

Westruther,  
Stellenbosch.  
3rd. Nov., 1959.

Dear Prof. Matthews,

I have been greatly interested to read the reports in the press of your having refused to carry on your work at Fort Hare under the new conditions. May I say how much I realise what it must have cost you to reach this decision, offer you my congratulations upon your choice.

I see that in my previous letter to you, of the 21st. August, I omitted a few details about our proposed book "South Africa -- The Road Ahead", for which you kindly consented to write an article. It is not our intention to make propaganda for any of our own ideas in the book, nor are we seeking to derive profits for our funds from it. There will be no editorial comment upon the contributions, and the views of the writers are being presented objectively. The book will be produced in a good quality edition, and will retail at 15/- a copy. We are offering a fee of £ 20 to each writer, and only wish it could be more, but our funds are fairly limited.

I shall be most grateful to you if you could let me have your article by the middle of December -- I do hope that this date will not rush you too much over it.

With many thanks for your kind co-operation in this venture, and kindest regards to you and your wife,

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs.) Hildegard Spittswoode.

Answered 9/11/59