

The second is a listing of conferences on African religious history, held or projected. The third is a short book-review section, intended to draw attention to recent publications of major significance for the historical assessment of African religions. The emphasis of the newsletter is on 'traditional' African religion but information about studies of Islam and Christianity is included where it appears that their interaction with African religious systems is taken into account.

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'The Journal of Eastern African Research and Development'

THIS new journal is intended to provide a forum for scholarly discussions of issues in research and development in Eastern Africa. The editorial policy will be to promote and encourage high-quality and original research. The articles will relate to societal developments relevant to the following subjects: economics, history, linguistics and African languages, literature, political science, and sociology. The journal will appear twice yearly and is edited by Dr. Gideon S. Were, with Dr. John J. Okumu as deputy editor. Subscription rates, including postage, are: within East Africa, E.A. Sh. 35; outside East Africa, U.K. £4, U.S. \$10. All correspondence should be sent to the East African Literature Bureau, P.O. Box 30022, Nairobi, Kenya.

The Association of African Universities

THE AAU is making available its first publication, *Report of the Second AAU Conference, Kinshasa, 1969*. The report consists of four main papers and the discussions which followed their presentation. Also included are the resolutions of the AAU's working groups, as well as general information about the establishment of a permanent Secretariat for the Association. Copies may be obtained from Dr. C. Tidiane Sy, P.O. Box 5744, Accra-North, Ghana; price \$10.

'Manuscript Collections of Africana'

IN 1968 the Superintendent of Rhodes House Library in Oxford, L. B. Frewer, compiled a list of *Manuscript Collections of Africana* in that Library containing nearly 1,300 entries, with shelf-numbers, for collections catalogued up to the end of 1967. Since that date more than 500 further collections have been received and made available and a Supplement to the original publication will shortly appear covering accessions from 1968 to 1970 inclusive. Copies will be obtainable from the Library at 75p (\$2.50) per copy, post free.

Symposium on Social Change in Sierra Leone

THE University of Western Ontario, London, was host from 7 to 9 May 1971 to seventeen participants and ten observers representing several social science disciplines, for a symposium on the relationship between different aspects of social change in Sierra Leone.

The symposium, financed by the Canada Council and the Canadian International Development Agency, discussed papers prepared by participants on relevant aspects of their current work on Sierra Leone. Among the themes recurring most persistently in the discussion were the fluidity of so-called 'tribal' identities, the adaptability of local political and social institutions in the face of exogenous change, and the constraints which limited the asymmetry of power relations between central and local institutions.