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As to the leave rules of the European Sucordinate Staff of the Uganda Railway, I would defer to the Governor's opinion and give up the idea of assimilating the conditions of service in their case.

Inform the Governor that we defer to his opinion and ? we can now send to the Crown Agents the memorandum of information to be given to Engineers (enclosure No: 2 in 161). Copies I believe have already been made and are in the possession of the Sub-Registry.

As to Second Officers in the last paragraph, I do not understand the Governor's meaning. They used to be appointed for a period of 3 years but they are now appointed for a tour of 30 months' service, like other officers appointed on agreement. When in the memorandum of infor-

information for Second Officers (enclosure No. 1 in 161). the term of the engagement was stated as 3 years, I thought it was a slip, and changed it to 30 months. But it appears that the Governor thinks that the term should be allowed to remain at 3 years. It is not very clear how he reconciles this with the statement appearing on p.11 of "The Provident Fund Rules for servants of the Uganda Railway". (Enclosure 4 in 161) that "The Leave Rules for Second Officers are the same as apply to all pensionable officers of the Railway, and can be seen at the Colonial Office". The authority for this statement appears to be our despate No: 225 of the 2nd Way and No: 396 of 6th July 1906 (See 21477/06 below) Pensionable officers of the Upanda Railway are of course subject to the ordinary leave rules, and according to this Second Officers would be entitled to the same advantages, wiz: 4 months leave efter 20 months service, 5 months after 25 months or 6 after 30. As a matter of fact they are engaged, as I have pointed out above, for a tour of 30 months' service with 6 months' leave at the end of it. This seems to me the best and most practicable arrangement in the case of appointments on agreement, and I would not suggest that any change should be made.

? Point out as above to the Governor and ask for his observations.

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My Lord,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's despatch No.5 of the 6th ultimo respecting the terms of agreement for 2nd Engineers on the Railway Lake Steamers.

- 2. While cuite admitting that as a general principle it is desirable to accord the same treatment to all European Euberdinates irrespective of the particular Department to which they belong, I cannot help thinking that the fact of a divergence in this respect having already been considered and sanctioned in the case of the Rail-way must have been overlooked.
- 5. Correspondence extending over several years has taken place in regard to the provident fund and leave rules applicable to the non-pensionable staff of the Railway and it has been recognized that their conditions of service may and indeed must differ from those in force for other Departments.

 I would refer in particular to Colonial Office despatch No. 205 of 'pril 10th 1907 and to Your Lordship's

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Lordship's telegram of July 28th 1908.

4. It is true that certain Railway servants holding non-pensionable appointments on the superior staff are specially permitted to come under the rules applicable to the pensionable service, but the Manager is by no means in favour of extending this privilege to 2nd Engineers and is strongly of opinion that it should be restricted as at present to Chief Engineers who hold certificates as such and are otherwise elegible to rank as officers, vide Lord Elgin's despatch No.326 of June 7th 1907.

5. I trust that in view of the admitted difference between the requirements of the Railway and those of other Protectorate Departments Your Lordship will not insist upon assimilating the conditions of service, as this would have the effect of nullifying in great part the Regulations recently brought into force respecting leave and provident fund.

6. I observe that the new 2nd Officers Messrs.

Drake and Garrett have been brought out under agreements differing from those under which their predecessors were appointed. I would venture to deprecate any departure from the usual conditions, in the absence of strong reasons to the contrary, as such divergences are frequently productive of discontent,

I have the honour to be, Your Lordship's humble, obedient servent,

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