

RESEARCH NOTES

In Uganda geographical research is centred at Makerere University College. *Mr. B. W. Langlands'* interests in historical and political geography have led to various papers on Dufile, the location of the sleeping sickness epidemic, the Uganda-Congo boundary, settlement changes in Acholi and the spread of missionary activity. *Mr. L. W. Hanna* continues with his work on water balance studies in Uganda and the effects of climate on the levels of crop yields in sugar and tea. *Dr. J. P. B. M. Ouma* has been working on the fluvio-sedimentology of the Kavirondo catchment and sediments in the Kampala area as a source for building materials. He is also working towards the production of a book on Resource Geography of East Africa. *Mr. J. Splansky* is applying aspects of the Central Place theory to settlement in Ankole. He is also participating in the United Nations study of Urban Land Use and policy in African countries. *Miss J. Smith* is completing research work on the textile industry in the post war period in England and will be directing her attention to aspects of the economic geography of East Africa. *Dr. I. L. Griffiths* visiting lecturer from the University of Sussex is presently engaged on research into the motor industry in Africa and into aspects of the economic geography of Zambia. The Department of Geography is collaborating with the Department of Preventive Medicine in the preparation of an Atlas of Diseases in Uganda; and several members of the department have been involved in the revision of the Atlas of Uganda for the Department of Lands and Surveys. Research students of the Department have pursued a variety of interests: *Mr. R. P. Baker* is completing his Ph.D. on the environmental influences on the production and supply of beef cattle in Uganda. He is about to commence work on a project on agricultural aid in Rwanda. *Mr. O. Dak* has prepared a series of maps on the distribution of migrants in Uganda; *Mr. J. P. Ocitti* continues with his study of the urban geography of Gulu; *Mrs. M. McFarlane* is completing her study of the erosion surfaces of Buganda for a Ph.D. *Dr. B. Turner* who spent a period at Makerere in 1967 is due to return in 1968 to continue her studies on the vegetational history of Bunyoro.

In Kenya, the staff of the University College, Nairobi have been mainly concerned with research in the human geography of Kenya. *Professor S. H. Ominde* has been working on problems of Population and Land Use and is currently engaged on changing patterns of settlement and land use along the Lake Victoria shores of Kenya. His book on Land and Movements of Population in Kenya is to be published in the near future by Heinemann and he has contributed geographical material on Kenya in the I.G.U. series—Developing Countries of the World. *Mr. R. A. Bullock* has been concerned with changes in settlement in Kiambu. *Dr. R. S. Odingo* continues his work on land settlement and the agricultural geography of the Kenya highlands. In Economic Geography *Dr. R. B. Ogendo* has worked on industrialisation in Kenya and the related problems. On the physical side *Mr. F. F. Ojany* has studied the fluvial geomorphology of Western Kenya and the results are to appear in *Geografiska Annaler*. *Professor Ominde, Dr. Odingo and Mr. Ojany* have contributed to the East Africa section of the U.N.E.S.C.O. Source book on African Geography.

In Tanzania geographical research has been stimulated by the initiation of the Bureau of Resource Assessment and Land Use Planning, whose work is closely inter-related with the Department of Geography of the University College, Dar es Salaam. During 1967 the staff of the department were involved in the geographical planning and the training of enumerators for the Tanzania National

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Census. *Mr. I. Thomas* has reported this in this issue. *Professor L. Berry* has continued with his work on the land systems of Northern Tanzania in collaboration with the Soil Science Laboratory in Oxford. 120 different land systems have been mapped and this material is to be published in atlas form. He has also been working on a Land Use and Agriculture map of Tanzania for the World Atlas of Agriculture. *Dr. I. J. Jackson* has been analysing rainfall data for the Ruvu basin and (with Professor Berry) he plans to relate this to the hydrological problems of the area. He has also commenced work on rainfall in the main highland catchment areas of Tanzania. He is preparing maps of Tanzania to show fluctuations of annual rainfall and seasonal rainfall variations. *Mr. A. C. Mascarenhas* has been working on the urban aspects of the population census and has been also working on agricultural problems. *Mr. J. E. Moore*, who joined the Department in July 1967 has begun work on land potential in the Lushoto District. *Mr. R. A. Simko* has begun work on the port of Dar es Salaam for a book on the sea-ports of Africa. *Dr. P. H. Temple* who joined the Department in September 1967 has embarked upon a study of the mineral resources of Tanzania and the geomorphology of the East African Coast. He is also completing work begun at Makerere which includes the editing of a book on Lolui Island and another (with B. W. Langlands) on the Kampala region. He has provided a map of the 'geomorphology' of Uganda in the second edition of the Uganda Atlas and an essay in the 'Liverpool Essays in Geography' (editors Steel, R. W. and Lawton, R. 1967). *Mr. I. D. Thomas* has been intimately concerned with the population census and has produced population maps for the new edition of the Atlas of Tanzania. *Dr. G. E. Young Sing* has continued her work on land systems in East Africa, and *Miss H. J. Page* has been engaged in research on population migration and industrial development in the Arusha-Moshi area. *Dr. R. W. Kates* arrived in August 1967 to direct the Bureau of Resource Assessment and Land Use Planning. *Mr. J. McKay* has begun work on settlement and communications in Tanzania. Research associates within the Bureau have been engaged in a variety of projects: *Mr. J. Rald* on land use mapping of selected areas; *Mr. C. G. Knight* on environmental gradients, *Miss Silberfain* on new villages, *Miss A. Francke* on settlement and agriculture of the Coast Region, *Mr. H. J. Grote* and *Mr. C. Smith* on crops, food consumption and income levels in selected areas of Kilimanjaro, and *Mr. G. Dance* on relief, soils and vegetation in the Tabora region.

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