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Since returning from Springfield, Pa. Oct. 21st, 1942, settling all of our obligations connected with our return home we sent to Brother The Official Board, \$500.00 we received from the sale of the trailer Highway Mission Tabernacle, I mentioned that we received more 19th & Green Streets, Philadelphia, Pa. that the tires were completely worn had the use of it for five years. Most of the money invested in it came from the First Baptist Church of my home town where Dear Fellow-laborers: We gave the Missions Committee the choice of two things to do with this money: 1st. To apply it to the Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior. 2nd. It for our outfit when and if we return to the Field. In acknowledging receipt of the money Bro. Perkin was very sympathetic to each one's viewpoint. He repeated verbally what he had previously written me, i.e., that the Missions Committee felt that perhaps we could repay the Missions Department for the \$1000.00 advanced us. On our part we expressed our opinion that you as a church had provided us with \$1000 of our fare and as we had also served Headquarters in the capacity of Superintendent that they too should bear part of our return fare. Bro. Perkin pointed out that it was not customary for missionaries to return by air and usually the various Societies allowed so much for fares and the individual made up any deficit should he travel in a different way. We in turn felt that if our Society was feeling it wise to send new workers to South America by air, as has been done, then we felt that workers who had already spent the best years of their lives in Africa should be given the same consideration. I further pointed out that we had invested over \$1200 of personal funds left me by my Father into the work in Africa and that the whole expense of the short Survey Trip in 1930 which secured Government permission for us to open work in the Gold Coast was met by us from personal funds. Brother Perkin had been under a different impression. It is our sincere desire that we will be able to settle down in a postorate in the near future. We have made a few contacts and it may be that we will be able to do so. We then asked about rent allowances permitted missionaries on furlough. Bro. Perkin had written on this subject in a circular letter to missionaries on furlough. He said that the allowance permitted us in case of need would be \$270. We asked if we could not forego the privilege of drawing this and having it applied to the \$1000, Headquarters had advanced us and we in our turn would arrange to pay our own rent whenever we get our own living quarters.

After a general discussion of the whole matter Bro. Perkin told us that he was sure that the Committee would agree to consider the matter closed and that we need feel under no obligation to them to repay the money advanced us.