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THE RESOLUTION OF PROTEST

UNANIMOUSLY PASSED AT AFRICA HOUSE, 1, SOUTH VILLAS, LONDON N.W. 1, BY AFRICAN STUDENTS OF GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE WEST AFRICAN STUDENTS' UNION ON THE 26th OF NOVEMBER, 1938 AGAINST TRANSFER OF NIGERIA OR ANY OTHER AFRICAN TERRITORIES TO GERMANY.

Whereas it has been circulated through the Press, rumour and otherwise and the opinion is widely gaining ground that the present British Government, in power, is contemplating, upon a scheme whereby Nigeria in particular and certain other British African Territories as well as the former German African Colonies shall be handed over to Germany.

And whereas we Africans, apart from those most terrible experiences which we and our people had once suffered under the German rule before the Great War, in the Cameroons, Togoland, and the German South West Africa, have recently studied very carefully what German Administrative policy in an as disclosed in Herr Hitler's book entitled the "Mein Kampf" from which we find, inter alia, that in so far as we Natives (Negroes) of Africa are concerned, Germany does not and shall never regard nor treat us as human beings; we have also watched very closely and studied even with greater fear and devouring terror, that inhuman and intolerable policy and action of Germany in her treatment of all persons of no Nordic blood such as the present case of the Jews; and having drawn from this particular case a reasonable inference and applied it to our case, we can not help but come to the same conclusion as that in the following old and inspired words of wisdom. "If this is done to green trees, what then should be expected to happen in the case of dry ones?"

Be it therefore resolved, declared and passed that we African Students of Great Britain and Ireland and other Africans here assembled under the auspices of West African Students' Union, most strongly protest against any proposal, plan or scheme whereby Nigeria or any portion or portions of African Territories whether Mandatory,

British or French or otherwise, shall be handed now or at any future date over to Germany.

That copies of this be protest forwarded to the Prime Minister and to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and to the Presidents of the French and the American Republics through His Majesty's Foreign Secretary.

That this protest be given the widest possible publicity in all the press in this and other countries.

Signed -

L. Odunsi (President, W. A. S. U.) (Nigeria)

W. Richter (Treasurer) Gold Coast
Ernest Prempeh (Prince of Ashanti & Vice President of W. A. S. U.)

Oludipo Moore (Hon. Secretary) (Nigeria)

Ladipo Solanke (Secretary-General)

J. M. Co-hasey (Committee Member) (Nigeria)

T. O. Fijonmi (Committee Member) (Nigeria)

J. A. Mshony (Gambia Committee Member)

L. Sankoh (Sierra Leone) Committee Member.

For and on behalf of THE WEST AFRICAN STUDENTS' UNION AND OTHER AFRICANS,
Dated, 26th of November, 1938

Chairman:- Miss Eleanor Bathbone M.P.
Principal Speaker:- A. Creech Jones Esq., M.P.

Students Speakers:- Fiery speeches were delivered by Messrs W. E. A. Ofori Atta; Collins Kessie; C. D. Oventen; L. Sankoh; Ernest Prempeh; R. A. J. O. E. Soro-wikin; A. A. Adjo and J. D. Buckie.

Present - over 70 Students excluding WASU friends.

(Sgd) Ladipo Solanke,
Secretary-General, WASU.

W. A. S. U.

AGGREGY. HOUSE CHRISTMAS TRIP TO CHEICHESTER.

Through the kind offices of Mr. B. Fisher (an Ex-Principal of the Unwin-Government College, Nigeria) representatives from W. A. S. U. (Africa House) and Aggrey House were the guests of the Mayor, the Mayor and several aldermen of the citizens of Chichester from Friday the 23rd to Wednesday the 28th of December 1938, to spend the Christmas among the people of Chichester.

The following eight out of the sixteen representatives invited were able to attend themselves of this rare opportunity. Messrs T. O. Fijonmi, H. Taylor, Downing, Kofu, Alhaji J. Cameron, Tuber, C. Ogunyinka, W. R. Robinson, F. D. H. Edmondson and Ladipo Solanke.

Arriving at Chichester Station at about 2 p. m. on the 23rd, the party was met by Mr. Fisher and another who took them to the two Chichester Towns Club which they were treated to a delicious lunch by Mr. H. E. Southworth C. M. G. C. a late Lt. Governor of Nigeria. After luncheon, the party repaired to the Chichester Theological College which was ably abetted by the Rev. M. V. Mansfield (the Ex-Principal of the College) at the disposal of the party for occupation and use with only other facilities as are afforded upon the same.

In the evening, the party was entertained by the Chichester Branch of the League of Nations Youth Group and the Junior Branch of the Imperial League at Dinner Dance and Social.

The chief items of the programme given through on Saturday the 24th, were the tour of Shipman's wonderful painted roof factory, of the Bell's Palace under the tenderly patronage of Mrs. Bell and of the Cathedral under the kind leadership of Rev. N. E. Rissell and lastly the Cinema show offered given free by the Gaiety Cinema Management.

Led by Alderman H. S. Aylmer, the party made a general tour of the whole City of Chichester on Christmas Day, visiting the historic and other places of high educational interest.

On Monday the 25th the party visited "God Wons House" the seat of His Grace the Duke of Richmond and Gordon where the Students were treated to a rich High Tea by Her Grace the Duchess of Richmond and Gordon. In the evening of the same day, the party visited the Royal Sussex Hospital, whence after the inspection of the various wards and other premises of the Hospital per Mrs. Cahill, they were entertained by the Nurses with a very enjoyable concert.

On Tuesday the 26th, the party proceeded in one to Portsmouth where under Captain Heath, a tour of the dock yard was made and by kind permission of the Captain, a delightful tour of the

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