mutations and side-

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Ede V. Allen,
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Alton, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gorell Barnes,
Mr. and Mrs. S. Park, Mr. J. Sevan, Mrs. and Mrs. C. P. J.
Biggs, Mr. and Mrs. H. Blackburne, Mr. and Mrs. F.
Bovill, Mr. and Mrs. Josephine St. Armand and Lucy Deneuve,
Mr. and Mrs. M. McCarthys, Dr. W. Chisholm, Gerard and
Lya Clauson, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Clegg, Mr. and Mrs. Gladwin,
Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Goss, Mr. and Mrs. Julian, Mrs. Leyte,
Sir William and Lady Currie, Colonel Atherton, Mr. and Mrs.
Mrs. F. H. Dawson, Mr. B. G. Deane, Mr. and Mrs. L.
Dunn, General Sir Arthur Evans, Mr. and Mrs. A.
F. Geddes.

Mr. Charles E. W. M., and Mrs. W. F. Jenkins, M.L., and
Mrs. J. W. Johnson, and Mr. N. L. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs.
F. C. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson, and Mrs. Kenton
Wright, Mr. and Mrs. G. V. and Mrs. J. C. Walker, Mr.
John W. and Mrs. John W., Mr. Bartel L. Lovett, Sir Thomas
Lloyd, Lady Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lovett, Sir Thomas
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Letters to the Editor

Belgian Goods for Tanganyika

Explanation of Government's Action

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA.—Sir, May I refer to the letter from the chairman of the East African Shippers' Association in our issue of July 2, and to editorial comment on the subject of the cancellation of Tanganyika licences for the importation of Belgian goods?

The reasons for the action taken by the Economic Control Department of Tanganyika were to assess the amount of foreign currency which the territory was able, and at the same time, to ascertain to what extent the quantities of goods ordered had been of the quantities for which import licences were issued.

Where orders had been placed, import licences were issued where it was deemed that the necessities were not cancelled and the department was unable to assess further imports to such an extent as to make up the total quantity of imports of goods to the amount required. The procedure followed was to return sailing instructions to Tanganyika to place foreign goods in storage until further licences could be issued and further orders placed earlier than would otherwise have been done.

During my visit to London, to attend the Colonial Conference, I sought to meet the E.A.S.A. African Shippers' Association, whom this matter will be more fully discussed, but I wish by this medium to correct a misapprehension which appears to have arisen in London as to the intentions of the foreign trade licence which was criticized in your paper.

Yours faithfully,
D. G. MAURICE
Director of Economic Control, Tanganyika

Cancellation of Import Licences

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA.—Sir, I would like to add to the views expressed June 5, from the chairman of the East African Shippers' Association, we feel sure, that the Association will fully support further investigation that there has been a mistake of standing.

Our experience over the many years of import control has always been that licences have been issued to cover "live" orders.

Yours faithfully,
28, Mombasa Street, Nairobi,
Kenya, E.C. 1
P. J. P. PHILIPPIER

All Kenya Soil Fertility

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA.—Sir, In your issue of June 5 you reported a debate in the Kenya Legislative Council during which a Member for Health and Local Government is said to have stated: "We have credible evidence to support the statement that there has been a loss of 50% of soil fertility during the last five years."

If this statement is correctly copied by you it appears to be pure nonsense, for there would be total loss, and it has never been suggested that there is no soil fertility left in Kenya today.

I suggest that it is impossible what the Member meant, for a loss of 50% of soil is extremely exaggerated.

Yours faithfully,
John Rutherford,
Conservation Officer, Ministry of Agriculture,

Kenya, E.C. 1
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Mr. Rutherford's statement is correct. The reduction is definitely down to 50% of original content. The statement made by the Government of Kenya in its annual report 1948-49 shows that 50% of Kenya's solvency has been lost in the last 24 years.

Education in Zanzibar

Improved Attendances

IMPROVED ATTENDANCES at schools in Zanzibar are revealed in the report of the Education Department for 1948. In the Government primary school for boys the total roll was 4,354 last year, with a 92.37% attendance compared with 2,540 and an attendance of 76.19% in 1943. In the girls' primary school with a roll of 971 (22) the attendance was 93.29% (90.39%). In the Government secondary schools boys numbered 97 (23) and girls 7.

Teacher certificates were awarded to all the 22 male students in the second-year course and to five out of seven female students who apprentices entered the P.W.D.s for training as carpenters and four in the finishing shop. Two pupils began an engineering course in Kamphala and two went to the old Moshi school to learn tailoring.

At the 12 Zanzibar studios (including one woman) at Maweni College, one is taking a course in agriculture, three in education, three in medicine, one in higher studies, and one undergoing an adult woman's course. There were 11 students from the protectorate in the United Kingdom. Evening classes for adults attracted only 164 persons, compared with 314 in 1947. Adult schools had a total attendance of 3,005.

Free Maternity Service

IT WILL be a source of disappointment to the Government if we are not in position to bring in a free maternity service this year. It is priority number one. This statement was made recently in the Southern Rhodesian Parliament by the Minister of Health, Mr. H. W. Beadle. He added that progress towards national health scheme was planned through the stage of maternity services, hospitals, and domiciliary medicine. Notable experiments were being carried out in connexion with diphtheria and malaria. The public health vote of £1,407,250 (£1,152,165 last year) was passed after Mr. Beadle had explained that the limiting factor in extending health services was the available bedspace.

Marshall Aid for Tsetse Research

MR. HARRY STANNETT head of the division of the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine of the U.S.A. Department of Agriculture, which deals with insects affecting man and animals, is visiting East Africa to investigate the kind of technical assistance which might best be given under Marshall Aid for insecticide research and anti-tsetse work.

The Southern Rhodesian Post Office's returned letter branch dealt with 146,505 items of unclaimed mail last year. The value of notes, coin, cheques, and other forms of currency contained in 138,920 letters was £17,571, of which £680 remain unclaimed.

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U.S. Engineering Consultant's Tour Report on Beira Cargo Handling

MR. L. S. THOMPSON, engineering consultant to the Economic Cooperation Administration, has just completed an inspection of Central African territories.

He left Southern Rhodesia yesterday by air last week, and will submit to the Portuguese Government his plan for increasing the rate of cargo handling at Beira and Lourenco Marques, and for expanding the railway system. An expenditure of several million sterling would be involved.

Mr. Thompson admitted that America's chief concern was to increase deliveries of such raw materials as chrome ore, but said that it was appreciated that the only way to ensure a steady exodus of commodities most needed in the U.S. was to provide ample facilities for all import traffic, thus eliminating competition for priorities.

Air Services in East Africa

THE EAST AFRICAN TERRITORIES with a European population of only 45,000 have a total of 45 companies operating air services. Eighteen of these are locally based chartered companies, nine scheduled commercial air-lines, 11 charter companies based outside the territories, two clubs with partly licences, one company operating survey flights only, and one commercial company operating scheduled flights in East Africa. Nearly 240 planes have been licensed and registered in the territories. Licences have been issued in Kenya alone to 263 Aspots, 116 B commercial pilots, navigators, and 29 ground controllers.

Needless Labour Legislation

Mr. H. Bird on Legends of Justice

A UNITED ALLIANCE of the tendency to heads of Government departments to demand increased powers was launched by Mr. C. H. Bird, M.P., during the debate of the Summary Disputes and Trade Disputes Bill in the Uganda Legislative Council. Describing the measures as "a Bill to create trade disputes," Mr. Bird said that no reason had been given for its introduction.

In the Report of the Labour Committee for the past two years there is a striking feature in respect that demand for labour is not to supply and that Native could pick and choose their masters and their masters' men-servants. The 1946 report had said: "There is sufficient evidence to indicate that there is little or no need for protective regulations, as rates are rising automatically to meet the rising costs of living." The chief difficulty is to get a reasonable return of work at the wages paid. The next year it was stated that "as far as wage movements has been downward, with wages being themselves by the laws of supply and demand."

Mr. O'Brien's Report

Heads of departments were still claiming a right of coming to the Council in an off-hand way demanding increased powers. "I hope it will not be the function of the government to do too little. Here there should see the rubbery Labour Commissioner peeping over the shoulder of the chairman of the Commission."

It had been said in support of the Bill that similar legislation had been introduced in other parts of the Commonwealth. Surely that was a very good reason for sending it back. Unfortunately, the labour legislation in the Colonies had been based on that introduced in the United Kingdom where it had been prepared to cater for a more static and suspicious which crept out of the conditions of industrial conditions of a century ago now hardly passing.

"Why bring in legislation based on laws the world over in a country where such conditions have never existed?" He suggested that a study should be made of the labour legislation in the United States which encouraged the free play of the individual worker and individual employer.

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Agriculture in Southern Rhodesia

Minister of Home to Parliament

Mr. P. B. MERTCHIN (United Party) said that in the Southern Rhodesian Parliament on May 10, the Department of Agriculture statistics compared with 159,097 last year, a number of critics of the Government United Party were aptly rebuked.

Mr. P. B. MERTCHIN (United Party) declared that the Colony's food position was very grave, quoting the following figures of stock and meat: Beef carcassings 15,202 in 1945 and 19,000 in 1948; lambs 35,500 and 46,222; and producers 17,29 and 151. He said that in the seven years after 1941-42, mutton production from creameries and abattoirs dropped from 1,720,000 lb. to 1,000 lb. In spite of the increase of nearly 50% in European population, food imports had risen from £1,315,000 in 1944-45, £1,62,000 in 1945-46, £561,000 in 1947, the drought year, and £4,710,000 last year. All there was fairly good maize crop.

Comprehensive Statement demanded

A comprehensive statement on agricultural policy was demanded by the Leader of the Liberal Opposition, Mr. J. O. STOCKER, who alleged that farmers felt that the Government would not stand by them in time of need, begging rather than helping.

The dairy industry scheme proposed last year had apparently been abandoned already. He understood that Native cattle breeders in the Sabi Valley would be encouraged to engage in dairying, a very specialized branch of agriculture, and said that might result in Europeans growing the same grain as to sell to the natives.

Another Liberal speaker, Mr. E. W. H. COOPER, advocated a long-term policy of price stabilization, and believed that the National Farmers' Union and the Government had directed agricultural policy. In any case it had been the writing party for the Colony's food.

Mr. J. O. STOCKER (United Party) thought that there was no financial encouragement to obtain money and buy land instead of spending so much money on new home industries should be given more weight.

Mr. J. M. CULLINAN (United Party) spoke on the feeling in the country that the Government was trying to control tobacco growth in order to restrain further development by other industries and asked for a dental of that profession, which appeared for tax concessions in food imports such as those granted in the Union, where farmers were allowed to plough back one-third of their profits without having to tax.

Mr. D. W. KELLY-BURKE (United Party) traced the present financial position back to the price levels stabilized by a previous Minister, and said that unless prices were stabilized many lamb-milk producers would go out of business.

Long-Term Policies Desired

Mr. J. L. SKINNER (Liberal) called for long-term policies and complained about prices paid for Native cattle were higher than those for European cattle.

Mr. J. M. CULLINAN (United Party) argued that there should be allowed to import vegetables, meat, butter, canned food, and dairy products, but that such crops would have to be grown if there were no grants for basic prices.

Mr. J. S. QUINN (the United Party) said that consumers wanted to pay for cheap food. It should be remembered that cheap food was in the long run dear food, and the position would never improve. There was a danger that in 10 years the Colony would be producing 3 butter, cheese, or meat.

Mr. N. G. STANNETT (United Party) who defended tobacco growers against charges of failing to contribute to food, argued that tobacco had opened up areas for food farmers which would otherwise have been productive.

The Minister of Agriculture, Mr. P. B. MERTCHIN, replied to his critics' attack upon his critics. He said never before.

In these post-war years, in collaboration with the National Farmers' Union and the agricultural industry, the Government has established prices and bases for tobacco to co-operate with the industry, so that a greater job could be performed. This to suggest that

in the post-war period the Government had helped the farmer down.

He summarized his concluding speech of behalf of the Rhodesian Farmers' Union, which suffered from the abominable Agreement. I have just heard Mrs. Hemsley by the Leader of the Opposition to introduce a subsidy on two pounds, shillings, and pence.

In the last six cattle guaranteed prices for five years had been increased from January 1 last year. The prices were designed to increase yield and improve standards. As in addition the Government introduced a weight-grade bonus for the cattle in order to encourage the sale of heavier animals. The result had been highly gratifying. In 1948 the increase in average killing weight had accounted for an extra 500,000 lb. of beef.

The Minister gave figures which he said proved the progress of the cattle industry, and the increasing interest among Europeans. In 1939 European-owned stock had numbered 153,000; in 1947, 1,013,000. The rise in cattle numbers since 1939 was from 250,000 in 1939 to 1,700,000 in 1947.

Manufacturing Dairy Prices Policy

The price policy for the dairy industry, said Mr. Fletcher, had been increased in so far as the 1946 figures had been accepted as a basis. There had been changes owing to rises in costs, but this was a most unsatisfactory system, and the Farmers' Union had failed completely to produce a uniform policy for the industry.

An assurance of full Government support for the tobacco industry was given by Mr. Fletcher. In view of increased cost and output, he believed the target of 75,000,000 lb. for the United Kingdom must be reached. He acknowledged the difficulties the tobacco industry in increasing production, but asserted that the high prices obtained for tobacco had resulted in new areas being developed for total production.

Regarding Native labour problems, he hoped that the Select Committee would bring forward a solution.

A resolution pronouncing the State lottery, sport on Sunday, and dancing as "de moralizing" elements in society was passed at the recent meeting of the Presidents of the Dutch Reformed Congregations of Soetse and Northern Transvaal.

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Colony-wide Arbor Day in Kenya Governor's Tribute to Founder

SIR PHILIP MITCHELL, Governor of Kenya, said in an Arbor Day broadcast from Nairobi (*inert*):

The Kenya Arbor Society, this year, achieved an ambition cherished for a long time—the ambition to have a Colony-wide Arbor Day when all over the Colony members of all communities would be planting trees in token of their recognition of the tremendous importance of trees and forests in our life of ranking.

The society had its first beginning in the early days at Nakuru as a result of the initiative and enthusiasm of the late Commander F. S. Coulter, one of the many colonial officers that day and tomorrow for the country where he had made his home, and whose now rests in peace.

At that time only a small minority realized the disastrous damage being done by the destruction of forests and the burning and overgrazing of grass lands, cultivation on steep slopes, and the rest of the melancholy business. It was a very large band of enthusiasts that rallied to Commander Coulter's call and who was fortunate to give the required assistance.

I say myself, in Kenya in those days, nor indeed for good many years afterwards, but the Arbor Society, with the enthusiastic backing of the late Commander Coulter, was among the most powerful influences in awakening the people of the Colony to the terrible destruction of its resources was going on, men of the sea, in the rescue of the land.

Stout Hearts and High Resolves

They went with stout hearts and high resolve into the struggle, producing posters and pamphlets in English and the vernaculars, contrasting articles in the Press, holding meetings, starting experimental agricultural farms, sending delegations to the Colony Government, and remonstrating to the Colonial Office.

No doubt at the same time other influences were at work, and other people by other means and in other ways were bearing fruit in the department of the Land and Agriculture, in the Legislative Council in 1910, and the Conference of 1912. This Conference of 1912, and in a following conference, wherein we have been in like years developing to a remarkable extent among almost all sections of the community, the need of the conservation, and then, the use of natural resources really mean to the security of the country.

The Agrarian and Agriculture Bill, which is hoped to introduce into the Legislative Council later this year, and the Water Conservation Bill which will be published soon, inform, also, further examples of the faults which the growing organization and public conscience of the masses are producing. It is perhaps typical of our country that there are scarcely any difficulties in organizing opposition to both measures, although the Agriculture Bill has not even reached the stage of being introduced and with its Memorandum form has not even appeared in the Legislative Council.

It is a matter of infinite interest to see with conviction the very wide support in every part of the public conscience that there was for the Agriculture Bill, and anyhow, if it fails, though it may be only to go up and down, as a portion of course, there is so much more a part in this area as in the conservation of existing forests and the planting of new ones, that the beautiful things among us. No, beautiful of God's creation, no beauty is needed to make us realize the importance of the thing.

Kenya, I think, has got to be a colony of small farms, and of these, the too large acreages of many of them to me, they would be a curse, and also, different groups, would have no right to exist, than those that farm on what is left of the scrub and savannahs. These people, who can walk the wood or savannahs and find something of the past, of the old, that makes all the difference, something of the gods, something of the great, the All-powerful, All-mighty, All-wise.

These people, I think, should be given the right to live in their own way, and to do what they like, and to be left alone. There has been a steady drift away from the farms, and the farms are becoming smaller and smaller, and the

laterly it has also become to increase the number of men of head and means, and their achievements have, secondarily, increased, something like 100,000 acres were planted last year, and the department plans to plant certainly not less than 6,000 acres even from now on. Triplets of 10,000 acres a year, I think, is the trend, and though I do not know that we shall ever be able to make arrangements to do more than that.

Indeed, there are some reasons for believing that East Africa as a whole may one day become one of the great sources of supply of softwoods to the world, drawn in plantations of a primary nature, and this is the important point, each tree replete with seeds, falling, every year, would yield a tree for every man, and every donor is responsible for having cut down what is a wonderful thing that would be!

Colonial Progress Report

DR. E. B. WATSON, the scientific secretary of the East African Game Commission, has written a progress report covering the period from January 1 to April 1 this year, that there is much to be done before antropony can be widely used for prophylaxis. Plans had, he says, been completed for a bacteriological research institute at Nakuru in Uganda.

A preliminary examination of the first lot of experiments with soot phosphates in Uganda suggested that in this season the local product had been less effective, per pound, than the imported copper phosphates. But this was a tentative and rather a doubtful conclusion.

4,420 rods of fishing in the deeper parts of Lake Victoria had been demonstrated to some of the fishermen of the Sesé Islands, and a report of success if they would be adopted. Promising results had been obtained by the East African Industrial Research Bureau in glazing pottery, and it was hoped that this would soon be applied on a factory scale.

New Cold Storage Works

THE FOUNDATION stone of the new cold storage works at Victoria, Southern Rhodesia, was laid recently by Mr. A. L. Miller, chairman of the Cold Storage Commission. The new works are expected to complete within a year and will handle 350 head of cattle daily. With storage space for 1,413 tons of frozen beef, Mr. P. B. Fletcher, the Colony's Minister of Agriculture, said that in eight years the Commission had paid bonuses of £276,398 to bull breeders and £153,200 to cattle breeders. The original capital was £250,000, with no reserves, and by last beginning of this year the capital had risen to £477,344, with reserves of £109,118. The staff has risen from 26 to 116 Europeans and from 250 to 1,413 Natives. In the last full year, 32,761 head of cattle were slaughtered while in 1920 the total was 133,106.

T.A.O. and the Four Regions

THE COLONIAL Food and Agriculture Commission began a two-week meeting on April 10, 1921, under the chairmanship of Col. G. H. D. C. Gifford. Among the subjects discussed were the problems created by the war in assessing African staple supplies, the effect of the war on the development of agriculture in the four regions of the world, and the role of the Colonial Office in Morris' Law, and the effect of the law on the production of tropical products.

After a discussion of the effect of the war on the production of tropical products, it was decided that they would be held, however much they might be affected by the war, until the end of the war, to help the colonies to meet their obligations to the League of Nations. The education of the people of the colonies in the use of the tropical products, especially in the case of India, was also considered.

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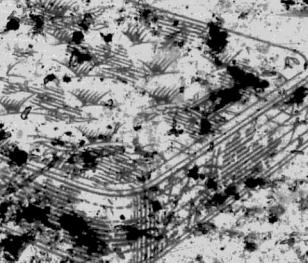
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 TAYLOR, MISS MARY ANN VIOLET, of the London Missionary Society, for public services among the Native population in Bechuanaland.
 TAYLOR, RONALD, Esq., for public services in Tanganyika.
 THOM, MRS. ELSIE BEATRICE, for public services in Northern Rhodesia.
 THOMAS, JOHN KING WILFRED, Esq., district officer, Kenya.
 WALLACE, MRS. ELEANOR FRANCES, British subject resident in the Sudan.
 WILLIAMS, WILLIAM HENRY CHARLES, Esq., deputy inspector of stores, Colonial Agents for the Colonies.
 WETMORE, ROBERT BERNARD NORTON, Esq., for services in the Department of Commerce and Industries, Southern Rhodesia.
 WHITE, SEYMOUR, Esq., for services in agriculture in the Lake district of Southern Rhodesia.

M.B.E. (Honorary)

- TEMUTO MWAYASI, KIHO MUKASA, ex-saza chief, East Budama, Uganda.
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 PAUL KAYUMA, owner of a sekiboko, of Kyagwe, Uganda.
 DANIERI SERWANKO, owerasa sebwana of Bisiro, Uganda; and PAULO NOGOLLOGA, secretary-general of local government, Uganda.

Police Medal for Gallantry

- SERGEANT MUINDE, of the Kenya Police, has been posthumously awarded the Colonial Police Medal for Gallantry.

The citation states that on May 3, 1949, a party of police consisting of an African inspector, Sergeant Muinde, and seven constables, surrounded a Masai *mara* (*encampment*) about 16 miles from Narok. When it was suspected that three wanted criminals were in hiding, while a search was being made a man, armed with a spear, suddenly broke out of the back of a *mara* and attacked Sergt. Muinde and transfixed him with the spear before he could defend himself. The Masai then ran away.

With the spear still through his body and despite the fact that he must have realized that his wound would probably prove fatal, Sergt. Muinde took a fell salvo and fired three shots at the difficult target presented by the *mara*. He wounded the Masai in the shoulder. Because of the wound, the police were subsequently able to arrest and identify the Masai. Sergt. Muinde died the same night.

Northern Rhodesia's Labour Corps Farmers to Pay Higher Rates

FARMERS HIRING SOLIDS. From the African Labour Corps of Northern Rhodesia will have to pay 3d per man per day from August 1, an increase of 1d daily, and from December 1 the rate will go up to 4d per man per day.

At a meeting attended in December by members of the Executive Council, representatives of the various sections of farmers' Union, and Government officials, it was agreed that the Standing Finance Committee of the Legislative Assembly recommended that the charge of 3d and 4d per man should be raised approximately the economic level. From 1942 when the corps was formed to 1947 expenditure on it exceeded the revenue by £63,700, that sum being borne by the taxpayers. Being in effect a public subsidy to those farmers who had used the corps.

Government Milk Use Corps

The average strength of the corps in 1948 was 1,900, and each member was gainfully employed for 252 days in the year. Since Government may be able to use the corps for its own purposes more advantageously in the future when it is not being employed by farmers, the new and more economic rate of payment is based on an average of 300 days work in the year. Estimated expenditure on the corps for 1949 was £10,319. Revenue at the rate of 1s. 9d. per day, based on the basis of employment for 252 days, brought in £139,000. At the same rate, but on the basis of employment for 300 days, the revenue would have been £249,879, leaving a loss of £201,447.6s. to be borne by the taxpayers. At a rate of 2s. 4d. per day, averaging the average number of days of employment for each member of the corps to be 200, the estimated loss to be borne by the taxpayer would have been £11,340.

The corps was formed to provide food-producing farmers with enough labour, and to make their production as efficient as possible. It is becoming increasingly popular both with farmers and with African labourers who are available to farm labour in excess of 15 men under the supervision of a *windimpo* or *rapino*. Subsidies are paid at the rate of 2s. 4d. per month with food and wages to corporals, drivers, etc.

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Labour Commissioner's Impressions

Mr. M. Hodge, Labour Commissioner in Kenya, has recorded his impressions of a tour of the Rift Valley Province. "There was no real shortage of labour," he said, "but extremely low output."

He thought all the arguments for lack of labour were based on a misconception. "A hundred thousand men would give the way to remedy the ill-informed and Native dismissals could drift off."

The large unemployment figures in the Colony—over 345,000 able-bodied men at work—indicated a growing tendency for Africans to seek work to acquire the amenities of life, and if European employers would pay, Africans would soon discover that there was no choice but to live in line.

Quotations. Mr. Claude Clarke, the recommissioned R.A.F. pilot, Mr. Wilson, senior labour officer, Eng. Minister, the recently appointed factory inspector.

Value of R.A.T.G.

IN THE PEACE-TIME PREPARATION against the possibility of war, the Rhodesian Air Training Group, in which the people of Rhodesia were joint partners, formed an essential part of R.A.F. training. This comment was made recently in Bulawayo by Air Commander No. 3, Lt.-Col. G. J. Flinck, Officer Commanding the Group. "We have in the Colony a unique organization," he added. "It is the only thing of its kind in the Empire and Commonwealth. You well know that during the war the A.R.F. was built up mainly from the tremendous Empire Air Training Schools in Canada and elsewhere. This unique organization exists here except in Rhodesia. It is a magnificent example of the spirit of co-operation between the Colony and the R.A.F."

Reasons for buying African labour, said Mr. Bulwer, have protested again the proposed opening of a new hall.

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NEWS, NEWS IN BRIEF

The former railway station at Bulawayo has been demolished.

The Central Sojourners are based in Southern Rhodesia to be succeeded to mobile two members' representatives Africa-wide.

Mr. C. G. Wilson, member for Beaufort West in the Northern Rhodesian Legislative Council, said recently that he was not in favour of Central African federation at any price.

A ringed rock with Hungaria markings which was found dead by Miss G. H. H. of Cromorne Farm, near the Turf Mine, Southern Rhodesia, was ringed in June.

For the past week the Polio Research Committee in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, whose money for the Polio Research Foundation Fund, which aims to provide a research centre in Johannesburg, realized £2,617.

Building Backlog, P.M.S. Rhodesia

The Building Controller in Southern Rhodesia estimates that the backlog of building construction in the larger centres of the Colony was so great that it was likely for industrialists to turn to the smaller towns.

In the final report of the International Commission Organization, Livingstone's new airport has been mentioned as a regular stopping-place on the main international flight route, as also on the medium-range routes.

The opening ceremony of the Kafuero community centre in the Fort Hill district of Kenya recently was attended by 6,000 people. The centre is fully equipped for cinema shows, and adult classes, and mass education efforts.

A road from Livingstone to Matola will cost approximately £50,000. About 40 miles long, it will link the streets of the Zambesi above Livingstone in South Africa, in the first instance to Matola and subsequently to Siphi in developing Barotseland.

It was reported in the Press in Rome last Sunday that the Italian Prime Minister, Gianni De Gasperi, had proposed a conference between Britain, the United States, France, and Italy to discuss the future of the former Italian Colonies before the next session of the U.N.O. in September.

Literary Competitions

An annual literary competition, "The Authorship and Reading Competitions" run by the East African Literature Bureau, Africans in the Territories, have three prizes for the competition for authorship of the first prize in both the English and Kenyan languages and one third and one half of the third prize.

Recent statistics show greats in southern Rhodesia include 4,000 to 5,000 Rhodesia Academy of Music Bands, 1,000 choirs, 2,000 capital expenditure in Missions, £10,000 for school plot gardens, which he has given to the State, £500 to assist children of poor parents to have a rest, £1,000 to the Vumba Heights Children's Holiday and Convalescent Home, and £500 to Durban and District blood transfusion service.

The National Land and Maritime Institute, Control Boards have been given wider and more discretionary powers of control. They can now issue notes for payment instead of merely issuing certificates stating that appear for execution before the British Army. A board can on its own initiative, on application by the local authority, vary the standard of roads, premises, vessels and replace a port or port and fix the route of the services.

~~Colonial Committee on Native Affairs~~~~New Proposals To~~

~~THE PROFOUND NATIVE African~~
~~problem should be increased by the~~
~~introduction of African women into the~~
~~labor market, as male Native labor~~
~~is diverted from productive~~

~~channels.~~
~~This recommendation appears in HM Government's~~
~~beings occupied the select committee appointed to investigate the Native labour shortage in the colonies. The introduction of African women into the market, however,~~
~~male Native employment in domestic service is also suggested.~~

~~The committee, however, with documents forming~~
~~this report, will estimate that about 70,000 houses~~
~~are required at the present time. Southern Rhodesia~~
~~Reported figures for numbers registered, the report~~
~~suggests, show that a Native servant should be~~
~~allowed to obtain work which she is not in possession~~
~~of a valid license authorizing him to work in domestic~~
~~employment.~~

~~The compensation fees and the proposed new tobacco~~
~~tax, announced in the Minister of Finance in his~~
~~recent Budget, is not high enough for Native. But~~
~~an adequate diversion of males from agriculture~~
~~and domestic service, and accordingly from employment,~~
~~should be on the following scale:~~

~~Flat-Rate On All Native Labor~~

~~Rs. 100,000 million before taxation, from January~~
~~to March, 10 months; fourth and subsequent months~~
~~Rs. 100,000 per month.~~

~~As far as possible, the committee suggests that all~~
~~Native males should be levied on all other than Native labor~~
~~employed in the Colonies, with the exception of those~~
~~employed in agriculture, who latter would include Natives~~
~~employed in agriculture, construction, mining, road~~
~~construction and Government departments, maternity~~
~~hospitals, institutions of higher learning, market gardens, and the~~
~~like diversions.~~

~~On the other hand, the short-time money rates for~~
~~Native women must be encouraged to work and be trained to~~
~~take up domestic employment so as far as might fit~~
~~into the present case.~~

~~The encouragement of various centres of training of~~
~~domestic workers, particularly Native women, is therefore~~
~~recommended. Without these centres, the National Council~~
~~of post-school employment has no basis for creating~~
~~employment, apportioning it among the various districts~~
~~represented on the Native Affairs Committee.~~

~~British-India Steam Navigation~~

~~Bermuda's first 1948 tonnage survey, completed~~
~~in October, showed a total of 1,200,000 gross tons, 10~~
~~per cent more than last year. The tonnage register, released~~
~~on November 12, 1947, lists preference tonnage of 50,000~~
~~gross tonnes, amounting to 60 per cent of the total~~
~~tonnage to be carried forward against 21,000 in 1946.~~

~~The increased tonnage consists of foreign~~
~~tonnage, amounting to 995,000, in 223 vessels~~
~~of 1,000 gross or over, in ordinary shape, and 100~~
~~smaller and less valuable ships, amounting to 21,000~~
~~gross tonnes, and includes interests in 100 foreign~~

~~vessels, amounting to 329,700, in 1947, released under a Government~~
~~order in Council, and 1,000 gross tonnes of Government~~
~~ships, amounting to 1,000 gross tonnes, and 1,000 gross market~~
~~tonnes, amounting to 762,834. Sixty vessels were~~
~~newly registered, three being simple, were dismantled, and~~
~~one ship was broken four years ago.~~

~~William G. Schaeffer, C. O.~~
~~of the British-India Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., told~~
~~the American Society of Naval Architects and~~
~~Shipbuilders' meeting in New York City, November 10, 1947,~~
~~that the American market for~~

~~Of Commercial Concern~~~~The Tobacco Situation~~

~~In the first week of the tobacco season~~
~~in Rhodesia, Southern Rhodesia, 2,850,889 lbs of tobacco~~
~~were sold for £192,213, an increase~~
~~of 1,553,965 lbs, or £101,714, averaging 55 lbs~~
~~per pound, for cured leaf for the same period~~
~~£72,021 lbs for £8,842, an increase of 1,000 per pound,~~
~~increasing the total by £1,000,000, the former~~
~~averaging 100 per cent.~~

~~At the earliest, Metal tobacco had~~
~~an increase of 1,000 lbs, or free the same.~~
~~At the first statutory general meeting to create the~~
~~Rhodesian Tobacco Council, held on November 10, 1947, it~~
~~was decided that the Council would contribute~~
~~to the tobacco fund £1,000,000, 41% of its~~
~~cumulative permissible production quota for share~~
~~holders, and did not yet receive consent.~~

~~The performance of British Rhodesia states that~~
~~the tobacco industry is in a position to meet the~~
~~present demand, to be increased by 100,000 pounds~~
~~annually above current levels, in 1948, 1949, and~~
~~1950, and to meet the demand in 1951, 1952, and~~
~~1953.~~

~~Nathan R. Clegg, Rhodesia's representative~~
~~to the World Bank, said that the tobacco~~
~~industry is in a position to meet the~~
~~present demand, and to expand its output in 1948, 1949,~~
~~and 1950, and to meet the demand in 1951, 1952, and~~
~~1953.~~

~~A series of economic and financial conditions in~~
~~Central East Africa have been published for the~~
~~Commerce, Trade and Export Department of the~~
~~Government by the Rhodesia Office, 1948.~~

~~The publication of the Central Bank of South Africa~~
~~and Rhodesia and Nyasaland currency recently opened~~
~~in the markets at Zanzibar, Northern Rhodesia,~~
~~and Mombasa, facilities for Africa.~~

~~John Mitchell, General manager of Rhodesia's~~
~~newest factory in the East Africa Tanning Limited~~
~~Company, said that expansion is to be continued~~
~~in 1948.~~

~~Mr. Gordon H. Williams, managing~~
~~partner of commercial partners, has opened a branch~~
~~office at Nairobi, the capital of Kenya.~~

~~Iowa Potash Company, Inc., 128, tons of~~
~~potash were shipped in the first quarter of 1948,~~
~~100,000 tons were shipped in the second quarter,~~
~~100,000 tons in the third quarter, and 100,000 tons in~~

~~British-India Steam Navigation~~

~~THOMAS LITTLE, managing director of Southern Rhodesia's~~
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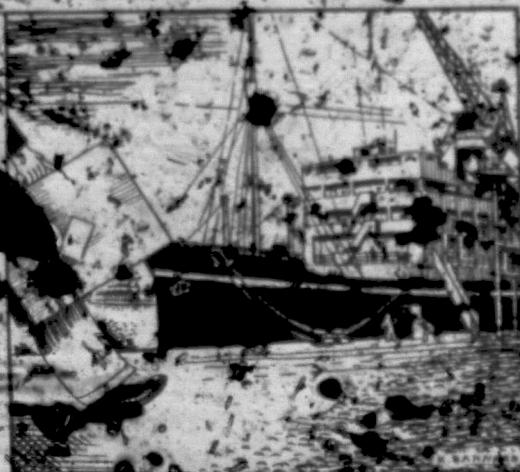
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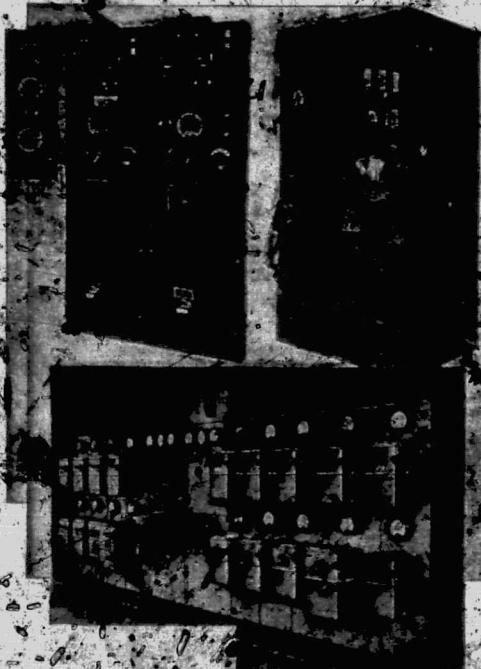
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MATTERS OF MOMENT

THE KING AND QUEEN honoured the Colonial Empire on Tuesday by performing the opening of Colonial Month in London at a ceremony at the Colonial Office.

It was the first official gathering of the Colonies, and the second by the King of the Colonies. The first speech made by him since his return to his people since his illness. Those who could not indicate the interest of the Royal Family in the spreading of knowledge about the Colonies, in the concern of the Colonies for the welfare of the Colonies, Protection and Trust Territories needs no emphasis in such a newspaper as "East Africa and Rhodesia Daily," whose readers have met their interests in Central Africa, and had the consciousness of their regard for the territories and their peoples. It is no exaggeration to describe the royal sentiment for the Colonies as one of enthusiasm, an enthusiasm which characterizes the speech delivered by the King. It includes with friendliness and interest, and it calls for that co-operation between the Colonies and territories.

The Commonwealth, when it came, leads the Colonies. The King did not hesitate to make clear his desire. That lonely quietness of the Colonies puts first things first—the protection of Colonial affairs—as it is in the public life of the Islands—the fundamental reason being human thoughtlessness and selfishness. As the King reminds us, the Colonies are now to be and

most damaging faults can best be corrected by trust and comradeship, which would promote co-operation and destroy mistrust and faction. His words invite self-examination by all who are engaged in Colonial affairs, especially those in public life.

The success or failure of the Colonial Office, which has been so dismally mismanaged, will, of course, not be measurable by the number of people who visit the exhibitions arranged by the Central Office of Information, and the

Cumulative Boxes On Enlightenment

the public and private organizations which are so freely co-operating with the Colonial Office. Nor will emphasis on Colonial affairs for a day or two be the mass-circulation newspapers ensure success. There is abundant evidence that the public as a whole is not merely willing, but more eager than ever, to inquire for Colonial news, and the King's gracious decision to inaugurate Colonial Month in person made it certain that there would be prominent reports in the Press of this Kingdom throughout the whole Empire and in many other countries. There could therefore have been a better opening to what is intended as a campaign of enlightenment. But the public, a public which is too smallly ignorant of the Colonial affair, be hindered and lasting

David Livingstone combined missionary and exploration work with a magnificent endeavour to end the slave-trade in East and Central Africa. He made four historic journeys into the interior, where he died near Lake Bangweolo. "It is not," Bangweulu's natives he asserted smilingly.

Near at hand is a good photograph of the late Lord Lugard, and reference to his declaration that this country has a dual mandate for the Colonies—for the moral and material welfare of their peoples and the development of the resources of their countries for the benefit of the whole world.

A family tree demonstrates how responsibility is delegated from the people of Great Britain through the Government, the Secretary of State, the Colonial Office and its advisory committees, to a Colonial Governor (with his executive and legislative councils) and his administrative and technical officers, assisted by municipal councils, councils of the peoples, and the other organs of administration.

Effective Models

Somewhat effective models of colonial peoples include a collector-owner (European) in Kenya, a Masai warrior, a Kikuyu forester described as "from a very advanced and educated tribe"; an Arab merchant from Zanzibar, a Matabele coffee planter (with a note that he had, at Oxford, the Kabaka, completed his education at Cambridge University), and an African engaged in drilling holes in a Northern Rhodesian copper mine. Above them and other models is the bold female who two-thirds of the 63,000,000 people in the Colonies are Africans, and that the white settlers, who are a small minority, "play in some parts an important part" in the country's economy.

Carvings in ivory, bone, ebony and other woods, bead and grasswork, silverware and pottery from different parts of East and Central Africa are to be seen, and the dimness of tropical and sub-tropical life is illustrated by exhibits of research and survey work, and campaigns against mosquitoes, leprosy, leprosy, soil erosion, and so on.

Products of Groundnut

On a large map of Tanganyika Territory are marked the areas in which the groundnut schemes are operating, and the many by-products of groundnut are shown. All the readers of such a newspaper as this know that they include edible and lubricating oils and fats; soap and stock feeds, but not all will have realized that among the others are paints, sizes, industrial alcohol, dynamite, cork substitutes, insulating blocks, celluloses, plastics, lacquers, inlays, foods, and arid textile fabric.

A modern kitchen house to teach the housewife how many products in daily use come from the Colonies is shown, as well as a closely packed stand of some of the manufactures which this country exports to the outside world. An information desk is backed by Colonial Service publications, and what is claimed to be the first complete display of current Colonial stamps is available to attract philatelists. They will find the stamps from each territory framed in local woods and displayed on bamboo stand works above, which are the veranda of the Colonial Office.

In glass tanks in open room are tropical fish and coral gardens, and in a prominent position is the great ivory head of Sawa, the property of the Sultan of Pate, which is described as a relic of a past age of Lamu culture.

Entrance to the exhibition is through a tropical jungle scene, the atmosphere being heated to produce appropriate temperature and measure. Every evening is to receive a small folder giving details of the other main events and activities in London during Colonial Month, and this exhibition is to be visited in the evenings by large numbers of school children.

Help for Under-Developed Countries

Second Report by United Nations

A SECOND REPORT dealing with methods of financing economic development in under-developed countries has been issued by the Secretary general of the United Nations.

This follows the announcement some weeks ago of proposals of technical assistance for backward territories prepared by the Secretariat of the United Nations and eight specialized United Nations agencies.

The latest report, compiled in co-operation with the Food and Agriculture Organization, the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and the International Monetary Fund, will be presented at the United Nations Economic and Social Council which opens in New York on July 1.

The need to create a better balance between agriculture, industry, and the public and private sectors of their economies is emphasized in the document.

Investment Opportunities

The report, in general, urges that the international community stimulate foreign capital for the important aims of economic development, and recommends providing security for investment, and that multilateral financing should be sought to encourage that swing多边融资.

The report states that there is a need to direct controls to prevent an excessive proportion of living funds from flowing to the financial and speculative sectors of the economy. One of the objectives of eliminating foreign investment is to provide for the security of a nation's investment to increase the opportunities for foreign investors to receive a return on the security of direct investments against risks, and to encourage with domestic business priorities. Such arrangements as the following are suggested: a collateral agreement relating to the security of foreign investments.

The report also suggests that the international organization attempt to harmonize security or multilateral agreements, and to settle disputes on the status of, and impediment to, the free movement of capital which have arisen to the extent that any transfer of foreign investment may prove to be subject to discriminatory political principles and procedures, or to expropriations in the event of proven illegal action adversely affecting the investment.

New Crops for Africa

Investigations in Kenya

THAT TEA AND GINGER can may be grown on state land units in Kenya was stated by the Governor when he recently addressed the West Nairobi Council. Captain Mitchell said *inter alia*:

"The Member of Parliament for Nairobi has asked me to consider the question of introducing new crops, as tea and ginger will be native to him units, but such crops as tea and ginger will not grow where climatic conditions favourable. Tea is not a crop like cotton which can be sown and your village. Most of the country lies above 4,000 feet, over 6,500 ft., where rainfall is low, and suitable for pyramidal, unless very carefully treated, due to the alkaline soil often. One further difficulty is that tea which necessitates such crops to be grown in shaded blocks in order that factors and drivers can be treated."

More Sugar Needed

While the right type of cane for the extraction of sugar could be grown easily in the district, here again a factory is an economic proposition only if large areas close together are planted under irrigation, so that a continuous supply is available to the factory. Nevertheless, I shall certainly cause this matter to be investigated for there is need of a great deal more sugar. Probably, indeed, twice as much as is now available could readily be sold."

A start has already been made with orange fruit growing, and the Agricultural Officer has started fruit nurseries in a number of areas. There is a demand for all kinds of fruit in the Colony, especially oranges, lemons, and avocado pear.

Don't Use Communism as Whipping-Boy

Native Suspicion the Great Barrier, says Mr. Negus Farson

Africa, which is called the "Continent of Tomorrow," the last great "Reserve Continent," and which man long established there centralized all the great demands for food, fast and raw materials piled upon those from hungry Europe, are now suddenly ceasing that they day Africa will be the greatest continent of the world.

Afrikaans, which until recently was held to divide Africa between the two continents, it seems, most tragically, to be leaving both countries of its racial Federal dominion, may be followed by the other, once powerful Rhodesia and the Belgian Congo, and finally, although later, may comprise the remaining African states. The Latin American dependencies are still left, such as those of Southern Rhodesia, the only waiting to be developed, with new contracts to be built to take their products to the coast.

But the iron issue to face is that the vast possibilities of Africa, which are now being heralded, are not yet realized, nor fully. On top of the soil, with the deserts inexorably marching south, Africa is becoming ever poorer,瘦弱的, with at present not even enough carrying capacity to give sufficient nourishment to the people and animals who must live on its habitable spaces.

The Campion Report

In development, the rich possibilities are understood, and immense campaigns must be begun to solve the social, political, and economic problems of the nations of Africa, as yet, over the world. This is a point where the report of full months intensive study affords a Colony which is a highly developed one, a clear-cut picture, and calling some of the worst possible solutions.

The "giant" problem of the native African population pressure under the first of these is that, with a previous article, the Governor has called a trend continually with double itself within 40 years. What do we do with them? Where can they be put? What else can we do? It is tragic to do—support themselves.

In trying to answer these problems, at once becomes clear that the co-operation of the whites in such a decided and total is just one thing that they must have had been able to gain from the Native African up to date. On the contrary, loss of confidence and suspicion of the white man must be born in the minds of increasing Indian communities throughout the Colonies, as the recent ones in Uganda. Native leaders in Kenya, such as the more active under the pressure of so-called Native agitators of the terraces of their own plots to have their own land in the "over-extended" Kikuyu Reserve, these are all too visible evidence of a growing and insurmountable resentment of the white man.

It all seems to try to find Communism at the bottom—it just as it would be equally wrong to say that Communist influences were entirely absent from the scene. But the Government Commission which was sent out from London to investigate the Gold Coast riots reported that it could find no evidence whatever to support the Governor's contention that Communists were the instigators or the cause; if this due to economic conditions, the report might well be sound.

The Uganda riots, where no specific economic justification can be shown, sprang from the deep-seated fear of those highly self-governing Natives that those same "big boys" at the top will one day join

in closer merger with Kenya, which would bring the influence of the Kenya Government into Uganda, one thing they least want in this world.

The basic trouble in the Kikuyu Reserves is that they are just starting at the time with no pressure, and that even if they did terrace all their lands, their plots are too small, the whole land there are well over 100,000 Kikuyu in the Reserve who have no land at all. The Kikuyu, alone, one of the richest, has 80,000 landless Africans.

The danger of using Communism as a whipping-boy is a very handy excuse for inaction. The days are past when it leads directly to action. No steps will be taken—or no steps taken—unless there is some other to do with betterment, which will lead to the disturbance.

Independent Africa

Only too often Native unrest is given as the term, what is nothing less than genuine Native unhappiness. Here lies the heart of the matter. It must be admitted that the emerging Africa is likely to be in a state of ceaseless frustration. And this marks you down in Colony like Kenya, which, though some political doctrines might not like to accept it, is making, step by step, over a very broad front, social policies democratic, and now educational, to make the African (even the illiterate African) feel more responsible for his own life, and give him a real will to work for the specific schemes which are being prepared to him for raising his standard of living.

But don't they won't do this? They will think the white man has some superior motive, Africans receive a living this way. Say, then, disenchanted and disillusioned leaders, and that the European will take a hand from you. This is the true native banker in these days. So it would at least be wise to let him go.

It is not justified, but now we are being asked to do it. Let us, in greatest care, follow the road of civil development, of which Africa has in hand, and let Native suspicion, refusal to co-operate,

These can be joy, an immense consolation in our co-operative effort to develop any new areas, in the clearing of a vast area of bush habitat to allow well-allocating plots, and settling new farming families. Let us give one or two eye-witness accounts to another African states which, as I stood on these roads, felt that the only the African would take a hand at the end of the road he could instantly become one of the happiest, most hopeful men in the world.

Psychological Problem Unsolved
But because of their long stubborn suspicion of the best of these schemes, the inhabitants of the Kikuyu Reserve, and the other tribes, are reduced to their dependence to a very large degree. The basic political problem of Kenya, which has not been solved.

Education is incontestably the answer, but education is a slow thing. How slowly those who have to deal with the social and moral chaos in which East Africa is abrift can tell! The story of the Natives on the spot is worth listening to these days. Smallpox in Kenya, which has no oil wells, no coal, no gas, electric power, no heavy industries, and only very few secondary industries, mostly run by Indians; a country whose most intelligent leaders know that the problems of Kenya can only be solved inside Kenya—and the land.

Impracticable Proposals of United Nations Mission

British Government's Reply Regarding Groundnut Scheme

THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY notes with appreciation the mission's opinion regarding the nature and scope of the groundnut scheme. Under the terms of the Overseas Resources Development Agreement, reports and statements of accounts by the Overseas Food Corporation must be laid in Committee before Parliament, and a copy of this report will be supplied to the members of the Trusteeship Council. Information regarding the progress and development of the scheme in Tanganyika will also be included in the annual reports of the Territory.

The intention that in due course the undertaking shall be taken over by the Government of the Territory, and in the final stages, shall pass into the ownership and control of the people themselves, on a co-operative or other basis, as may then seem best suited to ensure the continuance of the benefits of large scale production by mechanized and scientific methods, has been clearly and repeatedly stated.

A new commission itself has pointed out, however, the scheme's "only real beginning to operate." At present, and indeed for some time to come, it must be regarded as being in the experimental stage, and no question of handing over the enterprise can be seriously considered until its economic success has been proved and established.

Slow Process of Preparation

The mission has rightly described the enterprise as "a vast scheme of mechanized production with a complex financial and managerial structure," and the formidable nature of the task of carrying such a scheme through to its ultimate objective is too apparent to need any emphasis. It would be of little if any practical value to attempt to work out the details of a plan at this stage. The lengthy period of preparation—social, economic, and political—will be necessary before the indigenous inhabitants can hope to be in a position to take over the management and control of such an undertaking.

It is thought that the eventual form in African ownership and control will probably be on a co-operative basis. It seems likely also that the transfer may be a gradual process, this being transferred first by one to a majority of ownership and subsequently by African to able and willing to assume responsibility for the management of a self-contained unit. If this turns out to prove to be the case, the experience gained from the first transfers will well affect later procedure.

At this stage the most important task is to attract the services of economists in the planning and development, which must be followed by a period during which it can be given the necessary conditions under which the transfer to African ownership will be carried out.

The suggestion referred to by the mission that the operations of the Overseas Food Corporation should be limited to clearing and preparing the land, and that the actual cultivation should be undertaken by Native co-operative societies appears to me to be an attractive but in fact an entirely impracticable one.

As far as I am aware, no consideration has been given to the mission's suggestion of financial, technological, and managerial assistance. This is the inescapable fact that it would be quite impossible at this stage to get Africans to migrate in large numbers from their

Below are the extracts from the official reply of the British Government to the report made by the Trusteeship Council visiting mission to Tanganyika.

tribal areas to settle permanently in the new areas which opened up.

Many Africans are prepared to go to the groundnut areas for longer or shorter periods of employment, but before this can be safely assumed of such developments as the "cooperative" solution there must be the growth of settled communities prepared to make their permanent homes in the groundnut areas.

In this connection it must, of course, be remembered that the organization of this scheme does not affect the continued and increasing cultivation of groundnuts by individual Africans in parts of the Territory where the crop can be grown.

Selling Groundnuts to Ministry of Food

There is no question of the Overseas Food Corporation selling its produce to the Ministry of Food at cost. The corporation is free to negotiate the best possible agreement, and the price will of course largely depend on the price paid for similar produce from other sources of supply.

Measures have already been made of increases in wage rates and benefits into conformity with the recommendations of the Salaries Revision Commission in regard to Government employees. Wages are on a liberal scale conforming fully with Government requirements.

As an indication of the favourable conditions of employment being offered it may be mentioned that at Kungwa the supply of labour now exceeds the demand, and it has not been found possible to engage all those seeking employment. A building programme has been drawn up for houses accommodation for labour, particular attention being paid to the requirements of married workers.

Community health services were presented at Kungwa, and an efficient ring of doctor, specialist, and nursing staff has been engaged. Emphasis is being placed on dental treatment. X-ray and dental apparatus has been installed.

As regards social amenities, a wireless station has been installed, and a post office, a police station, and a hospital in the interests of the public. In the settlements there are schools, with supplies and equipment, community centres, buildings for religious purposes, etc., and for local trade which will provide each inhabitant with a garden.

Again it must be made clear that these plans are part of a long-term programme and cannot be put into full effect immediately. A settled community needs more permanent labour force, most obviously by having in basic model villages on the lines envisaged one permanent worker. In the meantime interim measures are necessary to cater for the welfare of the present workers and to provide them with incentives.

Short and longer term food stores, where food and drink can be purchased by meal, in the form of tins, pots, and a central brewery plant in each settlement, will be available for the workers. Children and night schools will have classes for the workers themselves, have been started, including the establishment of village committees, one for each settlement, appointed in each camp and responsible to a supervisor. These schools deal with domestic affairs, conditions of living, etc., rather than with training relating to conditions of employment. These latter are the concern of the works committee which were recently started.

Teaching English Not to Be Urged

The problem which will arise from the growth of communities of mixed tribal origin will naturally be appreciated by the Administering Authority and by the Overseas Food Corporation. It is the former's opinion, with these premises that the advice of U.S.E.S.C.O. is best to the *youth* regarding language teaching, namely, knowledge of English will be necessary for those receiving technical training, as in the general education system, and that this should not be forced upon the population of Tanganyika in the English language alone. The emphasis is on the importance for non-English speaking tribes, Swahili, the language of the indigenous peoples of the Territory.

The movement of people from one country to another is not present a serious problem. Whatever this, or may in future be, the position in the near and distant past, there are certainly now thousands of people now living in the areas which it is proposed to make available for the scheme. In the Southern Province, in particular, where much the greater part of the tendency to migrate, very few indigenous inhabitants are likely to be disturbed. In any case, movement is not compulsory, and if a voluntary movement takes place the interests of those concerned are adequately safeguarded in every respect as described in the Administration's report.

In the case of the people in the Kagera, it can be stated without fear of contradiction that those who have moved have

beneted especially. Apart from all other forms of assistance given to them, one of the greatest problems of their lives has now been solved, as the area of low rainfall, shortage of water has always been a serious problem for both man and beast. Instead of having to rely on their former precarious means of obtaining water those who have moved are now supplied from pipelines. In the course of time the corporation's scheme for obtaining water from the Malakal mountain, a distance of 22 miles, if put into operation, pipe-line supplies will be available to half the groundnut scheme and the local population.

Information regarding any movement of people taking place from groundnut areas in future will be included in the *Government's Annual Report*.

Critics of the groundnut scheme may have made statements such as those suggested in this mission, but the administering authority is satisfied that the aims and effects of the scheme have been made clear so far as to be any cause for misunderstanding or concern. The scheme was conceived as a practical and effective means of contributing to the relief of the serious world shortage of cottonseed and fats. At the same time the plans for carrying out the scheme are aimed at securing the greatest possible benefit for the peoples of the territories in which it operates.

Three Points

The mission expresses the view that the scheme would be beneficial to the Trust Territory if three conditions were fulfilled. Of these, the first has been clearly stated to be a definite objective, and further comment seems unnecessary.

As regards the second, it has been made clear that the Overseas Food Corporation will not occupy a specially favoured position and will not be exempted from Malibay for any tax-duty, rate-duty or other charge whatsoever, whether general or local. In these circumstances it may confidently be expected that the Treasury of the Territory will benefit considerably by the operations of so valuable enterprise, both by revenue direct taxation and by the payment of customs and other charges.

It must, however, be understood that the question of the financial cost of the scheme and financial contribution to the revenue of the Territory was not a major issue when the plan was originally formulated. It is admittedly a difficult question, but the scheme, but it appears to the mission, is likely to weigh less heavily in the balanced budget than the other economic benefits which will result from the development of large tracts of country that would otherwise remain unoccupied and unproductive for an indefinite period. The establishment of new and improved communications will open the groundnut areas (notably the new port and railway in the southern Province) which will at the same time facilitate the development of other areas, and from the contributions being made to the Territory's programme of economic and social advancement.

It seems to the mission's thinking that the model communities to be established in these groundnut areas will in many respects serve as examples for other communities. At the same time it must, of course, be remembered that full development on the lines suggested will be limited only where there is a settled population.

Living and Working Standards

Improved living standards for both houses and improved facilities for medical attention, education and so on, are objectives of general interest in industrial and rural areas alike. Under existing laws the towns' social services, run under their own powers with their own system of local government, cannot be established by industry, unless workers are engaged on permanent contracts and are therefore constantly changing.

Since the mission's arrival no progress has been made with provision of housing both for European and African staff, and a rapidly increasing proportion of the employees is being accommodated housed.

It should be noted that the terms of occupancy of land allotted to the Overseas Food Corporation will be subject to termination at any time in accordance with any agreement which may be entered into between the administering authority and the Government of Tanganyika for the transfer of the corporation's undertaking or any part of it to the Tanganyika Government.

The question of forest royalties has not yet been settled. This condition of the right of occupancy provides that the corporation shall take all reasonable steps to recover as much timber as possible from and cleared for the purposes of the scheme to the satisfaction of the Conservator of Forests. It has been agreed that royalty shall be paid on all scheduled fine timber taken to the mill and used or sold in the area or as raw timber and on all other timber taken to the mill and sold. Royalty at the normal rates will be assessed by the Forests Department on measured logs or sawn timber at the mill.

Under the movement of groundnut haulage from the new port to the cultivation at Kompo, for three months

"Colonial Supplies Conference Ends A Great Success," Says Colonial Secretary

THE COLONIAL SUPPLIES CONFERENCE which opened at the Colonial Office on June 8 ended last Friday.

The discussions, in which officials of the Colonial Office and other United Kingdom departments took part, were on two needs: (1) the need for Colonial territories to have access to the supplies required for their economic stability and welfare; and for the execution of their development programmes; and (2) the need to ensure not only that such supplies are obtained with as little expenditure of hard currency as possible, but that they should make the maximum contribution towards the solution of the dollar problem.

Against the background of that common purpose, the conference reviewed the world supply position of the goods which Colonial territories require to import, such as steel, cement, machinery, motor vehicles, foodstuffs, textiles and so on.

Talks With Manufacturers

Meetings also took place between the Colonial delegates and representatives of the Federation of British Industries, the Cotton Board, and British motor manufacturers, at which the availability and suitability of Colonial needs and conditions of British goods of many types were discussed.

The operation of import and exchange controls and the position of Colonial territories in relation to such matters as the Economic Recovery Programme and bilateral trade agreements with foreign countries were considered.

Adressing the conference at its close, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. A. Creech Jones, said:

"One of the most difficult questions which the conference has had to consider is the problem of relative imports against the background of the need to protect the common gold and dollar reserves of the sterling area. There are in this problem two needs of very great importance: Colonial territories have the need to widen the circle of living and the way of production, and the other, the need to make our maximum contribution towards maintaining and increasing the strength of sterling which is so vital to all of us."

Second Development in Two-Week Conference

"This nation yields to none other in the sum total devoted to the happiness and well-being of the Colonial people, furthering and the bettering of that they seek achieve. We are concerned with building up the conditions of good social environment, social justice, and responsibility. The ultimate aim of the colonial business in Territories cannot be the bulk of their needs, unless they have something to live on here of the realistic facts that our economies cannot be built on paper. We have mutual advantages of profit, but we have to strain every nerve to help the territories acquire a firm economic foundation and build up their works, millions of men and encouraging enterprise. This conference is an important contribution to that end."

So far as the Colonial Office is concerned, there can be no doubt but that this conference has been a great success. We have learnt much, and we firmly believe that the knowledge which we have gained will assist us to improve the quality of life in Africa, and endeavour to render to Colonial territories what is more important than the knowledge we have gained of our problems and our difficulties are the personal contacts and friendships which have been formed amongst members of the Colonial Office and Colonial delegates. It is so much easier to attain a clear and helpful communication and get a full understanding of communications received when you know the man at the other end."

We are grateful to all of you who have come so far in order to take part in this conference, and to Colonial Governments for making you available for the purpose. We are also grateful for the contributions which have been made to the discussions in the conference by many busy members of departments of the Colonial Government other than the Colonial Office.

In order to bring the conference to a successful conclusion, recently made a four-day experiment of inviting the public to some routine work of the different departments. This departure aroused great public interest, and is officially described as an "enlivened session."

How Improved Tobacco Growing Can Be Fostered

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IT IS APPARENT that the tobacco industry in this country is at a standstill.

The first and foremost consideration would be to ascertain tobacco-growing areas which will be a long-term market for American tobacco in this country. This may be done by

means of a survey of the tobacco-growing areas in America. An accurate knowledge of the area, and a more detailed compilation for more detailed statistics, based on tobacco importers' withdrawals from bond by types and countries of origin, and in general the available statistics that are available to American tobacco companies, such as the relative quantities of tobacco as to cigarette, pipe tobacco, and so on.

Considering the large revenue derived from tobacco in this country and its enormous importance to many producing countries, there seems a reasonable request to make for a review of trade.

Help from Colonial Development Corporation

In view of the possibilities for flue-cured tobacco in the vast areas of veldsland and the railway belt in Northern Rhodesia, a speedy decision should be reached as to whether all-out production is desired in these areas. It is by what methods and with what necessary financial aid. For instance, could the Colonial Development Corporation help?

As a preliminary to this, the Tobacco Advisory Committee might be asked whether they would welcome flue-cured tobacco from Rhodesia, and whether they would be prepared in their course of work to arrange arrangements concerning tobacco production in these areas as they have agreed in the case of Southern Rhodesia.

(5) In order that the producers may keep abreast of the local developments in the tobacco affairs of the African territories, the arrangement might be made to have relevant statistics of production, imports and exports, and so on, could be made available in annual or annual reports, which are often belated.

In the same way, the published and unpublished reports of research stations, tobacco advisers, and so on, could be collated and the results analysed and published. The new International Federation of Tobacco Producers of Central Africa might undertake this task.

Moisture Content of Leaf

(6) In regard to the statement sometimes made that the minimum fibre content of 10% laid down by the customs authorities for tobacco on importation from African territories, the Tobacco Advisory Board might be asked to give an opinion on this matter, and if the statement has a foundation, the possibility of some alternative might be considered.

(7) The Tobacco Advisory Committee might be asked whether they can give a useful indication that would assist African producers to make plans for additional production of Burley and other air or sun-cured types.

(8) The Tobacco Advisory Committee might be asked whether they can give an indication, however informal, of the lengths over which they might eventually proceed in substituting Empire-grown for foreign tobaccos, assuming that tobacco of suitable quality comparable say with Southern Rhodesia, can be produced.

Brief extracts from Colonial Economic Publication No. 1, "The Manufacture of Cigarettes and Cigars of Tobacco," by A. G. Hankey, Commissioner of Rhodesia in London.

It is necessary to encourage greater production of tobacco in Rhodesia, in Central Africa, and elsewhere. This should be done to ensure adequate supplies of tobacco of the required type and the existing demand. Without these no major development is likely, whatever other steps are taken.

It has been found staple products to be exported from any colony, and, as tobacco, the whole story of the United States might well have taken a different course. Most of the Colonies were founded in the expectation of providing the Mother Country with silk, gold, minerals, and other products. The majority of these projects came to nothing, and but for the successful cultivation of tobacco there would have been no trade with England. Colonization would then probably have come to an end as far as Britain was concerned.

It is impossible to devise a system under which the producer of a commodity freely entered world markets can have security of price for unlimited production. Since price is the factor most important to the producer, schemes for controlling production have always been a prominent feature in international trade.

Rhodesia has its own particular problems. There are so many types and grades, partly interchangeable at a pinch. Demand not only fluctuates with changing nations, but tobacco has always been so important from a fiscal point of view that it places a duty in an important consuming country for a time being, the whole tobacco business temporarily out of gear. Not only is the overall demand for tobacco affected, but there are also corresponding and unpredictable variations in the relative requirements of different types and grades.

Control of Tobacco

As early as 1616 efforts to control production in Virginia, Maryland, and Carolina were found necessary. This was indeed the first area in which controls were ever applied.

The chief lesson to be learned from the early attempts at control is that it cannot be effective without willing co-operation between the producing areas, and that the only effective method of control is by revenue. This ensures that the best farmer, himself, and the bad farmer will disappear.

At the beginning of the 17th century tobacco growing in England had reached a high scale of development, but on December 20, 1619, it was prohibited as "an abuse and misemployment of the soil of this fruitful kingdom." At that time home-grown tobacco paid no duty, so it is not surprising that smoking in England continued to flourish for many years. Despite the heavy application of penal laws there were 6,000 plantations in Gloucestershire, Devon, Somerset, and Dorset, "long as late as 1674, although by 1700 production had died of its own accord and the Colonies had won their victory."

At the time the United States of America were founded as a separate self-governing nation tobacco growing had become so firmly entrenched and protected that it was well over a hundred years before any other part of the Empire sent tobacco to Great Britain in any serious quantities. It was not until the beginning of the present century that rivals to America's inter-colonial tobacco trade began to arise. It is difficult to sort out pre-war influence that would have gone back to 1914, and grown up in the independent states still regarding the export trade in tobacco, especially to United Kingdom, as her colonial prerogative.

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But in view of the manner in which that industry was raised and developed in America's Colonial days, even to the last days of its supremacy, it is difficult to estimate the exact number of the British Commonwealth who recent their tremendous efforts of the United States, present their Mother Country, during the youthful tobacco industry in the states, have helped the Colonies of America in their early struggles, even to the extent of making tobacco the main spring of their Colonial commercial policy.

Tobacco producers have an ever-present political pressure, economic pressure they may however be applied to assist the development of the tobacco industries that have been so laboriously built up during the course of the present century, and this has undoubtedly affected the possibility of any rapid expansion of tobacco production in various parts of Africa.

Although Imperial Preference has played an important part in the development of Rhodesian tobacco growing, the industry was founded in 1911, before preference on tobacco came into being in 1919.

Nyasaland, Southern Rhodesia in the Empire to export tobacco to the United Kingdom in modern times, was growing tobacco in the nineties of the last century. At first it was exported to South Africa, after 1911 to the United Kingdom. In 1919 there were 15,000 acres of tobacco under cultivation and the crop amounted to about 4,000,000 lb. In 1921 the Imperial Tobacco Company established its first plant for packing and marketing.

Southern Rhodesia started its tobacco industry in 1911 and a few years later the Imperial Tobacco Company began to market its product in Salisbury. By the time the production was increased production had reached 100,000 lb. a year.

FORT JAMESON PRODUCTION

With Port Jackson in Northern Rhodesia tobacco growing was begun in 1912, after a ban on the import of cigarette imports from Rhodesia had ruined its cigarette industry that had numerous and many sources of supply and could not find a suitable soil and the right type of tobacco.

The growers have now almost succeeded to overcome the sit and nature of the soil and the fact that it had established itself in the colony has been of great help to the present industry. A new factor in Rhodesia's tobacco industry was that a few of the tobacco companies in Great Britain showed a great interest in Rhodesian tobacco, who were very enthusiastic in placing it placed with other manufacturers.

This is not surprising the progress of the sixth decade of the full story was established in 1919 that the African tobacco industry and the area of growing to be the major economic factor of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and that is today. Few people in 1919 could have anticipated that in 1949 the production of tobacco in Rhodesia and Nyasaland would be reaching well over 100,000,000 lb. and still still increasing. The introduction of the auction system in 1938 in Salisbury followed by Lusaka in Rhodesia, Bulawayo and Fort Jameson in Northern Rhodesia, a little later, has undoubtedly helped in a great degree in the early development of so large a crop.

The example set by Central Africa has been followed by South Africa, the Empire, Canada, India, New Zealand and Australia and the supremacy of America in the tobacco world has been definitely challenged for other countries in all parts of the world have been showing increasing quantities of tobacco for home consumption or export, or both during the last 20 years.

To take the chief tobacco producing country outside America, China was producing 100,000,000 lbs. in 1930. By 1949 Southern Rhodesia, China, India, Canada, and Japan were well on the way to the 100,000,000 lb. mark.

CHALLENGE TO U.S. EXPORTS

American tobacco exports were being seriously challenged from many quarters at the outbreak of war in 1939. The total exports of tobacco from the United States in the years 1929-33 were 24,000,000 lb. a year. From 1934 to 1948 the figure is 394,000,000 lb., notwithstanding the increasing consumption over the 10-year period.

The major market for Rhodesia and Nyasaland in the early days was the Union of South Africa. As the demand began to increase tobacco production to meet its own needs and import duties on imported leaf, Central Africa had to take stock and more in the United Kingdom as a market. It was only gradually and after set-backs that Rhodesia and Nyasaland tobacco was gained over the United Kingdom market. The difference was increased in 1921 from one-half to one-quarter of a full day, and in 1927 was fixed at 24 d. and a 15% surcharge.

Gradually a market in the United Kingdom was built up, but it was never secure. Manufacturers as a rule shrewdly sought to the Empire tobaccos in cigarettes, chewing tobacco, and smoking leaf, and now comprising about 80% of all leaf consumed.

As Rhodesia tobacco gradually took root, so too did a growing market in the manufacture of cigarettes. After difficulty arose

for the growth of tobacco with most countries the quality of leaf used in Great Britain is of a very high standard, so that the manufacturers generally buy only the best sort of the crop. It became increasingly necessary for new markets to be found for the balance of the crop. In recent years added by the special economic circumstances, the whole tobacco market have been considerably enlarged. In the years 1946-47 Southern Rhodesia reported 34,000,000 lb. of packed fine-cut tobacco. Of this quantity 20,000,000 went to the United Kingdom nearly 7,500,000 to foreign countries and the balance to Europe countries.

The same situation applies in the dark leaf and air-cured tobacco that comes from the hills of Rhodesia and Nyasaland. A decade ago it went to countries other than the United Kingdom were relatively small. In 1947 our air-cured exports of 20,000,000 lb. nearly 9,000,000 went to markets other than the United Kingdom.

Between them the Central African group now export to nearly 50 different countries and the problem of maintaining and expanding these markets while at the same time meeting the reasonable demands of the main market in the United Kingdom is one that is receiving a great deal of considerable present. It is also true the producers and the British manufacturers into close practical collaboration than ever before in order that they prove to be continuing profit in the industry.

ROYAL COMMISSION ON TOWN PLANNING

MR. CAPEWELL TO MR. S. MODEST

MRS. ARTHUR CAPEWELL, K.C., an English authority on town-planning, has been appointed chairman of the Southern Rhodesian Royal Commission to investigate certain town-planning aspects of the future development of the Colony.

The Commission's terms of reference are to consider and make recommendations regarding

- (1) the desirability or otherwise of implementing planning schemes of imposition by the State of any special tax or other financial values relating to private land owners through public enterprise, and if such is recommended the method of recovery;
- (2) whether the endowment of 10 years under the Town Planning Act for new townships should be increased as to provide funds for only for local authority services but also for State services, including the creation of schools, hospitals, medical stations, etc., and the probable effect on the cost of general economy of the Colony;
- (3) the desirability of establishing a board of trustees to receive and administer a fund derived from land values or endowment;
- (4) whether or not for compensation in any town-planning scheme should be determined and carried mainly instead of freely.

AUTHOR OF SEVERAL BOOKS

Mr. Capewell was educated at Shrewsbury and Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, and called to the Bar in 1926. He served on the Kensington Parochial Council from 1932 till 1938 and was an active member from 1939 until invalidated by an accident in 1943. He was assistant secretary delegate to the Ministry of Town and Country Planning from 1932 to 1943, a counsel to the Lord Chairman of Committees in the House of Lords 1934 till 1945, and counsel to the Ecclesiastical Committee of Parliament during the same period. He has been Deputy Librarian of the Midlands Quarter Session since 1945, and is the author of several books on town-planning and land legislation.

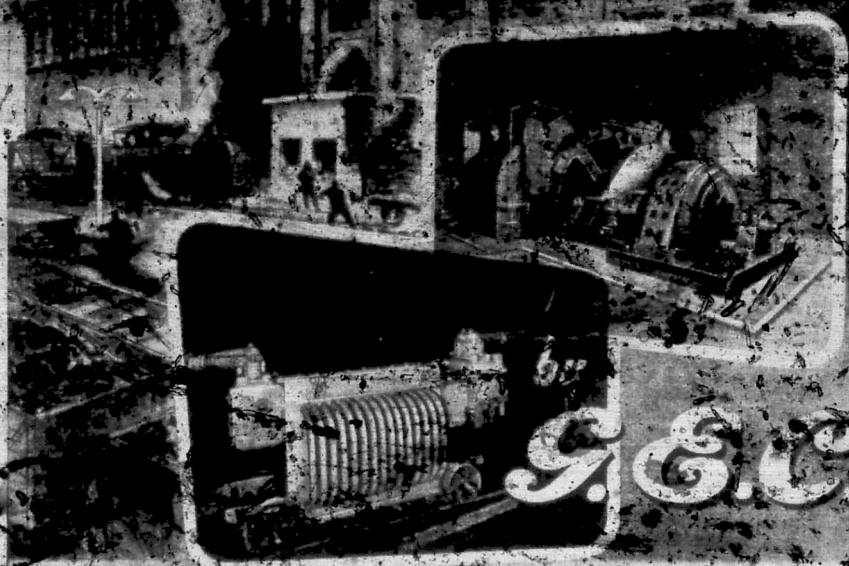
RHODESIAN TOBACCO CROP

THE FIRST OFFICIAL ESTIMATE of the current Southern Rhodesian flue-cured Virginia tobacco announced in Salisbury last weekend. It is based on 75,750,000 lb. wet weight of leaf from 17,000 acres compared with 75,335,341 lb. wet weight from 17,000 acres last season. During the first eight weeks of the year's auction sales 22,000,000 lb. have been sold at an average price of 34.5d. per lb. The United Kingdom having bought 6,750,000 lb. Australia, 6,500,000 lb. amount sold.

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BACKGROUND

British industry has been faced with an exodus of the United States market during the year, and by now, more than \$4,000 million worth of British metal industries which covers the rate of production of government goods has lost its markets. Business inventories are rising and unemployment last month reached the post-war high of 3,292,000. Government spending, regarded in many quarters as the last remaining barrier against economic depression, cannot remain unaffected by these developments. Government revenue, which is derived largely from taxes on incomes and profits, is bound to fall. And for the fiscal year 1949-50 may be lower by as much as \$6,000 million than in the current year. Will the Government return to the methods of deficit financing used in the 'twenties? The alternative is a drastic reduction in expenditure which would bear particularly heavily on all foreign and programmes." *Financial Times*

Cement Nationalization.—The Labour Party's draft programme tells us that if they get again in power after the next General Election, the cement industry will be nationalized. The business reasons for this proposal are not apparent. The Government has strictly controlled our home trade selling price for the last 10 years, but they have never had praised our industry for the way in which it had been managed. When one compares the amount provided for taxation with the net amount paid to our preference shareholders, it is clear that the Government now receives 7% of the total of these two figures. So our companies are now working for the stockholders for three and a half months each year and for the country the rest of the time. The profits ploughed back into the business should be the same, whether we are nationalized or not. Production per man is as high as in the U.S.A., the "pace" of cement has advanced only about half as much as that of general-building materials since pre-war, and the price of cement in London is now less than the capital of any country in the world which is producing its own cement. There has been considerable publicity about the cost of overheads in nationalized industries. Our selling and administrative expenses as a percentage of the cost of manufacture of Portland cement before charging depreciation show a drop of over 28% compared with pre-war; whereas these facts the Government would be taking a grave risk to achieve very little. Mr. G. F. Earle, Chairman, Associated Portland Cement Manufacturers, Ltd.,

Lesson of the Strikes.—Ministers used to argue that only by nationalization could peaceable, brought-to-industry. This argument, used with much effect in the case of coal and transport, was easily foiled by the miners. Now it has been sunk without trace by the railwaymen. In fact the telling argument against nationalization of iron and steel might very well be that it would endanger a peace within the industry which has continued almost without a break for 50 years, the usual exception being the General Strike of 1926. Industrially and politically the nationalized industries have failed, it seems themselves. They have proved to be the crumpling technique of the Socialist State, which threatens to bring the whole edifice so painstakingly and logically built by Governmental flogging to the ground. The lesson which is now being learnt is that to nationalize an industry is to change a straight comprehensive fight on a simple issue of pay and conditions for a complex and many-sided struggle in which the Government, Parliament, the nationalized board, the trade unions, the syndicalists and Communists, both among the workers and in the trade unions which represent them, are all involved. Questions of pay and conditions become intermingled with demands for workers' control and both have a direct bearing on Government policy. Hitherto the Government has tried to avoid the embarrassment of a public discussion on such matters. In this it is tactfully assisted by the Opposition, since neither party yet has the courage to face issues which must sooner or later be faced unless the country is to slip ever more swiftly into the quicksands of industrial anarchy. With their eyes fixed on the trade union vote and on the political levy, the geniuses of Transport House tried to divide themselves and the unions that nationalization would ease rather than hamper the traditional trade union tasks. What has been the result? The most able and responsible leaders of the unions have either entered political life or been appointed to the boards of the nationalized industries. In other cases the men now regard them as having crossed the other side. Meanwhile the negotiating industry just and unofficial strikes increase. It almost seems that, as there is a Labour Government in office the trade unions in nationalized industries must always be suspect among the ministers.

Economic Slump Abreast.—Despite record export figures Britain is slithering into an economic blizzard of incalculable magnitude. We have been making headway until we have been struck by the tidal waves from the American loans. Deflationary and while we were temporarily shielded by our inexorable consumption of imports built up by the thrifit and economy of our forbears. These deflations will must soon end. For repeating the warnings of danger from the economic surage in England we dwell. Conservatives are described by Sir Stafford Cripps as "dismal economists". Before Sir Stafford, who is his right, let him tell us that we are wrong in asserting that our workers' gold and dollar resources are being drawn on by the Foreign Office committee that we are spending too many dollars in supplies of clothing in New York and elsewhere. Let him deny that we are being sold out or are pricing ourselves out of our export markets. Sir Stafford is opposed to any immediate devaluation of the pound. Every sounding person agrees with him. Devaluation now would diminish our power to face an economic blow. But devaluation may be forced on us by the necessities of the position. Sir Stafford, however, is equally sure about the dollar. He says that the country's was worn thin by the war. But he is failing to see more than 60% of the money which we have brought back for replacing old plant while our competitors are being aided by their Government quickly to write off the cost of nationalization. At a time when nationalization is disillusionsing workers and sapping our power in competitive export markets. Ministers, of course, policy is more nationalization. Although Britain has had a body of some of the strongest criticism of the nationalizers are now to be found in the trade unions. Before we bogged down in new nationalizations, let us remember that our economy is the most precarious in the world. Unless we can produce such goods at competitive prices, creating new industries and improving the old, it is a mockery to talk of social security. That blessing can come only from a healthy expansion of British industry. The only way to do this is to insist that across the capitalist world, daring, ingenuity, and enterprise that brought us to our present greatness and to ensure that the middle classes, the middle class élites, have Brendan

TO THE NEWS

E.A.R. market. — The dollar situation of the sterling area is not improving. — Mr. J. Douglas, Jr., M.P., Economic Secretary to the Treasury.

"Londoners are about the most water-tight people in the world." — Sir Reginald Norman Smith.

"Our strength lies in the diversity of our nations, etc." — Mr. George Ayiwen, Lord Mayor of London.

"The Christian scientist, like the Christian baker or bricklayer, may be a good husbandman of his vine and olive." — Professor H. Large.

"There has been a change in the temper of the British people, who are sitting down and accepting things. They are accepted, no longer creators." — General Gubbins.

"The vital question is whether representative democratic government is to survive in this country or be replaced once and for all by party absolutism." — Dr. C. G. Grey.

The Government's decision to cut the electricity plant manufacturing programme is regarded with dismay by the British Electricity Authority. — Lord Pirrie, chairman of the Authority.

"The remarkable achievements of the last two years in foreign policy have lessened, though not removed, the immediate danger of war and economic disintegration." — Lord Pakenham, Minister of Civil Aviation.

"Nothing could be deadlier than the American prosperity period. Wall Street stocks are down to the lowest level in 16 months and heavy industry faces a major shake-up, if not a minor collapse." — Mr. Donaldson, in the *Daily Mail*.

"We have to face keen competition in all overseas countries, and I can look only with foreboding on any future that would embrace State-owned or State-directed Bank of International Trade." — Mr. William Bradbury, chairman of Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd.

"The economic situation in the Commonwealth is much better than in Germany. The difficulty of averting recession will be cured only by America and other hard-currency countries purchasing from other countries as much as they are prepared to sell." — Mr. Bob Chifley, Australian Premier.

"The U.S. probably sustained greater physical damage during the war than any other great primary industrialized world." — Mr. Harry S. Strauss, M.P.

"The greatest danger which Britain faces is the moment when she will become a country with such high taxation, with such high wages, not just production but in giving precedence to the people to produce what we shall arrive at the position in which our goods become uncompetitive." — Lord Woolton.

"I have worked with a great many people nationally and internationally. For the last 19 years, but I know of one with whom I have found it easier or more pleasant to work than with Tom Finletter, who has done great work in launching the E.C.A. programme and maintaining upon sound lines." — Sir Salford Crisp, M.P., Chancellor of the Exchequer.

"Penfolds has one pig to two persons, the ratio is one to every 200 in Australia. But every time the western edge of Germany goes over, the ratio goes one to every 100, and Great Britain one to one 100. In the new migration bring 100,000 population to \$500,000, the ratio will still be no more than one pig to 100 persons." — Mr. John & Mrs. J. H. Penfold.

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PERSONALIA

MR. G. R. MORRISON is on holiday in Italy.

MR. R. B. ISMONGER of Northern Rhodesia is now in this country.

MR. EDWARD LIVINGSTON took the oath as Governor of Tanganyika last Sunday.

MR. J. D. MARTIN has been elected a director of Central Line Estates Ltd.

MR. T. H. SHADWICK, Deputy Director of European Education, is on leave from Northern Rhodesia.

MR. A. R. SCOTT, a director of Messrs. Dixon Anderson and Co. Ltd., has been visiting Nyasaland.

THE LITTLETON MINISTER-in-Charge flew to Rome last Friday to attend the World Health Organization Assembly.

MR. SYDNEY MILLISON, formerly Financial Secretary in Uganda, is now conducting business for the Nigerian Government.

DR. LUC MAIR, reader in Colonial administration in the University of London, is visiting Nyasaland for about six months.

THE ARCHITECTS, C. E. AND J. M. COOPER, MR. REV. GREGORY CLAYTON, has been paying short visits to Southern Rhodesia.

MR. D. HELY HUTCHINSON and MR. N. DAWSON have been elected to the board of the Forests, Land Timber and Railways Co. Ltd.

MR. J. K. MCNAUL, chairman of the National Bank of South Africa, who has been visiting East Africa, sailed from Durban last week.

CAPTAIN DUDLEY TAYLOR, of R.D.A.C., Nairobi, and Mrs. JOAN CORKE, of Ryde, Isle of Wight, were married in London last week.

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF GLoucester returned from their stay, lasting several months, in their chateau near Enkeldoorn, Southern Rhodesia.

DR. R. J. HARRISON, BURGHES, lecturer in geography to Colonial Service cadets at the London School of Economics, is on his way to West Africa for a year.

DR. HEKELING, Fisheries Adviser to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, left for the Belgian Congo for international hydro-biological conference in Elizabethville.

MR. THOMAS and LADY CHAPMAN will sail from Liverpool on June 28 to visit their elder son in Vancouver. They expect to reach about the end of August.

MR. A. D. BRADBIDGE has been appointed to the Information Department of Northern Rhodesia at its office in Lusaka during the country's hotel requirements.

MR. C. W. CHANDLER BROWN has been appointed to the secretariat of an official member of the Executive group of the Council of the Absentees from the Territory of Rhodesia.

MR. G. C. COLONEL, D.B.E., who has been a camp commander of one of the W.O. Evacuee Camps at Fort Portal, Western Rhodesia, has obtained that honorary appointment.

MR. J. H. USHER has been re-turned unopposed to the Northern Rhodesia Council of Ministers as elected member for Mafikeng. The vacancy was created by the resignation of MR. ROBERT NICOL.

MR. S. S. KIRPAM, who, as we reported last week, has been awarded the O.B.E. as an alderman of Nairobi Municipality, and chairman of the Indian Merchant Chamber in Nairobi.

MR. S. S. KIRPAM, medical student at Muhage College, Nairobi, received in 1949 a scholarship grant of £100 offered by the Indian Merchants' Kettles Welfare Fund.

The Sudan Defence Force Dinner Club held its second annual gathering in London last week. MR. G. GENERAL, M.R.A.F., Major-General J. H. P. MUNROE, the Military Governor of the Sudan, presided.

MR. F. A. DE LEVELAND, Deputy Governor of the Southern Rhodesia, succeeds MR. V. ST. QUENTIN PEPPER as a member of the Native Labour Supply Committee following the latter's retirement.

MR. and MRS. BOYD-SHAW of Southwell will shortly arrive in this country. Mr. Shaw was first president of the Sea Club, and Mrs. Shaw has been an active worker in the Electors' Union.

MR. S. S. P. WHITE has retired after 27 years in the Sudan, where he has been water engineer in Khartoum to the Sudan Light & Power Company since 1925. He was prominent in Masonic and social circles.

MR. C. C. W. HENRY, a director of the Imperial Tobacco Company of Great Britain and Ireland Ltd., and a member of the Tobacco Advisory Committee of the Board of Trade, has been visiting Nyasaland.

MR. J. A. LEE, representative in Nyasaland of the British Cotton Growing Association, and vice-president of the Nyasaland Chamber of Commerce, is shortly expected in this country on leave with MRS. LEE.

A marriage took place in Gwelo, Southern Rhodesia, recently for MR. IET HENNING and MISS ROMESIN VAN DER MOLEN, of Beilen, Holland, a Miss Richard J. van der Molen, formerly of Gwelo.

MR. JOHN BYRNE, M.P., the Minister of Food, will lecture East African on Saturday to visit the groundnut scheme areas. His departure has been delayed by the dock strike. He intends to return to this country on July 4.

PROFESSOR ALFRED KEMBLE-JONES of the University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, who has started work on a history of the northern part of Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, announced he would be engaged for some years.

MR. WILLIAM HARRIS, a quiet local of the Cape Town Garrison in southern Rhodesia, has been elected party spokesman by the African Council to investigate the Manica and Marimba hydro-electric projects.

MR. R. J. PRESCOTT, Crown counsel in Uganda, who has been promoted solicitor-general, has served in the protectorate since 1928. He was first crown solicitor of the Uganda branch of the British Empire and is a keen yachtsman.

MR. R. CALVERT LEE, who has been general manager of the Little Farmers' Association (C) operations in Rhodesia, has relinquished his position and will manage his interests with his management partner.

When DR. P. B. HILL, Director of Medical Services in Nyasaland, came into a fair inheritance before his marriage to Mrs. Zombi, he said that he was not proceeding on leave holding arrangement, as the customary phrase ran, but "in person to look for mother."

MR. T. C. COLEMAN, Secretary for Health and Local Government in Nigeria, where he has done much good work, especially in connection with African affairs, has joined the team appointed Commission for Local Government and African Housing in Northern Rhodesia.

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The engagement is announced between MR. MICHAEL RALPH DOLYAN PURSE, younger son of Sir Ralph D. P. Purse, and Miss ELIZABETH JANE WEDDERBURN, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. M. Wedderburn, of Parsonage Farm, East Hartington, Derbyshire.

MR. D. COLLETTES has been elected chairman of the Kitwe Chamber of Commerce, with CAPTAIN SMITH as vice-chairman and MAJOR DUNGAN LITTLE and Messrs. H. GERSH, H. E. HULMAN, and L. PINSHOW, at the other members of the executive committee. MR. LEISHMAN was last year chairman.

MR. WILLIAM COOPER, chairman of Messrs. Cooper, McDonald and Robertson, Ltd., has been visiting East Africa, accompanied by MR. R. R. FIDDIAN-GREEN, for many years East African manager of the company, and now resident in Johannesburg, as a director of the South African subsidiary.

MR. W. MACLELLAN has been re-elected president of the Nyasaland branch of the British Empire Service League. THE REV. G. S. HAND is vice-president, and MR. C. H. BYRDEN honorary secretary, following MR. R. NAYLOR, who will shortly retire from this country, with MR. A. F. L. WILLIAMS as his honorary assistant.

MR. R. H. MILLETT, an Assistant Under-Secretary of State in the Air Ministry, recently visited stations in the Rhodesian Air Training Group. Other R.A.F. visitors were WING-COMMANDER W. A. COLE, of the Empire Aviation Schools, Hullavington, and WING-COMMANDER G. R. HOWIP, of the Personnel Department, Air Ministry.

MR. W. MILLER CHRISTIE, a director of Messrs. Duly & Co., Ltd., of those Nottinghamshire interests he has been in charge for the past seven years, and MRS. CHRISTIE were presented with a tea and coffee service by the Ndola Motor Traders Association and the Ndola Chamber of Commerce at a meeting when they recently left the town on transit to Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia.

MR. W. O. SUMMAN, president of the Kenya City Music Society, which owes so much to his first-class conductorship, will shortly leave Kenya on retirement. He has been invited to join the general council of the Church Music Society in this country, on which body many cathedral organists and amateur musicians serve. Mr. Summan has been organist of the Cathedral of the Highlands, Nairobi.

MR. C. B. ALDAMS, Assistant Chief Secretary to the East Africa High Commission, who received the C.M.G. in the Birthday Honours list, served in the Gold Coast as an administrative officer from 1928 to 1939, and was then seconded to the Colonial Office for year-and-a-half to the Dominions Office (now the Commonwealth Relations Office), from 1940 until the end of the war, when he went to Nairobi to join the staff of the East African governors' Conference.

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Obituaries

Sir Henry Galway

COLONEL SIR HENRY GALWAY, K.C.B., M.V.O., D.S.O., who has died at his London home at the age of 89, saw much military and administrative service in West Africa at the end of the last century, was subsequently Governor of St. Helena, the Gambia, and South Australia, and has taken a keen and active interest in the Royal African Society for many years, acting as chairman from time to time. He was also a vice-president of the British and Foreign Bible Society, for the general committee of which he served from 1921 to 1939.

COLONEL HENRY BOWLER, who has died in Bulawayo at the age of 81, was retired in 1945 after 34 years' service with the S.A. Police, reaching the grade of assistant commissioner in charge of the Bulawayo District. Born in London, he served in East Africa during the 1914-18 war, and in 1943 was awarded the King's Police Medal for Distinguished Service. In recent years he had been a senior official of the National Building and Housing Board.

MAJOR HENRY GILBERT PLANT, 80, has died in Kenya at the age of 79, served in the South African War, and in the 1914-18 war, at the end of which he settled in East Africa, beginning as a coffee grower in the Ruiru district. After periods of railway contracting, he began stock breeding near Rumuruti, which he left when gold was found in the Kakamega district. He went into uniform again in 1949 in the East African Military Labour Service. He leaves a widow and two sons.

BRUT. COLONEL COUNT JOHN EUGENE DESALIS, eighth Count Salis, who died in London last week at the age of 58, served as Senior Civil Affairs Officer in Amara and Hamasiien, Eritrea, in 1943-44. In 1920 he entered the diplomatic service as third secretary in Washington, and from 1925 to 1927 was A.D.C. to Lord Lytton, Governor of Bengal.

MR. RONALD GARLAND SOPER, managing director of Messrs. Davis & Son, Ltd., a company with East, Central, and South African interests, died in a nursing home last Sunday.

COLONEL GOSFREY KINDERSLEY MURRAY, D.S.O., late R.A.M.C. and Sudan Medical Service, died in Marlborough on Sunday, aged 62.

Royal African Society

New Members of Council

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Royal African Society will be held in the assembly hall of the Royal Empire Society at 2.45 p.m. on Wednesday, June 23. The Earl of Avon, president of the society, will be in the chair.

The retiring vice-presidents are Sir Alfred Bell, Sir Angus Gillan, Mrs. Patrick Ness, Colonel C. H. Ponsonby, M.P., and Sir Diamond Shiels, and in their places Earl De La Warr, Mr. E. R. Husk, Mr. A. D. Power, Sir Stewart Symes, and Lieut.-Colonel W. K. Baker have been nominated by the Council.

Mr. Q. J. Buxton, Mr. A. T. Dudley, the Rev. M. Grace, Sir Stewart Symes, Colonel Tucker, and Mr. A. J. Wakefield resign from the Council, and for vacancies, S. P. G. Hall, the Rev. H. D. Hooper, Mr. Charles Mockford, Colonel Ponsonby, and Edmund Teale are proposed.

Membership at the end of 1948 totalled 2,111, including 217 overseas members, 336 resident members, 98 life members, and 13 honorary life members. The ordinary income was £1,649 and the expenditure £2,384.

Press Freedom in the Colonies Concern of Empire Press Union

CITICISM OF THE TENDENCY of Colonial Government to censor and suppress newspapers was made by Colonel J. J. Astor, the president at last week's annual meeting in London of the Empire Press Union.

He said in this connexion:

"In this age, the resources and technique of mass persuasion can bind whole populations to truth, can alter their judgment, and can maintain an overwhelming power those who are able to control newspapers, radio, and other vehicles of information and ideas. By such means, as we have all seen, ordinary decent people can be made to support and maintain a cause, whether its purposes are good or bad."

The power of complete spiritual isolation and subjection is perhaps the greatest menace of our time. The only safeguard is a free Press—newspapers which are allowed to publish news without bias and to question policy without fear of consequence, whether their chosen field is world-affairs or sensational domestic activity.

Free Press Can Prevent a Hitler

Every type of newspaper is justified if it helps to preserve the principle of Press freedom. No matter how trivial its appeal may seem to be, if it possesses freedom it can help to depose, or better still, prevent a Hitler. No newspaper can be judged wholly bad unless it has a servile editor.

With these things in mind, we have interested ourselves in the various codes of law that affect our Colonial newspapers. We have not yet completed our survey. You may share the conciliatory feeling that there is some real danger in our Colonies of compromising the vital principle of Press freedom because of anxiety of possible disorders.

Where there is, in fact, a state of emergency, we must reconcile ourselves to the temporary curtailment of the freedom principle. But legislation designed for emergencies ought to operate during emergencies only. It should not be made permanent law, in the mistaken belief that it will prevent another emergency. To do so is to risk transformation of a modest emergency into something more serious.

In particular, we feel that the power of Governors to suppress newspapers is capable of abuse. There is a fair analogy in loading the safety-valve of an overtaxed engine."

Southern Rhodesia's cost-of-living index number now stands at 153 (1939 = 100). The two-point rise since April is due to higher prices for petrol and cigarettes.

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Future of the East Indies Squadron

Sphere of influence of Royal Indian Navy

A PREDICTION that the functions of the East Indies Squadron of the Royal Navy would one day be taken over by the Royal Indian Navy was made last week in Dar es Salaam by Captain N. S. Brown, commodore in command of a Royal Indian Navy Squadron comprising the cruiser DELHI and the sloop H.M.S. SPEARER. As a municipal council luncheon, he went on:

"If my assumption is true, it is equally obvious to me that the Royal Indian Navy should have contacts throughout the whole of this area. I think it is also clear that we shall have the privilege of coming here more frequently in future, because the East Coast of Africa will be a part of the sphere of influence of the Royal Indian Navy."

I use that expression rather guardedly. I say 'sphere of influence' of the Royal Indian Navy, not the sphere of influence of India. Defence of the Commonwealth is a matter which has to be shared by all the members of that Commonwealth, and India undoubtedly will have vast responsibilities in this part of the world."

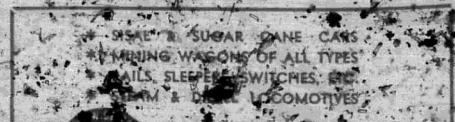
I feel sure that in the future you in Tanganyika, just the same as myself when I go back home to England, will feel confident that the Royal Indian Navy will achieve whatever is required of it."

Education Programme in S. Rhodesia

SOUTHERN RHODESIA is just keeping pace with the building requirements of its education scheme, said the Colony's Minister of Education, Mr. T. H. W. Bradley, who, in his annual vote (Mr. S. A. M. Compton), with 15,500,000 pounds a year, was voted down in Parliament. He would continue to press forward his headed expansion which many members had urged. The European school population had risen by 2,300 this year, compared with 2,100 in 1947-8, and the Education Department expected an even greater increase next year. He realized how necessary it was to expand school facilities, but the programme was limited by the inadequate building programme.

Steadfast Empire

I AM PLEASED that the recent developments in the British Commonwealth are all to the good and are a sign of "growth," said the Governor of Southern Rhodesia, Sir John Kennedy, in a recent address. The British Empire stands steadfast as a working example of many nations united in a lasting friendship. The Empire developed during years of peace and prosperity. Times of war and misfortune have proved that there is no shock it cannot withstand.



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Report on Central African Airways

Criticism of Organization and Planning

SEVERE CRITICISM of the administration and organization of Central African Airways Corporation is made in a report prepared by British Overseas Airways Corporation and not tabled in the Southern Rhodesian Parliament.

This follows the recent news of the resignation of the Board of C.A.A., and the announcement that the accumulated deficit on March 31 last was in the region of £200,000. Mr. S. F. Halkett, Southern Rhodesian Minister of Trade and Industry Development, then stated that if C.A.A. did not operate satisfactorily under a new organization, the board of his Colony might consider operating its own airways.

The B.O.A.C. report offers the choice of three operational plans for C.A.A., involving losses of £153,000, £107,400, and £13,650 respectively.

A committee of inquiry, manager and full executive authority is recommended, together with the appointment of an experienced financial consultant who will also be secretary to the corporation, complete reorganization of the technical department; economies in the administration of the commercial department; concentration on the use of existing aircraft; inauguration of a staff pension scheme; and appointment of a staff administration and welfare officer.

Seven Criticisms

The seven main reasons for the present unsatisfactory position of the corporation are the report's inadequate control by the management; absence of financial control; lack of organizational planning and coordination of departmental activities; formation of a fly-by-night of aircraft without regard to their suitability for local operating conditions; retention of redundant aircraft and the additional staff required for their maintenance; lack of appreciation by technical staff of the complexities of modern aircraft; and a consequent failure to produce the percentage of serviceability required to permit economical operation of the fleet; and economic factors outside the corporation's control.

The report agrees that the management of C.A.A. has had insufficient knowledge of airline administration and operation to obtain economic utilization of aircraft and staff, and adds:

"The management has been over-cautious, and has encouraged expansion of activities before first stabilizing local economic factors within the three territories which is their duty."

The first operational plan submitted by B.O.A.C. provides for five Vikings (11½ hours flying annually), two Bristol Aeroplane D.9s (10½ hours) and six Doves (10½ hours) at a cost of £1,000 per hour. The annual profit of £30,500, the net weight a gross of £100,000 and the losses a loss of £21,750. The plan includes two services in Northern Rhodesia which are operated for administrative purposes, the loss of £1,000 incurred being met directly by the Government concerned.

Operational plan No. 2 provides for five Vikings (5.38 hours flying annually) and seven Doves (10½ hours). The Doves should entail an annual loss of £9,450 and the Vikings a loss of £2,250.

The third operational plan provides for five Vikings, only 6,100 hours flying annually, which should incur an annual loss of £18,500.

Sir Charles Meresith's Reply

Sir Charles Meresith, chairman of the trustee board of C.A.A., commented on the report the day after it was published:

The Central African Air Authority had, he said, approved a plan submitted by C.A.A. for its future operation. That plan would result in a deficit of £106,943, as against the deficit of £40,400 envisaged in B.O.A.C.'s comparable plan. The C.A.A. suggestion is due to the merit that the services proposed were some £100,000 less than those put forward by B.O.A.C.

WORLD AIRWAYS, Ltd., Sir Charles' environment deficit of £153,000 claims a plan said to be similar and prepared by C.A.A. was estimated to be £107,400, more than half that of C.A.A. But in estimates showing a much larger deficit, further, the B.O.A.C. deficit of £103,000 is arrived at after taking off £10,000 revenue from charters and an astonishing figure which C.A.A. extended its power to achieve in the territories.

With regard to plan No. 2, which B.O.A.C. estimates will result in a loss of £107,400, the deficit is reduced to a comparable plan, £13,650.

The similarity in these financial estimates, which are quite independently, is rather remarkable, and if so, we could well seem to indicate that at any rate in estimating C.A.A. knows its business just as well as B.O.A.C. do theirs.

Plan 3 fails for the company except to say that it would be more inadequate for the needs of the territories.

Enviable Record of C.A.A.

The report states that the technical staff lack appreciation of the complexities of modern aircraft, and that the services have not kept pace with the technical advances of recent years. In very simple terms, the answer to this would seem to be the plain fact that C.A.A. has kept busy and maintained a record which is not only the envy of the civil aviation world, but also is incomparable by B.O.A.C. It profits them.

It is also stated that the purchase of aircraft has been unrealistic and that the aircraft has given a short period of usefulness for commercial requirements. It thus follows that the wings of the B.O.A.C. operational plans provide for the scrapping of these aircraft.

The only reasons for the grounding of aircraft are technical or commercial, and no aircraft were retained other than for purposes of backing or because there was no money for them.

Central African Airways Corporation are to fly the new connections from Lusaka to Khartoum in four days via Bethlehem, Frentree, Atbara, Kassala, the Red Sea, Kamina, Juba and Maiduguri. The new service, which will be run in conjunction with Sudan Airways, is to be called "The Phoenix Way."



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Failure to Learn from Our Mistakes

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA.—Sir.—This heading to your leading article will be the last time to review a system which, after years of study, I was forced to conclude today, Southern Rhodesia will do no more.

For instance, in 1907, missionaries had a well-established experimental station staffed with a keen agriculturalist. This man, who had travelled the districts, arrived back home, consulting the African our ideas of agriculture, and it was施行. By 1910 this had been followed by the southern Province. Thus, a resident European agriculturist reviewed the year's teaching the best methods of crop rotation with cotton growing, and at first very little work was considerably increased with the active co-operation of the staffs of the Empire Cotton Growing Corporation.

About 1907 a well-known firm of planter agriculturists with a trained staff of Europeans began advising and instructing the Africans in tobacco growing on village smallholdings, and by 1919 its success attracted the attention of others, who became the pioneers of this system of production in the Limpopo areas.

By 1924 the industry had progressed to such an extent that the Government stepped in and formed the "Nyasaland Tobacco Board," which with a fair representation of European supervisors started similar operations on Crown lands.

Moreover, through all these years, fine hens, rams, and cock birds of various types of poultry were imported and distributed in all areas of the country, with village lectures on the breeding and care of cattle, sheep, and poultry.

Missionaries also did a great deal of this side of agricultural instruction, after importing and giving animals and birds to the villages, and these gifts were mostly passed on to their own mission sales.

Yours faithfully,

To Native and Prospective Settlers Looking Back Twenty Years

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA.—

Sir.—In Mr. Negley Farson's contribution to EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA, which bears the heading "Settlers—Aids to the African's Worst Enemies?" he wrote, "unless the white man in Africa tends his Negro, his day is over." The best of the Europeans in the territories, farmers and missionaries, agricultural officials, educationists or administrators, have always believed that to be true (taking "Negro" as the true sense, of course, not in the loquacious definition used by the mentioned sentimentalists).

Many years ago I had a long talk with you, after you had severely criticized a leading article of mine suggesting a code by the settler leaders in Kenya at the time, and I shall always remember the way in which you took my hint when I inadvertently remarked that I had thought that you and your paper were perfect.

"We are pro-East Africa," you retorted, "not pro-Government or anti-Government, pro-settler or anti-settler. We do our best to judge according to the facts. We support or attack a proposal, not because it comes from one source or another, but because we think good or bad." And now, taking the long view—the only view worth thinking—you cannot be pro-

white, and the Native, you, I believe, pro-Negro, must follow.

If those were not the actual words of the editor, and he might have been dead 20 years ago, they are so close to them that they justify his using inverted commas; they certainly carry the sense of the original statement. His desire to emphasize the no-politics character for the sake of white settlement could be more than temporary, however, and that the only two regards would be (1) to strengthen and extend European farming, and (2) to continue a moderate, liberal policy to obtain a just and a due adjustment to the needs of the Native and co-operation between the races.

I have read your paper ever since it started 25 years ago, and there is ample evidence of what you adduce to substantiate. You may conveniently remind the members of the fundamental group, as you say, "and we have no political party," that:

"Some of them were former popular leaders, some were ex-members of the same party before it was an East African party on anything and any communication is had to the public service, the military, the police, the civil service, business men, whom recognise that the African is destined to be a debt in every way, and that, this is the qualification in Mr. Farson's view. These are the people who are here."

The settlers' feelings find a right on the spot by him, that "the British are married to East and Central Africa for better or for worse." I suppose we are, and for that reason if no other, every immigrant is bound to have the African an absolutely fair deal, and to do his best for him faithfully.

Yours truly,
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Rhodesian Tobacco Loan Bill Passes Strong Criticism of Government

THE POLITICAL SAVINGS CONTRIBUTION BILL was formally submitted to the Southern Rhodesian Parliament recently by 10 votes to 10 after a long and controversial debate.

A similar majority was recorded against an amendment moved by Mr. P. O. STOCKL, Leader of the Liberal opposition, that the three-year moratorium be delayed for six months.

During the second reading the MINISTER OF FINANCE, MR. G. E. WHITEHEAD had stated that he made no promises for the new proposal because he was certain that it would benefit the Colony. It was a startling measure which would strengthen the whole financial position of the country before any danger arose of a possible secession.

The original proposal of a tax of 20% on Virginia tobacco exports, and the alternative scheme of a tax on tobacco in the colony, had been, said Mr. Whitehead, well received with disapprovals in London where it was felt that the burden would fall on the buyer.

Present inflationary tendencies in the Colony were by no means accidental and that situation had been caused very largely by the boom in the tobacco industry. He had no intention of attacking the industry on that account since it could have happened to any other commodity, but he felt that costs had been following prices very rapidly.

A secession would not benefit merely the tobacco industry, but the whole country, and a tobacco strike fell sharply if it would then completely end disaster for Salisbury. In particular, the money circulations in the auction floors had caused the inflation of the colony to reach a figure now almost double that of pre-war. A Government which did not try to control such tendencies before it was too late would be guilty of a grave lack of responsibility.

The money available to the Government under the Bill would be available at a later date when conditions might not be so good in the industry's case. It had been open to ensure that there would be no general strike if, despite growers getting less than £2,500 per acre, seedsmen, whilst those middle groups received more than twice that, the upper group

had received £10,000 per acre.

Mr. R. G. STOKES, who spoke on the whole matter in behalf of middle-class farmers, said that the Bill brought to an end the most disgraceful one of the most unfortunate and extraordinary performances in history of Rhodesian politics.

The Government was spineless and the prestige of Rhodesia was also affected. In the Prime Minister's own words, the Government had originally adopted a strong measure relating to tobacco, the measure then being wholly withdrawn. Now they had confidently climbed down thereby, losing the confidence of the people.

If the Government still thinks the original idea was right, then we are entitled to expect them to stick to it. This present Bill is nothing less than a face-saving device. If the Government intended to continue the recognition of measures they should go back to the country for a mandate.

MR. L. M. CLEELINER (United Party), who, voted against the Government, said that the principle of compulsory loans was a departure from the way in a young country where money was needed for development, it was not right, especially as it involved taxation against one section of the community.

The industry would not now be able to develop if it had not done so had the loan not been levied. If the money had been left in the hands of the growers they would have built a much better Rhodesian tobacco industry loan was preferable to private enterprise.

Mr. T. F. WILSON pointed out that he started the Bill as purely experimental, since the Government had no idea of what the result would be.

It was not the tobacco industry alone that had created inflation. The Government was also responsible in that it had allowed immigrants to bring capital into

the Colony when there was no work for them. They wanted to earn money, and so they came to Rhodesia and took up land and established farms.

The Minister had proposed that the industry should be taxed in a way which would have co-operated. The present measure was primitive but surely the right thing had been done to the United Party.

MR. L. L. KELLY (United Party) charged the Government with weakness, indecision, and uncertainty and of the unworthy way any administration, no matter how old, inflict hardships on its soldier settlers. Overpriced unearned money had no real adequate income within the tobacco industry, and should contribute through incomes tax. The Government had the best arguments in its favour.

MR. J. L. STOKES (Labour) said that several farmers had told him that they were moving to Northern Rhodesia, while it was a potential rival to Southern Rhodesia in the tobacco market.

MR. G. H. HACKWELL another United Party member who voted against the Government, declared that the tobacco industry had been on the verge of bankruptcy from the day stamp of 20 years ago, but that this measure would drive it all into its coffin.

American Tobacco Watch

American growers were closely watching the progress of the Virginia tobacco industry in Southern Rhodesia, and would not fail to take advantage of any situation which they could regain some of their lost markets particularly in Britain. The proposed levy was applied again next year the Colony tobacco crop will drop by 20%.

MR. N. S. QUINN (United) supported but that 70% of growers produced over 70% of the tobacco grown and probably not make any contribution to the loss, and he did not consider it any great hardship on the remaining 30% to have 15% of their net return taken.

MR. G. MUNRO (Liberal) declared that the Government had helped to ruin the tobacco industry by imposing discriminatory taxation and was no less guilty in the same thing with tobacco.

MR. HOBART GRANT (United Party) thought that some of the Government's excuse were valid, but he would support the Bill, as the tobacco industry was in a bad position, would profit by immediate relief.

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE, MR. G. E. WHITEHEAD discussed alternative possibilities, saying the same tenth of the tobacco. The Minister of Agriculture was spent in dealing with methods based on discriminatory treatment as compared with other industries.

He was convinced that the industry would succeed in raising the yield of 25,000,000 lbs. in tobacco to the Colony area. The average increase in average yield had been fairly steady in recent years rising from 77 lbs. per acre in 1946 to 80 lbs. in 1947. A further increase of 10% per acre was necessary.

Denying that the man who runs the industry has handled it negligently, and rather referred to the figures quoted by Mr. Quinn, the Minister said that the main reason for the low yield was the number of small plots which had been divided up among the various members of the family. Mrs. Quinn's suggestion of a difficulty in financing the new growing development was denied, and it was referred quite definitely to do to the tobacco industry, the industry will be unable enough to meet the difficulties.

THE MINISTER OF HIGHWAYS and Public Works said that 10% of the roads to be devoted entirely to tobacco roads, the primary object was to increase the Colony's developmental resources with a padding of 10% on the subsequent 10% on interest and sinking fundster the following year.

The industry had suffered an unbalanced influx of Europeans who were no doubt the many young men who, some of whom only recently arrived in the Colony, had gone straight into the industry because of the possibility of making money quick.

Referring to Mr. Munro's suggestion with the gold minimum tax, the Minister said that the tobacco industry falls equally amongst the tobacco industry in a somewhat different footing. The tobacco industry is a semi-cooperative committee, which would consider tobacco applications from the public sector and one grower.

The tobacco workers in an amendment by Mr. P. A. WILSON, who said that tobacco offices should also be members of the State, the Government accepted another amendment moved by Mr. Hackwell that bonds of certificates should be paid in cash at the end of the five-year period if they so desired.

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MUSICIANS IN LUSAKA

A Japanese Agent Visited the group of Government House, Lusaka.

Ndola Football Club recently Visited the U.M.C., where they played two matches.

The Legislative Council of Northern Rhodesia resumed its session in Lusaka yesterday.

The Kenya Arts and Crafts Society will hold an exhibition in Nairobi from July 12 to 15.

A body similar to the Southern Rhodesian Natural Resources Board will be formed in Northern Rhodesia.

The Sudan Government is sending a fossil buffalo skull to the British Museum (Natural History), South Kensington.

The Southern Rhodesian National Building Board has issued a permit for the building of a town hall at Gwelo.

Bounding for Coloured People

A new scheme for the Coloured population will shortly be submitted to municipalities by the Ministry of Local Government.

The Automobile Association of Southern Rhodesia is campaigning for permission to establish garages at Victoria Falls.

The latest news of station 10 is to be opened by the Southern Rhodesian Government at Plumtree, with all money raised from the Union.

A young solicitor who arrived in London to represent South Africa for the vacant post of Vice-Chancellor advertised by the Southern Rhodesia Government.

Two wards and a new ward room have been completed in the S.M.A. hospital at Lulugati Tanga, and work has begun on three new operating theatres and a new block.

The rest houses at the Victoria Falls are becoming increasingly popular among tourists. Last year nearly 100,000 tourists had to be turned away, and the Southern Rhodesian Parliament has voted £2,000 to build more.

Anti-Apartheid Federation

Following an appeal in March by Mr. Clive Salter, chairman of the Victoria Union, a license resolution was passed that day by the African National Congress, South Africa, and the African League which would work toward self-government.

The president of the student and secretary of the Student Union of Carlton Memorial College, Kimberley, has been dismissed from the College for having organized a strike against his insistence of warnings. The strike was in protest against a ruling of the Minister of Education, himself a Scot, that secondary school students should not join the Students' Union.

A new African Broadcasting Station in Lusaka is to go into full operation 10 metres (9,700 megacycles) at 100 watts. A transmitter of 40 watts at 7,220 megacycles will provide the main coverage. Other stations in the immediate area of Lusaka will be 100 watts (10,000 megacycles).

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Tourist Industry in Austria

Sir Reginald Robins

The REVEREND ROBERTS, Commissioner of the East Africa High Commission, told the general meeting of the East Africa Tourist Association, of which he has become the first president, one way to close the alarming gap between exports and imports was to develop the tourist industry.

"This," he said, "concerns not only the hotel-keepers, motor-car drivers, and the transport organizations. The tourist industry affects everyone in this country, from the farmer who grows new seeds and new markets, and to those engaged in agriculture, commerce, and industry down to the man in the bazaar."

of Trade and industry should be associated with all State governments in the interest of the public generally should be maintained by industry and commerce has to come into contact with the association, but it has not been recognized that to all this increased business belongs a right to private enterprise.

The participants and the transport administrations have made considerable contributions to their capital and recurrent revenues, but the business industry cannot be developed by the Government and the transport administrations alone.

Short-Term and Long-Term Problems

There are two problems. The short-term problem is to encourage tourists from hard currency countries, mainly in America. The long-term problem is to attract the man of modest means, who has a desire to see something of the world outside his own country.

"There is great need to push the attractions of the games along with either the camera or the press reporter. That is self-advertising tourist attraction. East Africa is known all over the world as the home of big game. Furthermore, those persons who are interested in big game hunting do not require the facilities and comfort which generally demand by the tourists."

"East Africa has the attractions—the national parks, the prehistoric sites, the lovely scenery, the interesting ancient cities, such as Kampala, the wonderful game preserves, such as the Serengeti Plains in Tanzania, and all the interests appertaining to a relatively primitive native life."

But there are some serious difficulties and difficulties particularly in parts of your Is Nasobi itself we know there is a likely to be a lack of water to come a shortage of water both accompanying wind electric power and some parts roads are

He was not in the country, so he had a good deal
of time to sit there. He wanted to make his requirements very
modestly, so he got a stickler. He was very anxious to get away,
but he did not want to go far away. He wanted to be in close proximity
to his wife, and he was afraid that if he went too far away
he would not be able to stay in touch with her.

The general characteristics of the American tourist would be much wiser during this difficult time to tell the tourists about our qualities and to invite him to come and use our services. By telling the tourists that we have no desire at all for tourists who really do not care for us, we shall be doing a great service to the tourist industry and the best advertisement of the tourist industry is a satisfied tourist.

Tourists at Moderate Prices

What is required in a long-term problem is to enable the man of means to spend a week or two in East Africa, possibly on his way to and from the World Cup, having about \$500 a day, and to stay in comfortable hotels, moderate in charges, moderate in comfort, and requires a reasonable public transport system. He is content to ride in buses provided that they are clean, punctual and the passengers adequately controlled.

Very few tourists other than those on the
Government roads make long road trips, and it would
be a mistake to argue for the provision of good standard
roads over long distances for tourist purposes alone.
Highways of radial roads are required, and the important
villages where Hotel accommodation of a moderate standard
is available in the places of interest within 50 miles or so,
so that the tourist could easily get away and do a day-trip there
and then get back to the railway station in time to catch
the next train home. In addition, local roads should be
well graded and equipped with an adequate number of
bridges and culverts.

From Source Appointment

Properties and Preferences

Propositions and Treaties of the Colonial
and State Governments.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE. The following persons were appointed administrative officers, to be assistant commissioners, by the Provincial Commissioner, Mr. F. R. Robertson, to be provincial commissioners to be provincial commissioners: Mr. W. A. Hales, administrative officer to be assistant chief secretary; Mr. A. H. Pickering, administrative commissioner, to be provincial commissioner; Mr. S. V. Pitt, administrative officer, to be registrar, of the Parks Commission; Mr. D. Robertson, administrative officer to be a provincial commissioner; Mr. F. E. Powers, deputy provincial commissioner, to be provincial commissioner for the province of Lanark County; Dr. B. Webster, administrative officer to be a provincial commissioner.

Mr. L. S. Abernethy, Commissioner of Justice, Bengal, to be resident magistrate, Mysore; Mr. G. E. Brown, Counsel, Madras, to be Legal Secretary, Hall of Justice; Mr. R. Mackay, Registrar, Calcutta High Court, to be Resident Magistrate, Tumkur.

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of another May 1946, as Director of Finance, Nigeria, Deputy Director of Finance, Nyasaland, and M.R. Fitch, assistant accountant, for account of Nyasaland, and M.R. Fitch, regional commissioner, to determine income tax, E.A. High Commissioner, Dr. Marsh, accountant, British Commissary, to be accountant, Nigeria; Mr. H. W. Jennings, deputy commissioner, Commissioner of Income Tax, E.A. High Commissioner.

Nell, Mr. J. C., to be chief accountant and secretary, Yasaland; Mr. W. A. Richardson, prison officer, to be superintendent of prisons, Kimberlin Rhodesia; and Mr. C. P. Sauer, entomological collector, to be entomologist, Kenya.

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E.C.E. Three Month Survey Team

THREE AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL EXPERTS have been assigned to make a three-month survey of farm conditions in Africa, and to advise on the types of American assistance for agricultural development which could be made available under the Economic Cooperation Act.

This was announced a few days ago by the Economic Mission to the United Nations. The survey team, which will be at work from January 15 to April 15, was requested by the United Government of East African territories in East, Central, and West Africa, and designed to assist in the development of British activities in East African research, plant pathology, and soil science, and the organization of fertilizer and seed supplies, and to collect data on the agricultural departments of the territories.

The other experts, who will leave the U.S.A. for Africa early next month, have had similar assignments, which add up to:

Dr. W. V. Lamber, Dean of the College of Agriculture and Economics, University of Arkansas; Dr. H. A. Goss, Director of the Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils and Entomology, U.S. Department of Agriculture; and Dr. Alvin H. Cone, Professor of Soil Science, Department of Agronomy, Cornell University.

Both projects were second approved under the U.S. Technical Assistance programme; an American scientist and an insecticide expert are already making a survey of conditions affecting the control of trypanosomiasis and malaria in East and West Africa.

Variety of careers

Having resigned his present position with the University of Michigan in October 1948, Dr. Lamber was administrator of the World Research Administration in the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Previous to this he was in charge of breeding programmes in the Bureau of Animal Industry, 1939-1945, being called as Associate Director of the U.S. Agricultural Experiment Station.

Mr. Goss has been a leader in the development of agriculture in the U.S. for more than 35 years. Having attended the University of Washington, 1906, Agricultural Experiment Station, 1911, he established the "Lindsey" Land Experiment Station, which served as its Superintendent for nine years, joining the Bureau of Agriculture's Bureau of Plant Industry in 1920. He has served as Assistant Chief and Chief of the Bureau's Small Crops and Diseases before accepting his present position in 1928.

Dr. Cone has been active in oilseed crop work since 1932. He joined the Department of Agriculture as a soil surveyor, 1932, in Mississippi, North Dakota, South Dakota. Later he served in the Divisions of Soil Survey and Department of Agriculture in Tennessee, 1934-1936, as Director of Cornbelt, especially as an expert in soil science, 1932-1934, and in 1944 was with the Bureau of Plant Industry and Soil and Agricultural Engineering at Beltsville, Maryland. His current work on hemp and manila in 1946, included a survey of five major island nations, Hawaii.

Building Roster Emerges

Rhodesia, Malaya, Nigeria

THE BUILDING PORTFOLIO would scarcely have in 1949 had Southern Rhodesia Minister of Trade and Industrial Development, Mr. R. F. Helsted, when he last considered the vote of £10 million for the National Building and Housing Board. He did not say what money need be provided for the board after 1950.

Mr. W. E. Wise (Liberal) complained that large firms had established themselves in the Colony, and as a result owing to building control, were listed replied that certain firms wanted only big jobs on a cost-plus basis, and that it was unfair to the control authorities to expect them to give them open contracts.

He added that the housing position differed throughout the Colony. Salisbury was far behind than any other centre, but was now catching up.

Mr. J. J. W. Keller, who after pointing out that rates proposed to double the life of houses submitted that as rents had been based on a 10-year life, tenants were entitled to a considerable reduction on a 20-year life, the Minister said that the rents had been based on an estimated value. When the true value was established it had been found that the rents ought to be increased. The Government had not increased them, however, and could not guarantee any increase.

Mr. J. H. Water's Tour

MR. J. H. WATER, the South African Ambassador, arrived in London yesterday after visiting Rhodesia, Tanganyika, Kenya, Uganda, Zambia, the Sudan and several European countries. Mr. Water said that the time had come for collaboration at the highest levels between the nations of Africa, thus collaboration must cohere itself with such actions as the decreasing fertility of the African soils. The Country Act should be reimposed by all African partners in a network of regional security arrangements with African and Mediterranean defensive forces filling the gaps. Mr. Water commented that Italy's experience of racial and of colonization should no longer be repeated.

A third round of the question of discipline in schools was then taken at a meeting of headmasters representing both Government and national schools in the Sudan, and in association with El Sayed Abdel Rahim Ali Taha, the Minister of Education. A simple mistake, it quite clear to the public that boys who break the schools must be prepared to abide by the rules. Makers of strikes will be dismissed at once, together with any other boys who have caused trouble.

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SIR VERNON KNOWSLEY on the Outlook

THE ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE UNION-Castle Mail Steamship Company Limited was held at London on July 21, 1948, at the House Old Broad Street London E.C. 2.

SIR VERNON KNOWSLEY, chairman and managing director of the company, presided.

The secretary, Mr. J. A. M. Hart, read the notice summoning, convening and reporting of the auditors.

The Chairman said—

“Gentlemen.—The report of the audited accounts of the company for the year ended December 31, 1948, were circulated to you some weeks ago. May they now be taken as read?”

Accounts

The Report is now submitted to set out clearly the position of the company and of the group as a whole, and do not seek for detailed explanation. Shipping prosperity depends upon a high level of world trade. Since the second year of succession since the war the company has enjoyed the benefit of its fine fleet during a period of exceptional world demand for shipping.

The trading profits for the year 1948, after making various provisions, are approximately £1,000,000 higher than for 1947. Taxation absorbable great sum of over £1,000,000 profit for the year is £1,843,000. The profit for 1947 less than for 1947. The opportunity has been taken, during this abnormal post-war era, of transferring a further £1,000,000 to general reserve which is now increased to £7,500,000.

In 1942, long before this became a common practice, the then managing director of the company arranged for small contributions to a limitation fund for the benefit of staff members to cover every real value to its members during a period of 27 years. Owing to the fall in interest rates and other factors, a recent valuation of the assets and liabilities of the fund has disclosed an actual deficit of approximately £100,000. Moreover, the rates of the fund, which in our respect have remained static since 1942, restrict the maximum amount of pension payable; in the very different conditions now existing it is considered that this limitation should be fixed somewhat more closely.

Capital and Dividends

Accordingly, with a view to placating shareholders on this account, it is proposed to alter the circumstances of 1942. It will be the benefit afforded to the members of the fund upon retirement, the sum of £300,000 has been reallocated to the fund as a specific contribution.

As regards the distribution of 8% for the year upon the ordinary shares, the amount carried forward is £600,000.

The balance of £683,114 standing to the company's credit in the Government compensation replacement account was disbursed during the year 1948, with a further sum of £175,000 transferred from her replacement account, has been applied to the special depreciation on the two new mail ships, THE VICTORIA CASTLE and EDINBURGH CASTLE, thus writing down the estimated post-war cost of these two ships to a more economic book value. The company will experience the benefit of the benefit, and considerably increase its trading profits.

Acquisition of King Line

One other step to which I need draw your special attention is the purchase in the spring of this year of the subsidiary, King Line. This simple acquisition is necessary to consolidate the position of the company towards the end of the year as a controlling interest in King Line. The price paid, namely, £5 for each share, was based upon a valuation by independent experts of the assets of that company, and it is intended to make a statement in both places.

It may be appreciated that the King Line Company had hitherto been regarded as being liable to capital losses in respect of the conveyance of hire traffic because the directors considered it desirable that the subsidiary should in this case, if required, merge on a company basis to be used for the carriage of bulk cargoes, which would fully supplement its present trade.

The King Line owns a well-known fleet comprising motor vessels and one steamer, a total of 43,990 gross tons. The company's financial resources in addition to those already mentioned on the board that the purchase will prove of material benefit to this company. Since the end of 1948 we have completed the acquisition of the 100% of the capital King Line, Ltd.

Consolidated Accounts

It has not hitherto been considered necessary to consolidate accounts in respect of the company and its subsidiary companies, as the latter were relatively small and the consolidated accounts could have been held different from the balance-sheet and profit and loss account of the Union-Castle Company alone. Under the Companies Act, 1948, it is now obligatory to issue such consolidated accounts, and, in any case, with the acquisition of the King Line the company's investment in its subsidiaries has become much more substantial, thus making consolidated accounts of more value to the interest.

As regards the consolidated accounts, the financial ownership of the company and the trading results of the King Line are included for the first time in this year, but the results of the King Line do not materially differ from those of the Union-Castle Company alone, but accompanied by the consolidated balance sheet, and that of the parent company shows that the position of the group, as a whole, is appreciably more sound than even the balance sheet of the company indicates. Several of the subsidiary companies, which appear as fixed assets in the parent company's balance sheet, have substantial cash and other current assets.

Dividend Decision

The accounts of the company and the consolidated accounts of the group, indicate a financial position and an increase in the distribution on the ordinary stock would have been possible. The board decided, however, to recommend that the dividend should be maintained at the same level as that for 1946 and 1947, namely, 6%, plus a bonus of 2%.

In making this recommendation the directors have had regard not only to the request by the Chancellor of the Exchequer for the voluntary limitation of dividends during the national emergency, but also to the requirements of the company and the revised

trades inseparable item, almost which from the days of Noah has been inherent in its nature.

There is, unfortunately, a falling off in the demand for passenger accommodation while the restrictions on exports which the South African Government have introduced this year must reduce considerably our earnings from outward freight. It would therefore be imprudent to assume the maintenance indefinitely of profits at the level of the last two years.

Need for Conservation Scheme.

Also, the company's building programmes must be well arranged to hold our present efficient services to and from South Africa. East Africa will be kept abreast of all times. Not only is the passenger trade the sole one of the two under construction still two vessels more in the fleet, we operated in our pre-war services to Africa but also own certain older vessels which have given long and valuable service and must be replaced within the next few years. New replacement costs could be abnormally high.

Furthermore, the company's position on the Cape route is not the last word. So many shipping lines now show ship requirements and might well result as soon as practicable.

It is, without respect of reducing earnings or substantial capital expenditure, it is clear that the best interest of the company and its financial resources should be considered, and re-encouragement of the profits of the last two years has been such as to allow us to fortify its reserves. The policy of ploughing back substantial sums from earnings when this has been possible has enabled us to build up our fleet and maintain an efficient service, and last but not least to maintain a steady dividend.

The Company's Fleet

The company's fleet was augmented by the entry into service of the PRETORIA CASTLE and EDINBURGH CASTLE in July and December 1947 respectively, and by the purchase at the end of the year from the Ministry of Transport of the former CROWN DUCHESS, renamed ARUNDEL CASTLE.

As previously constituted, the tonnage of about 37,600 tons gross, was maintained throughout the year without serious decrease.

The DONNINGTON CASTLE and ARUNDEL CASTLE were released from their transport service in March and April 1948 respectively. The ARUNDEL CASTLE proceeded immediately to England for reconditioning, which was completed in January 1949 when she entered the company's South Africa service. The ARUNDEL CASTLE after serving a certain amount of time entered the general cargo service in which she has been engaged until recently. It is hoped shortly to return the man to the ship.

The CARNARVON CASTLE and STERKCASTLE which were also engaged in the South Africa transports to South Africa after release from the transport service in 1947 were withdrawn from the service towards the end of 1948 and are also now undergoing reconditioning. It is expected that the STERKCASTLE will be back in the mail service again during the CARNARVON CASTLE about the end of 1949.

Working to the very best of our understanding at Bell's for the intermediate services we proceeded satisfactorily to date. We are due to be delivered to the company about the end of the present year.

Mail Services

Regular weekly mail sailing between Southampton to Cape Town have been maintained throughout the year. At the beginning of 1949 the services of passenger vessels employed in this service were suspended and the remaining three sailings in each eight week period

were taken by fast cargo vessels. The introduction into service of the PRETORIA CASTLE and the EDINBURGH CASTLE has resulted in some loss of every mail, while mail sailings are taken by passenger ships, and the LIVERPOOL CASTLE registers service to fulfil the necessary to supplement the weekly passenger tonnage engaged in this service by fast cargo vessels.

The PRETORIA CASTLE and EDINBURGH CASTLE have proved to be popular, and are already establishing themselves as highly popular vessels on the South African run. They are among the finest and largest vessels built since the termination of hostilities.

South Africa and Intermediate Services

Our round-Africa service was initiated during the year by the LLANGANITH CASTLE, LIVERPOOL CASTLE and PRETORIA CASTLE, subsequently by cargo ships. The Admiralty into service during the year, the LIVERPOOL CASTLE has provided additional tonnage to the vessels engaged in this service, of which the voyages out via the East Coast of Africa and home to the West Coast, and the others in the reverse direction.

It has not yet been announced to resume the inter-African service of passenger vessels to South Africa through East Africa and via the West Coast of Africa. But it will be possible to resume this service when the PRETORIA CASTLE and EDINBURGH CASTLE are withdrawn from the mail service on the completion of reconditioning of the CARNARVON CASTLE and ARUNDEL CASTLE. The new vessel at present under construction will complete the three ships necessary to maintain mail service on the pre-war basis on one sailing per month.

The continued high demand for outward passenger accommodation, and increased carrying facilities which will be available as soon as additional vessels are supplied us, will carry more passengers to South Africa than during any preceding year. The volume homeward traffic was also very satisfactory, although during the off-seasons considerable proportion of the available accommodation was unoccupied.

Passenger and Cargo Trade

Every effort has been made by the company during the past two years to provide accommodation for the waiting lists of people desirous of travelling with corrections, and the position has now been reached when the waiting for passage accommodation, whilst not mentioned, is only during the height of the season that the demand for accommodation somewhere exceeds that available.

During the present off-season there is no difficulty in obtaining a first-class passage to South Africa in cabin and tourist class accommodation remains unoccupied.

Our passenger trade is thus overtaking our general cargo character, and the few exceptions on vessels available by the vacant space on the outward or the homeward voyage.

Last year, as compared with our shipments of 1947, showing an over-all improvement, both outwards and homewards, although homewards it fluctuated somewhat and on occasions the vessels returned to England loaded with considerable vacant space. South Africa had good markets notably for the United Kingdom, Canada, the United States of America, and Australia. Trade continued on a large scale throughout the year. The volume of cargo moving from the United Kingdom to South Africa was adversely affected by the exchange control imposed by the Union Government of South Africa at the end of 1948.

As is well known, in order to correct the Union's exchange position measures have been taken by the South African Government to restrict exports from

all areas, sterling and non-sterling, with the result that, as from July 1, 1949, the volume of imports will be further limited and their nature controlled. This implies some overseas trade concessions. It is gratifying to know, however, that the Minister of Economic Affairs has stated that the Union Government does not intend to retain import restrictions any longer than is absolutely essential.

These restrictions have some necessity by reason of the difficulties which the Union is experiencing in bridging the gap in her overseas balance of payments. In Great Britain we have a similar difficulty, and can better appreciate the position on which the Government and the people of the Union find themselves, and the efforts which they are making to resolve the problem. The most satisfactory solution would be an increase in the volume of exports from South Africa, and I do not doubt that every endeavour will be made towards this end.

Port Congestion

Congestion at ports of East Portuguese East, and South Africa was again experienced, 1948 being the most difficult post-war year in this respect, but happily the position is now easier. The improvement is in a small measure due to the special efforts which have been made to clear cargo away from the ports concerned, and I think we should record our appreciation of the efficient manner in which the South African Railways and Harbours Administration are coping with this difficult problem.

In the United Kingdom our experience in cargo handling has been rather better than in the previous year or three years, with the exception of the coal strike, to London, but summer delays to our vessels in this port arose principally from the protracted time now required to carry out normal ship repairs. Not only do these repairs occupy longer, but they cost several times as much as before the war.

At the annual meeting of the company's shareholders last year and in 1947 I referred to the proposal to transfer our mail vessel operations to the new docks at Southampton, after improved facilities for handling passengers and cargo have been provided. Unfortunately, owing to the restrictions imposed upon various capital projects no progress was made during 1948, but we have recently been advised that the first part of the scheme, for the erection of shed and warehouse facilities in the new berth, has been officially approved, and the remaining preparations are proceeding as speedily as possible for starting the work.

As has been the experience over many years, the services of shipping lines operating between London and the Durban port, and deferred repairs, and so forth, cost us much more than originally estimated.

The general situation to the upward trend of operating costs, which has been to become evident in the past six months since the turn of the year,

Chairman Visits South Africa

During 1948 I made two brief visits to the Union of South Africa, and on the second occasion had the privilege of meeting Dr. the Hon. D. F. Malan, who had just assumed office as Prime Minister, and most of his colleagues in the Cabinet. I feel that the opportunities which were afforded of discussing matters of mutual interest to the Union Government and to this company were of great value.

Satisfactory arrangements were made for the termination of the special immigrant service, which, as you are aware, was a temporary provision made at the request of the then Union Government to increase facilities for the conveyance of immigrants to the Union of South Africa in the early post-war years, pending the complete re-establishment of the company's regular passenger services.

The welfare, progress, and industrialization of the Union is a continuing process which all well-wishers will watch with interest and understanding. The extent consolidation of the railways made during immediately after the war is at present taking place in order that the next stage in that great country's development shall be soundly based.

Developments in South Central and East Africa

While the temporary economic recession in the Union implies the retarding of some of the high rates which had previously been held as very important in reaching development in South Africa, I believe that this is a passing phase only which should not be viewed out of perspective. The importance of South Africa in the structure of the Commonwealth of Free Nations and to the world as a whole is becoming increasingly recognized.

South Rhodesia is making great strides in strengthening and expanding its nationhood, and with the other large territories in close juxtaposition it is likely to contribute increasingly to the economic well-being of Southern and central Africa.

In East Africa there were disappointments in the pace of progress in connexion with the groundnut scheme, but in other directions was slower than had been originally expected. I believe, however, that the bright future is before the largely undeveloped territories of British East Africa. A surprise will be upon the economic resources of these vast lands and extensive agricultural and industrial expansion seems certain.

In the present troubled state of the world, with the disturbing economic outlook at home and threatening clouds abroad, the prospects for international trade are more than usually uncertain, but fair organization will never in a more efficient condition to take its part, and we face the future with some optimism.

Chairman's Retirement

Sir Ernest Gurney, who has been a member of the board for the past 13 years and deputized chairman for the past nine years, indicated a little while ago that he wished to curtail his activities, and accordingly tendered his resignation from the board. The directors accepted Sir Ernest's resignation with much regret, and on their behalf I wish to express our very warm appreciation of the valuable services which he has rendered to the company as a director. Sir Ernest, always readily made available for the benefit of the company, his wise counsel and sound experience, as I am sure stockholders will agree, we are indeed sorry that he has for that time decided to lay down his duties.

In this connection the board have appointed Sir George Christopher, who is chairman and managing director of the P&O Steamship Company, Ltd., an immediate past president of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom. We welcome Sir George to our number to day, and I am sure he will prove his election.

Chairman's Address to Staff

Sir Ernest Gurney would like, in the name of the company, to pay appreciative and warm tribute to the loyal and efficient co-operation of the company's personnel, both management and staff, in the running of this great organization.

The votes and seconds were adopted, the proposed dividend was approved, the retiring directors were re-elected, the registration of the auditors was fixed, and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman, directors, and staff.

The price of sugar in Kenya has been raised by 7 cents per lb. During conditions have caused a serious shortage in the output of Uganda factories, and arrangements have been made to import sugar into Kenya from Rhodesia.

The Rhodesia Broken Hill Development Company Ltd.

Mr. S. S. Taylor's Statement

THE THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE RHODESIA BROKEN HILL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LIMITED, will be held at the Standard Insurance Institute, 20 Aldermaston, London, on July 9.

The following is an extract from the report of the directors to be submitted to the meeting:

The profit for the year ended December 31, 1945, has been dealt with in the following manner:

Profit after charging all costs and expenses	£568,556
United Kingdom and Rhodesian taxation claimed as a credit	99,424

Surplus balance of Unappropriated profits at January 1, 1948	832,132
	22,418

The directors have made the following appropriations	1,073,250
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Capital issue	1,000
Provision for dividends	100,000
Reserves	50,000
Retention of earnings	50,000

The directors recommend the payment of a dividend of 10% (10/- per £s. of stock, less income tax) in respect of the year ended Decem- ber 31, 1945.	536,250
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Directors' remuneration under articles of association	1,000
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Unappropriated profits of	£147,078
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The allocation of £100,000 to capital reserves was made in connection with the decision taken since the end of the year to effect certain additions and improvements to the lead treatment plant. The further £50,000 provided for obsolescence and renewals brings the amount to £350,000. The object of this provision is to meet the cost of major renewals of plant. An allocation of £50,000 has been made to the pension account for the year, a provision towards the obligation undertaken by the company in respect of pensions of employees who were over the minimum age of entry to the official pension scheme.

The proposed dividend of 10/- (£10/- d. 10/- and 1/- stock) was the same rate as for the previous year, and the cost adds together with directors' additional remuneration, amounting to £551,500.

Chairman's Statement

The following is an extract from the statement of the chairman (Mr. S. S. Taylor, CBE, F.R.S., F.S.A.), which has been circulated with the reporting accounts:

"There are several matters in the condition of the industry to which I would like to draw attention. The first is the considerable amount of building construction that has been and is being carried out.

As a result the housing facilities at the mine are commensurate with current needs. I would also like to express satisfaction with the excellent relations between the mine and the trade unions of European employees throughout the year.

"A question which has been the subject of some mention is the water supply which will be available to the mine when the surface water level has to be lowered for separation of the ore at greater depth. Reliable evidence on questions of water supply in a country such as Northern Rhodesia, where irregular annual rainfall can be obtained only after a lengthy period of observation and tests, because we have to provide not only for normal conditions but also for periods which occur from time to time, when, as a result of labours with rainfall,

there is a acute water shortage in the surface mining season. In the present instance it is too early to give a definite answer one way or the other, but the results are not reasonably reassuring.

It is mentioned that the board are well satisfied with underground work for the purpose of finding the possible extent of the known deposits, and has arranged for a geophysical survey to locate any possible new deposits. The geophysical survey has been completed, and diamond drilling is now in full swing.

"So far we have not had any indications of extensions to our deposits, payable ore which remain substantially as reported by the consulting geologists at April 30, 1945, and recorded in my statement attached to the directors' report for 1944, after deducting the ore which has since been extracted. Since then fresh calculations have been made allowing for an extraction rate of 80% in the case of 2 sides and 80% for 4 sides, and on this basis, as far as payable ore at December 31, 1945, were, payable ore, £660,000 tons, and sulphide ore, 1,018,000 short tons.

"The investigations of our consultants indicate the possibility of obtaining a better recovery of zinc from the ore which is treated in their making recommendations to us in regard to the 1948-49 additions and improvements to the lead treatment plant. These recommendations have been adopted, and orders for the new plant are being placed. If all goes well, the new plant may be in operation before the end of next year. The effect should be an additional recovery of several hundred tonnes of lead per month from the same tonnage of ore.

"The consulting engineers are not yet in a position to make a recommendation in regard to the extension of the zinc plant, as they have not been able to reach sufficiently definite conclusions on the related problems of water supply and electrical power, which require a considerable period of time for proper solution.

"The second matter is the new lead plant. The board has been under consideration the best means of providing the money for the capital expenditure on the new lead plant, which is to be committed, and further possible expenditure on the plant. It is not possible to give the exact total cost of the lead plant, as it is not known exactly what it should exceed £500,000. There is always other capital expenditure to be met, such as earthmoving, and the board have the sum of £1,000,000, £200,000 out of the amount, £1,000,000 available for the purpose of meeting these commitments. But should obviate the need for raising fresh capital, necessary for raising fresh capital.

"Operations of the plant are to be satisfactorily in progress by the end of April 1948."

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Vanadium oxide, V₂O₅

"Prices of zinc and lead were at their peak at the beginning of 1945. Since the beginning of March there have been successive reductions in prices. At May 25, the American price of zinc had fallen from 174 cents per lb. (227 lbs. 5d. per ton) to 11 cents (£101.2s. 10d.) and lead from 24 cents per lb. (£119.10s. 1d.) to 13 cents (£22.10d.). It was not to be expected that the very high prices reached by these metals would be maintained, and the reductions, although substantial, leave selling prices at figures which yield us a very good profit.

"The American prices, which are the best indication of world price under present conditions, are not necessarily the prices which we have to pay for production, which is sold partly in South Africa, partly to the British Government, and the balance elsewhere."

Mining**Rhodesia: Strelitz Hill Development Co.**
Annual Report for 1948

THE STRELITZ HILL DEVELOPMENT CO. LTD. reports a profit for the calendar year 1948 of £1,42,520, compared with £1,497,110 for the previous year. Taxation required £392,24, the capital reserve account receives £30,800, £50,000 is carried forward for subsistence and renewals, and £25,000 for pensions and after payment of a 10% dividend, £115,259, there remains to 16,000 shares £1,42,528, which is the profit for the year.

Sales of gold and silver realized £1,42,528, of which £1,36,710 was realized during the first half of the year, and £5,818 during the second half. The sales of gold were £1,36,710, and silver £5,818. The mineral reserves ready for sale at the end of 1948 amounted to 1,000,000 oz. of gold and 1,000,000 oz. of silver. The mineral reserves ready for sale at the end of 1947 amounted to 1,000,000 oz. of gold and 1,000,000 oz. of silver. The issued capital is £250,000, share capital £175,000, and current liabilities £1,42,528. Fixed assets have a carrying sheet value of £1,42,528, and inventory at £1,42,528, and current assets £1,42,528, including cash amounting £10,000, to receive certificates for £400,000 dividends from the Southern African Corporation. South Africa, £1,42,528, the balance being £1,42,528. Same day £1,42,528 was handed over to the bank.

The earliest statistical information available on the known area which have been obtained may be quoted. The stock market has been well informed of publication of the report. Earlier the year 1948, Mr. S. S. Taylor, appears in the "Groundhog" of the year 1948. The latest details have been given by the chairman, Mr. S. S. Taylor, appears in the statement of the chairman, Mr. Carl H. Davis, Mr. E. G. Grayson, Mr. D. B. Hutchinson, Mr. Cromwell Hobson, Mr. G. J. Pennington, and Mr. A. C. Wilson.

Company Progress Reports

Gebo—Gold production: 2,000 oz. of gold from 149,500 tons treated.

Wessex Colliery—Coal sales in May were 147,21 tons and sales £1,813.

£1,000,000 working profit of £20,883 was earned in May from the treating of 18,500 tons of ore.

Wessex—22,500 tons gold were recovered from 29,500 tons of ore treated, average 720 oz. per ton £1,808.

Emufield—16,62 oz. gold were recovered from the treating of 10,000 tons of ore during May, the average was £1,408.

Emufield—average, mine 100 tons ore treated during May, the cost of 151. Metal mining 1,000 tons treated, resulting in 1,230 lbs. gold worth £8600. Estimated price 14,400 oz. gold were recovered during the month of May, the cost of 1,150 tons ore treated estimated price £16,700. Depth mining, 1,375 ft., average 1,226 ft., payable 20,000 ft., 5 tons per hour. Payables 20,000 ft., payable 20,000 ft., 5 tons per hour. Payables 20,000 ft., payable 20,000 ft., 5 tons per hour.

Reuterstein—1,322 oz. gold were recovered from the mining of 190 tons during May, resulting estimated profit of £1,150 development, No. 1000,000 ft., No. 2,150, £1,400, 013 lbs. of zinc, 84,000 lbs. of lead, 17,11 ft. to 74,000 ft. values £1,000,000, payable 1,000 ft., 100 tons per hour, 1,226 ft., payable 20,000 ft., 5 tons per hour.

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Mines and Concessions in Rhodesia**Government Interests**

THE MINISTER FOR MINES in Southern Rhodesia, Mr. G. R. Davenport, commented in Parliament's debate on the expenditure of £1,000,000 in 1948—*i.e.* that the Government would abandon its intention to sell its private mining concessions without compensation.

It had been desired, he said, to allow the mineral concessions to continue to run for a further six years, at the end of which period the owners would be compensated. If the authorities' mining concessions did not agree to a price, the master would go to arbitration. In that event the arbitrator would take into account the value put upon it by the miners and last-charged rents.

It was during the preparation of the debate on the mines and minerals agreement bill that Mr. Davenport made these statements. He said that if the government did not wish to cause alarm or postpone the amendment of mines would be the appropriation of concessions.

Mr. D. C. G. L. Smith of Southern Rhodesia purchased the mineral rights from the British South Africa Company in 1923 for £5,000,000. The agreement excluded mineral concessions areas which had been granted by the company many years previously. These were the concessions areas, now in question.

Search for Oil in Rhodesia

THE SOUDAN PETROLEUM COMPANY WHICH has a concession from the government of Ethiopia to prospect the oil fields in the Ogaden started drilling its first well in the Ogaden. For the sounding in ceremony, the Empress of Ethiopia, the Queen of Sheba, and his second son, the Duke of Harar, the president of the Chamber of Deputies, and a number of Ministers.

Railways to Mombasa

EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA are to build the railway line from Nairobi to Mombasa. The line will be built in two sections, one from Nairobi to the coast, the other from Nairobi to Mombasa. The date of completion is not yet fixed, but it is expected to be completed in 1950.

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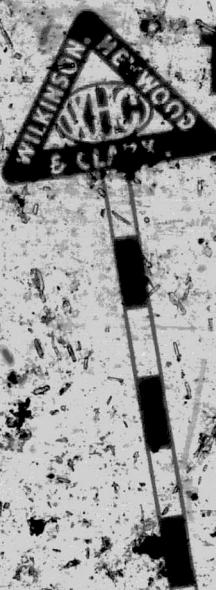
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This seeming contradiction - a snow-covered mountain within a few degrees of the equator - has done much to bring prosperity to the local inhabitants. The melting snows of Kilimanjaro provide irrigation for the coffee plantations on the lower slopes and from these plantations the natives of the locality derive a great part of their livelihood. Full and up-to-date information from our branch in East Africa covering the coffee industry and other commercial activities of that country is readily obtainable on request.



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