

permission is accompanied or followed to West Africa by his wife, will be paid half a single fare outwards, and, if she remains in West Africa six months, or if she or her husband are invalided within that period, half a single fare homewards on returning to England. These payments will not be made unless the officer's wife before departure from the United Kingdom submits a certificate from one of the Medical Advisers to the Colonial Office or from her own medical attendant showing to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State that she is physically fit to proceed to West Africa and reside there for a minimum period of 6 months excluding the period of the outward and return voyage. Free passages will not be granted to wives or children under Regulation 121.

133. If an officer is transferred while in West Africa from one West African Colony or Protectorate to another his service during that tour in the two Colonies or Protectorates will be regarded as consecutive for the purposes of Regulations 122 and 123, and the whole of his salary during leave of absence will be paid from the funds of the last Colony or Protectorate.

134. Persons engaged under agreements in the West Indies or Asia for certain subordinate posts in West Africa are employed on special terms as to leave of absence, under which, after three consecutive years of residential service, they may be granted vacation leave with full pay for two calendar months *plus* the time necessarily taken on the journey to England, and (if they are returning to West Africa) return leave with full pay for two calendar months *plus* the time necessarily taken on the journey from England, with free passages to and from their homes. Such persons may also be granted the same vacation for the purpose of relaxation from business as is allowed to native officials of similar grade, but this annual vacation must not be continuous with the vacation leave or return leave provided for in their agreements.

135. The foregoing Regulations (122 to 134) do not apply to officers who are natives of West Africa. All such officers are subject to the general regulations as to leave of absence and passages, with the exception that they are not entitled to any pay under Regulations 76 and 77, when acting in the place of a European officer. They will, however, in lieu of such pay, draw the duty allowance when acting in any office to which a duty allowance is attached; and when they are acting for a European officer and not receiving any duty allowance, the Governor may, if he thinks fit, award a gratuity in respect of such acting service, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State. On the other hand, the Regulations numbered 84 to 87, 90, 91, 92, 95 to 98, 100, 101 and 102 do not apply to European officers.

All officers who are not of pure European descent will be regarded as natives of West Africa for the purpose of these regulations unless special arrangements are made on engagement either as provided in Regulation 134 or otherwise.