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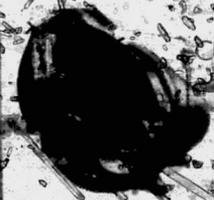


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## MATTERS OF MOMENT

**GROSS AND GROTESQUE FALSEHOODS** are being circulated throughout Africa, by opponents of the plan to federate the two Rhodesias and Nyasaland, and examples of the most outrageous mis-statements and un-doings which the United Kingdom public is asked to believe are recorded in columns on other pages. They reveal a common pattern — an appeal to practical sympathy on grounds of good will, mixed with the plain warning that, were it not bloodshed if Her Majesty's Ministers decline, as they will decline, to appease these apostles of isolationism and racialism, these mis-leaders of vast numbers of decent but ignorant Africans who retain their faith in the dealings of the white man. Have incited them to an unreasonable, unreason-able resistance to federation, the propa-gandists for black domination — for that is the openly avowed aim of the African National Congresses of both Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland — now tell British audiences a different story. The partnership which they have refused even to discuss in Central Africa is presented as a principle which the Sovereign Power has enunciated, but does not intend to implement.

The people of the United Kingdom are invited to regard almost all their kith and kin in Africa as leagued in a conspiracy to deny justice to the Africans whose leaders must therefore plead their cause before the humane British populace, and such is the instinctive sympathy for whomever that populace may consider an under-dog that the most flagrant travesties

are being accepted. The public here does not allow for the hyperbole which is a characteristic of African speech. They take at face value what purport to be statements of fact, however extravagant. When they are told that federation can be imposed, if at all, only by sending armies and aircraft — and even the Royal Navy to land-locked Dependencies in the heart of Africa! — they assume that the powers are prepared to persuade their fellows to defy all the fore of the Crown. (Incidentally, the more balanced men associated with such move-ments as Christian Action, Racial Unity, and the Africa Bureau would do well to reflect that it is usually under the auspices of one or other of those organizations that the doctrine of violence is being preached, and not always by Africans only.)

Speech after speech reported in this issue is the product of a psychology of violence, and white men have vied with black in giving expression to the most extreme state-ments. They are either so ingenuous as not to recognize, or so reckless as not to care, that they thus incite Africans to courses which lead to nothing but harm to Africa. Mr. John F. Shaw, vice-chairman of Racial Unity, told one recent anti-federation meeting that "Africans are prepared to lay down their lives in defence of their liberty" as if closer union were to be enforced at the point of the bayonet. Chief Maganga, from Nyasaland, evidently entertained the same absurd notion when he asserted, "You can send your armies, your air force, your navy and your atom bomb, but Nyasaland will never have federation."

The egregious Mr. John Dugdale, a former Socialist Minister of State for the Colonies,

surprised even his own strange standard Scottish audience that the so-called deal proposed by Mr. Dugdale in his *Talks of Slavery* is the main theme of the conference on federation which sat throughout the month of January — "is the biggest slave scheme which has taken place since the slave trade." Has he forgotten that it was the Socialist Secretary of State under whom

he held office who set in movement the present plans for federation? He is not to be blamed for the proof shown that Mr. Griffiths and his colleagues in Mr. Attlee's Cabinet did not believe in a nonsensical idea which Mr. Dugdale has voiced, and if he had such feelings, why did he not take the honourable course of resignation? Chief Minister's declaration that federations would rob his people of their country and take them back to the days of slavery is much less blameworthy than that of the former Labour Minister.

## Notes By The Way

### Federation White Paper

THIS PAPER, which will be published in London and the capitals of Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia, and Nyasaland, the White Paper giving the results of the federation conference which sat in this country throughout January. I have reason to believe that it is regarded by almost all the parties in that conference, official and non-official, as a marked improvement on the previous document. It is good to learn also that it will be introduced by a statement which is designed to explain the intentions of the Government and the background to it in detail and in detail to the general public. The omission of such a preamble on the last occasion (criticized in *EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA* at the time) added the critics who are not to be given that advantage a second time. The new plan, it can be said with confidence, does not reduce any of the safeguards for African interests. In fact it might well be argued that they have been strengthened.

### Knowledge of the Unknown

A SIGNIFICANT EXCHANGE occurred during a recent meeting of the Protectorate Council at Nyasaland. While the chief was protesting bitterly against the Government's proposal, the Government asked: "Can the chief tell me what he understands by federation?" The reply is thus recorded: "I do not know what it will be at all; but I know it will be a very grave danger if it takes place." In these words he stated the position of large numbers of Africans: they know nothing whatever about federation, but have been persuaded to declare it inimical to their interests. Ignorance, not knowledge, has spoken so often and so loudly.

### Royal Commission

THE ROYAL COMMISSION, some of whose members will fly from London to East Africa about the middle of this month, will assemble in Kenya at the end of February. It will, I gather, not take any formal evidence during this first tour of Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika Territory. Although most of the members have some personal experience of the territories, and have expert knowledge of some of the problems with which the Commission has to deal, Sir Hugh Dow, the chairman, and his colleagues consider that their onerous task can best be served by a preliminary survey tour during which they will collect material and make as many unofficial contacts as possible. They plan to spend some months in East Africa, return to London to study documentary and other information, and then go out again for so long as circumstances may necessitate. It can be claimed for this procedure that the commissioners will be much more likely to extract the best evidence from their witnesses.

### High Commissioner Retires

SIR KENNETH McGOODENOUGH retired last week-end from the office of High Commissioner in London for Southern Rhodesia, an appointment which he has filled most successfully, and from which he asked to be relieved on account of serious eye trouble for which it was essential that he should be spared all office work. Sir Mrs. Goodenough and he have withdrawn to a cottage on the borders of Kent and Sussex. Their devotion to the Colony which they have served so well is recognized in City and Fleet Street circles no less than at the desks in Whitehall, but none of the many thousands of Africans to whom they have ministered will, I think, have given greater pleasure than the letter and inscribed cigarette paper sent by four young students in London, a Coloured girl and three men, one a Matabele and two Mashona. If eminent Africans in Southern Rhodesia felt, as is so often alleged, that they were denied the treatment by the Government of the Colony which these young people have drawn on their slender resources for a presentation to the British representative of that Government. They, in company with many other people, will retain happy recollections of a most friendly High Commissioner.

### Cecil Rhodes Relic

AS I EARLIER SAID, Mr. Goodenough has bought and presented to the National Museum of Southern Rhodesia a court suit made by a Savile Row firm of tailors for Cecil John Rhodes, whose name on the original label stuck into the jacket has remained in the garment ever since, and Rhodes, the founder of the Rhodesia and Nyasaland, has now been dead for half a century. By pure coincidence the High Commissioner happened to discover that this velvet uniform still existed in "mint condition." So he seized the opportunity to buy it, and the Prime Minister took it back with him when he left London by air last Friday.

### Tanganyika Ill Served

YEARS AGO I abandoned hope of finding accuracy in references to East and Central Africa in several London newspapers, but the *Financial Times* was not among them. On the contrary, it has published many good reports from or about the territories. But that satisfactory record has now received a second sad jolt in a very short time. Recently I had to refute a number of allegations about Uganda made in a two-page special feature in that newspaper, misstatements so serious that the East African Commissioner in London, acting on behalf of the Government of Uganda, has had to ask for them to be corrected. Similar gaffes have now been committed in respect of what would be better to write in respect of Tanganyika.

### Political Misconceptions

TAKE THE SURVEY that the "multi-national nature of the white population, together with a highly intelligent Indian national group, has allowed the evolution of a new constitution which will be introduced in 1953, and which will assure equal political influence to each of the three main groups of races," and that of the total population 71,000 are Asians, including highly cultured Indian community." From those passages the ordinary reader would derive several erroneous impressions. First, he would almost certainly conclude that it is the Indians, as distinct from the Pakistanis who are highly cultured, an idea which most Europeans on the spot would reject scornfully. It would be surprising if he did not assume that a high proportion of the 21,000 Asians are highly cultured, whereas in fact only a small minority could be so described. Thirdly, he would be misled into thinking that a new constitution will be introduced which will give equal political influence to Africans, Indians, and Asians, whereas "parity" on the non-official benches in the Legislature is not to be introduced for five years.

### Damaging Assertion

THEN COMES THE DAMAGING ASSERTION that for the above reasons "it has been possible for the Administration to win the confidence of the Africans in pursuing their aims of gradual self-government." That ambiguous statement will be taken by most readers to mean self-government by Africans, though there is, of course, no suggestion of that kind from any official quarter. Indeed, there could not be, for it would conflict with the official policy of partnership and parity. Nor is it true that the confidence of the Africans has been won by the idea of parity. That conception is not many months old, and the confidence of the Africans in the Administration was certainly not weak before it was mooted. If the survey is unreliable on the political side, it is also unfortunate in some of its economic ideas.

### Kigoma and Mtwara

IT IS ASTONISHING, for example, to read that sisal is grown "for the most part along the Tanga-Moshi railway, and also in the Tabora and Kigoma areas, and to a lesser extent in the south." I do not recall a sisal estate anywhere near Tabora or Kigoma; but there are many important plantations along the Central Railway between Dar es Salaam and Kilwa, and of them the writer appears to have no knowledge. Coffee is said to be grown in the Ubeya district, when Mbeya was meant; the African co-operative unions are mis-called "co-operation unions" and "North Rhodesian statesmen" (which solecism Northern Rhodesians will not appreciate) are alleged to support the idea of a railway link between the Copperbelt of their territory and the new Tanganyika port of Mtwara. What prominent Northern Rhodesian has pronounced a preference for a railway link with the Central Line, giving egress at Dar es Salaam.

### Plea for Reliability

AND WHAT IS TO BE MADE OF the claim that "when Tanganyika became a trust territory in 1946 the apprehensions of the important mining groups about the future status of the area were calmed"? That statement might easily be used to support the argument that British mining groups would rather operate in a territory under trusteeship to the United Nations than in a Colony or Protectorate of the Crown; and that would be a travesty of the truth. British capital is reassured, not by the trust status of Tanganyika, but by two specific provisions (a) for continuance of British administration, and (b), thanks to the foreign, many years

ago of Mr. Amery, that Tanganyika may be joined in a fiscal, customs, and administrative union with neighbouring territories under British sovereignty or control. Why cannot a leading publication, such as it arranges special feature articles of this kind, select a writer who has brought *au fait* with the subject, or at least make sure that the article is read and approved before publication by an acknowledged authority?

### Initiative

CIVIL SERVANTS in Northern Rhodesia have received a circular over the signature of the Chief Secretary inviting them to suggest means of increasing the efficiency of the public service. They are promised cash awards for any ideas adopted, the amount to depend on the value of the proposal in terms of the saving of money or time or the greater efficiency secured. But words of warning are included: "It should be understood that this invitation is not to be taken as a means of ventilating grievances. Suggestions should be constructive and should be put forward in becoming form. People who send in a collection of moans are not so much likely to reap the reward of virtue as to suffer the discipline appropriate to vice."

### Immunity

PRACTICAL JOKERS, having thus been warned, will doubtless take the broad hint that the Government's initiative is not intended to be treated with hilarity. The recipients of the circular might have been expressly told that any sound suggestions which reflected upon existing practice, and therefore upon their superiors, would run no risk of earning a black mark for the proposer. Elsewhere in Africa, the whims of a Civil Service have induced a Government to institute some formal inquiry, but usually to assuage public anger rather than with the determination to introduce drastic changes, even when great waste of time and money could be proved. Mr. Stanley Gherrie, now an elected non-official member of the Kenya Legislature, could, I am sure, tell a most interesting tale of his inquiries into the efficiency (or lack of efficiency) of some departments in that Colony.

### Why Hurry?

ON JUNE 9 last the Legislative Council for Tanganyika Territory met in Dar es Salaam. There was apparently no plenty for the official record of the proceedings occupies 36 printed pages. But what might have been news seven months ago has lost that quality for publication has taken its too leisurely course. Not until January 19 did the *Hansard* reach London. I suggest yet again that there can be no excuse whatsoever for such dilatoriness in informing the public of what was done in its name in the Legislature. All *Hansard* printing ought to be treated as of the utmost urgency and it should be the duty of a Government to make sure that other work is set aside so the Government Press in order to avoid delay. The time-lag between the utterance of a speech in a Legislature and its publication in the official report should be measured in days, not in weeks, and most certainly not in months.

### Joint Board's New Secretary

MR. PHILIP BROADBENT, who on Monday entered upon his duties as secretary both to the Joint East and Central African Board and the British Commonwealth Producers' Organization, is a Yorkshireman, who after graduating at Merton College, Oxford, entered the Sudan Political Service in 1924, and recently retired while holding the office of governor of the Kassala Province. Apart from four years in Khartoum on the staff of the Civil Secretary, the whole of his service was in the provincial administration. The secretaryship of the Joint Board has become vacant owing to the ill-health of Mr. R. K. Winter, who was also for one time a senior member of the Sudan Civil Service.

## Mad to Reject Federation, Says Sir Godfrey Huggins

Position Fraught with Danger, if White Paper Is Not Now Accepted

SIR GODFREY HUGGINS, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, said when he addressed Press representatives in London last Thursday that the alterations made in the scheme for Central African Federation by the London conference were of great importance from his standpoint, but of little significance to those who were less interested in political affairs. Though the guarantees for African interests contained in the original document remained the same, the Southern African Affairs Board made the position much more sensible.

The chief objection of Southern Rhodesians to the earlier proposal was that they conveyed the underlying suggestion that the Europeans in Central Africa could not be trusted to give Africans a square deal.

### Influence of Domestic Issues

Asked if he was now confident that his electorate would favour federation, the Prime Minister replied that he was always an optimist, but that his Government was momentarily unpopular because there had been sharp increases in the cost of coal, meat and some other articles, and that might influence the voting.

On the other hand, most of the opponents of federation had paid lip service to the principle, though objecting to the details. Now they would have to declare themselves on a specific plan. It might be yes or no, or in all probability never.

"I am satisfied with the new document," continued Sir Godfrey, "but I have not been much worried hitherto, being convinced that the spirit in which federation was carried out was far more important than the details. The plan had obviously been a compromise, and federations are never popular because everybody has to surrender something. Canada would not have accepted federation if it had not been forced upon her from the United Kingdom."

An inquirer who asked whether he feared trouble if federation were imposed was told by the Prime Minister:

"If federation goes through, no; but if it does not go through the position will be fraught with grave danger outside Southern Rhodesia. The African opponents in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland would argue that the plan had been scotched by their powerful friends in England. The matter has gone so far that it would be extremely dangerous to drop it now—not that we should have any trouble in Southern Rhodesia."

"There is a lot of talk about the African being depressed in this Colony. Let me read you some passages written by an African editor in the Christmas number of his vernacular newspaper. A translation includes the following: 'In other parts of Africa this is a grim period of raids and riots and murders. We are fortunate. We can spend our Christmas free from fear and trouble. We are a happy and contented people. So much for your depressed Southern Rhodesian African!'"

### Mr. John Dugdale's Disgraceful Statement

When his attention was drawn to a statement attributed to Mr. John Dugdale, M.P., that federation, if forced through, would constitute the "greatest mass sale of Africans since the slave trade," the Prime Minister said:

Mr. Dugdale should see an alienist; he is obviously not normal. That is a disgraceful statement, and he could not substantiate a word of it. Such statements are extremely dangerous. Certain factors in Africa are

partly responsible for some of the outbreaks. They do not realize the inflammable human material with which we have to deal, and some of them, like Mr. Dugdale, are completely reckless."

To other questions, the Prime Minister replied:

### Two Extremes of Policy

"Many of us believe that Southern Rhodesia must not only link up with some other country to form a sound economic unit, capable of standing on its own feet on its own feet. If we cannot link with our northern neighbours, we shall find ourselves isolated between two extremes of policy—the black front of the West Coast, which is creeping into Central Africa, and the white front of the South. We shall have to go one way or the other."

The conception of an East and Central African federation is as dead as mutton unless we can get Central African federations. If we make a success of federation, there is no reason why others should not join in time. Indeed a United States of Africa will become essential if we are really to develop Africa."

It is only right that Nyasaland should be brought in. She has a long common boundary with Northern Rhodesia, and she is a densely populated country from which many Africans go to work in the two Rhodesias. She should share in the results of their productivity.

"Southern Rhodesia has always had to depend largely on alien labour. Less than half the Africans at work in our country are Southern Rhodesians, though the rest, from Nyasaland, Northern Rhodesia, and Portuguese East Africa, become semi-permanent residents. Yet the presence of many aliens greatly complicates our problems. For instance, if district councils and other bodies were fully representative of the areas, half or more than half of the members would be aliens. Accidentally, if the Colony bears any relation to the ideas of Mr. Dugdale, why do tens of thousands of Africans flock in from outside?"

"You cannot reassure the African chiefs. Think what those new in this country have been saying. Some of the statements which they have made publicly in Scotland are appalling. One even said: 'If a Native in Southern Rhodesia will not give from his land, he is shot'; and that was published in so reputable a newspaper as the *Scotsman*."

There is a widespread idea that the Africans who have come to this country really represent the African masses. The case of the one African from my Colony who flew over for a short time, claiming to represent the Supreme African Council of Bulawayo—which consists of just a few politically minded Africans. They set out with the idea of sending two men to teach the British Public about federation."

In Bulawayo there are about 50,000 Africans; and all they could collect from them was £10. That shows how interested in the matter the vast majority of them are. The balance of the fare had to be raised from Europeans and coloured people opposed to federation. That African has now gone back. When you are told about African resistance, remember that the mass of them are so uninterested that only £10 could be collected from among 50,000."

Asked why no Africans had attended the federation conference in London, Sir Godfrey answered:

In Southern Rhodesia the Africans told me that they would disown anyone whom I nominated. I replied that I would bring whomever they might select. That set them quarrelling, and they failed to reach any conclusion—not because nobody wanted to come, but because too many wished to do so."

### Press for Control

Is it not true that under federation the Europeans will be in control? the Prime Minister was asked. He replied emphatically:

"Of course, for they are the only people fit to be in control. Fifty years ago these Africans were sticking spears into one another, and they are not yet fit to take any great part in public affairs, though they have great possibilities and some already show great promise. They cannot be expected to become modern democratic politicians in half a century. We in Rhodesia take neither the West Coast nor the South African attitude; ours is a middle-of-the-road policy."

invited to explain a reference to the 'colour line' at the Colonial Office," the Prime Minister said.

In a general election there are, on the non-racial side, elected Europeans and nominated Africans; there is no common ground. In fact you have African officials, European non-officials, and Africans. We in Southern Rhodesia disagree with that system. We believe that it is far better that Africans should work within the party system.

In the proposed Federal Parliament there would be two Africans from Northern Rhodesia and two from Nyasaland elected to represent Africans. Because in Southern Rhodesia we have a proper electoral system, only two Africans for the whole of the territory, nominated by African voters and elected by the whole body of voters, divided into two sections, Matabeleland and Mashonaland. The European to represent African interests will be nominated by Africans and elected by the whole electorate being as one constituency. By this system we shall probably get good types.

"The intention is that African candidates must have 50 signatures, at least 25 of them Africans. Our hope is that, having obtained at least 25 African names on their papers, they will join one or other of the parties, and so come into

the system from the start. That is far better than running the risk of a colour line in public affairs."

Another questioner was told: "No one is going to pretend to widen the franchise for Africans. There will be an element of aristocracy in any Government in racial societies. Voters must earn the franchise, not just accept it, and if we widen the franchise too much it would let in some of the wrong type of Europeans also."

**New Chapter for Central Africa**

On his arrival in Salisbury on Sunday, Sir Godfrey said that the people of Southern Rhodesia would be free to reject federation, adding:

"Though the London conference has not achieved many things we should have liked, the White Paper is a really well-made document, which affords a practical means of union of the territories. Every one who is prepared to give the idea a fair run for its money will realize that this document affords the people of Central Africa a new charter."

**Mr. Dugdale Calls Federation "A Deal in Human Souls"**

**Campaign of Misrepresentation in Full Swing in Britain**

MR. JOHN DUGDALE, M.P., addressing a large public meeting in Edinburgh last week, described Central African federation as "this shameful deal produced behind locked doors in London," adding that it represented "the biggest sale of Africans which has taken place since the slave trade."

"How can this horror, this terrible calamity, be averted?" he asked; and answered, "only by arousing the conscience of the British people. This deal in human souls will rouse the British people as few things have done before."

Mr. Dugdale also said: "So far as I understand it, the whole of the African Affairs Board is being scrapped. I say 'so far as I understand' because it is very difficult to understand what is being done behind locked doors in London. If these proposals go forward, the effect in the Gold Coast, Nigeria, West and East Africa will be disastrous, and most disastrous of all to British prestige."

LORD HEMINGFORD declared that the doctrine that the British trustees knew what was best for the Africans seemed out of date and conflicted with the United Nations Charter.

**Land Robbery Allegation Repeated**

PARAMOUNT CHIEF MIMBERWA told a Press conference, according to the *Scottsman*, that federation would rob the people of Nyasaland of their country and take them back to the days of slavery. With the statement that three-quarters of the Africans of the country were Christians, he coupled the assertion that "some of the missionaries who are on our side against federation are now becoming enemies of the Government."

CHIEF KUNTAJA alleged that in Southern Rhodesia the Government had threatened to shoot Africans who refused to obey an order removing them from settlements they had occupied for many years. People were being shifted 320 miles from their homes to places where the nearest water supply was 20 miles away.

A paramount chief was stated to have said that the European district officer for Mzimba "tried to persuade me by moral intimidation not to express anti-federation views." The report continued:

"He began threatening me and said: 'You are the paramount chief and a very important man, and you must be very careful. The Governor and the Government are watching you because you are the leader. The Government does not like you to listen to what the African Congress men are talking about.'

"If it comes to the notice of the Government that you, as a paramount chief, are objecting to federation, the Government might put you in trouble. The Government can easily imprison you or dispose you."

The chief continued: "My reply was that 'I would rather be shot than go to prison, and it would be better for the Government to shoot me because immediately I left prison I would go back and oppose federation.'

MR. JOHN F. SHAW, vice-chairman of Racial Unity, told a meeting in Norwood, London, that to go ahead with federation would be "absolutely sticking our necks out," since there were six million Africans against it in territories with only 230,000 whites. He asserted that "there is no doubt that the Africans are prepared to lay down their lives in defence of their liberty."

**Grave Charge Against Officials**

COMMANDER T. FOX PHU, until recently a provincial commissioner in Northern Rhodesia, said at the same meeting that he believed that the Colonial officials who had believed that the White Paper plan would secure good conditions for Africans now felt that the safeguards had been so whittled down that nothing much of them was left; but, not being able to admit that they had made a mistake, they must go forward with the scheme. Any charge of intimidation by Africans of other Africans in order to make them oppose federation was completely untrue.

MR. A. L. MACMILLAN, a C.O. in Southern Rhodesia, said in Glasgow that federation offered the last chance of partnership between the black and white races.

According to the *Edinburgh Evening Dispatch*, MR. B. W. M. PHIRI, one of the interpreters accompanying the African chiefs, told journalists that he had been dismissed from a Government position because he opposed federation.

The *Edinburgh Evening News* of the same day reported that Nyasaland chiefs had made allegations of intimidation of Africans by Government officials in an attempt to force them to accept federation, and of the dismissal of Government employees who did not support the proposal.

PARAMOUNT CHIEF MIMBERWA was recorded as saying that federation was being forced upon an African population which was unanimously against it, and that they "were beginning to doubt the integrity of the British Government."

DR. M. M. BANDA said in St. Andrews that federation



# Unreasonable Interference from London in Kenya

## Mr. Wilson in Parliamentary Statement on Emergency Plans

MR. WILSON was speaking in the Commons on the subject of the emergency plans for Kenya.

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"The Government have been developing. On Monday, the Governor announced the appointment of a senior officer, specially selected for the purpose, as Deputy Military Governor of Kenya. Mr. Kimbault is his personal staff officer in charge of the emergency.

He explained the duties of the officer and the Governor. The powers of the Governor of Kenya are closely similar to those of the High Commissioner in Malaya. In Malaya, the High Commissioner is the supreme authority. In Kenya, he has a deputy on the civil side.

The supreme authority is the Governor, and he has a deputy staff officer, who is charged with the duty of supervising the military and police forces. The Deputy Military Governor's deputy on the civil side is Mr. Kimbault, who acts in his name in the military and police matters.

The Governor has set up an emergency Defence Council, which will advise him on emergency measures. The responsibility for the Defence is being transferred from the Attorney-General to the Secretary, so that the latter can concentrate on the other duties of his office, which have greatly increased.

Under the Emergency Powers (Orders) Act, 1949, the Governor may make such regulations as appear to him to be necessary or expedient for securing the public safety, the defence of the territory, the maintenance of public order, and the suppression of mutiny, rebellion and riot, and for maintaining supplies and services essential to the life of the community.

Since my last statement a number of new regulations have been made by the Governor under these emergency powers. These include the introduction of the death penalty for the administration of the Mau Mau oath in cases where the oath contains a promise to kill. The powers which the Governor has are comprehensive, and he will continue to have my full support in exercising them.

### Remote Control Unsatisfactory in Emergency

"I know in Kenya some criticism by the Europeans is understandable, for they are under great strain of what is called 'colonial Office control'. But it is, with the exception of the Mau Mau Government in the United Kingdom, the same Her Majesty's Government and Parliament which are responsible. We must retain ultimate control, but I am under no illusion that an emergency of this kind can be handled in detail by someone 7,000 miles away.

"I can assure the House that there has been and will be no unreasonable interference from London and no undue delay in dealing with those matters of money on which consultation may prove to be necessary.

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# Anti-Apartheid Speeches at Christian Action Meeting

## Mr. James Grimms on Vital Emergence of African Nationalism

THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT frequently repeated themselves in the Central Hall Westminster on Monday evening which was crowded by about 1,200 people to give to a young African student from the A.I.R.C. the most numerous and enthusiastic references to the State of South Africa.

Mr. Michael Scott, Mr. James Grimms, M.P., Lady Falkenberg, and Mr. Victor Gollancz, who had been invited under the title of Africa Circle.

Mr. Gollancz said that the African resistance campaign of Africans in the Colonies, now joined by a few Europeans and Asians, might produce a new pattern for African resistance to racial discrimination everywhere.

THE REV. MICHAEL SCOTT said, "Apartheid" threatens to spread from the Union to parts of Africa for which Britain is responsible. This arrogant mythological doctrine of race supremacy has done more to harm the people of Africa than any other force. White civilization for Africa South of the Sahara is found only in Britain, from Kenya to the Congo.

In Central Africa and in London constitutional lawyers are trying to devise a system of apartheid which will transfer the real power to the minorities and undermine the membership of Great Britain to the continent. The leading Africans in the world have said that the end of the apartheid system is the only way to the future.

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a tiny minority are engaged in it and give expression to it. Every great movement began with a few men. This is a movement of a few of the educated or half-educated and does not touch the mass. That is true, but nationalism is emerging.

It is not that I talk too much with the political leaders. I should go to the front and see the real Africa. We were not content to let Africa say in the bush what we have done is responsible for this state of affairs.

### Forces Lapsed by Europeans

We have taken our devoted services—and hundreds of other people have served Africa with real devotion—our skills and knowledge, and because they have saved human life, at a fast rate than food production has increased there are problems of poverty and land-hunger. The "good old days" in this country, were largely bought at the price of African poverty. Our capital has transformed many of our people of Africans into wage-earners, urban dwellers and wage proletarians. The forces we have let loose are breaking their organizations before we have integrated them into our own.

Our religion, the world's greatest dynamic force, has been degraded to this awakening nationalism before which we have no alternative. Our job is welcome, its price is high, and it needs assistance—help channels it in constructive aims, and make ourselves the partner of this new force. If we can prevent it and seek to limit it by denying it the opportunity of expression in constitutions and institutions, I believe that any attempt to do so is destined to fail for the human spirit cannot be imprisoned, and that if we try to do so, we shall be condemned to failure.

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...the white communities of British Africa (and Rhodesia) are indeed to be envied them (applause), but it is worth doing because good relations between white, black, and brown peoples are a complete change of attitude on the part of the white community (applause).

MR VICTOR COLLIER declared nationalism to be extremely bad because it cut up humanity into separate compartments.

One of the leaflets advertising the meeting, headed "Christian Action", stated:

"Events are moving towards a climax in Africa, and this climax to be a triumph for Arab-Muslimism or a vindication of the Christian way of life."

### United Central Africa Association

In response to the demand for the organization for the freedom of the United Central Africa Association, the following members in this country are Lord Almonchy, the Rt Hon. Leopold Amery, Lady Baden-Powell, Sir Alfred Bell, Mr. Alan Bullock, Professor Frank Debenham, Sir Marston Logan, General Sir Bernard Paget, Colonel C. E. Pensonby, and Sir Stephen P. ...

The members of the London Committee are Lord Milverton (chairman), Mrs. A. Fawcus, Prince Y. Galitzine, Mr. Alistair Gibb, Major Lewis Hastings, Mr. E. S. Johnson, Colonel the Hon. Ronald Plunket, the Hon. Mrs. Charles Pensonby, and Mr. J. H. Wallace (secretary).

The president of the Association is Sir Godfrey Huggins, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia. The vice-presidents in Africa are Messrs. Roy Wolensky and C. B. Beckett representing Northern Rhodesia, M. P. Barrow and G. G. S. J. Hadlow representing Nyasaland, and R. M. Cleveland, Southern Rhodesia.

### Central African Federation Conference Loyal Message to The Queen

AT THE FINAL PLENARY MEETING on January 29 of the London conference on Central African federation the delegates adopted the following resolution, which was conveyed to Her Majesty:

"We, the representatives of the Governments of the United Kingdom, Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia, and Nyasaland, assembled in conference in London, respectfully desire on behalf of ourselves and the peoples of our countries in respect to Your Majesty our sincere wishes and desires for Your Throne and Person and to the Royal Family, and we fervently hope that Your Majesty may in peace and happiness long reign over us, and that the great powers we will strive to maintain and the great traditions of justice in the British Empire may be the cause of world peace and order."

### The League Related to the Secretariat Commonwealth Relations

It is most grateful if you will be pleased to be invited to the Conference of Commonwealth Central Africa, which appears to be the King and Queen to meet them at the end of the month. I earnestly hope that the delegates will be able to follow up arrangements for the establishment of a body and committee.

### Deep Sea Fishing

DR. J. L. BOSCH, Professor of Zoology at Rhodes University, South Africa, who has been visiting the East African coast, has said that the prospects of deep-sea fishing would always be better if there was a world scope for the development of a market for deep-sea surimi, a fishery product which is a spreadable fishmeal and has a wide range of uses. He said that the development of this type of fishery would require the services of experts on this type of fishery, such as African, the trade.

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**Obituary**

**General Sir Reginald Wingate**  
**Governor of the Sudan**

GENERAL SIR REGINALD WINGATE, Bt., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., first Governor-General of the Sudan, died at his home, Lord Kitchener's succession as Governor-General of the Sudan, at his residence, 10, Grosvenor Gardens, London, on the 11th inst.

General Wingate was born in Africa and was a member of the Sudan Club. He was recognized as one of the outstanding men of his generation in the Sudan, and his name is associated with the Sudan's history.

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**Professor G. D. Hale Carpenter**  
**Studies of Tsetse Fly in Uganda**

PROFESSOR G. D. HALE CARPENTER, since 1946 Professor of Entomology and previously for 15 years Professor of Zoology (Entomology) at Oxford, who has died at the age of 70, joined the Uganda Medical Service in 1910 and was a senior official under the auspices of the Uganda Society to make a prolonged study of the tsetse fly in the Sudan. He was a member of the Uganda Society and was a member of the Uganda Society. He was a member of the Uganda Society and was a member of the Uganda Society.

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Tribute to Sir Evelyn Baring and the settlers of Kenya is paid in the *English Review*, as follows:—

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For to praise it as impossible to praise too highly the courage of the Kikuyu chiefs, headmen, police, and other officials who have refused to take the oath and who have paid with their lives for their refusal is to give information. The best of them consist of a small minority and live in daily danger because of their loyalty. All honour to them. The praise is due to the courage and moderation of the community. We read much less about them in our newspapers than about the antics of Mr. Leslie Hale and Mr. Fenner Brockway, and it is unhappily doubtful whether, even now, their record in the protracted emergency is adequately appreciated by their fellow-countrymen in Britain.

**Lonely Englishwoman's Courage**

"We know of an Englishwoman well over middle age, who lives alone and has built up a herd of high-grade cattle single-handed. She is within easy reach of the Abernare Forest, a danger centre; and her nearest white neighbour lives five miles away. All her indoor servants and farmhands are Kikuyu, many of them old and trusted friends rather than subordinates. It was probably on this account that they came to her in body not long ago and confessed that they had been forced to take the Mau Mau oath, adding that deeply they regretted they were to be given their freedom. They would not disobey a Mau Mau chief if one were given them. That woman has not abandoned her cattle on her home; she carries on in solitude undauntedly. How many of the settlers' critics in this country would like to face that daily and nightly peril, or would face it with equal constancy?"

**Civil Service Commission**

THE COMMISSION appointed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies under the chairmanship of Sir David Liddbury is expected to arrive in East Africa in March. He was chairman of the commission on the Civil Service of the Gold Coast in 1950-51. The terms of reference read:—

"To review the whole range of salaries and conditions of the Civil Services, excluding casual and daily paid staff, of the East African territories and the East Africa High Commission, and to make recommendations paying particular regard to: (a) the rise in the cost of living; (b) anomalies which have become apparent since the Holmes revision; (c) individual and piecemeal revisions which have been made since the Holmes revision; (d) the retarding effect of the temporary allowance ceiling on salaries of £1,000 and over; (e) changes in responsibility during the post-war development period; (f) the method of providing for further changes in the cost of living; (g) superannuation arrangements; (h) the method of conversion to any new salary scales recommended; and (i) the date from which any new salary scale or other conditions of service should take effect."

**Northern Rhodesian Constitutional Talks**

THE SECRETARY OF STATE for the Colonies has discussed with the Governor of Northern Rhodesia and European and African members of the Legislative Council the need for changes in the Northern Rhodesian constitution. It was agreed in principle that there was a case for some expansion in the non-official membership of the next Legislative Council, both European and African. It was not possible, however, to reach any conclusion on the exact nature of this expansion until it was known whether federation would be agreed. It was therefore agreed that the discussions should be adjourned, to be resumed in time for any changes which might be decided upon to take effect from the beginning of the next session.

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# Sudan News and Comment

## Major Saleh's Strange Behaviour

A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT of *The Times* has reported fully confirming the strange behaviour of the Egyptian emissary, Major Saleh Salem. He writes, for instance:

"Alarm and suspicion have been caused among the primitive Shilluk by the news from Khartoum. The Shilluk Tribesmen listened attentively as their chiefs expounded the news for the south in the presence of the English. The people have twice been wounded by *Tuuk* (Egyptians) and *Ansars* (followers of the Mahdi). The English rescued us from the jungle. When there is famine the English bring grain to save us from hunger. They protect us from disease. Under their rule our people have multiplied and have been stopped. The English have given us schools. We are still ill and under-educated. We should not be made to cross the river before we can swim. The English have sent our small boys to school. We are awaiting until they learn well. After that I shall know what to do about our country. I want the English to stay and help us. We do not want to be ruled by the Arabs. If a man's wife is of good character she remains lifelong partners. We have suffered no injuries at the hands of the English. If the English must leave this country, then we must follow. Where the English go, we will go."

These chiefs, who spoke for some 20,000 tribesmen, only echoed the more authoritative words spoken by the (English) chief of the Shilluk tribe when Major Saleh visited Khartoum.

## Governorships Promised

"To this potentate Major Saleh said that Egypt had supplied money for the development of Northern Sudan and would have done the same for the south had not the British prevented her. He promised that when the British had gone the Shilluk and Dinka and Nuer chiefs would be made governors in the south."

The chief replied that before the British came three years ago the English had been excluded, but since their coming the English came no man had been able to leave his hut. Now the only danger was from the harassment of a stray Arab. The Shilluk did not want the British to go.

Major Saleh, by now very irritable, said that if the Shilluk wanted to go on being naked and hungry under the British they could, but they need not expect anything from Egypt. Similar news came the next day from Fort

Chief Lonluk, of the 100,000 Lartuhos, who came to-day before an audience of named tribesmen.

When the Arabs were here in the day before Sam Baker they took our people away and made them like chickens. The Lartuhos want the Arabs to stay away and the British to stay here and teach us more. Major Saleh Salem and the Egyptians came to us in the night like thieves, flourishing a paper in Arabic for the chiefs to sign. Most of them refused to sign, and some of those who signed were drunk, some drunk with sleep and none understood what was in the paper."

The correspondent added, "From what is known about the natural habits of the villagers it may be deduced that this is not an exaggerated account of the way wherein some chiefs came to subscribe to the removal of all foreign influence from the Nile Valley within three years. Other demands in the course of anti-imperialism. At the meeting Sumner Chief Lonluk's telegram was drafted to the Governor of Equatoria Province asking that the territories of Major Saleh's document be proposed and given 10 years in gaol."

## Tribe Suspicious

"There are no political parties or newspapers in Southern Sudan, and anything like a coherent public opinion is difficult to find. Most people who can express themselves are still in favour of a united Sudan, but the dealings of the northern political parties with Egypt have made the leaders of the tribes suspicious that self-government will mean northern domination of the south and have hardened them against early self-determination."

"It is clear that between them the northern political parties and Egypt have done a good deal of damage to the cause of a united self-governing Sudan. Much of this damage might be undone by a concrete assurance from the north that the education and economic development for which there is a strong yearning will be vigorously pushed in the southern provinces of an autonomous Government in Khartoum."

There has been a feeling that it was in that area that the Southern Sudanese tribes were strongest against the Northerners. The message continued: "In 1947, at conference in Cairo representatives of the south considered somewhat unimpressively the idea of a united Sudan, and refused to send representatives to the Legislative Assembly in Khartoum. There was some hesitation and

subject to safeguards, they need a well-considered constitution for the Sudan. It did not occur to the Northerners, however, that self-government would be a prelude to early self-extermination and ineptitude."

"The agreements between the political parties in Cairo aroused the Southern Sudanese and immediate protest by a committee of local leaders, but the Northerners' answer was to make the Khartoum agreement, which in its Sudanization provisions was still more objectionable. The idea that there had been a betrayal stirred up the latent anti-Northern feeling here and gave a filip to Southern nationalism, which is now expressing itself among the more extreme elements in the slogan 'Southern Sudan for the Southern Sudanese.'"

There is talk of asking the United Nations to designate the three southern provinces as trustee territory with Britain as administering Power. Such a time—10 or even 20 years hence—will be the time when the south is economically and educationally able to form an independent Sudan."

## Southerners Want Britain to Stay

The *Daily Telegraph* has also sent a special correspondent, Mr. Eric Rownton, to the Southern Sudan. He has cabled:

"The Southerners want British administration to continue until the south and the north are on the same level culturally, economically, and socially. Only then do they want to decide on their future."

"They emphatically reject the proposals being pushed by Egypt that the Sudan should ever be split into two and that all British officials should leave after three years. Many of the British officials are anxious to visit the south."

Despite the recriminations of the Nuri régime and the ambition of local politicians in Khartoum, the Southern Sudanese, so far as they are politically articulate, are opposed to Egyptian proposals. They want continuation of British administration for a minimum of six years."

The *Telegraphist* has referred to General Neguib as "a man of plain understanding that Egypt will not discuss no good faith in the Southern Sudan into decisions taken against its will," adding "the question is whether he will have the moral courage to survive the opposition he will encounter when he starts to act as he has been told to think."

## MR. DOUGLAS DODDS-PARKER'S Comments

"In the age-long problems of nationalities it is in the long-term interest of the majority to establish co-operation by consent. The final safeguards of the south lie, first and constitutionally, in the Ministers and members agreed by the Sudan Legislative Assembly; secondly, in the inherent capabilities of the Southerners, which education and economic development are beginning to disclose."

"The problem of the 20th century is to ensure the greatest extent of freedom of government while maintaining the highest degree of international co-operation which modern economics and defence demand. This problem is being worked on from the Sudan and Central Africa to the United Nations. Let the Sudanese take note of the experience of the U.K. For example, 250 years ago the English were united with their northern 'sans culottes' whose benefit has since the water will be discussed for assembly's sakes to come."

## General Neguib's Character

MR. BICKHAM SWEET-EGLI said when broadcasting in the General Overseas Service of the B.B.C.:

"A good deal depends on the kind of man General Neguib really is. He is in many ways an attractive character, the man of a life of professional soldiers. He has rather fought for Gordon, and his father was with Chamberlain at Omdurman. He himself graduated as a lieutenant in the rank of brigadier, and fought with conspicuous gallantry in the Palestine campaign in which he was seriously wounded. He has often been compared to Turkey's Kemal Ataturk, but though Ataturk was a distinguished soldier, like Neguib, people seem to forget that Ataturk had years of political activity behind him when he came to power whereas Neguib has never dabbled in politics till this year."

Now he is 51 years of age, a man of a very modest, determined, very hard-working, and obviously sincere."

"What happens over the Sudan may give us a sign of the kind of man he is. If Neguib does not accept the proposed constitution, I do not think it would be safe to draw any very firm conclusions about his character. But if he accepts, it will certainly mean to my mind that he is pretty sure of his position."

"If Neguib has the tact, patience, and good luck to continue as he has begun, he will firm up much to himself the sound elements not only of the old political parties but many of the Brotherhood itself. In that case he will become a real pillar of Egypt."



## Blunt Warnings to United Nations Colonial Problems

THE INCREASED ACTIVITY of the anti-Colonial school in the Assembly produced a corresponding hardening in the resistance of the Colonial Powers, said Mr. Bernard Moore, B.B.C. correspondent at Lake Success, in a recent broadcast. He was discussing the seventh session, now ended, of the U.N. General Assembly in which the Arab-Asian group played a particularly active part in the discussions relating to Colonial matters.

"In the case of the Meru tribesmen evicted from their homes in Tanganyika, the land distribution scheme, the Trusteeship Commission set up by the Assembly, is being criticized by the United Kingdom as the administering authority and calling on it to restore the land to the Meru, and to suspend the operation of any scheme involving such displacement. So we heard Mr. Lloyd, the Minister of State, tell the Assembly that it should pass the resolution, but if it did the United Kingdom would not implement it."

There was another warning from Mr. Lloyd on Colonial matters, when an attempt was made to establish on a permanent basis the committee which handles information about social and economic development in non-self governing territories provided by the various administering authorities. If the committee were established on a permanent basis, Mr. Lloyd told the Assembly, the United Kingdom would not take part in its work. That warning was heeded, and the proposal was dropped.

## Rhodes Centenary Exhibition

DATES of some of the entertainments at the Rhodes Centenary Exhibition in Bulawayo have been announced as follows:

May 30-June 13: Scottish variety, starring Mr. Harry Gordon, the Edinburgh Police Pipe Band, Miss Louise Boyd, and Mr. R. M. Curthbertsen, president of the Transvaal Scottish Dancing Association.

June 15-20: Rhodesian pageant, produced by Mr. Christopher Edg.

June 22-July 4: Hallé Orchestra, conducted by Sir John Barbirolli.

July 6-18: Sadler's Wells Theatre Ball.

July 30-August 29: Covent Garden Opera Company, performing *Aida*, *La Bohème*, *Figaro*, and *Gloriana*.

Mr. Robert Nesbitt will produce the cabaret show.

A portable, prefabricated theatre, to hold 1,500, the only one of its kind in Africa, has been completed at Bulawayo, for the exhibition, and the various parts are being sent north by rail. After the exhibition it will be used in Salisbury as an aircraft hangar.

The pavilion which will be shared by the Southern and Northern Rhodesian Governments, is to be divided by two great plastic screens, which will depict the arms and insignia of all the principal towns. The designer of this pavilion and its stands is Mr. Philip Bawcombe, a South African official war artist, who collaborated in the art direction of the film "Cry the Beloved Country".

## Intimidation

AN AFRICAN OFFICE ORDERLY has been sentenced in Lusaka to five years' imprisonment with hard labour for sending a letter to two African announcers of Lusaka radio station threatening to murder them for selling your brothers to Yengwe at Ndola. Evidence showed that Yengwe referred to a house on a hill outside Ndola, where, according to Native superstition, Africans were imprisoned before being sent to the Congo to be eaten. The letter contained the words: "You people, Capricornists, you are the people selling our brothers to Yengwe at Ndola. We are going to kill you. You are wanted to kill Nkomo and the rest of the African National Congress. You have received revolvers from your master, the General Superintendent of Capricorn. We are now waiting that our elders may give us freedom. You will lose your lives in the Lusaka area." In passing judgement the magistrate described the letter as a threat to kill.

## Native No Longer Simple Rustic

THE NATIVE in Southern Rhodesia can no longer be regarded as a simple rustic with a horizon limited to a hillside or a local "reserve," writes Lieut. Colonel G. H. Hartley, Director of Native Administration to the Salisbury City Council, in his annual report.

Led by men who had travelled, the African was fast growing up into a man of the world, with views coloured by a wide and probably cosmopolitan circle of acquaintances. Signs of the African's advance were fast becoming manifest in the city. Colonel Hartley added: "They were increasingly aware of themselves, and among the better classes there was an urge to play a part in obtaining a recognized place in modern society. Townmen sought escape from a past circumscribed by class hats and cash motors."

It had only recently been recognized that improved communications, in particular air services, had contributed markedly to this awakening. Many Africans now travelled by air to places once regarded as inaccessible, whereby they would gain an experience of peoples, places, and conditions which they would naturally compare with those of their homeland.

Colonel Hartley gave the warning that in other countries there were many examples of failure to recognize current symptoms and keep abreast of the times. It is to be hoped that in Southern Rhodesia we may all profit from the experience which has been and is being gained by other Colonial administrators and take steps to prepare ourselves to meet difficulties which are inherent in any administration by Europeans of the affairs of Coloured peoples.

The report selects federation as the chief topic which caught the interest of politically minded Africans in the city during the year.

## Uganda Cotton Industry

GENERAL JOHN BUCKLEY has referred to the *Financial Times*:

"As chairman of the Uganda Co. Ltd., which has been trading successfully in Uganda for 50 years, I strongly reinforce the views expressed by Mr. Meadows. Whatever criticisms may have been levelled at the cotton ginning industry before 1948 are to-day invalid as a result of the laws passed by the Uganda Legislative Council."

"If in the past the African had grievances in respect of the price he received for his cotton, the effect of the Cotton Stabilization Fund, or the fact that he was barred from participating in ginning activities, they no longer exist. In fact there is a feeling on the part of many Europeans that legislation in favour of the African has gone a little far and has been prematurely enacted."

"Any suggestion that deep-seated grievances or racial animosity may create conditions such as exist in Kenya to-day is based on a misconception of the real circumstances. To draw any parallel between conditions either racial or economic in Kenya and Uganda bears no relation to fact, and ignores completely the commendable work in favour of the African at present being performed by the Governor, Sir Andrew Cohen. The development of Uganda is gaining much momentum from the present Governor's attitude and actions."

## Inadequate Production

"Starvation may face Southern Rhodesia in 20 years if soil erosion continues at the present rate. This warning was delivered recently by Mr. P. Gordon Deedes, chairman of the Colony's Natural Resources Board, who said that in the Native area food production in relation to the area under cultivation was lamentably low, though strenuous efforts were being made to improve the output. By 1970 demand might exceed the supply by over 2m bushels of maize, 250,000 of wheat, and 25,000 of groundnuts. The Colony could not afford to rely on outside sources for basic food supplies. For every £1,000 which they saved by putting technical experts into the field the country would one day have to expend millions on repairing needless damage."

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# NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF

An attack on the Soviet Embassy in London now specializes in the anti-communist line.

The new emergency council in Kenya will consist of 10 members of all races, and will have a total of five members.

Beef prices in Southern Rhodesia have been increased by about 10%. Protest meetings were called in Bulawayo and Salisbury.

Tanganyika Legislative Council was assembled in Dar es Salaam, and the East African High Commission on February 17 in Entebbe.

Stock inspectors in the Somaliland Protectorate last year destroyed 2,731 fleas, 2,126 jackals, 130 wild dogs, 55 leas, 20 badgers, and several other animals.

## East African Derby

This year's East African Derby in Kenya was won by Mrs. Gladys Graham's "Whirlwind." In favourita, Captain T. N. DeBy's "Ben Hur" finished second, and Captain N. Graham's "Crusader" third.

The Sudan London Agency has moved from its old premises to the Sudan House, The Colonnade, Row St., London, S.W.1. The telephone number is "Colonnade, London," and the telex number is "Sudan 8080."

Unusually heavy rains disrupted communications in Southern Rhodesia last month. The Beas Bridge-Salisbury road was impassable at several points for several days, and a wash-away near Quebets halted all north-south rail traffic for four days.

Nine Africans have been committed for trial in connexion with the murder of Senior Chief Waruru in October last. Five of those originally accused have been discharged. During the evidence at the preliminary inquiry several witnesses alleged that Jomo Kenyatta discussed plans for the crime with one of the accused.

Mr. D. C. V. Watts, coach to the Northern Counties Amateur Athletic Association in England, who has been touring East Africa under the auspices of the British Council to give courses on athletics, has said that it should not be long before the territories send competitors to the British Empire Games and even the Olympic Games.

Centenary services in memory of Sir Starr Jameson, who was born on February 9, 1853, will be held in Southern Rhodesian churches next Sunday, and a week later there will be similar remembrances of Mr. Alfred Beit, who was born on February 15 in the same year.

Birth-day ceremonies will be held at Jameson's graves in the Matons and at the Beit statue in Johannesburg, S. Africa.

## Students Visit Commons

Students from Kenya, Uganda, and the Somaliland Protectorates were included in a class on British life and institutions organized by the British Council in co-operation with the Alexander branch of the Workers' Educational Association, which visited the House of Commons last week. Arrangements with the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. They were entertained to tea by Mr. D. Heather Amory.

Mr. D. Chaman Lall, one of the defence counsels in the Kayageria trial, has addressed an Asian and African audience of more than 1,000 in the Indian Association Hall at Nakuru. The subject was the evolution of India. With him were Mr. D. N. Pritt, Mr. H. O. Davies, a Luo advocate, and Mr. Joseph Murumbi, general secretary of the Kenya African Union. Mr. Pritt said that the capturing of an audience of both Africans and Indians was unexpected, wished Kenya a happy end to her troubles and co-operation of the three communities in developing the wealth of the Colony.

## Progress of African Air Services

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SALISBURY'S IMPORTANCE as a world airline junction will be highlighted when the Queen Mother and Princess Margaret land there by Comet in June, said Sir Miles Thomas, chairman of B.O.A.C., who has again visited Southern Rhodesia.

"Among the finest in the world was his description of the new Salisbury airports. The landing strip is 2,500 yards long, slightly curved in shape with good approaches from all directions, and necessary buildings just await the provision of large funds, and Sir Miles doubted whether a large amount would be available until federation had been achieved.

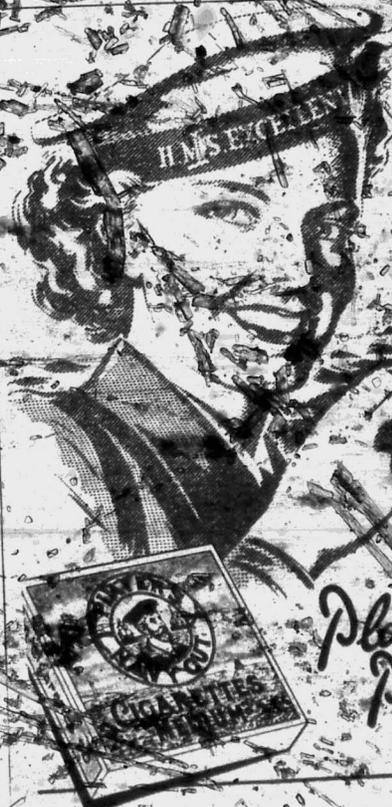
It was said that the Royal visitors' journey from London to Salisbury would take less than 15 hours' flying time, the Comet would be modified to Royal standards.

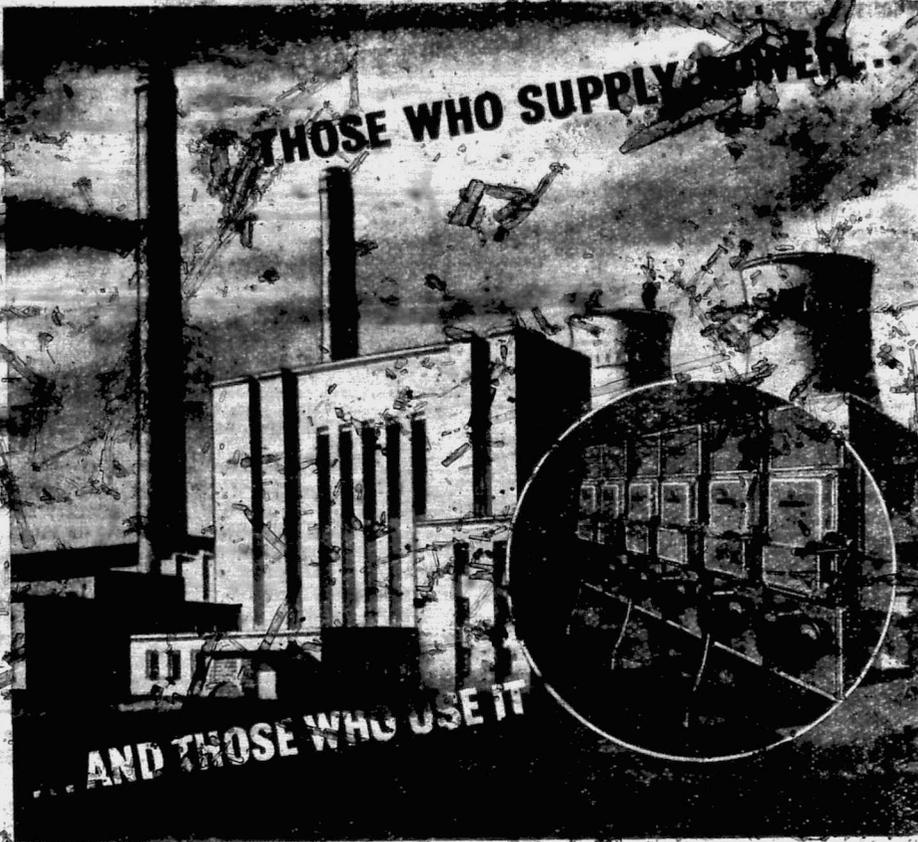
The new Comet service would probably be "forced" with an equal number of planes landing at Salisbury and at Livingstone. This was because B.O.A.C. remained under an obligation to the Northern Rhodesian Government to make use of Livingstone.

Sir Miles added that B.O.A.C. expects this year to run chequer services between London and Central Africa (in conjunction with Central African Airways) and to Johannesburg (with South African Airways). B.O.A.C. regarded Central African Airways with respect as highly successful regional operators, and was determined to give them as much assistance and co-operation as possible.

"The immediate future will see a swift leap forward in our services throughout Africa," said the B.O.A.C. chairman, "although clearly they have to be introduced on an economically sound basis, and we must avoid cut-throat competition or lowering of standards."

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MESSRS. BOOKER BROS., McCLELLAN & Co., LTD. have reluctantly decided to discontinue their sugar experiment at Alimenda on the Lower Shire River in Nyasaland. The experiment was started in the autumn of 1951, since when several unforeseen factors have emerged which, taken together, persuaded the directors that the establishment of a major sugar industry in the Province is commercially impracticable in present conditions.

#### Mounting Capital Costs

The production of raw sugar on a commercial scale entails very heavy capital expenditure, far more than in the case of any other primary commodity grown in the tropics; and during the last 18 months its cost of manufacture has risen materially in most of the factors. The directors' estimates of capital costs have now reached so high a figure that the directors considered it doubtful whether the sums involved could be raised on the London market at a time when the United Kingdom Government's policy of tighter credit control and dearer money markedly affects new capital investment at home and overseas. Whereas 18 months ago a project of this nature, investigated and under efficient management, could have looked forward with confidence to obtaining the necessary financial support, this is no longer the case.

The world sugar position has also changed unexpectedly, the shortage of 1951 having been transformed into a surplus, and prices have, of course, reacted in sympathy. Whereas in May, 1950, the free market price of sugar—if such a price may be used for the marginal quantities then available—stood at upwards of £65 a ton, the present price of free sugar is about £32.

Against this background, and without taking into account the inevitable problems and difficulties connected with a large-scale industrial project in an undeveloped area, Bookers felt that the pilot scheme must be abandoned.

The picture, however, is not altogether without its brighter side, for the factors which made the establishment of a sugar industry impracticable may not have equal validity when applied to other industries. The trials at Alimenda have been naturally encouraging, the first results seeming to show that under proper irrigation the rich and fertile soils of the Lower Shire would be suitable for a wide variety of crops.

In view of that the agronomic results should be recorded in a form which would be of benefit to the large-scale development of the Lower Shire should prove to be a practical proposition, the Department of Agriculture will continue its experiments until the end of September next. To help in this plan, the Department will publish a statistical publication in connection with the experiment, and lend at free of charge certain essential items of capital equipment.

#### Inescapable External Factors

The Company told *East Africa* in Rhodesia this week: "It was a bitter blow to us to have to abandon the experiment at this stage. Nothing less than the inescapable evidence of external factors could have induced us to come to this decision."

It was particularly disappointing in view of the interest shown in the scheme by authorities in Nyasaland. The Administration and the Department of Agriculture have spared neither time nor trouble to further the experiment, and all the resources of Government have been placed unhesitatingly at our disposal during the course of the investigation.

Commercial circles in Blantyre and Lilongwe have likewise shown a willingness to co-operate which has done well for the future development of the country. On numerous occasions we have had to call on local business men for help and advice, and these have always been freely and generously forthcoming."

The holder of a liquor licence in Uganda may now choose to sell beer or wine to Africans. It is, of course, a matter of fact, this change being the result of new legislation by the Governor. Spirits may still not be sold to Africans, but, as recently reported in the *East Africa*, the Government of the Protectorate has undertaken to make representations to H.M. Government in regard to the international treaties which exclude the supply of spirituous liquor to Africans.

### Union-Castle Line Appointments

SEVERAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS announced by the Union-Castle Line are: Mr. J. K. Glanville, head of the freight department in London, to be an assistant manager; Mr. W. S. Candy, assisted by Mr. P. F. Lambert, to be head of the freight department in London; Mr. C. H. Speight to be head of the passengers department, in which he was chief assistant to Mr. V. D. Cox, who retired last month.

Mr. Speight joined the company in 1917. During the last war he served in the South and East Africa Cargo Superintending Advisory Committee, and was for a time chairman of the Chamber of Shipping Passenger Committee. He made an extensive tour of South and East Africa in 1948-49. He made an extensive tour of the company's routes in 1942 and 1943, and served with the Royal Engineers (Signals) in the 1918-19 war. Mr. Lambert, who joined the company in 1928, visited South and East Africa in 1949-50.

Mr. Speight, who has 38 years' service with the company, joined the H.A.C. in the 1914-18 war, and worked with the Movement Control staff in the last war. He toured the South and East Africa agencies in 1949.

Mr. Cox, who retires after 49 years' service, has held his present position since 1948.

### Kenya Exhibit in Bulawayo

LIEUT. GENERAL N. M. S. IRWIN, general manager of the Kenya exhibit at the Rhodes Centenary Exhibition to be held in Bulawayo from May to August, has announced that though £15,000 has been allocated to the project by the Government, more than twice that sum will be required, and that the Government of Kenya has been asked to underwrite the extra cost. About £10,000 is expected from donations, the acceptance of financial responsibilities for staging certain sections and from the revenue of the exhibit. An information bureau will be run by the Kenya Association.

H. B. Sharpe will be responsible for a Kenya garden. A farmers' committee will be under the chairmanship of Mr. J. Lipscomb, one on cities and towns of the Mayor of Nairobi, and one for natural attractions and sports of Mr. Mervyn Cowie.

### Mr. C. Collet Fined for Tax Evasion

MR. CHARLES EVERIST COLLET, an advocate in the Seychelles, of which he was formerly Attorney-General, has been fined £900 for tax evasion. Notice of appeal has been given. M. Andre Delhomme, French Consular Agent at a planter, testifies that he had placed £300 in a cream account in Collet's name as a grocery store and given him £150 in cash in payment for legal services. Collet was charged with omitting those amounts from his income tax returns. Delhomme, who denied that he had been politically opposed to the accused, gave evidence that Collet had informed him that his fee for legal services would be £300, and that he wanted another £150 in cash as part of the first named sum which was to be in income tax.

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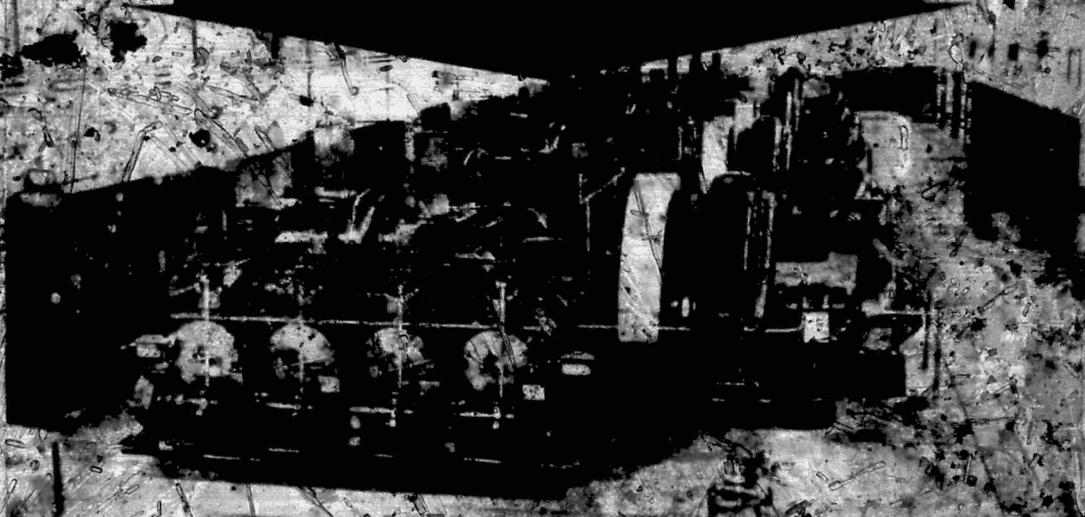
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