

Notes and News

Ford Foundation: African Studies Fellowship Program

THE Ford Foundation has awarded the following grants for field research in African Studies in 1964-5:

J. Michael Armer (Duquesne). The effects of mass education on the traditional values of youth in the Northern Region of Nigeria (Nigeria).

Mario J. Bick (Columbia). An ethnographic study of the effect of the national government on Fipa institutions (England and Tanganyika).

Charles S. Bird (Los Angeles). The collection and organization of data on the Bambara language for thesis on syntax (England, France, and Mali).

William A. Brown (Wisconsin). The social and intellectual background of the Mali religious revolution of 1818 (Morocco and Mali).

Nicholas G. Carter (Massachusetts). Multidisciplinary area studies and research on development of programming techniques in a developing country (Nigeria).

John D. Esseks (Harvard). Economic development in Ghana since 1957 (England and Ghana).

Stephen M. Feierman (Northwestern). Multidisciplinary area studies relating to Africa (Oxford).

Nicholas J. Gubser (Oxford). Italian, Amharic, and Galla linguistics and studies relating to Ethiopia (Florence and Paris).

Svend E. Holsoe (Boston). An ethnological study of the Vai (England, Liberia, and Sierra Leone).

John M. Janzen (Chicago). The political and religious structure of the BaKongo (France, Belgium, and the Republic of the Congo).

Charles M. H. Keil (Chicago). Ethnomusicological study of tribal groupings of the Benue-Congo linguistic sub-family (England and Nigeria).

Wyatt MacGaffey (Los Angeles). The social structure and evolution of customary law among the BaKongo (Republic of the Congo).

John S. Saul (Princeton). Linguistic and area studies relating to Africa (London).

Paul F. Semonin (Ghana). The influence of the Algerian Revolution on political change in West Africa (Algiers, Paris, Senegal, and West Africa).

Jack R. Stauder (Cambridge). The relation of ecology to the social structure of the Masango of south-west Ethiopia (Ethiopia).

Nikolaas J. van der Merwe (Yale). African archaeology and physical methods for the dating of iron (South Africa).

Richard F. Weisfelder (Harvard). The development of political parties and political interest groups in Basutoland (London and Basutoland).

Extensions of their present fellowships have been granted to:

David B. Abernethy (Harvard). The politics of mass education in Southern Nigeria (Southern Nigeria and the United States).

Frederick C. Gamst (Berkeley). An ethnographic study of the Kemant Agau peoples of Ethiopia (Ethiopia).

G. Wesley Johnson (Columbia). A political history of four communes of Senegal (Senegal, Paris, and the United States).

Willard R. Johnson (Harvard). The creation of an integrated political community in the Federal Republic of Cameroun (Harvard).

Raymond K. Kent (Wisconsin). Malgache language and a history of the Malagasy Republic (Paris and the Malagasy Republic).

Martin A. Klein (Chicago). An African society (Paris and Chicago).

Gene A. Maguire (Harvard). The political history of the Sukuma of Tanganyika (Tanganyika, England, and the United States).

David C. Mulford (Oxford). Constitutional change and political parties in Northern Rhodesia, 1957-64 (England).

Joseph S. Nye (Harvard). Pan-Africanism and unification in East Africa (Harvard).

Mary E. Read (Minnesota). Legal change among the Sukuma in Tanganyika (Tanganyika and England).

John A. Rowe (Wisconsin). An historical study of a Buganda political leader in 1875 (Uganda and the United States).

Arnold G. Rubin (Indiana). Jukun arts and their cultural contexts (England, France, and Nigeria).

Satish C. Saberwal (Cornell). Social structure and change among the Embu (Kenya and the United States).

Aaron L. Segal (California). Efforts towards closer union and federation in East Africa (East Africa).

Leo Spitzer (Wisconsin). Multidisciplinary studies relating to South Africa (Wisconsin).

Sidney R. Waldron (Columbia). Social change in an urban area in Ethiopia (United States).

Wolfgang O. Weissleder (Chicago). Aspects of traditional Ethiopian society (Europe and Chicago).

Claude Welch (Harvard). Recent attempts at political unification in West Africa (Oxford).

International African Seminar on the Impact of Christianity in Tropical Africa

THE International African Institute is organizing a seminar on the Impact of Christianity in Tropical Africa, to be held from Tuesday, 6 April, to Friday, 16 April 1965, at the University of Ghana, Legon, by courtesy of the Vice-Chancellor. The chairman will be Professor C. G. Baëta, Head of the Department for the Study of Religions at the University of Ghana. The seminar will be the third in a second series of International African Seminars arranged with the aid of a grant from the Ford Foundation.

Papers and discussions will include consideration of the following themes: the introduction of Christianity into Africa in historical perspective; missionary attitudes, methods, relationships, and service; the interaction of Christianity and African life and thought; Christianity in contemporary Africa, including reference to problems of tribalism and race, social change and industrialization, neo-African cultural ideas, and the resurgence of indigenous beliefs and practices.