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Federation Our Reply to Dr. Banda

Northern Rhodesia London Office

Immigration Problems

In the course of its work the Northern Rhodesia London Office receives many applications for permits to enter the Colony. It is not less than half a dozen letters a day which come in from all over the world asking for information about the conditions of entry and the opportunities for employment.

Mr. J. G. T. M. Miers, a continuing source of information, who writes:

"One of the main difficulties we encounter in Northern Rhodesia from time to time is that it is inadequate and impracticable to obtain any definite answer to a question for any applicant. If one is asked to give a definite answer, he will be qualified."

"While it may be true that some immigrants from the United Kingdom have not educated themselves to conditions in Northern Rhodesia, or as quickly as they might have done, if any of these people have been selected and encouraged to go to Northern Rhodesia by this office, in fact, it would be difficult then to say prior contact with this office at all."

"On the other hand, it is equally true that this office is daily turning away or sending if impossible to place highly suitable immigrants because of an apparent lack of capacity in Northern Rhodesia to absorb them."

"The position is such that there is considerable temptation to adopt an unorthodox procedure, either by advising applicants who wish to proceed to Northern Rhodesia of the conditions to go there and take their place along with the many other immigrants who are entering the territory; but without a direction from Government this course must continue to inform applicants that no recommendation can be given to them to proceed to Northern Rhodesia for employment."

"Residents in the U.K. find the London office a great convenience. Northern Rhodesians visiting this country are evidently of the same opinion, for about 560 of them called during the year."

The annual report is published by the Government of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

Profits from Primary Production

Dividend Limitation Criticized

Mr. J. F. G. THOMAS, a former Financial Secretary to the Government of Kenya, has written in the *Kenya Standard*:

"For one reason which actuates Dr. Miers, I am inclined to believe that it is most unlikely that the Government here will accept the principle of dividend limitation, however invincible the arguments which are put up against it."

In the circumstances, it seems more useful at this stage to concentrate our energies on securing the removal of the other inequities of the present legislation on attacking the principle of dividend limitation itself.

It would, I suggest, remove much of the hardship now experienced and expected if the Government would agree to the extension of profits tax in the winning of primary produce, including minerals, of course, outside the United Kingdom.

Investment in mining, planting, or manufacture is a very risky business, and no reasonable trade unionist would begrudge such an investor a proper reward for his enterprise, though I may be induced higher rewards to the investor in manufacture or distribution at home. Moreover, exemption of primary production from dividend limitation would lead to a substantial increase in Government revenue from profits tax.

"On the other hand, failure to exempt will virtually stop the investment of United Kingdom capital in economic registered here who are doing a first-class job of work in developing our overseas resources."

The Rhodesia (formerly Liberal) Party has prepared a statement of principles which accepts that any question affecting the change of status of Southern Rhodesia should be subject to a referendum. Opposed to joining with South Africa, the party will strive for the attainment of Dominion status at the earliest opportunity. Mr. R. F. Halsted, a former Minister in the Colony, who has now joined the Rhodesia Party, said last week that federation should not be tackled on a party basis.



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PERSONALIA

MR. J. COOK is on holiday in Ireland.

CHIEF KIDADA MAKWAIA of Tanganyika, is visiting Scandinavia.

MR. D. W. DALEY left by air for Rhodesia at the end of the week.

LORD HANKEY has been elected president of the East India Association.

MISS LUCILLE COOPER has been appointed a trustee of the London Museum.

SIR ALFRED BELL has joined the council of the University of Cape Town.

SIR REGINALD COULAND has sold his Oxfordshire property, Wotton Hill, with eight acres.

DR. W. R. BURGESS is due in London from Tanganyika next week for a stay of two months.

MR. A. J. TURNER, M.P., has been elected a director of MCIMIS, Savory and Moore, Ltd.

The Belgian Prime Minister, M. JOSEPH PHOLIEN, will leave Brussels by air on August 22 to visit the Congo.

MR. M. J. HARDY of Messrs. Henckell & Butler & Co., left London by air on Tuesday for a visit to East Africa.

MR. G. E. T. HARRISON, Attorney-General in Uganda, will be in this country in leave until the end of the year.

MR. GODFREY HUGGINS opened Northern Rhodesia Agricultural Show and Industrial Exhibition in Lusaka on August Bank Holiday.

MR. AND MRS. H. R. FRASER, MR. P. A. HINDE, and MR. C. R. WESTLAKE left London for Entebbe on Sunday in the same aircraft.

MR. A. B. ROSS is acting as High Commissioner in London for Southern Rhodesia while MR. AND MRS. GOODMAN are on holiday.

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MR. FREDERICK S. BOHOM has been appointed a director of Barclays Bank (D.C. & O.). He is a member of the board of the parent bank.

MR. M. L. MARGARITIS, who recently flew to this country for business, left London last week by air for Salomonik on his way back to Kenya.

SIR HERMAN J. R. MAXWELL, the new Mayor of Nairobi, has lived in Kenya since 1912. The Deputy Mayor is ALDERMAN J. R. GREGORY.

MRS. P. M. M. COOKE INDUDE, daughter-in-law of the High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia in London, arrived on Friday in the CUNDEL CLIFF.

MR. F. H. WOODROW, long Director of Public Works in Tanganyika, has been appointed a temporary nominated officer of the Chamber of the Legislative Council.

MR. R. P. JONES, manager of the East African department of the United Africa Co. Ltd., has just returned to England after a seven weeks' business visit to East Africa.

MRS. DIAN SHAW and COLONEL GENERAL N. M. IRWIN are candidates in the by-election for the Arusha constituency of Kenya caused by the death of T. R. L. Weston.

MR. W. G. TRAILL and MRS. GILLIAN WOLRYCHE-WHITMORE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. A. Wolryche-Whitmore, of Rondey, Kenya, have announced their engagement.

MR. AND MRS. A. J. SCARF and B. C. COOPER and MRS. H. E. WILLMOTT are among the passengers of Cape Town in the STIRLING CASTLE which left Southampton last Tuesday.

AIR-LIEUT. JOHN SLESSOR, second Marshal of the Royal Air Force, Sir John Slessor and Lady Slessor, and Miss ANN GIBSON, of Cambridge, are to be married in Southern Rhodesia early in October.

SIR EDWARD SWINNERTON, Governor of Tanganyika, and LADY SWINNERTON are on a holiday in Guernsey. Sir Edward will fly back to Nairobi on Salama early in September and Lady Swinnerton will follow at the end of the month.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR JOHN H. DAWKINSON, since 1938 deputy chairman of the Crochlow Life and General Fire and Accident Society, has not sought re-election for personal reasons. He will remain a director of both societies.

SIR THOMAS ADAMALIA CREED, K.C., now Secretary of Queen's College, London, who was appointed principal of Queen Mary College, London University, from the beginning of next year, was Legal Secretary in the Indian Railways 1947.

MR. RALPH GIBSON, a director of the Standard Bank of South Africa, and MRS. GIBSON are on their way to the Cape in the STIRLING CASTLE. MRS. A. JOURDAIN, chairman of Messrs. P. & D. Greene, Jourdain & Co. Ltd., and MRS. JOURDAIN are fellow passengers.

MR. R. C. S. STANLEY, Chief Secretary in Northern Rhodesia, MR. ROY WELENISKY, leader of the nationalists, and MR. JOHN MOFFAT, Member for African Interests, are to represent Northern Rhodesia on the Central African Council for the forthcoming year.

MR. ERNST HAHN has won a £1,000 silver cake bowl for the best musical performance at the Kenya Musical Festival. DR. J. LOETHOUSE, the adjudicator, said that the festival compared well with the best amateur performances of the kind in Great Britain.

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Mr. WALTER NEWLYN, an economist of Leeds University, is visiting the East and central African territories on a Bank of England scholarship to study local banking problems.

The Rt. Rev. ROBERT STONTON, Bishop of Northern Rhodesia, who is due to become Bishop of Pretoria, last week made representations in Lusaka from representatives of the Africans of Northern Rhodesia. He will shortly arrive in England for a short visit.

MR. BRUCE BARLOW, 26, a man brought up in Nyasaland and now an undergraduate at the O.U.A. University, spoke in last Friday's "Gathering the Rhodesias and Nyasaland" programme of the B.B.C. on his impressions of a recent study course in Africa held at Ashridge.

MR. H. B. STONTON, chairman of the East African Industrial Research Board, has been appointed Director of East African Industrial Research and chairman of the reconstituted Industrial Research Board which is to be a centralized advisory committee to the East Africa High Commission. Mr. Stonton who joined the Colonial Service in Northern Rhodesia in 1921, has also had experience in Uganda.

SIR STEPHEN COOPER, 50, second Secretary at the Board of Trade, who has been appointed Deputy Under-Secretary of State in the Commonwealth Relations Office, entered the Colonial Office in 1921 and transferred to the Dominions Office seven years later. After service in Canada and the United States, he became an Under-Secretary in the Board of Trade (Commonwealth Relations and Treaties Department) in 1946.

DR. WILLIAM DEAN, of the United Nations Department of Economic Affairs, will lead a mission of six persons drawn from the U.N. Technical Assistance Administration, the Food and Agriculture Organization, Unesco, and the World Health Organization, which will make a three-months' survey of the economic, social and agricultural needs of Somalia. Italy has signed an agreement in New York relating to technical assistance for the territory.

Attending the second conference of the East African Institute of Social Research, which was held in Astrida, Ruanda-Urundi, last month, were DR. A. GREY RICHARDS, the Director of Tanganyika, PROFESSOR L. VAN DEN BERG and DR. J. MAUDE of the Belgian Research organization (I.R.S.A.K.), and MR. DELCOURT, Secretary of African Affairs in Ruanda-Urundi. Seven Americans, one Dutchman, and one South African were present.

For services to the Government of the Netherlands and to the spinners of Holland in supplying them with raw cotton, particularly after the liberation of that country from the Germans, MR. JAMES REGINALD GRIFFIN has just been made an Officer of the Order of Orange Nassau. A director of Messrs. Smith, Goss and Barret, Ltd., the well-known Liverpool cotton brokers, and of the Liverpool Uganda Co. Ltd., he has been for many years prominent in the Liverpool Cotton Association. Mr. Griffin served with the Cheshire Regiment in the 1914-18 war and was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal.

Among those with close East and Central African connexions who attended the Commonwealth Survey Officers' Conference in London were BRIGADIER MARTIN HOTINE, COL. F. DIVIN, MESSRS. W. D. C. WIGGINS, O. W. HEDDER, C. G. H. BERE, H. COTTON, J. H. MANNIN, H. E. RAISBORG, R. A. WHITTLE, E. S. WILDEBORN, J. S. BUNNY, A. R. SWINNERTON, W. D. FARRINGTON, J. H. P. HAWTHORPE, J. J. BUTLER, H. RAMSEY, MR. J. S. STANLEY-SMITH, G. M. GIRSON, R. N. LISSETT, J. B. LYNN, D. H. MORRIS, J. E. RAVENIER, J. SCHUMZENSKI, E. T. HOLMES, and J. W. WRIGHT; MISS E. M. USHER, and LIEUT. COLONEL HUMPHRIES.

Obituary

Mr. John Boyes King of the Kikuyu

MR. JOHN BOYES, who has died in Kenya at the age of 78, reached that country at the age of 23, and might therefore be termed a "pioneer."

He was once described by Lord Granworth as the most remarkable of all the early settlers, having fewer advantages and smaller resources than any of his contemporaries. Although of amazingly strong and resilient constitution, there was nothing outstandingly impressive in his appearance and physique. The country wherein he operated was the wildest and least explored, and the tribes he encountered the most savage and barbarous. I would judge that he had less support near and distant, moral or actual, than any of his kindred rovers. This way Boyes measured by another was a true pioneer.

Elephant Poacher

In "The Company of Adventurers," the first book published by EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA, and in "John Boyes, King of the Wa-Kikuyu," Boyes told the story of his life in East and Central Africa, part of it as a successful elephant poacher in the Lado Enclosure of the Belgian Congo. None but men of iron resolution, with much more than the normal dose of mother wit, could survive the conditions of those days, in which Europeans off the beaten track really did carry their lives in their hands. Boyes, who put his to the hazard with cheerful impudence day by day for years, was a matter-of-fact Yorkshireman, who lived, spoke, and wrote plainly.

In "The Company of Adventurers" there was not a paragraph written in a boastful strain. Most of his friends were dead when he wrote the book, but he made them live again, noting their little idiosyncrasies, tolerantly chronicling some of their foibles, recalling their practical jokes, and adding that this one was killed by an elephant, that a second succumbed to black water, that a third was drowned, and that many fell in the East African campaign of 1914-18. Though they entered and left the stage as ordinary men, the author's restraint could not disguise that they had more than the average measure of enterprise and audacity.

Holding Sway by Power of Will

Boyes held sway in the Kikuyu country long before Sir Charles Eliot became Governor of the Protectorate. Yet when Eliot was to visit Fort Hall all but two of a party of askari sent to Kitali with the news were killed; if that fate overtook Africanism in Government uniform within easy distance of Nairobi, the white adventurer playing a Jones had indeed manifestly to impress the Natives with whom he came in contact with a deep sense of his power. That Boyes certainly did, mainly by his qualities of will—sometimes aided, as in Ethiopia, by wearing evening dress when paying ceremonial visits to a chief, or by such an artifice as drinking effervescent medicine and pretending to superstitious Africans that the white man's magic enabled him to consume boiling water. The gift of an alarm clock earned great help from one chief, and the offer of an accordion to another so frightened him that nothing would induce him to accept the custody of such an instrument.

Born in Hull, Boyes had many years been a boy deserted in Durban just after the Jameson Raid, and was a trooper with celous in the Matabele War. After a short spell of trading in West Africa for the Royal African Company, he reached Mombasa by dhow and became one of the embryonic administrators

pushed into the Shuyu Country to what we regarded as certain death.

The War Impersonator Governor

Brian Mawdsley, friend with the tribe, was admitted to blackface because this was his crowned king—and was often arrested and charged with having "waged war, impersonating government, engaged in punitive expeditions and committed dacoity." All but the last charge was withdrawn, he having been acquitted on that, he was a Government-appointed official guide to a Government expedition into the country in which his "ruler" had allegedly been committed.

What is now Nairobi was bare of human habitation when he arrived, and he was the first white man seen in some parts of Kenya.

After a remarkable adventurous career, he settled down first as a coffee grower and afterwards as a dairy farmer. For many years he was commandant in East Africa of the Legion of Frontiersmen, but he had not been in good health since 1945.

If Kenyans, if any, have been wounded, but he seems to have been the only one to whom he thought right. If he had been summoned to what he considered unfair, he could be most courageous, and often helped men who were down on their luck.

With Mrs. Boyes, who survives him, he will be widespread sympathy.

Mrs. DAISY SWIRE, who has died suddenly at her home, Yeovil Manor, near Stamford, Lincolnshire, was the wife of Vice-Admiral Sir William Swire, who was Air Officer Commanding in Far East during the European campaign of 1940-42.

COMMANDER FREDERIC HENRY WATSON, a coffee planter who went to Kenya after the 1914-18 war, has died in Soitik.

Colonial Man-power for Defence

War Minister Rejects Field Army Plan

A SHORT DEBATE on Colonial man-power for defence was held in the House of Commons before the summer adjournment.

MR. E. D. GAMMANS (Con.) said that all the matters to which he would refer had been raised by Conservatives many times since the war, but lack of Government action prompted them to say again.

It was astounding that at this perilous time so little was being made of Colonial man-power and so little opportunity given to Colonial peoples to play their part in defence. It was not much use trying to improve the social conditions of those peoples if the march of Communism swept away everything, including hope of self-government.

"When speaking about voluntary service, I mean voluntary service. We in this country are rightly subjecting ourselves to compulsory military service. We are not asking the people of the Colonial Empire to do that. All I plead is that they should be given the opportunity of standing by our side in this common defence."

African Divisions

We first suggested that a large field army should be raised in the Colonial Empire, especially in Africa. We could raise very quickly in Africa two divisions of 12,000 unless the War Office are prepared to tackle the question of officers and their training. Officers should be raised for the Colonial Army alone, as used to be done for the Indian Army.

We could place before the youth of this country the chance to serve in a great Colonial Army. In Africa and elsewhere there is a great reservoir of capable and loyal raw material, only too willing and anxious to have the opportunity to enlist.

Remember what the two African divisions did in Burma. When war broke out there were 42,000 men in the Colonial Army. When the war ended there were more than 100,000 that number. Is that could be done during the war, surely that of all that could surely be done now. Combined vocational training or would raise the standard of technical knowledge.

What is being done about this field army? There are a few battalions of the King's African Rifles and the Royal West African Frontier Force. Two battalions of the K.A.R. are to go to Malaya. Not many months ago the War Minister said this was completely impossible and undesirable.

These battalions in Africa are widely scattered in isolated settlements. They get little brigade training; they certainly get no divisional training. Surely if that field army is to be capable of taking the field effectively, we should, somewhere in Africa preferably East Africa, create a great imperial Aldershot.

Garrison Duties

Could garrison battalions be enlisted from among those Colonial peoples with less warlike traditions, and so relieve British garrisons all over the world?

I visited Suez Canal zone. There were six battalions of Mountain troops doing garrison duty which could otherwise have been done by men from this country. What can be done with 6,000 Mountain can be done on a wider scale in almost every part of the world.

Thirdly, we should enable anyone from any part of the Empire who wished to enlist in one of the Services to be medically examined on the spot instead of coming to Britain at his own expense.

Why were we not making better use of Colonial man-power in our rearmament? Some recruitment orders should be placed with the Colonies. Why not provide the money for shadow factories in countries having a great surplus of man-power?

Why had there been so much delay on these questions? The real reason was lack of imagination and of administrative incompetence on the part of the Government in getting the various departments together and in a state of discipline.

MR. G. COOPER (Lab.) suggested that the overriding consideration was that the Government must take advantage of the shortage of man-power in Britain, and the development of the Colonies. The Government had

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done much to encourage Colonial development, but the government implied self-defence.

If we're making a single of our available man-power in this country, and we're going to the best advantage, we should concentrate more on the production side and recruit men from available sources overseas.

Those who were in the Armed Forces during the war benefited tremendously from their training and sense of objective which they brought over to some extent from educational training. A certain amount of difficulty arises when these men return to their various farms and homes and suit themselves to the facts because resettlement schemes were not carried out as fully as they should have been. If the scheme suggested by Mr. Gammans is adopted, then the forces will also have to take account the need to extend the resettlement provisions so as to ensure that these men fit into civilian life when they return from service.

M. SMALL MACPHERSON (Nat. Lib.)—I think whether or not there are shared racial prejudices, it was decided to ignore the racial difficulties in sending Colonial forces abroad in peace or war. But that did not exempt the War Minister from the responsibility of having available expeditionary forces for use in case of an emergency.

With backward countries one of the obvious problems was to bridge the century in a short time. Mechanization had increased enormously in the Services, and military technical training—especially—would undoubtedly prove an enormous problem.

"From Roman times onwards the use of volunteers has been one of the greatest problems facing a great power. An intelligent policy of resettlement, whether it be in towns, with the special skills learned in the Army, or on the land, is the very cornerstone of a Colonial Army. There must be the closest co-operation between the Defence Ministers, the Colonial Office, the Ministry of Supply, and so on."

Finally, we shall not get these forces at all until we adjust the level of pay. That is something which has not been done sufficiently for the Colonial Forces, particularly East Africans, since the war.

Mr. Strachey's Reply

The SECRETARY OF STATE FOR WAR, MR. STRACHEY, said that he could not quite follow Mr. Gammans when he said that if we tried to raise a large field army in Africa very little equipment would be needed. Very considerable amounts of equipment would in fact be required, and our rearmament programme was strained to the full now.

Mrs. GAMMANS: "I said that at least a year's training could be done with less equipment before very much equipment would be needed."

MR. STRACHEY: "A year—perhaps that might be so, but it would be much more than a year before we could spare from our own ranks here the equipment of a large field army raised in this way."

It was far from the case that nothing was being done in this matter. Two African battalions from East Africa were going to Malaya. He did not understand Mr. Gammans's allegation that the (Mr. Strachey) had said in the last debate on the subject that such a move was impossible. He had used no such words.

Two other battalions were being raised in East Africa to replace those going East. There was thus an increase in African forces to that extent. He agreed that the officering of these forces must be done from British sources, but it must be carried out in the training establishments in the territories themselves. If anything in the way of a large field force was ever developed in Africa, it would undoubtedly be necessary for considerable training establishments to be set up there.

On the broader issue, I entirely agree that the raising of these forces in the Colonies is a step towards their self-government."

The fact that 6,000 Mauritians were doing garrison work in the Canal Zone showed that we were in favour of the raising and use in suitable circumstances of men from different Colonies. There were between 60,000 and 70,000 men under arms of all kinds in the Colonial Forces to-day. The Air Minister was contemplating the question of facilities for recruiting outside this country.

Mr. Gammans asked why, if we do not want to bring the men to the factories here, we should not take the factories to the men and establish secondary industries and the like. In suitable circumstances there is no need to rule out that possibility, but it does seem a little far-fetched to-day, when the whole world is suffering from a most acute shortage of manpower.

of primary products, it would rather be putting the cart before the horse to establish industries in those areas.

Primary production, agriculture, mining, and the like—in those territories, in their best set, I know that people think there is something inferior about agriculture as against industry—but it is a most extraordinary inclusion. In the past those forms of primary production were greatly exploited. Agricultural producers and men engaged in mining, we often got a poor return, but certainly thought for a long time that, on the contrary, the terms of trade were in our favour.

To-day the farm and the tropical farm above all, is one of the most important and, I believe, one of the most lucrative parts of the productive machine. It is in that and in getting metals, that we stand like Rhodesia the main economic contribution to our own interests and in ours."

Pioneer Luncheon

MAJOR GENERAL THE EARL OF ATHLONE will preside over the 54th anniversary luncheon of the 1896-97 campaigns in Matabeleland and Mashonaland, which will be held at the Royal Empire Society's headquarters in London, on November 9. Wives, relatives and dependants of those who took part in the campaigns and any others connected with them will be forthwith be eligible to attend the annual reunion. Applications for tickets should be addressed to Major T. J. May, Rhodesia House, Strand, London, W.C.2.

Plea for Decentralization

"THERE IS LITTLE REAL INCENTIVE to expend thought and time in the preparation of district development plans if the team is aware that hundreds of miles away some financial committee's blue pencil hangs like a sword of Damocles over draft estimates of expenditure. District and provincial teams really begin to function only when there is some degree of genuine devolution of financial authority."—Mr. Fergus Wilson, speaking on team work in Kenya.



Parliament

Housing of Colonial Students Colleges Growing by Africans

MR. A. SLEWTON BROWN (Lab.) asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies in the House of Commons before the recess how far his department accepted general responsibility for the welfare and accommodation of Colonial students in Great Britain, and how far that responsibility rested on other departments.

MR. T. COOK (Lab.) said that his department was generally responsible for the welfare and accommodation of Colonial students in the U.K. and the British Council acted as my agents in this respect on behalf of all students sponsored by my department to the Council."

MR. R. SEFTON (Lab.) asked what progress had been made in respect of leprosy research and treatment in the Colonies.

MR. J. GRIFFITHS (Lab.) said research work is being conducted with promising results, particularly in the development of a form of sulphonate treatment by oral administration requiring the minimum of medical supervision. Exact statistics are not readily available. Some indication of the problem is given by a comprehensive survey of the East and Central African territories last year, which resulted in an estimate of 265,000 cases in the region. The newer forms of treatment are everywhere available.

Mr. T. REID (Lab.) asked for figures.

MR. T. REID (Lab.) asked what was the money value of gifts given or promised by the British taxpayers to British Colonies and Dependencies such as Protectorates from 1930 to the end of the war in 1945 and from that time till the nearest date for which figures are available.

MR. T. COOK said the total sum given to the Colonial Dependencies by H.M. Government in the U.K. between 1930 and 1945 was approximately £70,118,000. Figures for the years before 1930 are not readily available. Financial assistance to the Colonies during that period was, however, on a smaller scale than in subsequent years. For the period since 1945 the total figure required is £240,340,000. Of this sum £93,670,910 was either issued or waived up to March 31, 1951. £45,288,333 has been provided in 1951-52, leaving a balance of £101,381,424.

to be made available in later years. The figures do not include advances by way of loan to the Colonial Development Corporation or advances to the Overseas Food Corporation.

MR. F. BROCKWAY (Lab.) asked whether a decision had been reached regarding the removal of the prohibition on coffee growing by African farmers in scheduled districts.

In the scheduled districts, the growing of coffee by African farmers is freely permitted and encouraged, subject to the close supervision of farming operations and the establishment of nurseries and a suitable pulping station. Conditions which are essential in the interests of the farmers themselves.

Outside the scheduled districts, any individual African may have his particular farm scheduled, provided that he can satisfy the agricultural department that he has adequate suitable land and the requisite skill and the resources to plant, develop and maintain the plantations, offer and make satisfactory provision for its preparation for the market. This will mean that no individual African need be prevented from growing coffee simply because he is in a non-scheduled area.

Investment of American Capital

SIR R. GAYN (Cons.) asked the Colonial Secretary whether he was now in a position to give details of the arrangements that had been made with the United States Government concerning the investment of American capital in British Colonial territories arising out of the proposals contained in President Truman's Fourth Point.

MR. E. OLDFIELD said no American investment capital is available to British Colonial territories under the Point Four programme, which is at present confined to the provision of technical assistance.

MR. VAN WINTERBROEK (Cons.) asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer whether he could give an assurance that in administering Clause 36 of the Finance Bill he would be careful not to interfere with economic development in Colonial territories.

MR. GALTSCHEFF said Clause 36 is not designed to interfere with capital investments in Colonial territories or elsewhere. In the case of companies wishing to transfer their control and management to Colonial territories, and where no question of tax evasion arises, I am certain that the advisory panel will pay particular attention to developments in the Economics and I certainly shall.

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Letters to the Editor**S. Rhodesia Misrepresented**
Reply to a Visiting Journalist

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA
Sir.—On the subject of my statements in the article entitled "S. Rhodesia Misrepresented" in your issue of August 2, I find none more astonishing than that you can expect "the tradition of colonialism" to "inevitably decline in Southern Rhodesia, and under pressure from the electorate, Government policy may be expected to change." Southern Rhodesia is capable of joining South Africa in moral isolation and eventually of joining forces with her politically. Then the Zambezi, now a friendly frontier between two sister British territories, would become the explosive dividing line between the white man's Africa and the black man's."

What evidence is there to justify such sweeping and damaging generalizations? To me they seem absurd. My knowledge of Rhodesia goes back to the 1914-18 war, since when there has been a truly remarkable growth of liberalism in the attitude of the white man to the black. This development has been very greatly accelerated in the past 10 or 15 years. Why should anyone expect it to be reversed? I do not believe that that will happen, and I am sure that Sir Godfrey Huggins would retire from public life rather than associate himself with a trend which would conflict with the fundamentals of the policy for which he has stood.

It is fantastic to suggest that "Southern Rhodesia is capable of joining South Africa in moral isolation". Mr. Brown should refrain from such allegations unless he can produce supporting facts. His acquaintance with Rhodesia is very recent and evidently very superficial. The real Rhodesia was better described in the House of Lords debate which you reported in your issue of last Thursday.

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Rhodesians will not think much of the statement that it is too much to ask Sir Godfrey Huggins as a politician to jettison the wider vision at the expense of losing votes. If there is one politician in Africa whose record shows that he will not try to bluff or hamper the electorate for the sake of votes, it is the former Minister of Southern Rhodesia. Applied to such a man, the statement might well be regarded as insulting.

Yours faithfully,

S. H. T.

"RHODESIAN."

Thanks to Mr. Roger Norton
Appreciation of Business Community

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA

Sir.—The announcement of Mr. Roger E. Norton's resignation from the position of East African Commissioner to London causes me personal regret, as it will do generally in City circles. He is a losing a great friend. During his period of service to London Mr. Norton has raised the status of the East African Service to its present high level. This he will modestly ascribe to favourable circumstances, but it required a man of his ability to seize the opportunity.

Our consolation is the fact that his new position will enable him to continue to serve East Africa in a notable way. Once again the opportunity offers, and—provided Colonial Development Corporation policy allows him full scope, as appears to be the intention—I am sure that he will seize it equally effectively, and earn the thanks of all friends of East Africa whether here or overseas.

As chairman of the East African Section of the London Chamber of Commerce, may I express our great appreciation of the help given to all business people by the East African Office under his guidance, and of the time and energy given by Mr. Norton personally to all matters brought to his attention whether by the Section or by individuals? We are losing a great helper, and we hope that the wise choice of a successor will permit the maintenance of the tradition so ably created by him. I conclude by saying "Floreat!"

Yours faithfully,

LONDON, C. B. E. PETTIPIERRE.

British East Africa's Pioneers
Survivors of the 'Nineties'

To the Editor of EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA

Sir.—Your obituary notice of Mr. F. Spire, who died at the age of 87, records the passing of almost the last of the 19th century trail-blazers in East Africa. If Dr. R. U. Crofton is still alive, he is the senior of the old Imperial British East Africa Company's staff for he entered its service in 1891 and accompanied Sir Gerald Portal's expedition to Uganda in '93.

Frederick Spire entered the Uganda Protectorate service in December 1893, and was the first to make a journey round Lake Victoria by water. Early in '95 he brought out a wife, who died of fever in Mombasa Hospital in February of that year. It was in that month that first European East Africa—to occupy a hospital ward for six weeks on the threshold of death, from a century.

Sir Chata Hollis, who is, I am glad to say, still alive, was appointed an assistant collector in the East Africa Protectorate in March, 1897, and with Mr. W. A. Monson (appointed in February, '99) makes up the surviving trio of Kenyan 19th century pioneers in Government service, as known to me.

Whether any retired C.M.S. missionaries of the same length of life living years are still alive only Salisbury Square, London, can tell.

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Yours faithfully,

H. B. TATE.

British Rule in East Africa

Colonel Edward Geras recently addressed a meeting of African leaders in Nairobi at which the following resolutions were adopted:

"(1) That the present British East African colonies, which were originally created by the acquisition of territories which was entrusted to the British people, now form an inseparable part of the Commonwealth; and in view of 1920, raised the status of Kenya and annexed to His Majesty's Dominions, and whilst the British title to rule East Africa and Kenya is based on identical bases and the Government of Kenya has been given full powers to govern the Colony, it is felt that it deserves the transfer of its title even to the Crown of the United Kingdom without the express consent of the native tribes. The British inhabitants of Kenya contend that the Government of the U.K. has no right to deprive the ruler of Kenya of any immigrant people other than resident Britons without the express consent of the coastal Ambos and the tribes."

"(2) That owing to the basic racial differences of the racial components of East Africa, separation must be based on the communal principle as distinct from the concept of the common roll.

"(3) That no person who is not either a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies or a citizen of a Dominion, or alternatively has not by specific personal sworn allegiance to The King, should be allowed any direct or indirect say in the internal affairs of Kenya."

"(4) That there should be reinforcement of any balanced constitutional arrangement by a policy related to the technical, economic and social condition of the African and the welfare of established citizens."

The third resolution was passed unanimously. There were a few abstentions in the case of the other resolutions.

A survey flight of 8,500 miles between the Suez Canal zone and Pretoria, in order to investigate a route for aircraft passing through Egypt, the Sudan, Kenya and Rhodesia, has just been completed by a R.A.F. Valetta aircraft.

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East Africa High Commission

Sir Philip Mitford, the British Secretary of State for the Colonies, presided over the eighth meeting of the East Africa High Commission. The Governor of Uganda and the Acting Governor of Kenya were present.

Sir Philip Mitford, Commissioner for Transport, reported that he reviewed the programme of Mitreda and the railway. The former was well up to schedule. It was due to open again for rolling-stock, intended to be used in development of the territories.

The Member for Finance reported that the half-completion measure of an African Customs and Excise had been circulated to the three Governments and the draft of the Consolidated East African Income Tax ordinance would be ready for publication in September.

Trusteeship Recommendation

GENERAL AGREEMENT on the administration of the seven African Trust Territories has been expressed by the United Nations Trusteeship Council, which recommended that Italy, should evolve a plan for the economic development of Somalia; that industrial opportunities should be provided for Africans in the Civil Service of Tanganyika; that the status of Native women and urban housing should be improved, and that corporal punishment should be abolished; and that the Belgian administration in Rwanda-Urundi should provide more opportunities for Africans and put cattle-raising on an economic basis.

Wild Sisal

"Native production of wild sisal fibre declared to the registration authority in Tanganyika during 1950 amounted to 1,112 tons. Actual production was estimated in the region of 1,000 tons. It is suspected that part of the sisal was smuggled in Kenya in order to avoid the export tax." — *Hard Times*.

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NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF

London, Aug. 15.—A flight from London to Nairobi took 5 hrs 15 min.

The United Nations' Vienna Mission which has been based at Dar es Salaam for about a month has now moved to Nairobi.

Last week marked the 50th anniversary of the signing of the convention between Britain and the kabaka chief of Uganda.

In 1951-52 there will be 39 rural and 17 urban councils in the Sudan, the largest being that of Khartoum, with a revenue of more than £P 200,000 a year.

The Overseas Food Corporation are recruiting registered radiographers by their hospitals in East Africa at initial salaries of £531 and upwards. The age limits are 25 to 35.

The 90 representatives of Colonial Legislatures have ended their visit to the Festival of Britain as guests of H.M. Government, and most have already left London on their way home.

A Bill for the reorganization of local government in Kenya is being presented to the Legislature this month. The cost, estimated at £73,000 for the current year, would rise to £140,000 in the fifth year.

Elephants at Birchenough Bridge

Several herds of elephant have recently been seen at Birchenough Bridge, Southern Rhodesia, some venturing within 30 yards of the hotel to eat the fruit from pawpaw trees and drink from irrigation turrets.

A settlement for £1,000 damages and £110 costs has been announced in Nairobi in a libel action brought by Mr. N. F. Harris against Mr. V. D. Patel, editor of the *Kenya Daily Chronicle* and the proprietors, Express Printers Ltd.

The current issue of the *Commonwealth House magazine*, of the Clan Line group of periodicals, contains a photograph of the Kabaka of Buganda and his party on the bridge of the Clan Ship, which they visited recently in Liverpool.

The four British members representing the United Kingdom branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association last week visited Livingstone, Fort Victoria Falls, and Mongu. At the Falls they met representatives of the Southern Rhodesia Branch. Senator De Gasca, Italy's representative at the African Defence Conference which is to open in Nairobi next Monday, said in Asmara last week that he would plead for an improvement in the material organization of Eritrea and for the collaboration of Italian technicians and workers in schemes for African development.

On Aug. 15, 1951, the Waldorf students' strike was called off in the African Colony after having brought the two sides to agreement.

Colonial Students' Strike

Permission to grant strike leave to some students who had stayed away in strike at 10, Hanover Crescent, London, S.W. to remain till Sept. 1. A further extension of one month will be made for those who are preparing to take examinations. It is stated that no East African students participated in the strike.

Pencil Benzuru, an African garden boy, has been committed for trial in Southern Rhodesia on charges of the rape and murder of Mrs. Sheila Jones, the wife of a cousin of Sir Godfrey Huggins, believed to have killed her in her kitchenery compound on the night of July 22. Mr. Huggins, a mining engineer, was then Northern Rhodesia, was away at the time. Mrs. Huggins emigrated to Rhodesia from Wiltshire in 1946 and was about to move to Nairobi with her two young children.

North Charterland Exploration

THE NORTH CHARTERLAND EXPLORATION CO. LTD., after providing £9,819 for taxation, earned a profit of £13,133 in the calendar year 1950, compared with £5,501 in the previous year. A dividend of 15% reserved at the end of 1949 was paid in May, 1950, and the reservation of an interim dividend of 10%, requires £5,143, leaving £10,100 to be carried forward, against £12,880 brought in.

The issued capital is £10,111 in shares of £1 each. Share premium account stands at £20,000. Capital Reserve is £1,200. Revenue reserves at £7,500 and current liabilities £1,000. Land is valued at £28,000, buildings at £17,75, water supply and fencing at £12,289. Plant and furniture at £7,661, livestock at £9,867, expenditure on exploration £12,558, and interest assets at £106,100, leaving £1,913 in cash.

North Charterland Transport Co. (Nyaland) Ltd., a subsidiary, earned a profit of £3,927 during the year, of £1,516 less than in the previous year. A further £16,518 has been spent on new vehicles.

The parent company now owns eight phosphate estates. Last year adverse weather conditions resulted in a crop of only 203,587 lb., against 308,982 lb. in 1949. The profit on farming operations in Northern Rhodesia was £8,913 (£17,123).

Profit from store trading amounted to £10,661, an increase of £4,175, but that from the garage dropped by £1,623, accounted for by a decline in the sale of new vehicles. At the four auction sales of tobacco conducted by the company 3,546,053 lb. (4,255,057 lb.) of leaf were sold for an average price of 39.273d. (32.376d.) per lb. Purchases of breeding stock for the Goodwood ranch numbered 6½ head, and the total herd was 1,758 at the end of the year.

The directors are Sir Digby Burnett (chairman), alternate, Mr. E. K. Jenkinson, and Messrs. J. H. Mitchell (alternate), B. I. Braeck, J. G. Pain, H. Tevis (alternate, J. M. Milne), and Bailey Southwell (alternate, H. N. Clackworthy). The London committee consists of Messrs. H. B. Browne and R. I. C. Néves.

The 14th annual general meeting will be held in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, on September 26.

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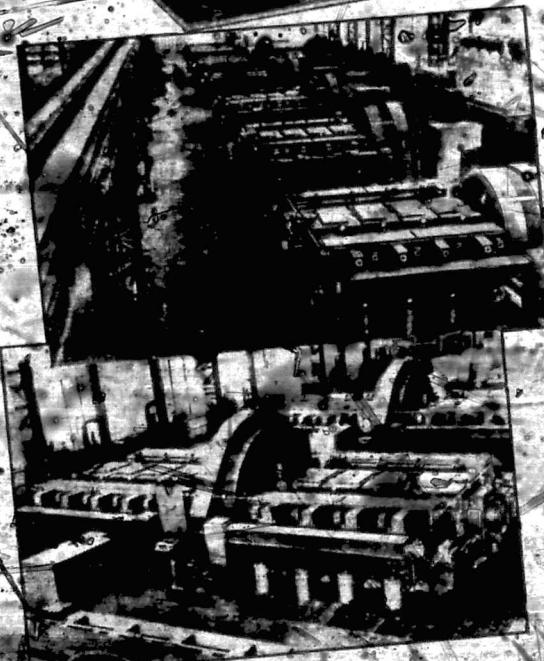
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OF Commercial Concern

Rhodesia Cement, Ltd., is proposing to increase its nominal capital to £1 million, units of 5s. each, and that the issued capital be raised by £500,000, to £500,000. The results of the present drilling at Shama have encouraged the new company to be formed, and shareholders have been notified that such an enterprise would require £100,000, of which Rhodesia Cement, Ltd., would subscribe £75,000. Drilling is also being carried out near Gwelo by the Premier Portland Cement Co., Ltd., who state that capital is assured for a new cement factory at Salisbury if the limestone proves suitable.

The controlling interest in Messrs. Party Leon and Hayhoe, Ltd., an old-established company with extensive interests in Southern Africa and head office in Johannesburg, has been purchased by the South American Saint Irené, a private company whose chairman is Lord Howard de Walden. Policy will remain unchanged, and the directors of Party Leon and Hayhoe will remain on the new board, of which the managing director will be Mr. C. C. M. Street, general manager of the South American Saint Line.

A new hotel is to be built in Jinja by the Uganda Government. It is proposed to cost between £200,000 and £250,000. A committee consisting of Messrs. G. B. Cartland, Administrative Secretary (chairman), C. Handley Bird, M.I.C., H. K. Jaffer, M.I.C., and J. T. Simpson, M.I.C., will be responsible for the plans, equipment and staff. The construction work will be put out to tender.

Coffee Outlook

Despite a great unsatisfied demand for coffee on the Continent, a correspondent of the *Financial Times* has described the longer-term outlook for the commodity as doubtful, partly because new strains, which come into bearing at a much earlier age and then bear much more fruit, are being widely planted in Brazil, where recent very high prices have led to a rapid expansion of the area under the crop.

No new applications for permits for purely commercial buildings will be considered by the Southern Rhodesian National Building Board for the next six months. Applications to erect blocks of flats and other types of housing at present under control will receive the highest priority. Permits are not required for the erection of ordinary residences.

Central African Airways announce increases in fares between Central Africa and London as follows: Salisbury-London, from £153 to £160; Blantyre-London, from £152 to £155; and Ndola-London, from £148 to £152. There are no increases in local fares.

Standard Cotton, Ltd., will operate a scheme sponsored by the Protektorate Government for the training of African technicians for cotton ginneries. The company's Kampala ginnery will be used for the purpose, the instruction being carried out by Mr. E. H. Calvert.

Successful Pilot Scheme

The Northern Rhodesian Government's pilot groundnut scheme at Mambwa has had a successful first season, the average crop per acre of shelled nuts exceeding 1,000 lbs.

Labour employed on the Owen Falls hydro-electric scheme, Uganda, now totals 31 British, 22 Danes, 6 Dutch, 63 Italians, 38 Asians, and 1,232 Africans.

Existing orders for Rhodesian Railways total £8m., including 189 engines, 105 passenger coaches, 1,684 wagons, and 700 goods trucks.

Messrs. Bowhill, Matheson and Co., Ltd., have closed their branch in Eldoret, Kenya, and opened a new branch in Kericho.

Substantial reductions in the rates of Indian and Japanese cotton piece-goods are reported from East Africa.

Sisal Outputs for July

Bird & Co. (Africa), Ltd., subsidiary of Sisal Estates, Ltd., 1,120 tons of fibre compared with 860 tons in July 1950.

Central East Sisal Estates, Ltd.—165 tons of sisal fibre and toy from Pangwe and Kingolwira estates.

Dwa Plantation, Ltd.—86 tons, making 640 tons for seven months.

Dividends

Alex. Lawrie and Co., Ltd.—Final 9½%, making 16½% less tax, on capital increased by 100%. Last year's distribution was 32½% on smaller capital.

Lewis and Peat, Ltd.—Preference dividends for three years to December 31, 1948, have been paid out of consolidated net profit of £78,225 (£27,527) after deducting £95,378 for taxation.

Consolidated Sisal Estates of East Africa, Ltd., after providing £250,733 for taxation, earned a profit of £215,917 for the year ended March 31, compared with £95,575 in the previous year. A final dividend of 10% makes 25% for the year, the maximum permitted by the Government under the limitation of dividends plan. The Directors state that a final dividend of 40% would have been recommended, making 50% for the year. Therefore a further 25% less tax, and increasing the estimated net distribution charge, is being placed to dividend reserve, to be dealt with as and when it is possible to do so.

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*Company Meeting Reports.***Nchanga Consolidated Copper Mines, Ltd.****Mr. H. F. Oppenheimer's Statement**

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF NCHANGA CONSOLIDATED COPPER MINES LIMITED was held on August 8, 1951, in Kitwe, Northern Rhodesia.

MR. H. F. OPPENHEIMER, a director of the company, presided.

The statement by the chairman was circulated with the directors' report and accounts for the year ended March 31, 1951, and published in the Press.

At the meeting, Mr. H. F. Oppenheimer added the following supplementary remarks:

Transfer of Control

"This is the first annual general meeting which has been held since the removal of control of your company to Northern Rhodesia. In the statement by the chairman which accompanied the annual report and accounts reasons were given for this change. I would like to add to what was said then about the transfer of control to Northern Rhodesia. These important companies operating in this territory that in our opinion the change is of importance in a wider sense than merely facilitating the administration of the company or in the lightening of its tax burden."

"Rhodesia has advanced a very long way both economically and in national consciousness since these companies were incorporated, and we believe that the time is passing, if it has not already passed, when the major industries can properly be controlled from outside the country, and we hope and believe, on the analogy of what has happened in the Union of South Africa and elsewhere, that an increasing part of the share capital of these mining companies will come to be held in Rhodesia itself, so that the mining industry, which is already the mainstay of the economy of this territory, will become in every respect a national industry."

Closer Association Proposals

It seems to us to be of special importance in view of the proposals that have been put forward for closer association between Northern and Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland. It would obviously be out of place for me to express any opinion on the particular proposals which have been made, but I think I can say that any scheme for closer association generally accepted in the territories concerned will be welcomed by and will receive the full support of the mining industry."

The payment of the dividend was approved, and the retiring directors were re-elected. In addition, Mr. H. Bissik was appointed a director of the company.

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Passing of Remote Control

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Cuba Sugar Pact Protest

COMMONWEALTH SUGAR PRODUCERS, including representatives from East Africa and Mauritius, met officials of the Ministry of Food, the Colonial Office, and the Commonwealth Relations Office in London last week, and after considering the conclusion of the trade negotiations with Cuba, they issued a unanimous statement which declared: "What naturally concerns us are the implications of the decisions embodied in the official announcement despite all the accusations which have been made against sugar producers by Commonwealth Governments' producers' representatives. In the coming months, and in particular in discussion with those whom we represent, we shall be meeting representatives of the Ministry of Food to agree the final text of the Commonwealth Sugar Agreement. At this stage we simply want to make it clear that in the discussions leading to the conclusion of the Conference, references in this statement to the terms of the Commonwealth Sugar Agreement as accessibly operative, binding on us in any way,

Mining**Company Progress Reports for July**

Wankie Colliery. Sales amounted to 190,785 tons of coal and 7,000 tons of coke.

Sherwood Star. 2,325 tons of ore were milled for a working profit of £1,605.

Cam A Motor. 19,000 tons of ore were treated for a working profit of £22,543.

Rezende. A working profit of £1,000 was made from the crushing of 6,500 tons of ore.

Kentia. 1,100 oz gold were recovered at the Gwai mine from the milling of 17,000 tons of ore.

Motse. 1,000 oz gold were recovered from 13,000 tons of ore treated for a working profit of £3,463.

Rhodesia Brown. 1,120 tons of lead, 1,500 tons of zinc, and 38.04 tons of fused vanadium were produced.

Coronation. Working profits at the Tebezwani, and Arcticus mines were respectively £1,024, £1,481, and £1,378.

Globe and Phoenix. 3,121 oz gold were recovered from the mining of 4,000 tons of ore for a working profit of £18,506.

Rhodesian Corporation. 640 oz gold were produced from the new mine from 1,100 tons of ore for a working profit of £4,503.

London and Rhodesian. At Vumba mine 3,298 tons of ore were treated for a working profit of £3,411. At Chingola mine 1,000 tons were milled for a working profit of £1,088.

Non-Ferrous Metals

LEAD. The price of lead has been expected to support an upward movement in non-ferrous metal prices as suggested by the British Government. Complete control of the allocation of lead in the United States has been predicted, but it is thought that manufacturers may be permitted to buy lead in foreign countries without being charged against their total allocation.

Tanganyika Mineral Exports

MINERAL EXPORTS FROM TANGANYIKA in the first four months of this year were valued at \$491,830, compared with £142,269 in the corresponding period of last year. April exports were £13,394 (£16,369).

Phoenix Mining and Finance

PHOENIX MINING AND FINANCE CO. LTD., announce that, in view of the uncertainty as to the Government's dividend policy, an interim dividend of 1s. 4d. per share, or 84%, has been declared in respect of the year ended June 30, 1951, which present is the maximum permitted. The position should be clarified by the Bill proposed to the present Parliament in the autumn, and for this reason the annual meeting would be held rather later than heretofore.

Asbestos Output Rises

THE MONTHLY OUTPUT OF ASBESTOS in Southern Rhodesia is now worth close about £100,000. Mechanization has increased production per ton by 50%, and the market value has risen correspondingly. In the last five months of this year asbestos output totalled 31,888 tons at an average price of nearly £6 per ton, compared with £3.50 three years ago.

Silicosis Medical Bureau

SINCE THE NEW BUILDING of the Silicosis Medical Bureau was opened in Kweku, Northern Rhodesia, last year, the number of employees attending for examination has increased tremendously. The annual report states that 22,515 persons were examined last year, compared with 5,108 in 1949. First certificates of silicosis totalled 95 (22 in 1949).

Northern Rhodesia Company

MR. J. E. W. LOMAS, chairman of the Northern Rhodesia Co. Ltd., commenting on the results to May 31 last, in which investments appearing at £115,478 were valued at £138,921, said that the non-recurring benefit in the accounts caused by the change of tax basis had reduced the tax charge to £3,976.

Geology of Ruwenzori

TWO EXPEDITIONS are being sponsored by the Government of Uganda for the geological survey of the Ruwenzori Range. One started last month, and the other, a larger party, will begin operations next July.

Prospecting in Somalia

COMPAGNIA MINERARIA ETIOPICA ("Comina") has been given a two-year concession to prospect for tin, tungsten, molybdenum, zirconium, and rutile in the Bender Zeida area of Somalia.



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Undertakings operated
Number of Consumers
Annual consumption
Capital

1,904
1 million units
£70,000

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MATTERS OF MOMENT

DR. HASTINGS K. BANDA replies in this issue to the leading article of July 21 in which we charged him with having mischievously misguided his African compatriots in regard to the proposed federation of the Rhodesias and Nyasaland.

Instead of specifically answering our many direct criticisms, however, the author of a pamphlet which has been widely circulated among Africans in order to arouse them to increase their opposition to federation takes refuge in generalizations. It is perhaps typical that the vigorous iteration of opinions will obscure his failure to face the fundamental facts. This applies especially with the observation that because EAST AFRICA AND RHODESIA has long advocated the closer association of the British Central African Dependencies its comments on his approach to federation are not those of an impartial observer. On the contrary, our advocacy of closer association for nearly thirty years has been based on an impartial judgment of the needs of the three territories. As the letter and pamphlet show, it is Dr. Banda who rejects the idea of impartial consideration of the issue. His partiality is clear in that he will oppose any union with Southern Rhodesia.

It is evident that there is absolutely no difference between the situation in 1911 and 1918 and the federation in 1953. In summary, we do not differ from Dr. Banda.

Our Reply to Dr. Banda's article on Dr. Banda's article will show that he will use all his influence to persuade

them to disregard the views of the British Government in sober study of the present morals. Still, the responsibility of one

claims that the majority of African

Africans in Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia look to the UK for leadership and guidance, adding that the British

perhaps only natural. For many years there has been such strong feeling among

as many as he contends why should it still be natural for them to turn to him in London. Surely in that event, all African

objections would have vanished in due course. We should know that an economic

and it would not have been necessary for Banda to prime the pump of opposition months before the date of October for federation had been fixed.

He is against all the ideas therein and his friends in London can dictate to the anti-imperialists.

date four million of our people at best. Has anyone suggested anything of the sort?

Dictation and Intimidation. Our suggestion that **Intimidation**, actual or implied, may well be used to encourage certain Africans to accept assurances which may not be true. The actions referred to are those which indicated, not to the author of the *Passfield Report*, but to the African, the pressure being exerted by the upon African members of

Parliament. Is this not beyond the bounds of reason? It is even reprehensible considering all that is being done to manipulate African opinion by false and exaggerated statements. Readers may judge whether we have contradicted ourselves. At no time did we suggest that federation was to be with Northern Rhodesian and Nyasaland Africans. We did argue that tenacious propaganda from London would hinder and perhaps prevent calm consideration by Africans claiming to provide leadership in their territories.

What is to be said of Dr. Banda's remark that any African who declares himself in favour of federation will be a spineless and self-seeking Quisling? Repeated with emphasis in African conditions, as

outrageous, it will doubtless be repeated if **Allegations** may become indistinguishable from implied intimidation. His

insinuation that the Imperial Government, if it should decide in favour of federation, would resort to "subtle and disguised official pressure to suitably placate such Africans" in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland almost deserves to be bracketed with the outrageous *Passfield Report*. In his pamphlet that Africans in Southern Rhodesia "can be kicked or beaten with no hope of receiving justice in the courts of law because all magistrates expect dutiful and good Africans to be servile and obsequious before all and to all Europeans." That is one of many perversions which he has neglected the opportunity to correct. As to the claim that no responsible African regards the federation proposals favourably, does he not know that Mr. S. H. Chileshe, vice-treasurer of the Northern Rhodesia African Congress, chairman of its Lusaka branch and secretary of the African Christian Conference, has said: "It is very short-sighted for any African to think that Northern Rhodesia can remain static. Most balanced Africans are prepared to bargain in a reasonable way on the terms of the closer association report. Reasonable Africans will give it earnest consideration and would finally denounce any misguided demonstrations against the report."

the economic, statistical, financial and administrative difficulties involved in federation to which the non-officials represent.

Twenty-One Years ago, in 1930, the United Kingdom, Southern Rhodesia, Northern Rhodesia, and Nyasa

lands were in a similar position to those in Southern Rhodesia, namely nothing to do with Dr. Banda. Evading a difficult task of converting them, he takes the easy course of asserting that they "will not be controlled by a single African leader from his seat."

The senior officials of four Governments have provided convincing non-political arguments for federation in 1930. The answer according to Dr. Banda is that they are uninterested because the non-official Europeans of the two Rhodesias resisted the *Passfield White Paper* of 1930! Any reader who has read the history of the party movement in the world during the depression, that a wise decision of a Socialist Secretary of State had been nullified by the machinations of settler communities determined to

exploit the Africans. The truth is that a Joint Select Committee of both Houses of Parliament rejected Lord Passfield's statement of policy as impracticable, the Labour, Liberal, and Conservative members agreeing that justice could not be done on a racial basis,

that the protection of African interests must not involve injustice to non-Africans, and that the idea of "paramountcy" therefore required modification. It was British common sense irrespective of party, not **racism** in Africa, which was decisive.

Dr. Banda overstates the influence of the Passfield document. By affronting European opinion, it did for a time stimulate support for the idea of a Greater Rhodesia. But that was not as he appears to think, the first occasion on which such action had been seriously propounded. It was authoritatively proposed long before Southern Rhodesia obtained self-government, and from time to time thereafter. The case for closer association was, however, never persistently pressed, partly, because economic and transport development was then far less pronounced than it is to-day; partly because the men engaged in public life were heavily burdened with duties which can now be stated among a much larger population (it has doubled in the last five years), and so far as the first half of the nineteen thirties was concerned, because the territories were suffering severely from the world slump. There were eighty reasons for postponement of what even then was regarded as desirable by many good judges.

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Colonial Conference

THIS WEEK AND NEXT an important summer conference on local government in the British African Colonies is being held at Queen's College, Cambridge. There are more than 200 delegates with similar knowledge or specialized interest in the affairs of the territories will concentrate their attention on a wide range of practical problems, which have been divided for convenience into six broad groups, namely: the political aspects of local government; the machinery of local government; local government finance; local government and community development, including local government training; government and law and order; and the administrative officer, the technical officer, and local government. Here it will be seen that the power of the study and debate, the influence of which over administration in Africa is certain to be considerable. These summer schools, which owe their origin to Mr. Andrew Cohen, head of the African Division of the Colonial Office, have established themselves so rapidly and firmly as effective instruments for the improvement of Colonial administration because so much care is taken in the preparatory work, in selecting those who may attend, and in appointing group chairmen who will extract the maximum value from the human material at their disposal.

Gathering of Experts

THERE IS ALWAYS STRONG interest in the Colonial Office; more than 40 of the staff of that department are attending this year's gathering, so that they may have opportunity of discussing matters of close mutual interest. There are also men home from the Colonies, the majority of whom are the main constituents of visitors, numbering nearly half the total in every territory under the administration of the Imperial Government. Africa seeks direct representation in this way, and the widest possible practical knowledge is thus at the disposal of each group at each meeting. They are also specifically chosen as representatives of the Governments of France, Belgium, Portugal, Southern Rhodesia, the Sudan, and the United States, and of the United Nations, universities and other educational institutions, and in particular concerned with Africa, learned and other societies with similar connexions, missionary bodies, some of the advisory committees to the Secretary of State, and a few specialist writers on subjects in question. All shades of opinion and conviction are thus brought to bear to the very deepest knowledge of Africa, I am sure. It has been traditional for the Secretary of State to speak at the opening meeting.

Why Not Explain?

THE ANNUAL REPORT of the Government manufactured at the Chilanga works, near Lusaka, will cost the public £100,000 a ton, when delivery starts next month has surprised and disappointed the many Northern Rhodesians who had expected a considerably lower figure to be quoted. I imagine that few were optimistic enough to hope for the sum of £4 or less which was officially suggested in the Legislative Council when a bill was introduced for the investment of Government funds in the enterprise. The figures given by the Colonial Development Corporation for costs have been meantime in every direction. There does however seem to be need for a candid explanation of the whole story between the expectation and the performance, and it is a pity that the essential facts were not promptly offered to the public by the volition of the Administration. The name of the corporation—the public relations of which have been extremely poor from the time of its creation until the new chairman, Lord Keith, took the whole world onto his confidence when he issued his first annual report a few weeks ago.

Planned Production Kepted

THE CHIEF ELEMENT IN ENTERPRISE development is the question of the cost of the article to the consumer. This leads to one of the wise decisions of the C.C.C., and I know that some responsible Northern Rhodesians now wish that the Government had retained more than 25% stake, and had not arranged for even that participation to pass to the corporation within a few years. The original plan was for an annual output of 55,000 tons, but long before the factory reached the production stage it had been decided to double that capacity, and a little while ago it was resolved to raise the figure. Three years hence therefore Northern Rhodesia may expect a local monthly production of some 135,000 tons. That again, faith in development generally on the part both of the Government and the Colonial Development Corporation, and it ought to mean progressively cheaper cement for industry and house-builders. Africans included.

Scarcifying

MR. J. GIBSON ARVILL, founder and chairman of the Am. United Dominions Trust, a quoted company with a Southern Rhodesian subsidiary, gave a recent weekly annual meeting of shareholders in London a review of the present Socialist Government's attitude to commerce, industry, profits, incentives, taxation, and tariff. It was as fierce an attack on such an occasion as any City leader has yet made. "We have squandered our capital, we have lived on credit and on charity, we are still living away beyond our means," he said.

That by a company or an individual has become a deadly sin. By freezing dividends, revenue and the new issue market will be frozen. How does the Chancellor propose to make up for the lost revenue? How does he propose that trade will find new risk capital? If there is no reasonable reward for risk capital, there will be no risk capital. Then there can be no new ventures. That means stagnation, decline, and then the end.

Leadership

NATIONAL ENTHUSIASM is not confined, as is inevitable, means reticence, greed, and interference by men not trained in the industry—or, as so often happens, in any industry. Prosperity can follow only when there is enterprise, personal ambition, responsibility, independence, and freedom. A soft and secure life never built strength of character or of body. There was much more in that vein—not, as Mr. Attlee emphasized, for the purpose of making political points—but because he believed that the existence of the Empire and the Empire was being jeopardized. Recovery, he declared, could come only when there was a Government which put principles before expediency. He governed for the whole nation and not for any party which recognized the value of thrifty individuals and prosperous companies, and which would not seek popularity by pandering to the thrifless and shiftless. Such is the opinion of an able, forceful, successful Scot with firm faith in the future of the Rhodesias—and, he insists, in that of Great Britain if she receives the right leadership.

Serious Fire at Livingstone

THE FIRE WHICH in Livingstone's history caused damage estimated at £100,000 last week in the works of Zambezi Industries Ltd. The municipal fire brigade and two fire engines from the airport were unable to prevent the flames fanned by a strong wind, from spreading from the furniture shops to the boiler room, machine shop, and engine house. Over 54,000 square feet were completely gutted, and the full-scale marks of destruction may not yet be resumed. The cause is still another mystery, cutting off the cause of the fire, which is yet unknown.

~~Dr. Banda Replies to our Criticism of his Pamphlet~~

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PRESSURE OF MORE IMPORTANT BUSINESS

has made it impossible for me to reply to your editorial comments on our reaction to the proposals of the report of federation or closer association of the Rhodesias and Nyasaland and to the pamphlet you have written against federation. Kindly allow me to reply now. Even now, neither the time at my disposal nor the space available permits a full and detailed reply. I will, however, touch upon a few points in your comments and your attack on the pamphlet.

In your issue of July 19 you characterize as "mischievous and misleading one falsehood after another" and what I have said against federation in the pamphlet. You are, of course entitled to your opinion. Quite frankly, what you think or say of the pamphlet is a matter of indifference to me. After all, you are not an impartial observer. You are an interested party. You are a known and confirmed amalgamist. What you say against us and the pamphlet is just what we would expect of you.

Congratulation

For your information, the only adverse comment I have received on the pamphlet is that from you and a few of your Sycophants in your own columns and elsewhere. From all other quarters I have received nothing but congratulatory letters and remarks. These congratulatory letters and remarks have come, not only from my own people, but also from British friends in this country, not all of whom are Abolitionists, the frequent object of your vituperative attacks, and from my own people so far as the congratulations go. In Rhodesia, Africa, where I am now, the only thing that has been said against me is that I am in the Party, which is perfectly true. So you see, it is simply a matter of opinion.

The fact is that you are attacking me and the pamphlet because what I have written in the pamphlet is true and misleading, but because it is very true. And the measure of its truthfulness is its agreement with what you attack the pamphlet as not being. For those lost concerned truth has its own way of hurting. A lie has a way of stabbing right down to the heart.

You deny that European settlers want federation in order to extend to Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia the policy of Southern Rhodesia. Here again you have a right to your opinion. But, deny as you may, you will never convince a single African of the contrary. We happen to know the year when the question of uniting the Central African territories was first taken seriously by the Europeans of Northern Rhodesia and Southern Rhodesia. That year was 1930.

Lord Passfield's Statement

What happened in that year, 1930? Well, sir, Lord Passfield, then Secretary of State for the Colonies, issued an order in Kenya which said whenever the interests of the Africans conflict with those of the immigrant communities, the interests of the Africans must be paramount. This statement brought bitter and angry remonstrances from European settlers from Kenya Colony to Southern Rhodesia, and even beyond.

It was then that the Europeans of Northern Rhodesia and the South African of Southern Rhodesia began to talk of amalgamation very seriously. In those days the Europeans were more frank and honest. They did not mince any words about it. They did not beat about the bush of economic, strategic, communications and administrative

the necessity. They bluntly said they wanted amalgamation in order to free themselves from the fetters of Whitehall rule, which favoured the Africans. And they could do this by joining Southern Rhodesia, which was already free and had a Native policy which was not that of the Colonial Office. To refresh the memory of your readers, allow me to quote some of the things they said in a long and angry memorandum to the Secretary of State for the Colonies:-

Northern Rhodesian Memorandum

"British colonists hold that the 'British Empire' is concerned primarily with the furtherance of the interests of the British subjects of British race, and only thereafter with the interests of other British subjects, protected races, and nationals of other countries, in that order. Faced with the declared determination of the Imperial Government to prefer the interests of alien and barbarous races to those of their own they may seek and find sympathy and aid . . . from neighbouring countries, cloaking free institutions and more equitable opportunities."

This is what the Europeans of Northern Rhodesia said in 1930. It appeared in the *Livingstone* mail and I dare say in your own columns. It has been quoted time and again by many writers, including Rita Hinden.

The neighbouring countries to which the statement refers are, of course, Southern Rhodesia, immediately across the Zambezi, and the Union of South Africa, further south across the Limpopo. The free institutions and the self-governments enjoyed by the Europeans of Southern Rhodesia and the Union of South Africa. And the more exclusive opportunities are the opportunities to fight back against the Africans and their interests without interference from the colonial Office.

With this background to the whole question of federation in our minds, do you expect us, the Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia, to believe that economic, strategic, communication, and administrative reasons are the real reasons for which the Europeans of Central Africa now desire federation? If you do, then you grossly underestimate our political intelligence. Not a single African leader will swallow economic, strategic, communication, administrative arguments in favour of federation. They want to release us of the present and urgent need for federation. They have to produce better evidence than

Views of Sir Godfrey Huggins

You say Sir Godfrey Huggins is a believer in equality for Europeans and Africans. You must know Sir Godfrey better than he knows himself. I say you are speaking for him better than he has been speaking for himself. Speaking at a meeting of the Empire and Overseas League on July 12, 1934, Sir Godfrey said: "It is time for the people of England to realize that the white man in Africa will never be prepared and never will be prepared to accept the African as an equal, either socially or politically."

But, of course, 1934 is a long time ago. It is possible that Sir Godfrey has since recanted. If that is so, then I have never read his recantation anywhere and will be only too glad to be enlightened.

On the other hand, Sir Godfrey Leggins has shown himself in his true political colours many times since last year he passed an Act of Parliament which gives the property qualification for political franchise from £150 to £240; and this for the specific reason that under the old law there were about 1,000,000 persons who would have been entitled to exercise their votes.

He wanted to make certain that they would or should not. In addition, he passed the Land Allocation Act. This year he has passed the Native Husbandry Act. All this in addition to other discriminatory Acts, such as the Native Urban Areas Act, the Native Registration Act, the Industrial Conciliation Act, and a host of others.

To you, to be segregated and confined to the reserves may not be serfdom; to be forced to have to carry a multiplicity of passes, if you are not criminal, may not be serfdom; to be denied the right to be employed in skilled occupations purely on account of colour and race, and to be discriminated against in a hundred other ways may not be serfdom. It is serfdom to us. And if that is your idea of democratic liberalism and of partnership between Europeans and Africans in Africa, it is certainly not ours.

African Difference in Policies

To me, the Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia, there is no difference between the Native policy of Southern Rhodesia and the Native policy of the Union of South Africa. They are both segregatory and discriminatory in character. They are both anti-African in nature and purpose. They are both pursued with the same aim in view—to keep the Africans down and relegated to the reserves, to be users of wood and drawers of money from European pockets.

As long as Southern Rhodesia continues to pursue her present Native policy we, the Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia, will never enter upon any union with her, federal or otherwise, of our own free will. If any union comes at all, it will have to be imposed by brute force or by subtle and disguised official pressure on a few spineless and self-seeking Africans, suitably placed in the two territories. For these are the men whom you would describe as "African leaders of capacity and

fortune." Fortunately for you and other segregationists, none of these Africans has, up to this writing, come forward to support either a union or in Northern Rhodesia. But, of course, it is not you who say so. You may find your "leaders of capacity and character" yet. At any rate, every country has within its bounds human material for the propagation of communism at the right moment and in suitable persons.

African Leadership

On July 21, commenting on African leaders in connexion with the report, you wrote: "The next few weeks should mark out African leaders of capacity and character from those, after all, but temporary popularity." From this sentence it is clear that you expected strong opposition from the Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia to the proposals of the report. You knew that federation was very unpopular with the Africans, and that any African leader who tried to persuade them to accept it would be most unpopular among his own people.

But, as you assumed or presumed strong opposition to federation from the Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia, you were perfectly correct. The reaction of the Africans in the two territories to the proposals has been unmistakable. As stated above, neither in Nyasaland nor in Northern Rhodesia have the proposals been received favourably by a single African, as I write.

On July 5 you contradicted yourself, for on that date you wrote:

"The strategy of opposition to the plan for federation of the two Rhodesias and Nyasaland is being dictated from London, where a few irreconcileable Africans are engaged in a strenuous and futile endeavour to persuade their masters in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland in particular to turn themselves from the publicity and simultaneously against a scheme which is now offered for public discussion."

For these reasons it may be expected that in the African

representative and provincial councils in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland, and in other organized African bodies in those territories and elsewhere there will be opposition to any form of union with Southern Rhodesia, doubtless coupled with a scheme framed to suit the special purposes of the adult franchise. Intimidation, actual or implied, may be used to force certain Africans to give voice to a proposal which is not popular with millions; and some of the most ardent may be among those qualified to judge a complex and lateral issue."

In the two paragraphs quoted you are trying to make your readers gain the impression that the Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia, not to themselves, would accept federation, and that they may reject it because of intimidation and even intimidation from a few of their compatriots in London. Now, sir, you cannot have it both ways. Either federation is popular or unpopular with the Africans. It cannot be both.

In one breath you are telling your readers that federation is so unpopular with the Africans that only leaders who do not heed the feelings of their people and do not fear unpopularity can try to persuade them to accept it. In another breath you are trying to make your readers believe that federation is not unpopular with the Africans at all, and that any likely opposition expressed by the leaders in Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia will not be a genuine article, but a smokescreen created from the fertile brains of a few anti-achievous African schemers in London.

Intimidation from London denied

Do you really believe that seven Africans in London can dictate to and intimidate such proud and powerful chiefs as Sefela, Mwase, Chikulamayembe, and Gomani in Nyasaland, or Mwanawina, Chitimukulu and Mpundu in Northern Rhodesia? Do you really believe that 40,000 Africans in London can dictate to and intimidate 400,000 Africans in Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia? If you and your European readers really believe that, please state to revise my opinion of your knowledge of Africa and the Africans.

It is, of course, true that the majority of articulate Africans in Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia look to me for inspiration and guidance. This is perhaps only natural. But I say or even suggest that I and my colleagues in London can dictate to and intimidate 40,000 of our people at home, together with the proud and powerful chiefs 400,000 miles away from us, is preposterous.

The fact is that the Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia need no dictation or intimidation from anyone to reject federation. They rejected amalgamation in 1938. They rejected federation in 1949. To them there is absolutely no difference between the amalgamation of 1931 and 1938 and the federation of 1951. The people who want federation in 1951 are the same people who wanted amalgamation in 1931 and 1938. No one is deceived.

Europeans' Political Motives

The fact that the new scheme has been produced by the officials cannot hide the fact that federation is desired by European settlers. The fact that the report emphasizes economic, strategic, communication, and administrative reasons, and is cleverly silent on other reasons, does not conceal the fact that federation is desired by European settlers for political reasons.

Our annoyance with us, seems the greater and more bitter because we, the Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia, have the temerity to reject the scheme.

Opposed By Government officials. I wanted to make it clear, here and now, that we do not consider any scheme sacrosanct just because it happens to have been prepared by Government officials. We reject the thesis that anything or everything proposed by Government officials is right or necessarily good for us.

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Commonwealth Countries - Core of Stability in World Trade

Chambers of Commerce Advocate League for Imperial Migration

IMPERIAL PREFERENCE HAS BEEN OF BENEFIT. British Commonwealth countries, which forming as they do a core of stability in world trade, should maintain this principle in their dealings with one another.

During negotiations on trade treaties since 1932 there has, despite of hard bargaining, been little impairment of the value of Imperial Preference. Preferences have been reduced, it has been within agreement of the Commonwealth countries concerned and with a view of giving compensating advantages to other directions.

Conditions have changed since Imperial Preference was first introduced, and, while maintaining the principle, it may well be to the advantage of Commonwealth countries to permit greater flexibility in preferential negotiations where advantages to the Commonwealth countries concerned will accrue.

Congress recommends that greater attention be paid to enabling smaller units of the Commonwealth to achieve a more reasonable balance of trade with their fellow members, and that where their products can be obtained at lower cost than the similar products from other countries, preference should be given to Commonwealth products.

While deplored the system of Government-to-Government bulk purchasing, Congress urges Governments, when so engaged, to observe the same principles.

Japanese Competition.—Congress is deeply concerned at the prospect of Japan entering once again into world markets with the power to flood them with goods at prices which preclude other countries from competing.

On the other hand, it is appreciated that some countries need supplies of goods which Japan can manufacture and that price is a major consideration. There is, however, a serious danger that should Japan be permitted to join the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the terms of that agreement would prevent other countries from protecting themselves by import restrictions, quotas, and measures to offset low values in the same way as they did during the inter-war period.

Protecting Commonwealth Trade

Neither by the provisions of the proposed peace treaty with Japan nor by any other arrangement should the countries of the Commonwealth be prevented from taking any measures that may seem proper to them to protect their trade from the menace of Japanese goods produced under labour conditions which few if any other countries would accept.

Capital Protection through Income Taxation.—Congress views with concern the extent to which the taxation of business incomes contains a substantial element of capital levy disguised as the taxation of profits. The high rate of taxation combined with the methods of assessment are appropriating an undue proportion of the resources of industry, and shareholders are losing a substantial part of the equity in their businesses.

Price Control.—Whatever justification there was for Government bulk buying of war-time strategic purposes, its continued existence is unjustifiable. A Government is unable to take decisions quickly, which is essential in the purchasing of commodities, and the absence of competition often results in a Government being held to ransom in the matter of price.

Congress also deplores action by governments which for economic reasons decide to prohibit or control imports or exports, with the result that some commercial contracts between their nationals and traders in other Commonwealth countries are broken. Whenever such measures are necessary,

In Being the first section of the report submitted at the 17th Congress of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire held in London. Owing to pressure on space the recommendations have been abbreviated.

Governments should permit their own traders to fulfil their legitimate obligations with those populous regions of the Commonwealth which form the basis of Commonwealth demand and in so necessary, are making substantial buyers and sellers.

CONSTITUTIONAL AND SOCIAL.
Migration is one of the most important questions facing the member nations of the Commonwealth and Empire. The strength of the Commonwealth and the maintenance of their British character and traditions, should be ensured without an adequate flow of migrants from the Mother Country.

Congress recommends that Commonwealth countries set up, without delay, a Central Advisory Council to which all questions of intra-empire migration be referred for mutual settlement, and that the following basic principles be consistently borne in mind:

Migrants' Freedom of Choice

(1) The migration within the Commonwealth and Empire is of the greatest importance for both welfare and strategic purposes. Commonwealth and Empire has been built, and should be the aim to accord any migrant the freedom to migrate to the country of his or her choice. (2) that no government restriction be imposed which bars one country from competing over others in acquisition of skilled labour.

Social Benefits.—Congress cannot agree that the absence of reciprocal agreements on social benefits constitutes a deterrent of any consequence to intending migrants. The indications are that migrants tend to go to new countries because they consider the way of life more to their liking; that payment for their services may perhaps be more favourable, and that they could well have a better chance.

If it were found that the question of social services bears heavily on the migrant's situation, it would be extremely difficult to negotiate the necessary reciprocal agreements between the Commonwealth countries concerned. Without, in some way, infringing the rights of each country to decide what social services it should offer, it would be impracticable to attempt negotiation of reciprocal agreements unless and until a stage is reached where there is virtual uniformity of social services throughout the Commonwealth and Empire.

Commonwealth and International Relations.—There can be little doubt that the setting up of a facts United Nations armed force under a single command will have repercussions in the economic sphere and may well lead to proposals for a unified control of economic matters.

Congress believes that the greatest vigilance must be exercised to ensure that the setting up of new international organizations (or the adoption of existing ones) will not prejudice the economic and social needs of the Commonwealth and Empire, and that adhesion to such organizations should be strenuously resisted unless and until it is quite certain that they will in no way impair Commonwealth trade negotiations.

Ministerial Powers.—Congress views with alarm the increasing extent in the field of industry, commerce, and trade, in which judicial and quasi-judicial powers are being conferred upon Ministers and officials by all countries within the Commonwealth.

Not only are the decisions of Ministers frequently unwise and arbitrary, but where the law does provide some measure of appeal and the Minister is overruled, retrospective legislation on occasions has been introduced to validate the Minister's original decision.

Retaining Unnecessary Controls

There is also a general tendency to retain war-time controls far longer than necessary.

One method of dealing with this matter might be to set up Parliamentary committees with fully qualified technical and professional advisers to maintain a check on the Ministers and to report to Parliament any instance where it appears that the sovereignty of Parliament is being infringed or the just rights of the individual or trade are being violated.

Much closer check on the expenditure of unnecessary large sums now being collected in taxation is also imperative.

State Enterprise, State Control and Free Enterprise.—Congress wishes to record its serious concern at the increasing extent to which State enterprise and control are encroaching on the legitimate sphere of free enterprise in many parts of the Commonwealth and Empire.

It is impossible to emphasize too strongly the great harm which is being caused by wasteful State operations, and particularly by the tendency to quench the true spirit of free enterprise. The doctrine appears to be growing up that it is wrong for a trader to make a profit, even though he may

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Mr. Griffiths Leaves for East Africa Prelude to Victoria Falls Conference

MR. JAMES GRIFFITHS, Secretary of State for the Colonies, leaves London to-morrow by air to Central Africa. As announced in June, he will discuss with African and representatives of all communities the reaction to the White Paper on closer union of the two Rhodesias and Nyasaland.

Mr. Griffiths, who will be accompanied by Mr. A. B. Cohen, Assistant Under-Secretary of State in charge of the African Division of the Colonial Office, will arrive in Nyasaland on August 28, go to Northern Rhodesia on September 1, remaining there until September 15.

Mr. P. Gordon Walker, Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, will leave London on September 7, and with the Colonial Secretary will attend the conference at Victoria Falls at which they will meet representatives of the three territories for a full exchange of views.

Extensive Discussions

During his stay in Southern Rhodesia is to have discussions with non-official members of the Legislative Council, will visit most of the important towns and will meet representatives of such bodies as the Chambers of Commerce, African Provincial Councils, the Native Affairs Council in Northern Rhodesia, the Executive Council in Nyasaland, and the Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland African Congresses.

In Umtali last week Mr. Archer Baldwin, one of the four British M.P.s who are touring Central Africa as delegates of the United Kingdom branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, described federation as "a step towards greater federation, leading eventually to a great United States of Africa."

"I agree," he added, "that the Native must advance

culturally, economically, and in health before he advances politically, and I think you will find that most people in Britain will agree with that view."

Mr. P. Coldrick, one of the two Labour M.P.s in the delegation, agreed when Mr. Baldwin commented that among the majority of Europeans in the territories there was a realization that the future of the region could be assured only by bringing forward the African along with the European.

Later in Salisbury Mr. Baldwin said that in his view the fears of Africans in Northern Rhodesia were unfounded, and that Southern Rhodesia was pursuing the right policy—a middle course between the policy of the Union and the Colonial Office policy of the south.

Strong Support for Federation

Last Thursday a meeting arranged in Salisbury by the Rhodesia National Affairs Association gave overwhelming support to a motion in favour of federation.

A report from Lusaka states that only the influence of moderates prevented a copy of the White Paper from being publicly burned by members of the African Congress. Many members, however, threatened to carry out the burning unless the Colonial Secretary received an all-African delegation to discuss federation.

In his opening address to the 66th session of the Nyasaland Legislative Council Mr. C. W. F. Footman, the Acting Governor said: "I ask all who live in Nyasaland to give the White Paper full and due consideration, not from the viewpoint of individual or sectional interests, but, what is so important and essential, from the viewpoint of the vital and over-riding interest of our land."

Mr. G. G. S. J. Hadow, non-official member, said: "I believe this to be the last opportunity for consideration of closer co-operation. The subject has been discussed for over a quarter of a century, and we have now come to the parting of the ways. Nyasaland is a small country and our proud boast is that the relationship between all races dwelling here is as happy and as happy as that which exists in South Africa. We must strive to preserve that co-operation."

The Tanganyika Legislative Council will reassemble in Dar es Salaam on August 29.

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PERSONALIA

MR. R. H. KAY, representing a London publishing house, has recently visited East Africa.

MRS. G. THOMAS (Royal Salisbury Cup) has won the all-Rhodesian women's open golf title.

MR. TAYABALLI H. A. KARIMI, 25, has left towards the cost of a new hospital in Dar es Salaam.

SIR ANGUS AND LADY CILIAN DAVE returned from Australia to Sheep Cote Cottage, Leigh-on-Sea.

CAPTAIN J. MURRAY, 28, is spending his leave in Devonshire, expected back in Kenya in November.

MR. W. M. DONALDSON, Establishment Officer in Mombasa, is to be the first Senior Establishment Officer in Uganda.

DR. V. G. MOORE, who is to become vice-principal of St. John's College, Oxford, is making a tour of Kenya and East Africa.

CAPTAIN J. R. GALWAY has been appointed Public Relations Officer to East Africa Command, to the place of Major R. J. H. COOPER.

LIEUT-COLONEL W. H. GORDON, 45, has spent part of his leave in France and Scotland. He will return to Kampala by air.

MISS GWYNNE FRANCIS, 25, well-known actress and singer, is visiting Kenya on her way to South Africa as a guest of the British Council.

LIEUT-COLONEL COLIN KIRKPATRICK, general manager of the African Finance Corporation and Southern Rhodesia, is paying a visit to his country.

MR. ARTHUR DENIS, a producer of documentary films, has arrived in Kenya to film there since the start of his cinematograph in East Africa since 1936.

MR. OLIVER WOODS, lately in Rhodesia, his work as Special Correspondent of "The Times," being expected to return at the end of September.

MR. RONALD GRIER, has been consecrated Vice-Apostle of the Uganda Assembly. ARCHBISHOP MATTHEW Armstrong, Prelate in British East and West Africa.

MR. TIMOTHY LINDSEY, 30, formerly with the late Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Thackray, Nairobi, and Miss Mary Corcoran of Leeds, were recently married in Nairobi.

MR. ERIC SHAW, who has taken over a number of his late father's positions in East and Central Africa, has just left London for Nairobi to seek an alternative route to the summit of Mount Kenya.

MR. J. R. JONES, senior partner in East Africa of Cooper Brothers, Leslie, Max & Company, well known accountants anditors. He will be in Nairobi on Friday for Maironi, after spending the summer in Scotland.

DR. H. M. O. LISTER, Director of the East African Tsetse and Trypanosomiasis Research and Rehabilitation Organization, spoke in Sunday's "Caffin Club" television programme of the BBC on the relationship between tsetse and game.

DR. G. L. L. LITTON, Director of the General Diseases Department at St. Mary's Hospital, London, and adviser on venereal diseases for the Ministry of Health, is to visit Tanganyika next month. He toured East Africa in 1948.

THE VICE-ROY, W. BLACKBURN, G.C.B., will resign the Governorship of British Somaliland on October 1, and another ex-M.R.A.F. man, BILL BURNETT, Governor of the Leeward Islands, and previously Director of Information at the Colonial Office.

MR. G. J. MUKASEYAN, African member of the Uganda Legislative Council, who recently visited New Zealand for the Festival of Britain, has gone for the United States. The other African members who came to England for the Festival have returned to Uganda.

Mrs. JOHN TURNBULL, 21, 20-year-old student from Horsham, and MR. CHARLES NIXON, 21, a 36-year-old American teacher, have arrived in Kenya after a 6,000 miles' motor-cycle journey from Kenya via Uganda, the Belgian Congo, Italy, and France.

LIEUT. W. R. YOUNG, R.E., engineer of Messrs. J. M. & J. M. Young, of Egesevale, Southern Rhodesia, and MISS ALDRETT JOSEPH, eldest daughter of Captain J. W. Joseph, R.E., ready, and Mrs. Josephine of Liverpool, were married in Gaborone, S. Africa.

MR. ERNEST HEATHCOTE has replaced MR. LATIMER COPE as the nominated official member of the Northern Rhodesian European Civil Service Commission. Mr. M. W. DENNISON now represents the European Civil Servants' Association in place of MR. DERRICK CARROLL. MR. J. D. PARKER, since 1947 Chief Secretary in Kenya, who has been Ambassador of Rhodesia Resident Commissioner entered the Colonial Service as a district officer in 1931. He is the son of Sir Archibald Parker, who was Resident in Zanzibar from 1930 to 1937.

MR. GUY VENTER, 31, former Commanding Officer of the Union Defense Forces Troops in the United Kingdom, has been appointed Acting Military and Civil Adviser to the South African High Commissioner in London with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. He served on the Staff of the ANC Camp, East Africa, during 1940-41.

MR. J. W. GUNNISON-BRADLEY, 35, has been appointed chairman of a committee to advise on the creation of a national European constituency in Kenya. The other members are MR. J. G. M. WILSON, MR. M. H. SPILLER, Lieut.-COLONEL GUNNIE, MR. W. G. GILLETT, and SIR HAMER DORTMEE. All are members of the Legislative Council.

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SOUTH AFRICA AND RHODESIA

Mrs. P. N. A. MARSH, cricket captain of Southern Rhodesia, and the only Rhodesian in the South African team now in England, made eight runs and a "duck" in their two innings in the last Test match at the Oval last week, when England won by four wickets just before the end of the third day.

CAPTAIN H. C. N. DAVIES, Royal Artillery, younger son of Lieutenant-General J. C. D'Arcy and Mrs. D'Arcy of Hyde Park, Kilburn, County Westmeath, Eire, and Miss Iris Elizabeth Batterstill, elder daughter of Sir William Batterstill, Governor of Tanganyika from 1945 to 1948, and Lady Batterstill, "have announced their engagement."

For seven years Miss Iris D'Arcy has been a receptionist at Rhodesia House, London, in which capacity she has interviewed large numbers of inquiries who have since settled in Southern Rhodesia. Now that her engagement to the Italian European Airways pilot has been announced a fund has been opened in Rhodesia for the purchase of a wedding gift.

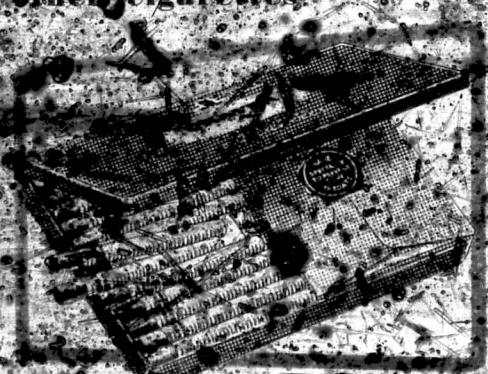
A Northern Rhodesian Dramatic Association has been formed in Kitwe with the promise of assistance from the British Council. Mr. R. Davison (Mutulira) is chairman and [REDACTED] (Mwila) (his Council) Secretary, treasurers being Mr. J. Picklin (Lumshya) and Messrs. A. Lewis (Nkana-Kutwe) and J. A. Browning (Chingola) are members of the committee.

ONCE AGAIN MACHA NEHAREMA, the only surviving signatory of the Ankole Agreement attended the 50th anniversary of its signing. SIR JOHN HULL, Governor of Uganda, the Bishop of UGANDA and MRS. STUART, the MUKAMA of Toro, and the Prime Ministers of Uganda and Toro were present at the commemoration. In a speech to the assembled chiefs Sir John pointed out that the progress of the last half-century had been possible only by the loyal co-operation with the Government of the local leaders and the Ankole people.

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Obituary

**Lieut.-Colonel Donald McDonald
Ex-Mayor of Salisbury**

LIEUT-COLONEL DONALD McDONALD, an alderman and one of the best-known public figures in Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, has died at the age of 76. He resigned from the city council last year because of failing health.

Born and educated in Aberdeen, he went to Bulawayo as a young man of 22 to take up an appointment in the Mining Commissioner's office. After a short spell with a local mining company, he returned to the Civil Service in 1898 and remained in Salisbury for the rest of his life, for most of the time in the Mines Department. In 1925 he became Secretary to the Department of Agriculture and Lands, and five years later Secretary to the Mines and Public Works Department. Retiring in 1935, he began to take an active part in municipal affairs, and was Mayor of Salisbury from 1938 to 1940 and again in 1941-42.

Colonel McDonald had a long record of service in the old Southern Rhodesia Volunteers, and became commanding officer of the Eastern Division in 1914. A fine rifle shot, he represented Southern Rhodesia at Bisley in 1902. After the recent war he played a leading part in the administration of the National War Fund for ex-Servicemen. He was a brother of the late Sir James McDonald.

Lieut-Colonel A. J. Bellings

LIEUT-COLONEL A. J. BELLING, B.S.O., M.C., whose death in Mombasa is announced, for two years before the 1914-18 war served on the staff of Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Co. Ltd., and after the Armistice spent six years as lecturer in physical chemistry at Newmarket University. It was in 1928 that he was appointed chief chemist in the Magadi Soda Co. Ltd., in Kenya (then an associated company of Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd.), and was appointed general manager three years later. Returning in 1941 to take over the chairmanship of the East African Industrial Research and Development Board. His work in laying the foundations of industrial development in the territories will long be remembered. In 1944, when he returned from the East, ill health overtook him, and he had to have a leg amputated. Lieut-Colonel Bellings practised as a consultant and was associated with several private enterprises.

COLONEL GUY SYMONDS, C.B.E., D.S.O., inventor of the stirrup pump, who had died in Kingsland near Plymouth at the age of 73, served in the latter part of the First World War, and in the 1914-18 war, after having been wounded in France, twice mentioned in dispatches, and awarded the D.S.O. The only son of a former superintendent of the London Fire Brigade, he was fire adviser to the Home Office in the last war, directing some of the forest flights against fires started by German bombers, and being largely responsible for the organization of fire watchers.

Mrs. CHRISTINE CAMPBELL, widow of the late Captain R. E. Campbell, who represented the Southern electoral area in the Northern Rhodesian Legislative Council between 1928 and 1948, died suddenly yesterday in Chiswick Hospital. Mrs. Campbell, who was 79, had been admitted with a fractured leg after being knocked down by a dog.

SIR HAROLD WEDDING, a former chairman and managing director of the Sultan Plantations Syndicate, Ltd., and the Kassala Cotton Co. Ltd., and chairman of the Kassala Sugar Co. Ltd., has died at Leiston-in-Sea, at the

British Observers in Bechuanaland Quarrel Before Tribesmen

Plan for joint *kgotla* abandoned by the Government.

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S PLAN for a joint *kgotla* in Bechuanaland has been abandoned, it was announced yesterday. An amount of £1,000 had been sent to the three British observers sent to the country to ascertain the purpose of their mission by an economic programme of investigations.

That amount, which had proved impracticable was confirmed in a statement issued by the High Commissioner. Since this decision, the three observers had become involved in personal disagreement, and had quarrelled in front of a tribal assembly at Seretse's *kotla*.

Mr. Lipson, the Englishman, was reporting that a number of tribesmen supporters were present at the meeting, and that the tribesmen who sent them to be elected. Mr. Daniel Lipson, former Independent Member for Cheltenham, who was acting as chairman of the occasion, replied: "I will not leave. We hope you will stay. I shall stay as a compliment to the observers."

Matter of Principle

There were strong protests, but Mr. Lipson insisted, adding: "We can not sit way up this; it is a matter of principle. We wish to hear both sides. If we go back to England and tell them we agreed that these people could be turned away, they will blame us and say we should not have allowed it."

Mr. A. Germond, the district commissioner, then proposed that the tribe should vote on the matter, but Mr. Lipson disagreed, saying that the result was a foregone conclusion, and that Tshkedi's five supporters would be ordered to leave. He added: "I am going to be firm on this," and remarked that he would remain regardless even if it meant that the meeting had to be abandoned.

Mr. Herbert Bullock (last year's chairman of the Trades Union Congress) thereupon intervened, telling Mr. Lipson: "You are being ridiculous and unreasonable. This is their meeting, not yours—even if you are doing all the talking."

Mr. Lipson declined to give way, but Professor W. Macmillan, the third observer, suggested that it would be unwise to overrule the tribesmen, and Mr. Bullock accused Mr. Lipson of forcing the observers to "take sides."

Observers Will Regret This

During the course of the altercation Mr. Lipson told Mr. Bullock: "You are saying things you will regret, as you have done on previous occasions." This was apparently a reference to an earlier meeting at Rametsane at which Mr. Bullock had told supporters of Tshkedi: "Mr. Lipson has told you he was an independent member of Parliament, but he has not told you that the British people in their wisdom slung him out at the last election."

After Professor Macmillan had sided with Mr. Bullock, Mr. Lipson said: "Very well, if I am outvoted I shall give way under protest, but I have no wish to hear the views of a packed meeting." Professor Macmillan told the waiting headmen: "You can have your *kgotla* as you wish, but it means a bad break against you."

After the five supporters of Tshkedi had left, Mr. Lipson told the tribesmen: "I cannot agree that I will be able to obtain a true reflection of the views of the Bamangwato here when only one side is represented. I shall have to say that in my report. The people of England will take a serious view of this intolerant and unreasonable view. I am not interested in taking sides—but I have determined that Tshkedi shall get

a square deal. I insist that the views put before us shall be the real views of the majority of the tribe, and not of a mere section of it." In other words, I have ordered will do far more good to the Bamangwato than any military force.

When the meeting continued, all speakers were opposed to Tshkedi. One tribesman intimated, however, that he might be allowed back on condition that Seretse were present as chief. According to one report, "even the village idiot" was allowed to participate. He expressed surprise that the *Amphela* (tribe) was on the side of Tshkedi.

In the afternoon a meeting was held for the benefit of the tribesmen, who had all concluded as supporters of Tshkedi. Mr. Bullock sent a message saying that he had been informed that he was "under the weather." Professor Macmillan stayed for only a short time, explaining that he had a prior engagement. Mr. Lipson said later: "Tshkedi is not a mere chieftain. His supporters are being intimidated. Those who came this morning were five brave men. There may be others frightened to declare themselves."

Tshkedi's View

At an earlier meeting with Tshkedi and his supporters at Rametsane the three observers heard the ex-royal say that he had expected them to arrange a joint *kgotla* where he could put to the tribesmen time for his return as a private citizen. "I want Seretse to return to the reserve either as chief or as a private citizen," he said. Seretse's marriage to a white woman was not sufficient cause for expulsion from his homeland. As to his own expulsion, the only real authority was the chief of the Bamangwato, and at the moment the tribe possessed no such leader.

He announced his intention of sending his deputy, Rosebola Ngamase, back to the reserve to take over control of the tribe from Seabola (Rosebola's junior brother), who was present chief tribal representative. Rosebola led the Bamangwato and Native forces in the recent war and was personally present with the Military Mission by the King. It was stated later in the Protectorate that it was unlikely that Rosebola would attempt to implement Tshkedi's announcement.

Another incident occurred at the final district *kgotla* at Serowe, attended by over 3,000 tribesmen. Only one supporter of Tshkedi was seen in the vicinity, and he was at once chased away.

A renewed appeal for a joint *kgotla* was made at that assembly by Mr. Lipson, who failed, however, to make any impression on the tribesmen. One African read from a manuscript for an hour. Mr. Lipson then interrupted: "This is infolsole" and asked whether he had written the speech himself.

Professor Macmillan remarked: "Of course he did. He is their great scholar." The speaker then handed up the manuscript stating that he was the Rev. K. T. Motsete, who had been a student of M.A. and B.D. After suggesting that Mr. Lipson should check these statements with the registrar of London University he told the observers, amid loud cheering, "Tshkedi may not be the only clever man from Serowe."

Mr. Bullock's War Cries

Mr. Douglas Brown, *Daily Telegraph* special correspondent in the Protectorate, reported: "The meeting followed the now familiar pattern. Mr. Bullock repeated for the 10th time his often unappreciated jest about being 'the only bullock in the reserve on the leg.' Mistaking the dignified salutation *pula* for some kind of war-cry, he persisted in shouting it from the platform like a cheer-leader at a cup-tie. To the evident consternation of the tribesmen."

Most of the tribesmen who spoke at the meeting pleaded for the return of Seretse. After that, some promised they would reconsider Tshkedi's position.

The observers also attended a large meeting of women, all brilliantly coloured ornate. They sat in front of the mission schoolhouse, kneeling while they addressed the observers. All favoured the return of Seretse. "We do not want Tshkedi," one woman cried. "If he comes back we will maul him. We will kill him." Tshkedi said another, was heard by our fowls, dogs, goats and the mice."

The observers left the Protectorate last Thursday night. They met the European Chamber of Commerce at Gaborone on Friday. On the same day the Bechuanaland Native Council, meeting in Gaborone, refused to nominate three "tribal advisors" to the observers. The suggestion had been made by the Administration, who submitted three names.

The chairman of the Council, Chief Bathoen, commented: "We were taken by surprise when names

were submitted. How it three hours could pass, but these eighty miles, so far as I am concerned, were passed in great sadness.

Afterwards, Tshwedi Khomo later issued a memorandum to the Baman tribe, which read: "Your visit has been defeated, and you will remain in Rhodesia until the Government will give a true picture of the situation. You will be allowed to go to the meetings of the tribe as a whole. All tribal meetings will be open to you, and you will be allowed to express your views. You have been victimized to such an extent that they are not important to express their actual opinion and feelings."

The memorandum further states that at these meetings their victims would be allowed to speak. It was also possible, Tshwedi alleged, that a joint meeting of the two tribes could be held without any official head of either tribe being present in the right way.

Tshwedi is reported to have appealed to the legal section of the District Baman tribe leaders in order to secure protection of his own property and that of his followers from further attack.

D. G. Lowe, who has been permanent counsel to the Bamangwato tribe,

Times After Public Rashes

A HAMBURG man was last week sued for damages for causing public violence in a clash with followers of Mr. Gordon-Walker. Some 200 other tribesmen were fined from £10 to £100 each by the chief magistrate of Beaufort West, Cape Province, for attacking a native tribe there, causing serious damage to a native mission in the history of colonial administration.

The *Manchester Guardian* has commented:

There is no doubt what the Bamangwato want. They want Seretse as chief and accompanied by his wife and child. The obnoxious question has given them a magnificent opportunity to demonstrate it, and they have done so to the letter. It was the obvious weakness of Mr. Gordon-Walker's concession to the Committee that to invite a tribal opposition to Seretse was bound to produce a tribal opinion on Seretse, as well. If the tribesmen were to be consulted on whether Seretse should be allowed to reign, how are they to be ignored when they demand that Seretse should return?

If Mr. Gordon-Walker had stood fast on the principle that punishment, in the unprecedented circumstances of the Bamangwato, was an executive act, which lay within the com-

petence of his administration, he was not within the field of any legal deliberation. He would have made a decision consistent and decided in his action. It would then have been possible to authorise Tshwedi's return at any time that it appeared practicable as a just solution, and without reference to the views of the *Guardian*.

"The tolerance of the *Guardian* had a specimen air of democracy, but the air was too thin to a body of tribesmen, power which had been exercised hardly ever, if at all, by an executive assembly of the Commonwealth to decide that a traditional chiefship should be exiled without trial from a country which was ground-out unpopularity."

The *Guardian* says Sunday is a bad day, and are calling for a general election to-day.

Wheat Crop Declining

NORTHERN RHODESIA is well off the world average in production of foodstuffs, according to the 1951 Report of the Territory's Development Commission. The maize crop in the last season was exceptionally good, while rice production has increased so rapidly in several Native Areas that a comprehensive plan for marketing the crop is now under consideration. At the same time, groundnuts are still not satisfactory, and the report contains comments that in the Southern Province, particularly, a new class of progressive African farmer is emerging from what a decade ago were subsistence producers.

Rapid Development

SOUTHERN RHODESIA's national income has increased ninefold in the last 27 years, according to Mr. A. G. Irvine, of the Central African Statistical Office. The Colony as an economic unit is about five times as large as in 1924, when African self-government began. About 46,000 Europeans earned £2,000 a year between them, whilst 450,000 Africans earned £19.3m. The national income had risen from £62m. in 1928 to £95.4m. last year, of which agriculture, the largest single industry, produced 18.7%.

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Tanganyika Constitution Colonial Party Recommended

SIXTEEN INCREASES. In the membership of both sides of the Tanganyika Legislative Council are recommended in the report of the committee established in 1949 by Sir Edward Twining, the Governor, to review the present constitutional structure of the Territory and make recommendations for future constitutional developments.

These provide for an increase in non-official members from 15 to 21, with seven seats allocated to each of the three main races, European, Asian and African; a rise in official membership from 15 to 21 with a limited number of non-officials serving on the Government benches; continuance of the Governor's presidency and an official majority for the next few years, and one African to serve on Executive Council.

Decentralization of administrative and executive powers to regional administrations supported by inter-racial regional councils is advocated, and it is suggested that such councils should control policy and expenditure by means of their budgets and exercise powers of question and supply.

The committee also recommends the formation of county inter-racial councils, and the progressive merging of official membership of committees of township authorities with the introduction of non-racial representation based on wards. Government servants should have votes and be eligible for election as councillors.

Expensive Lesson

AN ADMISSION that the new Broken Hill hospital—now expected to cost nearly £700,000, or tenfold the original estimate—was "an extremely expensive project" was made recently by Mr. L. P. Leversedge, Acting Development Secretary in Northern Rhodesia. He gave an assurance that there would be no repetition of that type of project. The high cost had been due to several factors, including a management fee contract and parallel planning which meant that planning went on while building was actually in progress. Mr. Leversedge remarked that the Development Authority had learned their lesson, and would have nothing more to do with management fee contracts.

Wider Settlement

SIR FRANK WILSON, Chairman of the Kenya Board of Agriculture, has appealed to European farmers in Kenya to encourage settlement by helping persons without previous experience to gain knowledge of conditions in the Colony. Plans for the introduction of a larger number of European farm employees and for wider settlement are to be discussed by the European Settlement Board next week. Sir Frank has said: "Assuming that we have got money for our plans for intensified development, I do not see why we cannot treble or quadruple the number of Europeans on the land."

Higher Pensions

INCREASED PENSIONS, costing £12,000 annually, will be paid to former civil servants by Northern Rhodesia. Europeans who retired before January 1, 1946, will receive an increase of 18½%, subject to a maximum of £140, whilst those who retired after that date will receive an additional 5% with a maximum of £44. The Bill provides for the payment to African civil servants of like sums rather than percentage increases.

The Northern Rhodesia African Congress has repeated its demand for the liquidation of the Rev. E. G. Nightingale, one of the European representatives of African interests in the Legislative Council. He is at present in this country.

Labour in Lieu of Taxes System Abolished in Tanganyika

TANGANYIKA, the only British territory which until lately provided for the liquidation of the tax obligation of Africans by labour in lieu of cash, has now abolished that system.

When the proposal was debated in the Legislative Council, the Member for Local Government said that the Administration thought it wrong that labour should be allocated to Government purposes in that way.

Chief Kidaha, however, doubted if the existing administrative machinery would suffice to cope with the loafers and drones who evaded payment of just taxation, and Brigadier W. E. H. Seapham pointed out that international obligations required only the progressive removal of forced labour of that kind.

Mr. G. N. Houry did not accept "forced labour" as a fair description of tax labour since the lawbreaker had the choice of working off his debt or of accepting imprisonment. Mr. Juma Mwindi supported repeal of the provision as a step in the right direction.

Major S. F. Du Toit emphasized the difficulties which would face the overworked administrators and police staffs which would have to deal with a large increase in the number of individual prosecutions.

Indian Protest

A RESOLUTION has been passed by the East African Indian National Congress protesting against "suggestions made by European speakers in the past few months that Indians whose home is Kenya owe allegiance to the Crown." The committee of the association have requested the Kenya Government to give Indians facilities for military training, in order that they might discharge their duties in the defence of the Country of their adoption.

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Dividend Limitation and the Colonies

The Cost to Empire Development Plans

WALTER FLETCHER, M.P., who has long been deeply interested in the affairs of East Africa, in which he lived for some years between the wars, has written for *The Times*:

"The full effect of the recent Dividend Limitation White Paper on Colonial Development has not yet been realized. This policy, so far unannounced by all well-known Socialists or Communists—standard of living of the backward peoples, has received a serious blow from the Socialist Chancellor's political manoeuvre. Colonial development, indeed, development of all such areas which has been so largely the task of British genius—even the Nile Dam, the source of all progress in modern Egypt, was almost entirely a British effort—now lies three now and in a few months."

"(1) Nationalization or corporatism when greater political power is granted locally. In the absence of vital local capital it is hard to see how much political power can be anything but a deadly drain on the defence and economic resources to accompany it and there we are no longer able to guarantee."

"(2) The colonial financial system. It was touch-and-go but the Bank of England has given us its possible resuscitation elsewhere."

"The incidence of hugely increased taxation, including in many cases double taxation extra and directly penal taxation aimed at particular industries when a period of prosperity after a much longer period of hard times occurs, is also a new and disquieting feature. The proposed 'special' freeze in Malaya on rubber companies is a case in point.

"Such new and serious risks call for a compensating reward for success in creating new wealth—but the Socialists' theory of state creation of wealth but shareless possession makes it certain that no such increased risk will be paid."

The Colonial Development Corporation has proved

company are the results that can be expected from a sum of over £100m. unless a true partnership between such corporations and private capital can be formed; there is little or no chance of that in the present climate of affairs—with a whispering campaign of a 'twice tax' capital levy as the *bonne bouche* for Scarborough."

"Unless there is a fundamental reversal of Socialist economic policy we must face increased strains in the sterling bloc, gradual cessation of Empire development, increased unrest, and leaning towards Communism in areas needing development."

Fair Deal for Private Capital

"What is the remedy? Capital in the hands of private enterprise has shown itself quite willing to co-operate in sound long-term plans with Governments whose main policy it largely abhors, but it must be assured of a fair deal, and not treated as a guilty party taken in on sufferance. Credit, more important than cash, can be restored only if a reasonable degree of confidence in the Government's policies and regard for carrying out bargains is re-established. Both are totally lacking to-day. The only practical signs of this change of heart in the Government would be if the Bill which will be presented at the end of the recess to enact the White Paper on dividend limitation rectifies many of the grossly inequitable burdens and anomalies in the White Paper."

"If a fair deal takes the place of this raw deal, particularly as regards the true amount of capital available in business, the reward for new capital and the social uses of development capital at home and abroad, the emergence certain lowering of the standard of living may be arrested. You cannot kill enterprise but you can export it, as we are doing now, in large measure unperceived. The Chancellor can stop money from going overseas but not men with brains and skill."

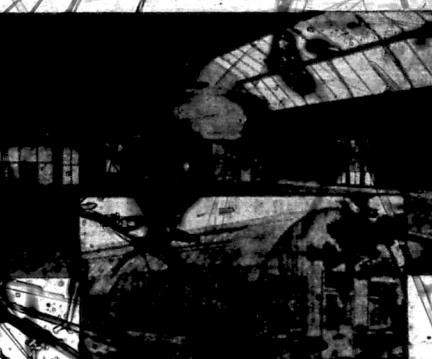


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African Defence Conference Opens Planning Mutual Aid in Event of War

THE AFRICAN DEFENCE FACILITIES CONFERENCE began in Nairobi on Tuesday in the Palace of Wales Secondary School. Its opening speech by Sir Philip Mitchell, Governor of Kenya, was delayed from Monday owing to the late arrival of some delegates. Private talks were held on Monday.

Representatives of 12 countries of the Commonwealth, the Union of African States, and central African territories, Portugal, France, Belgium, and Italy, are attending.

Lord Cunard, chairman of the British delegation, defined the task as ensuring that in war came there would be an adequate and even flow of men and materials within the African continent. Strategic planning would not come in until the end of the conference, which would merely make recommendations. Problems of transport would be of the greatest importance.

High Cost of Co-operation
He added that he anticipated no trouble between Powers with differing interests, and had already been greatly impressed by the joint operations in Africa. It must be remembered that the frontiers presented no obstacles to co-operative action during war. The members of the conference between South Africa and the north-east would be in the bag.

Mr. Sauer, South African minister of transport, said that delegates would consider what mutual facilities could be provided in the unfortunate event of a war to check Communist aggression.

In addition to the discussions held last week, the following are all agreed:

NORTHERN RHODESIA: Mr. W. J. Nicolson, Economic Secretary; Mr. E. M. Wilson, Member for Health and Environment; Mr. D. W. Conroy, acting Secretary-General; Lt.-Colonel M. J. Muspratt Williams, Director of Civil Aviation; and Colonel J. M. Lynch of the Secretariat.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA: Mr. G. A. Vavasport, Minister of Mines and Transport; Mr. A. J. Reynolds, Secretary of Defence; Mr. M. C. H. Barber, Director of Civil Aviation; Mr. A. L. Jones, Assistant Secretary, Mines and Transport Department; Lieut.-Colonel T. Jordan, Defence Headquarters; Mr. Clarke, an Under-Secretary in the Prime Minister's Department, and Mr. Arthur Griffin, general manager of Rhodesia Railways; advisers to the delegation are Mr. E. L. Smith, Chief Postmaster Posts and Telegraphs Department; Mr. S. C. Holden, Chairman of the Public Works Board.

Rhodesia's Industrial Prospects

F. GORDON HARPER, secretary of the Federation of Rhodesian Industries, said on returning to the Colony after visiting industries in Europe and Africa, that he could indicate the following general developments:—
Giant Italian firm is considering locating in Southern Rhodesia; China, another Italian firm may bring out plant and technical staff; Sino-Cambodia now render glass for China factories; Leyland, a firm in England and another France are interested in moving to Rhodesia; some 100,000 tons of mineral quantities of bauxite and skins now exported; several Dutch and French firms are interested in construction work; several firms in France and Italy may open up in Colgate printing; a large English firm is interested in mining pearls; an English firm has plans to expand its plant in Rhodesia which last year imported 150,000 tons of pearls from one source alone.

When speaking, Mr. Harper commented, other countries in Central Africa had no idea of what was happening in Rhodesia.

Air Transport Delays

UNTIL RECENTLY air transport to African destinations did not appear to have been affected by fuel supplies, and no reduced services were operating. There is now a tremendous delay, several weeks in fact, for the shipment of freight, and a certain amount of delay for the booking of passengers on the scheduled lines to East and South Africa. An Air Charter Circular published by Messrs. British American and C. I. Ltd. 6.

NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF

The last unit of the East African Engineers has been disbanded.

Buwayo City Council's expenditure for 1951-52 is estimated at £1,461,400.

A Southern Rhodesian Smugglers' cricket team is making a first visit to Kenya.

It is estimated that there are 5,000 Europeans eligible to vote in the Nairobi municipal elections which have not registered.

The Government of Kenya are shortly to seek the consent of the Legislature to a new four-year loan for development purposes.

A French "Barthold Capricorn Expedition" is due to begin a scientific trek through Southern Africa ending in Mozambique.

The second annual Congress of the Northern Rhodesian Farmers' Union will be opened next Thursday by the Governor, Sir Gilbert Rennie.

Certificates of naturalization were granted to 24 persons to Tanganyika in the period from December 1 to January 31 last, of whom 17 were formerly Austrian and eight German.

Mackinnon-Road Troops Return

Large numbers of British troops stationed at the Mackinnon-Road military stores depot near Mombasa are now being brought home. Such movements are expected to be completed by the end of this year.

The Hunyani Fort Dam, near Salishana, Africa's largest earth dam, should be completed by the end of this year. Eight miles long and three miles wide at its broadest point, it will hold 55,000m. gallons of water.

Increased fees for non-official members of the Northern Rhodesian Legislative Council have been agreed, retrospective from July 1, 1951. On January 1, 1951, a supplementary payment of 10% of normal fees will be paid, rising to 15% after the latter date.

About 150 of the remaining Polish war refugees in East Africa are entitled for the United Kingdom in the U.K. repatriation scheme. They are mostly medical cases. Under arrangements with the Government of the United Kingdom, refugees who had no chance of resettlement in the territories were to be repatriated to Great Britain as soon as possible.

Belgian Congo's Defence

The Belgian Defence Ministry has taken over the responsibility for the Belgian Congo from the Belgian Congo Public Force, comprising 10,000 African troops under Belgian officers. Appeals are being made to the Belgian Army to 2,000 men for the new base in Kamina, where there will be the establishment of two battalions, which will be equipped with machine-guns and commandos.

The Anti-Poison Research Centre in London reports that numerous species of hedgehogs are present in the Somaliland zooregion, the most which were flying to such Somaliland fastnesses as Somaliland and Kenya are three-horned hedgehogs, which are plentiful and in large numbers in western Sudan. Monsoon breeding may be occurring in the Sudan and eastern Ethiopia.

Mr. James Griffiths, Secretary of State for the Colonies, will establish a small consultative committee to advise him on the welfare of Colonial students in the United Kingdom. It will consist of representatives of the Colonial Office and the British Council, with one M.P. from each of the three major colonies, namely, one from Nigeria, one from Uganda, and one representative of the students in the United Kingdom, possibly at the Hans Crescent.

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Chamber of Commerce Report

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able to sell his products or services at very much less cost than the State, and in addition, to conduct his affairs to the greater satisfaction of the consumer. Congress emphatically rejects this doctrine, which it believes would only be sensible but harmful in the extreme.

There are certain services which are right and proper for the State to control in the general interest; these may be mainly of a financial, educational, and services which lie outside the true sphere of business enterprise. Beyond these functions the State should in no circumstances compete with private enterprise, and present attempts to do so cannot be too strongly deprecated.

One of the worst aspects of this matter is the throttling of competition (by control or acquisition of efficient private concerns by the State) for the purpose of making it possible for an inefficient State concern to remain in operation.

Purchase of Colonial Government Stores.—Serious concern is being felt by local mercantile communities with regard to the overstrict interpretation by some Colonial Governments of Colonial Office Regulations 337 and 338.

It appears that the Colonial Governments concerned have for some time tended to take the line of least resistance by indenting for the greater part of the required stores through the Crown Agents, who have at their disposal a substantial portion of such supplies as can be obtained from local sources without in any way changing either the terms or the spirit of the regulations.

This situation is deprecated by local merchants, who claim that through long experience they have acquired a special knowledge of Government requirements; that in view of keen local competition they are in a position to supply stores at favourable prices; that, whereas local purchases can be limited to the quantities needed to meet immediate requirements, stores purchased through the Crown Agents are necessarily based on estimated future requirements, with the result that not only are large sums of money tied up but losses occur through depreciation of the stores themselves; that local purchases can be made more selectively, and that there is a better assurance that the required types of articles will be supplied than by orders placed with the Crown Agents; and that local purchases provide employment for appreciable numbers of people and thereby assist the economies of the Colonies themselves.

INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS.

Congress finds itself very much in sympathy with these claims, and accordingly recommends that the Colonial Secretary be urged to direct Governor of Colonies to adopt as liberal an interpretation of Colonial Office Regulation Nos. 337 and 338 as may be practicable, having regard to prevailing circumstances and to the best interests not only of the local mercantile communities but of the Colonies themselves.

(1) Countries of the Commonwealth and Empire can serve their payments demands only through unity and should together in co-operation with the other countries of the free world.

(2) With the growth in importance of the supply of raw materials and the beginning of what may well be a "raw material age," there is in a sense that all parts of the Commonwealth and Empire are truly interdependent and complementary.

Aiding Under-Developed Countries

(3) As a result there has grown up a wider recognition of the need for providing as quickly as possible the means to finance the advancement of the under-developed countries, and a realization that sacrifice may be necessary to achieve this object.

(4) There has been evidence from the delegates of all Commonwealth and Empire countries of an increased sense of responsibility for the cost of concerted action on such matters as defence.

(5) Finally, the basic assumption from which all discussions started has been that any system of international payments must be designed fully to support trade and industry at all points, and that the Commonwealth and Empire must pursue the aim of securing conditions that not only permit but encourage the expansion of world trade.

If the sterling area is to square its account with the dollar area by sale of wool, rubber, tin, copper, etc., those countries of the Commonwealth and Empire selling primary products to the dollar area will be content to surrender to the dollar pool the price of all their sales only if they receive in return adequate supplies of manufactured goods from the United Kingdom and other sources.

Off the fact of the limited Kingdom exports more to the Commonwealth and Empire enables those countries to export more to the dollar area, even that curve shows the most

permanent prospect of securing balance for the sterling area involves a further productive effort by the U.K. and means that U.K. goods will be competitive not only in the sterling area but elsewhere.

The organization of this multilateral trade requires increased co-operation between the Commonwealth and Empire countries concerned, and the raw material outlook clearly demands that production in the Commonwealth and Empire shall be directed by as far as possible internal.

Congress believes that the capital investment necessary for the advancement of the under-developed areas and the increasing production of raw materials and foodstuffs has for the most part been well supplied in the past by business enterprise and the London capital market.

It recognizes, however, that these sources may not always be adequate, and that in certain cases of large-scale installations there may be important political and economic advantages in organizing the investment on an international basis. For instance, the Marshall Plan and President Truman's Point Four programme may well be dovetailed to ensure maximum co-operation between the Commonwealth and the United States in the task of world economic development.

Export Surpluses

To attempt convertibility without a corresponding measure of equilibrium in world-trade is to court disaster. It is appreciated that export surpluses on the part of the more highly industrialized countries, particularly the U.S. and also the U.K., are desirable to provide capital goods for the advancement of under-developed countries. In contemplating the possibility, it should be remembered, however, that a loan must be repaid ultimately in goods or services.

In endeavouring to secure a more permanent equilibrium in world trade, Congress recommends the responsibility of each Commonwealth country, like other countries, to check inflation and achieve balance in its domestic economy.

Congress believes that a reasonable apportionment of rearmament costs among every member of the sterling area according to capacity is desirable in the best interests of all, and that the people of each Commonwealth country should know within a reasonable measure their share in the cost of defence and the services entailed.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Delays in Turnaround of Shipping.—Congress takes the most serious view of the pronounced deterioration since the war in the efficiency of the services tendered in docks and harbours in many parts of the Commonwealth and Empire and calls upon Governments to investigate the underlying causes and do their utmost to remove them.

Mail.—Congress recommends a reduction in the cost of airmail letters.

(To be continued.)

Amnesty in Eritrea

THE BRITISH ADMINISTRATION in Eritrea has issued a proclamation granting a general amnesty to all *shabta* in respect of their past activities if they present themselves to the authorities within a month of publication of the decree and hand over their arms. Rigorous action is to be taken against *shabta* who do not present themselves. If the amnesty is successful in stopping *shabta* activities, a commission will be established to review sentences passed on those now in prison.

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Of Commercial Concern

Plans for the new hotel near the Victoria Falls have been drawn up, but because of rising costs the project will not yet go out to tender. When Northern Rhodesia's Acting Development Secretary made this statement, he added that both the Government and Colonial Development Corporation are anxious that the hotel shall be built. The Rhodesian Commercial Exhibition in June this month could, however, be a factor in the matter.

The Uganda Electricity Board in the first five months of this year sold rather more than 9m. units for £97,600, equivalent to 21.56 cents of a shilling per unit sold, compared with 11.8m. units at 15.688 and 18.49 cents in the comparable period last year. While the revenue was some 30% expenditure, excluding capital charges, increased rather less than 10%, generation costs per unit of power reduced from 17.3 to 18.49 cents.

Cotton Prices Down

The Railways have announced a reduction of 10% in the price of American, East African and Egyptian cotton, a further reduction of 1d. in November, a still further reduction of the same sum in December, and a quotation of 35d. per lb. from January to June 1952. Reductions in Sudan cotton range from 2d. to 10c. between October and March.

Double taxation arrangements between the United Kingdom and Kenya, Tanganyika, and Uganda have been published as schedules to draft Orders in Council. They follow the same general pattern as arrangements with other Colonies and require the approval of Parliament and of the territorial Legislatures.

Dollars for the purchase by the Israeli Government of the pipeline from the Overseas Food Corporation in Southern Tanganyika have been allotted to the Jewish Agency Settlement Department out of the \$5m. dollar loan from the Export-Import Bank.

A pilot scheme for sugar growing in the Gwembe Valley of Northern Rhodesia may be started by the Government. The plan is to put about 150 acres under cane, and if it is successful, to increase first to 5,000 and then to 10,000 acres.

The East Africa Central Legislative Assembly will shortly be asked to authorize a further loan of £18m. for the East African Railways and Harbours Administration. This will be additional to the £20m. authorized in 1949.

Sisal Quotations

After a fall of between £8 and £22 per ton, East African sisal for shipment is valued at £235 for No. 4, £235 for No. 2, £210 for No. 3, etc., United Kingdom. No. 1 tow is quoted at £130 and No. 2 at £128 per ton.

An Asian in Uganda has been sentenced to five years imprisonment with hard labour and two years' police supervision on nine charges of obtaining goods by false pretences.

The price paid to European farmers in Northern Rhodesia for maize has been increased by 2s. 6d. to 3s. a bag. For African-grown maize the price will be 2s. 5d.

Tenders are invited in Kenya for a leasehold plot for the erection of multi-storeyed business-cum-residential premises in Nairobi.

Increases of two cents of a shilling per loaf and one cent per lb. of flour have been made in Kenya.

Southern Rhodesia's first local loan, £4,500,000 at 3½% issued at 98, has been fully subscribed.

More than 400 tractors owned by the Overseas Food Corporation are for sale in Tanganyika.

Price control equipment has been reimplanted in the Sudan.

At last week's auctions in London 100,000 lbs of African teas were sold at average price £1.20 per lb. There was a strong demand, and prices for lower sorts were dearer.

Dividends

Hubert Davies & Co. Ltd.—Interim of 9d per share.

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Dr. Banda's Reply

(Continued from page 145)

All less do we accept the thesis that Government officials always know what is good for us. Officials are human beings. They are not infallible. Certainly not even they themselves can claim to be omniscient.

The days when Africans said "Nda, bwa, mbi, bwana" (yes sir, yes sir) to everything Europeans said are gone, never to return. This applies to Europeans of all categories, settlers, missionaries, and officials. If the Europeans of Southern Rhodesia and Northern Rhodesia asked the Colonial Office to agree to a conference of officials on federation in the belief the signature of officials attached to the document proposing union with Southern Rhodesia would frightened them into accepting such a union without opposition, they were sadly mistaken. We shall oppose any union with Southern Rhodesia, whether that union is proposed or approved by the officials or not.

"Tooth and Nail" Opposition

Certainly the fact that the scheme was produced by the officials has made no difference to the people in Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia. They are opposing it tooth and nail. No European with knowledge of these two territories can deny this or even try to gloss over their opposition or try to ascribe their opposition to anything else but genuine hatred of any union with Southern Rhodesia.

Only a few days ago I had the pleasure of hearing Sir Stewart Gore-Browne telling the Secretary of State in my very presence that in his opinion well over 99% of the Africans are against federation. I have agreed with Sir Stewart many times in the past. No doubt I shall disagree with him again in the future, if and when he returns to public life. But when he said that I could not agree with him more,

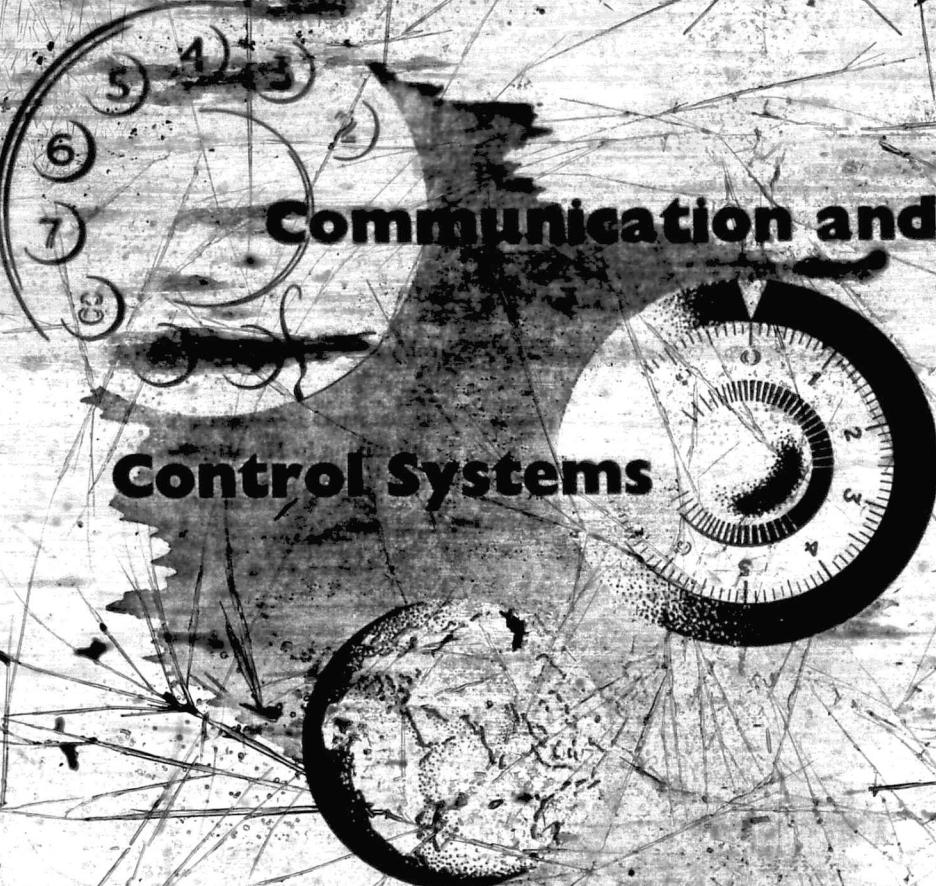
The Africans of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia are bitterly opposed to federation, not because of the activities of a few supposed mischievous Africans in London, not from the promptings of the Far East Colonial Bureau, but from a genuine fear and hatred of the Native policy of Southern Rhodesia which to them is in no way different from that of the Union of South Africa.

No comment on this letter appears under Mutual Agreement. Cross-headings have been inserted in the letter for the convenience of readers.

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The new company has been formed to exploit the copper-cobalt orebody located at the eastern end of the South Limb special grant, seven miles west of Kitwe. Ore reserves are estimated at 7.3m. short tons, averaging 5.23% copper and 0.25% cobalt.

Production to start in 1956

Plans provide for production to begin in 1956, and it is estimated that when the mine is in full production, some 16,000 long tons of copper and 500,000 lb. of cobalt will be produced annually.

The cost of acquiring and developing the property is estimated at approximately £34m., of which up to £3m. is to be lent to Chibuluma by the Economic Co-operation Administration of the United States Government under an agreement providing for repayment in copper and cobalt.

The first directors of Chibuluma Mines, Ltd., are Mr. R. L. Prain (chairman and managing director), Mr. R. C. Peterson (technical director), Mr. A. Chester Scotty, Jr., Lord Bessborough, Sir Dougal Malcolm, and Messrs. Thomas G. Moore, John Payne, Jr., K. Richardson, L. Tucker, and A. C. Wilson. The secretary is Mr. A. W. Goodbody.

Board meetings will be held in London for the time being.

An E.C.A. statement points out that the project will benefit from the improvement programme of Rhodesia Railways, for which a £5m. E.C.A. advance was announced on July 6. Southern Rhodesia then agreed to guarantee increased monthly deliveries of coal to the Copperbelt.

Free Market for Gold

"THE GOLD INDUSTRY in Southern Rhodesia is faced with extinction unless something can be done," Mr. R. T. R. Hawkins told the congress of the Rhodesian Mining Federation in Gatsoma last week. Mr. G. A. Davenport, Minister of Mines, announced that Mr. Gaitskell, Chancellor of the Exchequer, would place the Colony's gold on a free market before the International Monetary Fund meets in September. Permission to sell gold on the free market, or alternatively a subsidy equivalent to the difference between world price and the minimum rate of 30s. per ounce, Treasury is being sought by the Tanganyika Mining Association. Prospecting in the territory is said virtually to have ceased, and the industry is alleged to be suffering from a flourishing black market.

Geology of Tanganyika

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY BULLETIN No. 19 of Tanganyika consists of an outline of the geology of the Usipa and Ubende areas of the Territory by Mr. J. B. McConnell. It is published by the Tanganyika Government at 15s.

Economizing in Metals

AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE on metals economy in Great Britain has been established by the Minister of Supply in conjunction with the Minister of Materials.

Kenya Minerals

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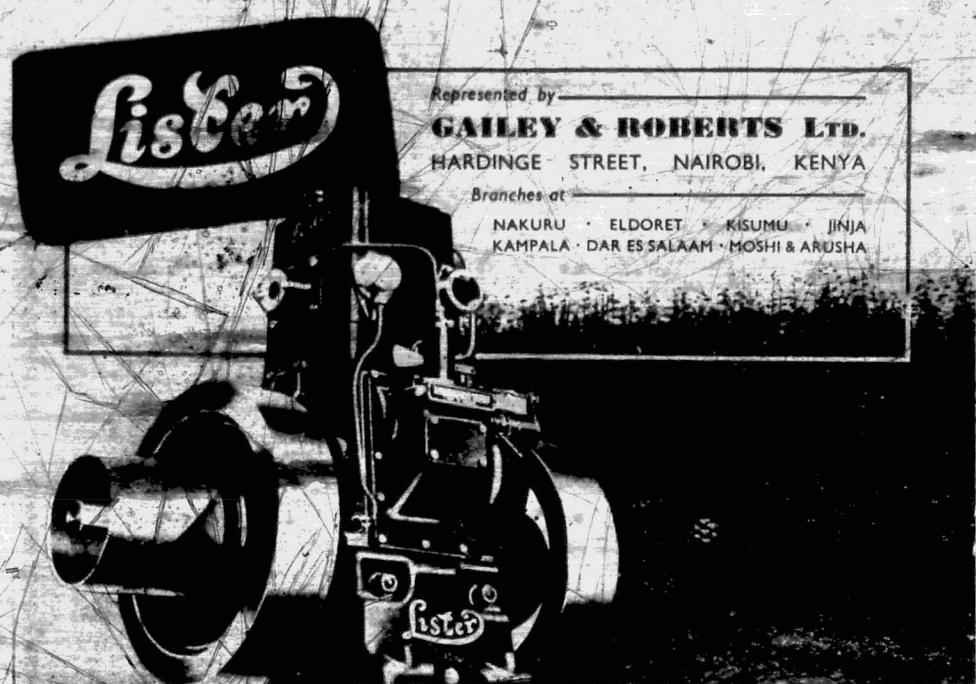
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