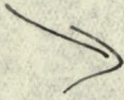


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D/E/10/1.

Rev. P. Ibbotson,
Organizing Secretary,
Federation of African Welfare Societies in S.R.,
P. O. Box 740,
BULAWAYO, S.R.

19th March, 1953.

Dear Mr. Ibbotson,

As I am dealing with our efforts to obtain training facilities for Non-European pharmacists, Mr. Whyte has asked me to reply to your letter of March 4th. He has noted what you say about Mr. Lacey and will be looking forward to hearing from you after your meeting of March 21st.

Thank you for the information about Richard Messah. He was certainly offered every facility to show whether he was really able to qualify in medicine. You ask about the training of African dispensers? While in theory there is nothing to prevent an African with the proper qualifications from becoming a pharmacist, the fact is that the Technical Colleges are not yet ready for African apprentices. The Witwatersrand Technical College is only now considering its plans for building a branch which will be able to give Non-European students the necessary theoretical training. The other difficulty - finding pharmacists who are willing to take Non-European apprentices - has now been overcome as the Pharmaceutical Board has agreed to students obtaining their practical training at provincial hospital dispensaries.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

F. J. van Wyk,
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

FEDERATION OF AFRICAN WELFARE SOCIETIES IN SOUTHERN RHODESIA.

P. O. Box 740,

BULAWAYO.

4th March, 1953.

Mr. Quintin Whyte,
The S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
P. O. Box 97,
JOHANNESBURG

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with in file
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Dear Quintin,

Many thanks for your letter of February 26th re Mr. Lacey. I am writing him in Salisbury and suggesting a meeting when I next visit the City.

I think in future it would be a good thing to send these letters to me, otherwise you are likely to make a wrong assessment of the importance of the enquiries. Mr. Lacey is far from what one would describe as an influential person. However, I will meet him and point out the position. If some of these people would link up with Organisations at present at work, it would be a help.

Lacey would be ill advised to make an approach through Parliament or to attempt forming an Institute. Quite frankly he has not sufficient influence in this direction. I shall try to pull him into our net and will explain the re-organisation we have in mind.

Our Joint Conference with equal African and European representation meets on March 21st to discuss the draft scheme I have prepared. We shall see how matters go.

Richard Messah. You will remember this lad at Witwatersrand about whom we had to issue an appeal. We saw him through the first year but he crashed very badly at the examination, and as a result will not be re-admitted to take his first year again.

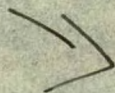
I am seeing Messah in the course of a few days to see whether we can work out something for his future. Some time ago there was a lot of discussion about training Africans as dispensers. Has there been any practical development and could the necessary training be secured anywhere in the Union? This might be a useful outlet for Messah. Messah is very keen but quite frankly I am quite sure that no matter where he goes he will never qualify as a doctor, but he could nevertheless undertake some form of training which would be of great use to him in his desire to serve the African Community.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

P. L. Hopkins
(signed) P. L. Hopkins.
Organising Secretary.

M. O
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D/E/10/1.

23rd March, 1953

Mr. E.M. Siquebengo,
384 Malunga Avenue,
No. 2 Location,
KIMBERLEY

Dear Mr. Siquebengo,

Thank you for your letter of March 14th, 1953.

The position as regards the training of Non-Europeans as Chemists is that while there is at present nothing in theory to prevent Non-Europeans from training as chemists, the technical colleges are apparently not yet ready to give them the required theoretical training. The Witwatersrand Technical College hopes to build a Non-European branch shortly and it will probably be the first college to be ready to give this training.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

F.J. van Wyk.
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

/PMJW

16 MAR 1953

384 Malunga Avenue,
No 2 Location,
Kimberley.

14/3/53

Director,

Race Relations Institute,

P.O. Box 97.

Johannesburg.

Sir,

Could you be kind enough as to furnish me with the following information I would like to know how far the arrangements for training of Non-European chemists have gone. Further when will the course probably be started

I am, Sir,

yours obediently

E. M. SIQEBENGU.

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D/E/10/1.

Mr. W. D. Nyovane,
3525,
NATALSPRUIT TOWNSHIP, Tvl.

23rd March, 1953.

Dear Mr. Nyovane,

I write in reply to your enquiry about the training of Non-Europeans as pharmacists. The position is that while there is now nothing in theory to prevent Non-Europeans from becoming pharmacists, the Technical Colleges are still not ready to give them the theoretical course required during the training. The Witwatersrand Technical College hopes to start building a Non-European Branch in Fordsburg soon and this will probably be the first college to give this training.

Yours sincerely,

F. J. van Wyk,
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

Mrs. K. M. M. M.

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3525
Natal Spruit
Township
10th February 1953

Mr. D. Whyte
Lecturer

Dear Sir, I hereby beg to re-open
our correspondence concerning further
developments about the
establishment of a Pharmacy-
course for Non-Europeans.

Yours faithfully,
W. D. Nyovane

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The Regional Secretary,
S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
18 Orange Street,
CAPE TOWN.

8th December, 1953.

Dear Mrs. Greshoff,

re: Mr. Lucas Loate : Application for Financial Assistance.

Attached hereto, please find copies of correspondence which we have received from Mr. Loate.

We have to deal with quite a volume of correspondence of this nature from applicants living in our part of the country and are not always in a position to help them.

As this man's home is in Cape Town it should be easier for his application to be handled by your office than ours and I therefore refer him to you.

I have advised him to approach you and hope you will be able to assist him.

Yours faithfully,

W. B. Ngakane,
FIELD OFFICER.

D/E/10/1.

8th December, 1953.

Mr. Lucas D. Loate,
P.O.Box 2226,
CAPE TOWN.

Dear Mr. Loate,

re: Application for financial assistance.

With further reference to the above subject and to your letter dated 9th November, I regret having to inform you that the Institute is not in a position to assist you. None of the funds with which we are acquainted is capable of making a grant or loan of one hundred and twenty three pounds as they have confined their benefactions to high school students who usually do not require much more than a few pounds.

I am referring your application to the Secretary of our Cape Town Regional Committee. Please write to her c/o 18 Orange Street, Cape Town.

I am sorry we cannot help you and hope you will be able to obtain help from other sources.

Yours faithfully,

W. B. Ngakane,
FIELD OFFICER.

Mr. Nyahane
Please discuss

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The Regional Secretary
S.A.I.R.A.
15 Orange St
C.T.
near Ann. Greshopp.

P. O. Box 2226,
Cape Town.
9th November 1953.

Dear Sir,

11 NOV 1953

Some time back I wrote to the Institution, inquiring about the new scheme of training Natives as Pharmacists. I was informed in reply that provision is still being made, through the Universities and the technical Colleges, though it would still take time to materialise. I am enclosing the letter that was sent to me.

I have applied to Wilberforce University in America (Ohio) for the same course. They have given me permission to register for early next year. While studying there I shall be working as a part time cleaner to pay my College fees, the University caters for Negroes only and allows some needy students

to do light work in order to pay their fees. I could not get a scholarship.

I had applied for a passport, and last week I was called by the local Native Commissioner from the Interrien. I had with him, I find it will be impossible for me to leave, without a security of hundred pounds.

I had not completed the amount needed for my passage which is hundred and twenty three pounds. I am appealing to the Institution for help. I shall not be in a position to have this money until the End of March. I am really anxious to study and complete this course within the next five years.

I am quite aware that my request is a very difficult one, but, through

your influence and fact, you
may be able to assist me
with as little as you can.
I have tried many other possible
channels, without any success.
I enclose the following letters
for proof of what I am saying
in this letter. There may be
organizations unknown to me that
offer grants or loans. I shall
be pleased if you ^{would} inform
me, I may be successful.

I remain, Sir,
Your obedient servant
Lucas D. Spate

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