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Prisons Department Staff.

Previous

see 23204/34
Kabile Infirmary.
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W. Crossmith 6/10
R. J. J. 17/10
Room 309 18/10

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W. Crossmith
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W. Crossmith 3. x.
Major Furse 4. x.
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W. Crossmith

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C.S.
Personnel Dept Staff
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Training for Dept

Govs. Deputy Kenya Feb 208 _____ 19 Sept 32

State provision will be made in 1935 Estimates for
Sept. at Kabete on salary scale £500 x 20 - £600 x 50 - £720 x 9
requests Mr. Paterson of H.O. may be consulted with a view
to securing officer with training in Borstal methods. States also
Maj. Williams who is on leave would be able to assist in
selection.

It will be remembered that in 1932 the
Govt. of Kenya, before proceeding with legislation
dealing with juvenile offenders, desired to obtain
information with regard to juvenile corrective
methods employed at Borstal and reformatory
institutions in this country, with a view to
ascertaining the practicability of the application
of similar methods in the Colony. Mr. La Fontaine
was instructed to familiarize himself with the
English procedure and to submit a report. His
report, a copy of which will be found in L8301/32,
has been considered in the Colony by a committee
appointed to consider the problem of juvenile crime
and the future of Kabete Reformatory. An advance
copy of the committee's report has been received but
we await the Governor's despatch.

Case 281 04/32

The committee recommended that the present
Kabete Reformatory, with certain minor alterations,
be converted into a Training School (i.e. for boys
convicted of crime between the ages of 14 and 19)
and that the Govt. (Prison) Buildings at Eldama
Ravine, which were closed in January, 1933, should be
utilised for the establishment of a Reformatory
School.

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The committee's estimates for the Training
School and the School at Eldama Ravine show a saving
of £169 on the present recurrent expenditure on

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Kabete Reformatory.

The Governor proposes to insert provision in the 1935 Estimates for the salary of the Superintendent, at the Kabete Training School, on the scale of £500x20-£600x30-£720 on the usual terms applicable to overseas appointments. This is the scale recommended by the committee.

As there are certain points which are not clear at present, e.g., what is to happen to Captain Wood, the present Superintendent of Kabete Reformatory, perhaps it would be as well to discuss the matter with Major Wilcocks, the Commissioner of Prisons. It will be seen from the minutes on Major Wilcocks' Promotions File that he is aware that he ~~will~~ be asked to assist in the selection.

Subject to C.S. Dept's approval? What to do re Wilcocks' reference his case on the 11th Sept & enclose a copy of the previous telegram. Advise that he proposes to approach the Prison Commission & that before he is, he should be glad if he could make it convenient to call at the Co. for a further chat.

C. J. ...
21/9/34.

I don't think we need delay matters by consulting Major Wilcocks

Pl. aff. S-1 for my sig. to Mr Alexander Paterson T.C. (H.O.), enclosing extract from this let (i.e. omitting first two lines)

Reveries XIV

Major Wilcocks tells me he is returning as soon as the new man arrives. 21/9/34

give him Major Wilcocks' address and date of return from leave; and say that we should be grateful if he wd. suggest the name of one or more suitable candidates.

Paterson
24/9/34

J. Paterson (H.O.) (4.1.2.0.10.100 lines) - cons - 20/10/34
27/10

3 J. Paterson (C.O.) _____ 29 Sept 34

Recd bonds W.H.L. Harrison & G.E.W.W. Bayly as being suitable for the post of Subt. of Kabete Training School & suggest Major Wilcocks should see them.

Major Wilcocks called; he will come up to interview Comd' Harrison & Mr. Bayly on Friday Oct. 12th at 3-0 pm. Mr. Paterson, to whom I have spoken, has kindly undertaken to arrange for their attendance & to pay their fares from Prison Commission funds.

Mr. Lloyd

I presume that there will be no need to refer this selection either to

D/Recruitment on the 6 Prome Brand,
we can proceed with the appt. when
Major Willcocks has made his choice?

P. R. R. 2/10

(I have promised to send Major W. a copy
of 3)

Prome Brand have no names to put
forward, unless Appts. have papers about
either of the P. Pelissier's nominees. This can be
left to Major Willcocks (his choice can be appt?)

J. G. 3/10/34

Appts Reg.
are there any papers, please
for the two candidates named in
no. 3.?

P. R. R. 2/10

Major Fosse

These are papers, attached, for
Mr G. R. W. Bayly. The information
available about Mr Bayly does not seem
particularly helpful to help him much in his
candidate for the present appt; but it
is considerably out of date.

Appts 3598

There are no papers for Cade Harrison.

Please see file of H. G. 1888, attached, in
which the position of Appts Dept in regard to
Prome appts has been recently discussed.

Appts 25910

? The choice between the H. G. nominees
may be left to Major Willcocks, as proposed

P. R. R. 2/10

Mr. Jeffries.

We have spoken on the telephone, and I agree
with the action proposed. So far as I can see there
appears to be nothing against Mr. Bayly in the reports
we received during 1922 and 1923; we have had no
dealings with him since 1929 except for one letter
from his father.

Incidentally I note with interest that his
father was in the Colonial Service and retired from
the post of Commissioner of Nicosia, Cyprus.

R. D. Finn

4th October, 1934.

W. H. Willcocks

C. J. Jones

5/10/34

4 To Major J. L. Willcocks (Wk 3) 010 9/10/34
Received by
Major Willcocks, the Commandant Harrison
& Mr Bayly (candidates
mentioned in Appt) & will write
to the Co. in reply soon. noted
Avoid his letter. 19/10
C. J. Jones 12/10/34

W. H.

5. Major J.L. Willcocks to _____ 15 Oct 34

States that he has interviewed candidates for the post a Kabete, records. Capt. W.H. Harrison to attend the apt. on publication, makes certain records in connection with the apt.

In London

I spoke to you about this & sent 3 drafts for your review. Affirmative. P.P. 17/34

6 To a. Peterson (H.O.) (Sand.) etc } 22/10/34
(etc 5)

7 Major J.L. Willcocks (Sand.) etc }

By air mail 22/10/34

8 To Kenya 840 (1. a. a. w. d.) cons 23 OCT 1934
6/11

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9 Governor Roper Tolson _____ 25 Oct 34

Agrees to proposals on NOV. States that Harrison should report findings on January 1st but there is no objection to his wife accompanying him.

? The appointment may now be offered to Commander Harrison - a Lieutenant term. The offer seems made it clear that he would be allowed to be accompanied by his wife & that he would be required to report findings on 1st January. The offer to be sent up to the African Commission (in London)

We should also tell Major Willcocks what is being done. P.P. 31/11

to the staff 3 weeks CAP

10 To Capt. Harrison (Selection) Bonus }
11 Brian Bonus (H.O.) (info in 11) } 5/11/34

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Nos 10 & 11. transferred to P.F. 51481 E.A.
Capt. Harrison apt. S.H. of Kabete Training School.

COPY FOR REGISTRATIO

REC'D

31 OCT 1934

C. O. REGY

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Telegram from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of State
for the Colonies

Dated the 31st October, 1934. Received 9:27 a.m. 31st October

No. 244

Your despatch No. 870 Superintendent Kabete . I agree to
proposals . Harrison should report for duty January 1st . No
objection to wife accompanying him

Amund (800 5748)

C. O.

Mr. Grossmith.

Mr. *Pratt* 19/10

Mr.

Mr. Parkinson

Sir G. Tomlinson

Sir C. Bottomley

Sir J. Shackburgh

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Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

3 DRAFTSKENYA.NO. 840

GOVERNOR.

AIR MAIL

Downing Street,

22 October, 1934.

Sir,

I have etc. to acknowledge

the receipt of your telegram No. 208 of the 19th of September regarding the proposed appointment of an officer to fill the new post of Superintendent of the Kabete Training School, with salary as recommended by the Committee on Juvenile Crime and Kabete Reformatory.

2. As requested, the names of candidates possessing the requisite qualifications were obtained from the Prison Commission, and ~~an opportunity~~ ^{arrangements} ~~was~~ ^{made} for Major J.L. Willocks to interview ~~the~~ ^{the candidate} In recommending Commander W.H.L. Harrison, House Master of H.H. Borstal Institution, Portland, for the appointment, Major Willocks has pointed out that the

candidate

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candidate holds a pensionable appointment in the Home Service and that it is desirable that his pension rights in the Home Service should be safeguarded. I propose, therefore, to offer the appointment to Commander Harrison on secondment terms for a tour of from 30 to 48 months ~~service~~ with the leave incidental thereto, on the understanding that the period of secondment (including passages and leave as well as time spent in the Colony) ^{shall} ~~should~~ not exceed 4 years.

3. Having regard to the fact that the candidate's period of secondment would not count for increments in the Home Service I would suggest that as soon as he has completed two years' service in Kenya the question of his permanent transfer to the Colonial Service should be considered. Should it be found that the officer was not suitable for permanent transfer or should he not desire to remain in the Colonial Service, I assume that arrangements

Cf. Nos on 2524/34.

C. O.

Mr.
Mr.
Mr.
Mr. Parkinson.
Sir G. Tomlinson.
Sir C. Bottomley.
Sir J. Shuckburgh
Perm. U.S. of S.
Parly. U.S. of S.
Secretary of State.

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could be made for the officer's return to England before the completion of the maximum tour.

4. Commander Harrison is married, has no children, and I understand that his wife is desirous of accompanying him to the Dependency. ^{Kenya} I assume that you ^{could} have no objection to this and that you would require the candidate to be available for duty early in the new year.

5. I shall be obliged if you will furnish me with any observations you may have to offer on the foregoing proposals by ^{telegram} ~~air mail~~ despatch.

I have, etc.

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(Sgd.) P. CUNLIFFE-LISTER

C. O.

Mr. Grosmith. *8/10*Mr. *Freeston* *19/10*

Mr.

Mr. Parkinson.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh

Perm. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

3-0 for Mr. Freeston's signature.

Downing Street,

22 October, 1934.

Dear Major Willcocks,

Many thanks for your

letter of the 13th of October from

which I see that you consider

Commander Harrison the better of

the two candidates for the post of

Superintendent of the Kabete Training

School.

Before offering the

appointment to Commander Harrison

we are taking up with the Governor

the question of the secondment terms

and the question of Mrs. Harrison's

accompanying her husband. I have

written to Paterson to let him know

the position.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) L. B. FREESTON

- 3 DRAFT,

MAJOR J.L.WILLCOCKS, D.S.O., M.C.

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PPA

Mr. Groosmith.

Mr. *Freeston*

See for Mr. Freeston's signature.

Mr.

Downing Street,

Mr. Parkinson.

22 October, 1954.

Sir G. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shackburgh.

Permt. U.S. of S.

Privy. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

Dear Paterson,

Thank you for your letter of the 29th of September, Reference A.1470/19. I enclose for your information a copy of a letter from Major Willcocks from which you will see that he considers Commander Harrison the better of the two candidates for the new post of Superintendent of the Kabete Training School.

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A. PATERSON, ESQ., M.C.

From Major Willcocks

(Not)

the friend of

Before making any decision

to Harrison
~~in the matter~~ we are writing to

Kenya, by air mail, with regard to the points raised by Willcocks as to secondment terms and the question of Mrs. Harrison's accompanying her husband to Kenya. I will write to you again as soon as we get

answers
reply

Yours sincerely,

L. B. FREESTON

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13⁵ October '84

Dear Mr. Friction,

I in received the two

candidates for the post at Kabitza on
Friday afternoon, & Committee suggested
that I should write you a
personal letter giving my
recommendations.

In the first place I am
very indebted to Mr. Patterson for
sending up two such excellent
men, & I found the choice
between them very difficult.

I recommend that
Commander W. H. Harrison be

Copy to A. Patterson (100) (6)

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afford the appointment in probation
on the terms already specified. He
has been a housemaster at the
Boarded Institution, Portland, for nearly
twenty years, & will be, as far as I
can judge in one interview, very
suitable for the job.

There are, however, certain
points about the appointment which
I should like to think on:

(D) The fact of a Superintendent in
the Police Dept. in Kenya is punishable.

I presume the necessary steps will be
taken to safeguard any English person's
rights the officer may have while
he is in probation in Kenya.

In the connection I understood
that he will be seconded from the
Home Office Service while he is
in probation in Kenya.

(2) I strongly recommend, in spite of any regulation that there may be to the contrary, that in the case of this special appointed Commander Harrison may be allowed to be accompanied by his wife. He has no children & there is an excellent man for him at Hakata. In a job of this description his wife may be able to be of considerable help to him, & I understand from him that she is anxious to accompany him.

(3) I am informed that provision for his salary has been inserted in the 1835 Budget, & I am anxious that he should arrive in Nagasaki as early in the new year as possible, so I shall be unable to start the reorganization at Hakata without -
 With many thanks for your kind regards -
 I am sincerely
 Yr. obedient servant
 Th. Williams

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Mr. *Fruster* 5/10 p.
Mr.
Mr.

Mr. Parkinson.

Mr. Tomlinson.

Sir C. Bottomley.

Sir J. Shuckburgh.

Permt. U.S. of S.

Parly. U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

4^{to} for me

9 OCT 1934



DRAFT.

Major J. L. Wilkes
D.S.O. M.C.

Lt Col.

*[Devonshire
Cranleigh
Survey]*

*Sp. afternoon to Mr.
Gyromith, to whom I
have spoken*

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Dear Major Wilkes.
I enclose, as

*promised, a copy of
Paterson's note about
the two candidates for
the post at Kabete.
Paterson is ~~kindly~~ arranging
for them to come to
the Colonial Office at
3-0 p.m. on Friday*

Oct. 12th — — date and time
which I understand is convenient
to yourself.

As I shall be away
from the Office on that day,
will you kindly ask for Mr.
C.A. Grossmuth, of the Navy
Dept., who is arranging for
a room in which the interview
can take place.

Yours sincerely

Wm L. B. FLEETON

Transmitted by Telephone Post, London
Transmitted by TELEGRAPH

A.1470/19.

PRISON COMMISSION,
HOME OFFICE,
WHITEHALL, S.W.1.

RECEIVED
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C. O. REGY

29th September, 1934.

Dear Freeston,

Thank you for your letter of yesterday. Four of our Housemasters have applied for the post of Superintendent of the School in Kenya. We can recommend two of them as being eminently suitable for the post. They are

(1) Commander W.H.L. Harrison, Housemaster H.M. Borstal Institution, Portland. Mr. Harrison was a Commissioned Officer in the Navy and acted as Physical Instructor for some years. He is now an active and popular Housemaster at Portland with a charming wife and at present no children.

(2) Mr. G.E.W.V. Bayly. He was an Assistant Housemaster at a Borstal Institution but is now an Assistant House-warden for the men at Wakefield. His address is H.M. Prison, Wakefield, Yorks. I have only met his wife once as he has recently married, but she seemed a very nice person. He has not yet any children. Bayly is a very good man with considerable experience of life. He is an Officer of the Naval Reserve and before he came to us had done very well in organising Naval Reserve training

L.B. Freeston, Esq., O.B.E.

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Answer 6
No file
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Worland
House
very a nice

among the men in South Wales.

I have no doubt you will arrange with Major Willcocks to see these two men either at your office or our's, whichever you prefer.

Yours sincerely,

A. Paterson

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Amended by [unclear]

For Mr. Freeston's Sig.

- Mr. Lobo 25/9
- Mr. Manning 29/9/34
- Mr. Freeston

Dear Patrick 8 SEP 1934

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- Mr. Parkinson 25/9
- Sir G. Taplinson.
- Sir C. Bottomley.
- Sir J. Shackburgh.
- Permt. U.S. of S.
- Party U.S. of S.
- Secretary of State.

I enclose a copy of

a telegram which has been received from the Governor of Kenya regarding the selection

of a candidate for the post of Superintendent at the Kabete Training School.

We should be grateful

if you would suggest the names of one or more suitable candidates. Major Willcocks.

Whom

DRAFT.

A. Paterson, Esq.
M.C.
(Home Office)

Tel. No. Kenya 49/9/34 (11)
(Dropping 1st two figures)

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Whom the Governor suggests
might assist in the selection,
is on leave in this country
until the 1st of October and
as you probably know
his address is - Newlands,
Cranleigh, Surrey.

(w) L. P. Foxeaton

