

RESEARCH NOTES

In Uganda geographical research is centred mainly at Makerere University College. *Mr. B. W. Langlands* continues his work in the fields of biogeography and historical geography, and has published studies of change in banana and cassava cultivation in the *Uganda Journal*. *Mr. L. W. Hanna* is engaged on a climatic classification of Uganda, with particular reference to crop and rangeland potential. *Dr. P. H. Temple* has successfully completed his thesis on the geomorphology of the shores of Lake Victoria, but he continues research in this field as well as on the Ruwenzori glaciers. He is also preparing a geomorphological map of Uganda, and a paper on the work of E. J. Wayland. *Mr. J. Ouma* has returned from Australia where he studied the sediments of the Hacking River, and he is now investigating the fluvio-sedimentology of the Kavirondo catchment, focusing on the Nyando River and Kano Plain. *Dr. B. S. Hoyle* has now left Makerere, but his thesis on the seaports of East Africa is being published by the East African Publishing House in April 1967. This concern is also publishing a study of electricity consumption patterns made by a former research student, *Miss G. Wilson*. Among present research students *Mr. R. Baker* is preparing a Ph.D. thesis on beef production in Uganda, while *Mr. J. P. Ocitti* has extended his research in the field of urban geography from Kitgum to Gulu. *Mrs. M. McFarlane* is investigating erosion surfaces and laterite formation in South Kyaggwe.

In Tanzania the geographical research programme at the University College, Dar es Salaam is concentrated on the field of land classification, problems of water resources, population geography, land use and regional planning, and political geography. Work on the following projects is in progress. *Professor L. Berry's* work in collaboration with the Soil Science Laboratory in Oxford on land systems in north Tanzania is continuing. *Dr. I. Jackson* has embarked on an investigation of the urban climate of Dar es Salaam. Professor Berry and *Dr. Jackson* are also working on the climate and hydrology of the Ruvu Basin. The developing Tanzanian-Zambian links are to be studied by *Miss G. Young Sing* and *Mr. R. Simko*. Two geographers are concerned with the 1967 population census in Tanzania: *Mr. I. Thomas* is working on mapping the census and *Mr. A. Mascarenhas* on urban aspects of the census. Mr. Thomas is also investigating settlement forms in the coast region, while Mr. Mascarenhas has just completed a paper on the problem of pests in agricultural development and is pursuing research into the impact of sisal on human geography as the basis of his Ph.D. dissertation. Three postgraduate students are undertaking geographical studies in Tanzania. *Mr. H. Cooke* is working on the geomorphology of the Tanga limestone, *Mr. C. Waller* on agricultural geography with a dissertation on sisal in the Morogoro area, and *Miss H. Page* on rural-urban migration with especial reference to Arusha and Moshi. Other geographical research in Tanzania is being carried out by Research Associates of the College. *Mr. C. G. Knight* of the University of Minnesota is making a comparative study of agricultural systems in the Mbeya area, under the title *Environmental Gradients and Subsistence Transitions in the Tanzania-Malawi Corridor*. Another field project in south Tanzania is being carried out by *J. Sterkenburg* and colleagues from the Netherlands Universities' Afrika Studie-centrum, who is working on an integrated economic and geographical study in Rungwe district. *Miss M. Silberfein* (Syracuse University) is in Musoma district, investigating the regional impact of new village settlements. In the Tabora region *Mr. G. Dance* of Leeds University is studying the relationship between soils, vegetation and topography.

Field work for two other projects has just started: *Miss A. Frank* (University of Stockholm) and *Mr. J. Rald* (University of Copenhagen) are commencing work on agro-economic problems in the Coast Region and land-use problems in the Lake Region respectively.

THE GEOGRAPHICAL ASSOCIATION OF KENYA

The Geographical Association of Kenya is open to all persons who are interested in geography. Its major emphasis is on Kenya, but there is no limitation as to the scope of its deliberations. Membership may be requested by anyone who has a deep interest in geography, even though not specializing in it, as well as by those who are professionally active in the field. Students are welcome.

Excursions are generally held on the second Sunday of alternate months, with regular meetings on the third Thursday evenings of the intervening months. At the indoor meetings, papers are presented, discussions held, or lectures given. Visiting geographers occasionally address special meetings. At present, meetings are usually held in the Geography Department of the University College, Nairobi, but that is for the convenience of the majority of the existing members. It is hoped that branches will be established in other portions of the country in the not-too-distant future. Applications for membership should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, P.O. Box 1887, Nairobi. Annual subscription rates for full members living within twenty miles of the headquarters or of the nearest branch is 20/-, for full members living twenty or more miles from the headquarters or from the nearest branch is 12/50 and for student members is 5/-. Full members are 18 years of age or older and have voting rights. Student members do not have voting rights.

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THE GEOGRAPHICAL ASSOCIATION OF TANZANIA

The Association, inaugurated in March 1966, has already over 70 members, but would welcome even more. It aims to further knowledge and interest in geographical teaching and study, and intends to publish a journal concerned primarily with providing material for teachers in Tanzania. Subscriptions, due annually on August 1st, are 25/- for Institutional Members, 10/- for Individual Members and 5/- for Student Members. They should be paid to the Honorary Treasurer at P.O. Box 9184, Dar es Salaam.

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