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Dairy Expert

1919

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Previous Paper

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Recommends Mr. D. Wilson. Gives qualification. States concern with farmhouse method of curing bacon but not with the factory way.

Major Parkinson

I doubt whether a study of the factory system of bacon curing is necessary - perhaps your knowledge of E.A. conditions will enable you to say. Subject to this I think we might write to Mr. Wilson to the effect that the B. of Agric. have suggested him for the ^{temporary} staff, stating a 1st class passage to & fro, duration of app't - 1 year actual residence - & 2 1/2 days full pay leave ^{for period of return voyage &} for each month of service; and say that if he accepts C.A. will be willing to engage him under agreement; ask for an early reply & how soon he could sail. Enclose an E/7a.

[As it is only for one year I don't think his age need stand in the way]

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subsequent Paper.

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at 10/10/19

1. But have they not overdone the
dairy aspect part? Truly N.
states in connection with 1914-20 let
that he has definitely changed the
title from app'l to "Dg, Dairy
Expert", so that he works with
riding of the work.

2. The age of Mr. Wilson is surely
too high - fifty one - although
it is one year's job, we might perhaps
waive this if M.A. passes him -
but I wd. much rather have a
younger man.

3. Two ought to be enough (plus
bonus) - he only owes £250 here.

4. There is the Highlands Bacon factory
near Inverness - but the man
who is sent out surely must
be acquainted with the factory
system here - it wd. not take more than
a week at the outside to send a
man for visit" here.

5. As to the 1st of April (1) (2) -
about 1 in suitable thing - I wd.
rather - I could suggest a
younger individual with suitable
qualifications - may that as it
present advised by Mr. Wilson
£250 plus bonus if M.A. (3)
(62) suggest all

Off. W. 6/6/19 etc

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BOARD OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES,

31754

WHITEHALL PLACE,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

26 May, 1919.

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Sir,

I am directed by the President of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries to refer to Mr. Grindle's letter of the 5th ult., No. 20106/19 on the subject of the proposed appointment of a Pig Expert for a period of one year in the East African Protectorate. The Department have made various enquiries and the most suitable man whom they can find for the post, is Mr. David Wilson, of 13, Milman Road, Queen's Park, N.W.6. Mr. Wilson, who is now 31 years of age, is by profession a farmer and pig breeder. He was employed by this Department from the middle of June of last year till the middle of December as a Temporary Officer for Pig Production at the rate of £250 per annum. He had formerly been in the Army having enlisted in October, 1914, and having been discharged as no longer physically fit for War Service on 25th February, 1918. The Board are not aware whether his age would be held to disqualify him for the appointment or whether he would be required to pass a medical examination. Mr. Wilson's service in the Department was in all respects satisfactory and he proved himself to be thoroughly acquainted with the business of pig keeping and as his experience covers a knowledge of the outdoor system, which would no doubt prevail in East Africa, the Board are able specially to recommend him. He is also familiar with bacon curing on the farmhouse scale, though not on factory lines. It may, therefore, be desirable for him, should he be selected, to make a short study of the factory system with special reference to curing under hot conditions before he is sent out to East Africa.

Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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It is understood that Mr. Wilson, though he is ready to consider an offer of the appointment, thinks that the remuneration offered is insufficient. The Board have no means of judging on this point and they therefore leave it to be dealt with in your Department, should Mr. Wilson continue to advance it after the full conditions attaching to the position have been explained to him.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

AW Anstruther

[Signature]

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14 June 1919

Sir,

DRAFT.

Secretary

of Agriculture

and Fisheries

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I am in to ask the rest of your letter
G 4435 1919 of the 21st of May, in
which Mr. David Wilson is suggested
for the post of Pig Expert in the

FAO. To request you to inform
the President of the P. of Agriculture
and Fisheries that the Govt of the
FAO has since stated that
the title of the expert is now
"Pig and Boar Expert"

The qualification required, therefore,
would be of a more
varied character than those of
a Pig Expert only.

disposed to think that Mr. Holmes
age is too high for E. Africa, and
would prefer a younger candidate, if possible; and
under these circumstances I am to enquire
whether the Board could recommend
a younger candidate with suitable
qualifications.

3. As at present advised, Mr.

Indian considers ^{as} a salary of Rs. 600

per annum, ^{in comparison} of ^{£107 6s} the salary of the selected

candidate, ^{arrived at the same}

for the staff

added at 53 p. 2

was arrived