

les intentions de l'Institut de proposer leur collaboration aux autorités du Mali pour effectuer des enquêtes ou des études consacrées à des questions spécifiques. L'Institut désire prendre et entretenir un contact permanent avec les organisations étrangères ou internationales penchées sur les problèmes des économies émergentes.

[*Abrégé d'une communication du Professeur Jean Dufour*]

Documentation on Africa

FOR the past ten years the Fondation Nationale des Sciences Politiques, Paris, has been systematically analysing specialized publications from all countries dealing with the political, economic, and social sciences and disciplines and also the main periodicals containing articles relating to these fields. This analysis, which at present covers some 1,200 periodicals in many different languages, is not intended to be exhaustive but is aimed rather at identifying the most important articles. The number thus selected ranges from 20,000 to 25,000 a year. A card is made for each article, with the necessary bibliographical entries and a very short abstract. The card also bears a class number in accordance with a system of classification devised by the foundation's documentation centre. A selection from this documentary material is published every month in the *Bulletin analytique de documentation politique, économique et sociale contemporaine*.

The Centre International de Documentation Économique et Sociale Africaine, started at Liège in 1957 and known as CEDESA, also aims to gather and co-ordinate economic and social materials in the form of a documentary card index in seven languages.

African Affairs Seminar at Lafayette College

A NEWLY approved seminar for an international affairs curriculum at Lafayette College in 1960-1 will cover international politics, colonialism, and colonial revolt in Africa. Using the African continent as a case study, the seminar will attempt to make an analysis of the forces of international politics. The diplomacy of imperialism and its cultural impact upon native peoples, the dynamics of colonial revolt, and the economic geography of Africa will be considered.

United States Foreign Policy in Africa

A STUDY on United States Foreign Policy in Africa has been prepared, at the request of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the United States Senate, by the Program of African Studies, Northwestern University, under its Director, Professor Melville J. Herskovits. Professor Herskovits, in his Letter of Committal accompanying the Report, acknowledges the assistance of African experts in Paris, Brussels, and London, and of the members of the two conferences held at Palo Alto and in New York last year. A political map and statistical data have been made available by the Department of State and materials on missionary activity provided by Father John Considine, of the Maryknoll Fathers, and by the Rev. Theodore Tucker, executive secretary, Africa committee, division of foreign missions, National Council of Churches of Christ. The Report is published by the United States Government Printing Office, Washington.

Recordings of African Music

'An international catalogue of published records of folk music', by K. P. Wachsmann, in the *Bulletin of the British Institute of Recorded Sound*,¹ should be of wide interest to musicologists.

¹ 17 and 18, 1-37 (full issue), Summer and Autumn 1960 (double issue).