

University of Edinburgh: Mungo Park Bi-Centenary Celebration (see also *Africa*, xlii, 1, 1972, p. 58)

THE Centre of African Studies at the University of Edinburgh commemorated the bicentenary of Mungo Park with a seminar on 'The Exploration of Africa in the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries' held from 2 to 4 December 1971. The Mungo Park Memorial Lecture, 'African Exploration and Human Understanding', delivered by Professor E. A. Ayandele of the University of Ibadan, opened the seminar which was introduced by the Chairman Professor George Shepperson. Papers were given by Mr. Robin Hallett, Mr. Sean O'Fahey, Mr. Anthony Kirk-Greene, Dr. Roy Willis, Mr. Donald Simpson, and Dr. Roy Bridges. Professor Ayandele summed up the proceedings.

Grants for African Studies (U.S.A.)

THE Foreign Area Fellowship Program, administered by the Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies, have awarded fellowships for African Studies for 1971-2 as follows:

- Edna Bay* (Boston): the role of Abomey women in nineteenth-century Dahomean society.
- Dallas Browne* (Illinois): family and class in Nairobi, Kenya.
- Kathleen Dillon* (Yale): the diversification of the East African financial system.
- W. Perkins Foss* (Yale): the arts of the Urhobo people (Nigeria).
- Janice Irvine* (Rochester): irrigation systems of the Pokomo along the Tana river, Kenya.
- Bennetta Jules-Rosette* (Harvard): the effects of religion on changing social relationships in the Congo.
- Barbara Kalkas* (Northwestern): the social origins and career patterns of the 'New Man' of Egypt, 1922-41.
- John Lamphear* (London, England): the oral history of the Jie (Uganda).
- Deirdre La Pin* (Wisconsin): the structure and themes of Yoruba oral narratives (Nigeria).
- Robert McChesney* (Princeton): the institution of the waqf and its effect on the economic, social, and political institutions of the Balkh.
- Adell Patton* (Wisconsin): Sokoto rule and the Ningi of the plateau region of Nigeria.
- Neal Sherman* (Wisconsin): dairy policies in Uganda.
- Douglas Werner* (California, Los Angeles): historical research on the Mambwe-Lungu region, Zambia.

Renewals of fellowships have been awarded to:

- M. Catharine Newbury* (Wisconsin): the political integration of Kinyaga, Rwanda, 1916-60.
- George Preston* (Columbia): the original spread of art and leadership among the Akan of Ghana.
- Earl Scott* (Michigan): the Hausa onion industry of Northern Nigeria.
- Philip Shea* (Wisconsin): the socio-economic history of a ward in Kano, Nigeria.

Institute of African Studies, University of Nigeria, Nsukka: New Periodicals

THE Institute of African Studies of the University of Nigeria, Nsukka, which has been re-established under the acting direction of Dr. A. E. Afigbo, has undertaken the publication of two new periodicals. The first number of *Ikorok*, the Bulletin of the Institute, issued in July 1971, is designed to publicize the work of the Institute and other researches in African studies relevant to its activities. *Ikenga*, a journal of African studies, which will commence twice-yearly publication in January 1972 under Dr. Afigbo's editorship, will in its articles 'accommodate all views based on the objective study of issues, whether historical or contemporary, which are of special relevance to the fortunes of the black man'.