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19th December 1923.

Sir Herbert Read, K.C.M.G.,
 Colonial Office,
 London,
 S.W.1.

Dear Read,

I have at last received from Jones his memorandum about the Commission. I enclose a copy. Can you have this sent out to the East African Governors as quickly as possible? It is a pity that Jones has delayed so long sending it. I shall let you have to-morrow a dozen additional copies of the memorandum.

I am writing to Ormsby-Gore to suggest that it might be a good thing if the Advisory Committee could meet the Commission when they pass through London.

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

J. H. Oldham

Enclosure.

Enclosure in 2

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EDUCATION COMMISSION TO EAST AFRICAI. PURPOSES

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Secretary and Member of the British Advisory
Committee on Education in Africa; formerly
Director of Education in Northern Nigeria.

Garfield Williams, O.B.E., M.B., B.S.,
Educational Secretary of the Church Mission-
ary Society.

Secretaries:

James W.C. Dougall, M.A., of Scotland.
George B. Dillard, B.A., of U.S.A.

III. ITINERARY

- America: Jones and Dillard leave New York December 29th, 1923. Shantz and Aggrey leave New York January 5th, 1924.
- England: Commission leaves London January 16th, 1924.
- France: Commission leaves Marseilles, January 27, 1924 (Messageries Maritimes).
- Abyssinia: January 30th to February 16th. The Commission will leave Jibuti by train, January 30th for Addis Ababa and return to Jibuti February 12th to embark for Aden (Messageries Maritimes).
- Kenya and Uganda: February 19th to March 24th; Headquarters at Nairobi. Itinerary arranged by Directors of Education.
- Ruanda and Urundi: March 28th to April 15th. Route: Kabale, Kisumu, Lake Edward, Rubongera, Kirinda, Nyanza, Mbarot (Or Lake Tanganyika).
- Tanganyika Territory: April 15th to April 29th. Route: Uzumburu, Mwanza, Mbarot, Morogoro, Dar-es-Salaam, Beira. Arrive Beira April 29th for Beira.
- Nyasaland: May 5th to June 1st. Headquarters at Beira. Route: Leave Beira May 5th for Elartve Zomba, Livingstonia and other points to be determined.
- Southern Rhodesia: June 1-7. Leave Beira May 25th for Old Mtali, Mt. Silinda, Salisbury and Bulawayo.
- Northern Rhodesia: June 7-12. Kafue June 10.

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- Nairobi (Letters c/o The Director of
& Cables).. Education.
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- Salisbury " c/o Rhodesia Education
Dept.
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N.I. 61706/23 E. Africa

S.O. for Sir H. Read's
signature.

~~27~~ 27 December 1923

DRAFT.

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Dear Oldham

Many thanks for

H. Oldham Esq.

Your letter of the 19th of December
enclosing a copy of the
Jesse Jones' memorandum
regarding the visit of the
Phelps - Stokes Commission
to East Africa. ~~Kenya~~

MINUTE.

Mr. Peel ^{21.12.23}

Mr.
Mr.

Sir C. Davis.

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir H. Read. 22

Sir J. Masterton Smith

Mr. Ormsby-Gore

Duke of Devonshire.

*come
H. J. D.*

~~Kenya, Uganda~~

for copy
v. minute.

Copies of the memorandum
are being sent out by the first
mail to the governors of Kenya,
Uganda, Nyasaland, and
the T.T.; as well as to the
As. British Resident of
Zanzibar, which Protectorates
will fall within the scope of
the new Advisory Committee,
although I note that it does

(2)

not appear in the Commission's
itinerary. Copies are also
being sent to the W. African
Governors for information.

I note that you have
written to Ormsby-Gore suggesting
that the Advisory Committee
should meet the Commission
on its way through London & you
will have heard from his p.c.
as to what arrangements are being made.
Yours sincerely

I am sending out the memorandum
the S.A.S. is indicating that
in accordance of that minutes in
begin which does not do so
as a member of it and that his
report (if any) will be
the separate from that of the
Commission. That is what has
been agreed at our discussions.

(Signed) H. J. READ

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8 Jan., 1924.

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Mr. G. K. H/1/4

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Mr. C. Davis

Mr. G. Grindle

Mr. H. Read

Mr. J. Musterton Smith

Mr. Ormsby-Gore

Duke of Devonshire

Mr. McKean to be with
Mr. E. A. Dept. (vide Minutes)

Memorandum
(61706/23.)

to Sir
via
to Mr. H. Read

I have the honour to

- (1) request you to inform your Minutes
- (2) inform your Secretary you

that the Trustees of the
Phelps-Stokes Fund of
New York have appointed
a Commission to proceed
to E. Africa during 1924,

with a view to making an
educational survey of
conditions amongst the natives
of

of E. Africa. The Commission
will be under the Chairmanship
of Dr. Jesse Jones, Ph.D.,
Educational Director of the
Phelps-Stokes Fund and
Chairman of the Commission
wh. visited West, South
and Equatorial Africa in
1920-21.

2. I enclose, for
the info of your Ministers, (1)
your info (2)

Copies of a memorandum
wh. I have received from
the Sec. of the International
Missionary Council giving
detailed particulars of the
objects & composition of
the Commission and of
the itinerary wh. will be
followed during the visit

? 2 to S. Rhodes. Collected
? 3 to High W. - is it
triplicate as usual

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MINUTE.

- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr.
- Sir C. Davis.
- Sir G. Grindle.
- Sir H. Reed.
- Sir J. Masterton Smith.
- Mr. Ormsby-Gore.
- Duke of Devonshire.

(1)
(2)

to E. Africa;
3. It is understood that the
Commission desire to obtain
info also as to educational
work among natives in
Rhodesia and ~~South Rhodesia~~^{any area}
be glad if they could
be afforded such facilities
as may be possible during
their visit to S. Rhodesia
N.

(Signed) DEVONSHIRE

~~Mr. J. J. ...~~ ~~Mr. ...~~

~~Mr. Hazell~~

I have spoken to Mr. Oldham.

The Phelps-Stokes Commission will carry on their investigations both in Rhodesia and S. Africa - i.e. they will not be merely passing through en route for Cape Town.

Mr. Oldham would like to have N. S. Rhodesia asked to accord facilities in the same way as the E. A. Govt. He thinks that, ~~like~~ as regards S. Africa, the Commission will be in such close touch with Dr. Loran, who will probably accompany them, that an official request for facilities is not necessary.

W. H. ...
... for
N. S. Rhodesia
...
3-1-24

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1.1.24

? Then write to the ~~Govt~~ and Govt S. Rhodesia on lines of S. of S.

desp

desp. on 6/706/23/E. Africa and
ask for facilities; but I should
have thought that it would hardly
be necessary, in their case, to go
into details as to the method
of payment of Major Vischer's
expenses in E. Africa. (See para.
4 of desp. referred to).

G.H. 1/1/24.

The despatch read I think of
probably the first two paras. of the
desp. on 6/706/23 ^(with enclos.) ^{asking for a} ^{undertaken}
the Commission done to obtain info also as
to expenditure and any other
matters which should be given by the
country to which facilities are being
to be provided. It may be sent to the
N. Rhodes.

Discussed with 1/1/24
to Dept. for add. to proposed
action. It would cost from C.O.
point of view U.S. by way
at least be ref? Officially
by S.D. of the coming visit
of the Commission.

In that case we had also
sent a disp. to the day.
enclosing for ref. 7558
the minutes copy of the
"memorandum" from which
it will be seen that
the Commission propose
to visit the Union
in the latter part of
June. The substance
of para 1 of the Disp. to
E. Af. Ref. could
also be embodied in
the Disp. to the Union.

As I have said
the ref. of the action
taken in continuation
of the letter from S.D.
Recd of 27 Dec.

Accd.

2-1-24
I would rather not take
any action as regards the Union.
It will be the Province as U.
Trib before a British U.
according.

Stur
G.V. 2-1-24

EAST AFRICAN EDUCATION INQUIRY.

The East African Educational Commission to inquire into the present supply and future needs of education in East Africa in the areas between and including Abyssinia and Portuguese East Africa and Rhodesia leaves London for Marseilles this morning.

The Commission consists of Dr. Jesse Jones, Educational Director of the Phelps Stokes Fund, New York (chairman); Major Vischer, secretary of the British Advisory Committee on African Education and former Director of Education in North Nigeria; Dr. J. H. Dillard, of the American Jeanes Fund; Dr. Horner Shantz, botanist, lent by the United States Government; Mr. J. W. C. Douglass, of Glasgow; and Dr. James Enman Kwagwir Aggrey, of the Fanti Tribe, Gold Coast, West Africa. Dr. Gardfield Williams, of the Church Missionary Society, will join the Commission at Port Said.

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E. A. Dept.

Is it desired that we should communicate with the Govts of the Union and Rhodesia asking them to accord facilities to the Commission, or are they merely passing thro' S. Africa on their way home?

J.K. 31/12/23.

~~H. Strachey~~

~~Dr. H. Strachey~~

So far as I understand the intentions of the Commission there are to continue their investigations in N.S. Rhodesia & S. Africa, & will be glad of facilities. But I have no certain knowledge of their intentions in this respect. J.K. 31.12.

We can't answer this. Mr. Williams is going to R.L. The E.A. Govts

EDUCATION OF THE
Times AFRICAN. 9 Jan 22

OBJECTS OF THE
COMMISSION.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones, educational director of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, New York, and Dr. James H. Dillard, president of the Jeanes and Slater Funds, two leading members of the Educational Commission to East Africa, which is leaving England next Tuesday, January 15, will be engaged in consultations this morning with the Colonial Office. Yesterday they met the secretaries of the British missionary societies.

The Commission, which will continue the work done under the chairmanship of Dr. Jesse Jones, in 1920-21, in West, South, and Equatorial Africa, will investigate the educational needs of the people in East Africa in the light of religious, social, hygienic, and economic conditions, and ascertain to what extent these needs are being met.

On this occasion they will have the help of Dr. James Emman Kwegyir Aggrey, a Fante native, who was a member of the last expedition, and Dr. Homer Leroy Shantz, who will put at their disposal his valuable knowledge gained in his journey from the Cape to Cairo in 1920-21, with the object of studying soil and plant life, the results of which were recently published in book form. His work will be particularly that of determining the relations of educational activities and agricultural possibilities.

The other members of the Commission are Major Hannu Vischer, secretary and member of the British Advisory Committee on Education in Africa, formerly Director of Education in Northern Nigeria, and Dr. Garfield Williams, educational secretary of the Church Missionary Society. The joint secretaries will be Mr. James W. Douglas of Glasgow and Dr. George H. Dillard of America. Landing at Jibuti in French Somaliland, en route for Abyssinia, about February 15, the Commission hopes to carry out its work in Kenya, Uganda, Ruanda, Urundi, Tanganyika, Territory of Nyassaland, Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia and Portuguese East Africa. In the latter part of July Dr. Jesse Jones will travel to Cape Town and possibly visit Durban and Natal.

Mr. Ballantyne
Mr. Shantzley

See above is worth
while getting wanted a
contradiction of the
statement that Major Vischer
is a member of the Commission

~~Aggrey~~

9th Dec 21
SRI EAT
C.S. 12/11
I don't
Wed 11.1.22
then attach
u/11/21

To go by mail not later than Dec.



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December 1923

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for Lease No. 426

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for O.A.G. No. 252

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for DRAFT No. 1774

Ed. Affairs

for No. 725

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for No. 131

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for O.A.G. No. 886

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for MINUTE No. 836

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Mr. Peel 21.12.23

Mr. Strachey

Mr. A. J. Harding 21/12

Mr. B. H. A. Lewis 21/12

Mr. Ellis 22/12

Sir C. Davis

Sir G. Grindley

+ Sir H. Read 22

Sir J. Masterton Smith

Mr. Ormsby-Gore

Duke of Devonshire

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with ref. to my despatch

of the 27 December 1923

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(61706/23)

X. N. 6092

Education

visited ~~East~~ West, South
and Equatorial Africa
in 1920-21.

2. I enclose for your
information a copy of a
memorandum which I have
received from the Secretary
of the International Missionary
Council, ~~and which contains~~ ^{giving}
detailed particulars of the
objects and composition of the
Commission and of the
itinerary which will be
followed during the visit to
E. Africa.

3. The Trustees of the
Pheasant Stokes Fund were
anxious to secure the
services of the Commission
of the Secretary to the Advisory
Committee on Native Education
to the British ~~Technical~~
Dependencies in Tropical

(He will act, however, as
a member of the Commission,
and any report which he
~~may~~ furnish will be
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separate from that of
the Commission.)

MINUTE.

Mr
Mr
Mr.
Sir C. Davis
Sir G. Grindle.
Sir H. Road.
Sir J. Masterton Smith
Mr. Ormsby-Gore
Duke of Devonshire

Africa, and in view of the
valuable opportunities thus
offered for that officer to
acquaint himself at first
hand with the position ^{regarding}
~~of~~ (in East Africa)
native education, I have
approved of his ~~joining~~ ^{accompanying} the
Commission, ~~and any report~~
~~that may~~

4. The expenses of
Major
De Visser's visit to E. Africa,
apart from his salary as
paid member and
Secy. to the Advisory
Committee, will be borne
by the gov^{ts} of those British
(to be visited)
E. African Dependencies, ~~for~~ namely,
Kenya, Uganda, Nyasaland,
and the T.T., in the
proportions indicated in
~~the~~ subsequently to be
determined later, as indicated
in para. 4 of my despatch
under reference.

C. D.
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N. 61706/23 E. Africa.

15 January 1924
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Zanzibar
No. 4.)
High Commissioner

MINUTE.

- Mr. Seel 12.1.24.
- Mr. Kiffin 12/1
- Mr. Brahamley 12/1
- Mr C. Davis.
- Mr G. Grindle.
- Mr H. Read.
- Mr J. Masterton Smith
- Mr. Ormsby-Gore.
- Duke of Devonshire.

in favour.
in oral conditions
from Brahamley.

to Cap. Br. Resident LF.
No 131 of 27. 12. 1923

Education

With reference to my despatch
No 131, of the 27th Dec.
1923, addressed to the
British Resident, I have
the honour
etc to inform you that
I have now learnt that
The Phelps-Stokes
Education Commission
to East Africa will
endeavour, if circumstances
permit, to pay a visit
to Zanzibar in addition
to the places indicated
in the memorandum.

16/1/24
I have
copy to Res. I have

N. 61706

Uganda, Kenya, Nyasaland and Tanganyika
only

5. I have no doubt
that your Government
will accord all
possible facilities
to the Commission
and to Major Vischer.]

(Signed) DEVONSHIRE

enclosed with my
despatch under reference.

(A copy of the memorandum
was also enclosed with
the despatch ^{No 1774} which I addressed
to you as Governor of
Kenya on the 27th of December)

2. The possibility
of having this visit, and
the time at which it
can most conveniently
be fitted into the tour,
will be further ^{considered} ~~discussed~~
by the Commission on
arrival in Kenya, and
You will ~~be~~ no doubt then
have an opportunity
of discussing the matter
with the Commission

+ no. 61706

and also with Mr
Vischer

3. A copy of this
despatch is being sent to the
Acting British Resident
for his information,
I have, etc.
(Signed) DEVONSHIRE

DRAFT.

MINUTE.

Mr.

Mr.

Mr.

Sir C. Davis.

Sir G. Grindle.

Sir H. Read.

Sir J. Masterton Smith.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore.

Duke of Devonshire.