August 18, 1960.

Professor Z. K. Matthews,
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Alice,
Cape Province.

Dear Professor Matthews,

May I say how pleased we are here to read that you are home again and well?

We are now making arrangements to publish the article you kindly wrote for us, and we should be grateful if you could find time to deal with the points raised by Mr. A. N. Wilson (who is now overseas) in his letter of May 19. In case you have mislaid that letter, I am repeating Mr. Wilson's points.

Mr. Wilson's letter says that we feel that, while the article is excellent so far as it goes, we could have wished that it would deal specifically with your own ideas of how points of friction which are giving rise to discontent and ill-feeling could be ameliorated on a progressive basis - that is to say, if no final solution is immediately practicable, what would you feel could be done on a progressive basis towards removing causes of discord and discontent? You are aware that our whole approach to this series of supplements is the seeking of a way for Black and White harmoniously to live together, but it is not sufficient just to state that in broad principle: we are confronted with the realities of an existing situation and we are anxious that the pressure points within the present social framework should be identified and examined and suggestions made for easing that pressure as part of a longer term advance. This calls for examination of customs or laws which involve a colour bar and their application, and in that examination to show ways and means by which, in a multi-racial society, these difficulties can be, if not immediately removed, made more tolerable from the point of view of both races at least as a step forward. We would very much welcome your adding to the existing article or bringing additional material within the framework of what you have already written.

I am enclosing a proof of your article for your convenience.

Professor/...
Professor Cowen, who is very interested in the proposal to publish your article, has a great deal of material and references you might care to have access to, and he has kindly offered to put it at your disposal and to assist you as much as possible. He thinks you might find the material he has helpful in supplying the facts upon which your comment could be built. If you would care to take up Professor Cowen's offer, would you be willing to call on him in Cape Town in the near future? We would, of course, pay the expenses of your visit, either in advance, if you would give us your estimate of cost, or after the visit, as you wish.

You could get into touch with Professor Cowen at the University of Cape Town, Old University Buildings, Orange Street, Cape Town, telephone number 41-1365, or at his home address: Stille Rust, Grove Avenue, Claremont, Cape, telephone number 62456. I am sending him a copy of this letter so that he will be prepared should you decide to get into touch with him.

Time is now running a little short, for we must publish your article with the December issue of "Optima", which will go to press at the end of September. Allowing as long as possible for you to complete the work, we should need to have the additional material in our hands not later than the first week in October.

We should be indeed grateful if you would make a special effort to do this, as the series of supplements has aroused widespread interest, and we feel that your contribution is a vital link in the series.

If you would like us to make the necessary arrangements with Professor Cowen, please let us know and give us details on dates, etc.

Would you kindly let me know what you are willing to do?

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

E. Lloyd Williams
PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER.