

ABRAHAM, KATHLEEN

Memoirs of a Medical Officer in Northern Nigeria 1957-1964

Carnforth: 2QT Ltd, 2010 viii + 248 pp. ISBN: 978-190809802-3 (hbk.)

ISBN: 978-1-90809-803-0 (pbk.)

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2011 101 58-59 (J.G.Harford)

NIGERIA

MEDICAL

ADEBAYO, AUGUSTUS

I Am Directed: The Lighter Side of the Civil Service

Ibadan: Spectrum Books 1991 iii + 135 pp

NIGERIA

One Leg One Wing

Ibadan: Spectrum Books 2001 134 pp ISBN 978-029140-7

The author was an administrator in the fifties' colonial government; a member of the Nigerian High Commission in London before independence; Permanent Secretary in various ministries in the sixties and seventies; and an academic and government advisor.

NIGERIA

White Man in Black Skin

Ibadan: Spectrum Books 1981 xiii + 125 pp

Memoirs of a Nigerian DO, with last 25 pages of reflections on public administration in colonial Nigeria.

NIGERIA

ADEBO, SIMEON OLA

Our Unforgettable Years

Lagos: Macmillan, Nigeria 1984 vi + 307 pp ISBN (hardback) 978-132737-5

(paperback) 9 781 32734 0

Adebo (1913-1994) entered Government service as an Administrative Officer cadet in 1942, rising to Assistant Financial Secretary in 1954 and Head of the Civil Service and Chief Secretary in 1961. This is the story of his first 49 years.

NIGERIA

Our International Years

Ibadan: Spectrum Books 1988 vi + 307 pp ISBN 987-246-025-7

The second half of Adebo's autobiography describing his time as Nigeria's Permanent Representative to the United Nations 1962-1967 and as Executive Director of UNITAR 1968-1972.

NIGERIA

ADU, A L

The Civil Service in Commonwealth Africa: Development and Transition

London: George Allen & Unwin 1969 253 pp ISBN (hardback) 04-351-0256

(paperback) 04- 351026-4

Adu, a one-time Head of the Ghana Civil Service, became a Deputy Commonwealth Secretary-General. His first chapter gives "Historical Perspectives".

The Civil Service in New African States

London: Allen & Unwin 1965 242 pp

An earlier version of the previous

AHIRE, PHILIP TERDOO

Imperial Policing: the Emergence and Role of the Police in Colonial Nigeria 1860-1960

Buckingham: Open University Press 1991 xviii + 165 pp ISBN 0-335-09654-9

The author, a Senior Lecturer in Criminology at Ahmadu Bello University, takes a critical and somewhat theoretical rather than a chronological approach. He argues that *the police force emerged as a coercive imposition which functioned in advance of the basic colonial objectives of conquest, consolidation and exploitation of indigenous people.*

Reviewed in *Journal of Modern African Studies* 31(4) 1993 700-702 (Otwin Marenin)

NIGERIA

POLICE

AINLEY, JOHN

Pink Stripes and Obedient Servants: An Agriculturalist in Tanganyika

Drifffield: The Ridings Publishing Co 2001 249 pp ISBN 0-95409440-9

Leicester: Ulverscroft Foundation 2002 367 pp ISBN 0-7089-4760-3

John Ainley was an Agricultural Officer in Tanganyika from 1945-65, serving in many up-country districts and pioneering the use of broadcasting to promote improved agricultural practices. Well illustrated with the author's photographs.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 103 (412) 2004 471-491 (Ashley Jackson)

Overseas Pensioner 83 2002 53-54 (R W Neath)

Tanzanian Affairs 71 2002 45-46 (C A Waldron)

TANGANYIKA

AGRICULTURE

AINSWORTH, JOHN DAWSON

John Ainsworth, Pioneer Kenya Administrator, 1864-1946: Being the Hitherto Unpublished Memoirs of Colonel John D Ainsworth

edited with the kind permission of J M Silvester

London: Macmillan 1955 111 pp

KENYA

AKERS-JONES, DAVID

Feeling the Stones: Reminiscences

Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press 2004 xiii + 278 pp ISBN 962-209-655-7

Sir David Akers-Jones was a Chief Secretary of Hong Kong who "stayed on".

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 89 2005 55-56 (Gillian Bickley)

HONG KONG

ALEXANDER, GILCHRIST

From the Middle Temple to the South Seas

London: John Murray 1927 xiii + 287 pp

Glaswegian by birth and education, Alexander (1871-1958) was appointed Chief Police Magistrate, Fiji in 1907, knowing "nothing of Fiji except that it was somewhere in the Pacific Ocean". He practised in the West Pacific region until appointment to Tanganyika in 1920. He describes this as "a volume setting out the experiences of one of the rank and file in out-of-the way parts of the world [which] may prove of interest to the stay-at-home professional men and women of the British Isles...The viewpoint has been that of the practising barrister rather than that of the official. No attempt has been made to deal with the problems of anthropology, folklore or administration".

FIJI

NEW HEBRIDES

LEGAL

Tanganyika Memories: A Judge in the Red Kanzu

London and Glasgow: Blackie & Sons 1936 244 pp

Sequel to the *From the Middle Temple to the South Seas*. Alexander was Senior Puisne Judge, Tanganyika 1920-1925 with periods as Acting Chief Justice. A cheery anecdotal account. "Red tape, statistics and the musty records of the law have been studiously avoided".

TANGANYIKA
LEGAL

ALEXANDER, JOAN

Voices and Echoes: Tales from Colonial Women

London: Quartet Books 1993 223 pp ISBN 0-7043-2366-4

Based on interviews and conversation with 100 "colonial women": "in education, nursing, missionaries, doctors or District Officers' and Governors' wives". Grouped geographically with chapters on East and Central Africa, West Africa, West Indies, South Atlantic Islands, Malaysia and Hong Kong, the Mediterranean, the Pacific and Aden.

WIVES

ALLAN, COLIN

Solomon's Safari, 1953-58

Christchurch, NZ: Nag's Head Press 1989 and 1990 2 Vols 193 pp ISBN 0-90-8784-57-0

Vol I describes Allan's work and travels as Special Lands Commissioner in the Solomons. He was then posted to the Western Pacific High Commission Secretariat.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 63 1992 52-53 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

SOLOMON ISLANDS

ALLEN, CHARLES (ed) in association with Helen Fry

Tales from the Dark Continent

London: André Deutsch and BBC 1979 xvii + 166 pp ISBN 0-233-97171-8 and 0-563-177543

Based on the recorded experience of some fifty men and women, mainly from the Colonial Administrative Service in African colonies. Introduction by Anthony Kirk-Greene, whose reminiscences are extensively quoted.

AFRICA

ALLEN, CHARLES (ed) in association with Michael Nason

Tales from the South China Seas

London: André Deutsch and BBC 1983 240 pp ISBN 0-56320-032-4

Like *Plain Tales from the Raj* and *Tales from the Dark Continent* this compilation originated in a BBC Radio 4 oral documentary. It was assembled from taped recollections of 50 men and women who spent the greater part of their adult life in the British colonies, protectorates and concessions of South East Asia, concentrating on the inter-war period. Chapter 7 *Pax Britannica* deals with the Colonial Service.

NORTH BORNEO

MALAYA

SARAWAK

SINGAPORE

ALLEN, J DE VERE

Malayan Civil Service 1874-1941: Colonial Bureaucracy/Malayan elite

Comparative studies in society and history 12(2) 1970 149-178

Stresses the importance of the MCS in Malayan history. *The main themes will be the growth in numbers, the emergence of a distinctive esprit de corps and the efforts, largely successful, to maintain a certain degree of independence or at any rate internal self-government which sometimes led into disputes or open clashes with Whitehall, with the High Commissioner in Singapore or the rest of the European*

community in Malaya itself. A commentary on this article by Gayl D Ness follows on pp 179-187.

MALAYA

Two Imperialists: A Study of Sir Frank Swettenham and Sir Hugh Clifford
Journal of the Malaysian Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society 37(1) 1964 41-73
MALAYA

ALLEN, Sir PETER

Interesting Times: Uganda Diaries 1955-1986

Lewes: The Book Guild 2000 xiii + 670 pp ISBN 1-857-76484-4

Unannotated diary entries with no framing material. Sir Peter served in the Uganda Police 1955-1962. He was called to the bar and later served as lecturer and Principal of the Uganda Law School. He was Chief Justice of Uganda 1973-1985 and a High Court Judge, Lesotho 1987-89.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 80 2000 56-57 (Jake Jacobs)

UGANDA

LEGAL

POLICE

ALLISON, PHILIP

Life in the White Man's Grave: A Pictorial Study of the British in West Africa

London: Viking 1988 192 pp ISBN 0-670-81020-7

Collection of nearly 150 photographs accompanied by a brief historical sketch and personal reminiscences. Allison was in the Nigerian Forestry Service, mainly in the South West from 1931 to 1960.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 3(3) 1989 516 (David Killingray)

NIGERIA

FORESTRY

ALTRINCHAM, Lord (Sir Edward Grigg)

Kenya's Opportunity: Memories, Hopes and Ideas

London: Faber and Faber 1955 308 pp

Altrincham was Governor of Kenya 1925-1931. This book was written years later against the background of the Mau Mau emergency. He argued that British policy should be to establish *confederations of autonomous tribal communities under British protection, economic support and (in the ultra-provincial sphere) political suzerainty*. A short chapter is devoted to Sir Donald Cameron (see items 132, 231).

KENYA

GOVERNORS

ANDERSON, DAVID

Histories of the Hanged: The Dirty War in Kenya and the End of Empire

London: Weidenfeld and Nicholson 2005 x + 406 pp ISBN 0-297-84719-8

Using the testimonies of those who fought on both sides and court records of trials, Anderson tells the story of Mau Mau and its suppression.

Reviewed in *African Studies Review* 48(3) 2005 147-154 (Pascal James Imperato)

("Differing perspectives on Mau Mau": review covering Elkins, Anderson and Lovatt Smith, summarised in *the Overseas Pensioner* 91 2006 46-47)

Contemporary European History 15(4) 2006 573-583 (A J Stockwell in review article entitled "British Decolonisation: the record and the records")

English Historical Review 120(488) 2005 1063-1065 (Richard Reid)

International Bulletin of Missionary Research 29(3) 2005 160 (Aylward Shorter)

Journal of African History 46(3) 2005 493-516 (Bethwell Ogot)

London Review of Books March 3 2005 3-6 (Bernard Porter)

Overseas Pensioner 90 2005 48-50 (T H R Cashmore)

The Round Table 96(389) 2007 201-223 (Joanna Lewis in review article entitled “Nasty brutish and in shorts? British colonial rule, violence and the historians of Mau Mau”).
Times Higher Education Supplement September 30 2005 (John Darwin)
Times Literary Supplement 5320 March 18 2005 37 (Justin Willis)
KENYA

ANDERSON, DAVID M and KILLINGRAY, DAVID (eds)
Policing and Decolonization: Politics, Nationalism and the Police, 1917-65
Manchester: Manchester University Press 1992 xi + 227 pp ISBN 0-7190-3033-1
The editors provide an overview. Other notable chapters on Ghana (Richard Rathbone), Malaya (A J Stockwell), Kenya (David Throup), Malawi (John McCracken) and Cyprus (David Anderson).
Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 21(2) 1993 475-476 (Norman Miners)
Journal of Modern African Studies 30(3) 1992 518-520 (John D Brewer)
POLICE

ANDERSON, MALCOLM (ed)
The Geographic Labourers of Arewa: The Story of the Northern Nigerian Survey
Milton Keynes: M F Anderson 2004 490 pp ISBN 1-871315-84-0
Based on diaries, research, details of surveying operations and contributions describing everyday life from professional surveyors who served in Northern Nigeria from the 1940s to the 1970s.
Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 95 2004 67-68 (John Smith)
Britain-Nigeria Association Newsletter February 2005 3-4
Overseas Pensioner 88 2004 51-53 (Trevor Clark)
NIGERIA
SURVEY

ANDERSON, RONNIE G (ed)
Palm Wine and Leopard's Whiskers – Reminiscences of Eastern Nigeria
Central Otago, New Zealand: The Author 1999 xiv + 227 pp ISBN 0-473-06294-1
A themed anthology in 30 chapters with titles such as *Arrivals, Bush Touring and Riots and Disturbances*.
Reviewed in *Cambridge*, 47 2001 68-69 (Richard Barlow-Poole)
Overseas Pensioner 79 2000 45 (Robert Varvill)
NIGERIA

ARCHER, Sir GEOFFREY
Personal and Historical Memoirs of an East African Administrator
Edinburgh: Oliver and Boyd for the author 1963 xiii + 260 pp
Archer was Sir Frederick Jackson's nephew and “in July, 1901, at the age of nineteen, I landed on the East Coast of Africa in search of a career”. After serving as a District Commissioner, he was the youngest man yet appointed governor when he became Governor of British Somaliland (where he had to deal with the Mad Mullah) in 1914. He went on to become Governor of Uganda 1923-1924 and Governor-General of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan 1925-1926. This book, written after a long retirement, ends with ruminations on his past career and the present situations, dated 1960.
Reviewed in *African Affairs* 63(252) 1964 245-247 (H B Thomas)
SOMALILAND
SUDAN
UGANDA
GOVERNORS

ARROWSMITH, K[eith] V.

Bush Paths

Edinburgh, Cambridge, Durham: Pentland Press 1991 177 pp ISBN 1-872795-24-2

Anecdotal account of an Administrative Officer in Eastern Nigeria 1949-1957.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 63 1992 58 (JWH O'Regan)

Overseas Pensioner 64 1992 55-56 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA

ARROWSMITH, KEITH

The Changing Scenes of Life: from the Colonial Service to the European Civil Service

London, New York: Radcliffe Press, 2014 ix + 195 pp. ISBN 9781780768342.

After war service in India and South East Asia, Arrowsmith joined the Colonial Service and worked in eastern Nigeria, Uganda and, his birthplace, Hong Kong. His final post was with the Directorate General for Agriculture of the European Commission.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 108 2014 51-52 (A.H.M. Kirk-Greene)

HONG KONG

NIGERIA

UGANDA

Letters Home

Custom Books, [2017] 110 pp. [No ISBN]

Collection of 50 letters Keith Arrowsmith wrote home to his parents 1949-50 while on his first tour in Eastern Nigeria.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner*, 114, 2017, 99-101 9 (Terry Barringer)

NIGERIA

ASKWITH, TOM

From Mau Mau to Harambee: Memoirs and Memoranda of Colonial Kenya

edited by Joanna Lewis

Cambridge: African Studies Centre 1995 221 pp ISBN 0-902993-305

Preface by John Lonsdale and sympathetic introduction by Joanna Lewis.

Incorporates original documents. Part I *Memoirs of Colonial Kenya* gives a brief introduction to Kenya and the main features of British rule. Part II covers the Mau Mau emergency and Part III is a detailed account of Community Development in Colonial Kenya.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 72 1996 70-71 (Mary Tiffin)

KENYA

Getting my Knees Brown: Day to Day Episodes in Colonial Kenya

[s.l.]: The Author 1996, 271 pp ISBN 0-9529124-06

Cheerful, self-deprecating account of career in Kenya. Askwith went to Kenya in 1936. Ten years later he was appointed Municipal Native Affairs Officer, Nairobi and then Commissioner for Community Development. He was given responsibility for designing and running a Rehabilitation Programme for Mau Mau detainees.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 73 1997 47-48 (Veronica Bellers)

KENYA

ATKINSON, M C

An African Life: Tales of a Colonial Officer

London: Radcliffe Press 1992 128 pp ISBN 1-870915-14-3

Atkinson was an Administrative Officer in Western Nigeria 1939-1959. He served in the Ministry of Home Affairs, Ibadan and was involved in planning the Queen's visit in 1956.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 36(1) 1995 156-157 (Ann O' Hear)

Overseas Pensioner 64 1992 55-56 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA

Nigerian Tales of the Colonial Era

Privately printed undated 32 pp
NIGERIA

More Nigerian Tales of the Colonial Era

Privately printed undated 38 pp
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 61 1991 33-34 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)
NIGERIA

Yet more Nigerian Tales of the Colonial Era

Privately printed 1993 31 pp
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 66 1993 58-59 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)
NIGERIA

AUSTIN, JEAN

A Falklands Diary: Winds of Change in a Distant Colony

London: Radcliffe Press 2009 xi + 244 pp ISBN 987-184511-7139
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 99 2010 50-51 (David Tatham)
FALKLANDS

AX, CHRISTINA FOLKE, BRIMNES, NILES, JENSEN, NIKLAS THODE and KAREN
OSLUND (eds)

Cultivating the Colonies: colonial states and their environmental legacies

Athens: Ohio University Press, 2011, xiv + 337 pp.

Two chapters of particular interest: Peder Anke on 'Ecological communication at the Oxford Imperial Forestry Institute' (pp. 275–99) and Joseph H. Hodge 'Colonial experts, development and environmental doctrines and the legacies of late British colonialism' (pp. 300–26)

BAENA, ROSALIE

Of Misses and Tuan Kechils: Colonial Memoirs as a Cultural Mediation in British Malaya

Ariel 39 (1/2) 2008 89-113
MALAYA

BAIN, KENNETH

The New Friendly Islanders

London: Hodder & Stoughton 1993 207 pp ISBN 0-340-58338-X

Bain first went to Tonga at the age of 29 in 1953, on loan from the government of Fiji to act as Secretary to the government of Tonga. Some account of this episode is woven into his general account of Tonga and the Tongans published to mark the King's 75th birthday.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 67 1994 52-53 (Jill Weston)
TONGA

BAKER, COLIN A

The Administration of Posts and Telecommunications, 1871-1974

Society of Malawi Journal 39(2) 1976 6-33

Focuses on function, staffing and finance.

NYASALAND
POST OFFICE

Civil Response to War: The Nyasaland Civil Service, 1939-1945

Society of Malawi Journal 38(1) 1985 44-61

Examines the response of the Nyasaland Government to World War II and the immediate and long term effects on the Civil Service.

NYASALAND

Development Governor: A Biography of Sir Geoffrey Colby

London: British Academic Press 1994 xiv + 407 pp ISBN 1-850-43616-9

Sir Geoffrey Colby 1901-1958 served in Nigeria 1925-1947 and was Governor of Nyasaland 1948-1956.

Reviewed in *International Journal of African Historical Studies* 36(2) 2003 464-466 (David Henige)

NIGERIA

NYASALAND

GOVERNORS

Exit from Empire: A Biography of Sir Richard Turnbull

Cardiff: Mpemba Books 2010 507 pp ISBN 978-0-9542020-5-7

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 100 2010 56-57 (George Shepperson)

Tanzanian Affairs 101 2012 55-58 (David Le Breton)

Turnbull served in Kenya 1931-58, ending as Chief Secretary. Governor of Tanganyika 1958-62 and High Commissioner in Aden 1964-67.

ADEN

TANGANYIKA

GOVERNORS

Expatriate Experience of Life and Work in Nyasaland

Cardiff: Mpemba Books, 2012, 410 pp.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 106 66 (Jonathan Lawley)

Society of Malawi Journal 67(2), 2014, 51-52 (Christopher Bean)

Expatriate Experience of Life and Work in Nyasaland (Volume 2)

Cardiff: The Author, 2014, 400 pp

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 107 2014 59 (Jonathan Lawley)

Expatriate Experience of Life and Work in Nyasaland (Volume 3)

Cardiff: Mpemba Books, 2014, 382 pp

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 109, 2015, 53-54 (Jonathan Lawley)

Expatriate Experience of Life and Work in Nyasaland (Volume 4)

Cardiff: Mpemba Books, 2015, 398 pp

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 111 2016 61-62 (Pamela Shurmer-Smith)

Expatriate Experience of Life and Work in Nyasaland (Volume 5)

Cardiff: Mpemba Books, 2016

Expatriate Experience of Life and Work in Nyasaland (Volume 6)

Cardiff: Mpemba Books, 2017

Volumes 1-6 reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner*, 114, 2017, 97-99 (Anthony Young)

A Fine Chest of Medals: the Life of Jack Archer

Cardiff: Mpemba Books and Blantyre: Kachere Books 2003 xiv + 296 pp

ISBN 0-95420201-5 and 9908-16-562

Archer joined the Nyasaland Civil Service after an adventurous military career which included service at Omdurman and in the Boer War. From 1919 to 1939 he was Superintendent of the Central Prison, Lunatic Asylum and Leprosarium. He rejoined the KAR in 1939 and served in Nyasaland through World War II.

Reviewed in *Australasian Review of African Studies* 25(2) 2003 88-89

Society of Malawi Journal 57(1) 2004 43-44 (George Shepperson)

NYASALAND

PRISONS

Mangoes on the Moon: An Anthology of Nyasaland-Malawi Anecdotes

Cardiff: Mpemba Books 2006 165 pp ISBN 0-9542020-2-3

An anthology of anecdotes, mostly from the decade or so before and after Independence in 1964, and limericks. In a short but telling preface, Colin Baker muses on the nature of truth, fiction and anecdote. Colin Baker was a District Commissioner in Nyasaland and later Under-Secretary in the Office of the President and Cabinet. He went on to teach Public Administration in Malawi, Nigeria and Glamorgan.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 101 2006 70-71 (Terry Barringer)

Society of Malawi Journal 59(2) 2006 53 (George Shepperson)

NYASALAND

Nyasaland's Governors: A Baker's Dozen

Society of Malawi Journal 54(2) 2001 28-32

The 13 governors of Nyasaland 1891-1964. A talk given to the Friends of Malawi Association.

NYASALAND

GOVERNORS

Retreat from Empire: Sir Robert Armitage in Africa and Cyprus

London: I B Tauris 1998 xiii + 418 pp ISBN 1-860642-233

Sir Robert Armitage (1906-1990) began his career in Kenya 1929-1947, became Financial Secretary, Gold Coast and successively Governor of Cyprus and of Nyasaland.

Reviewed in *International Journal of African Historical Studies* 36(2) 2003 464-466

(David Henige)

CYPRUS

GOLD COAST

KENYA

NYASALAND

GOVERNORS

Same Moon, Different Mangoes: A Second Anthology of Nyasaland-Malawi Anecdotes

Cardiff: Mpemba Books 2007 148 pp ISBN 0-9542020-3-1

Follow up to Item 43.

NYASALAND

Staff Continuity in Nyasaland

African Affairs 75(301) 1976 475-487

The purpose of this article is to consider some general points involved in district staff continuity and to examine the history of district administration postings.

NYASALAND

Sir Glyn Jones – A Proconsul in Africa

London: I B Tauris 2000 xii + 352 pp ISBN 0-86064-461-9

After long service in Northern Rhodesia, Jones became Nyasaland's last Governor.

Reviewed in *International Journal of African Historical Studies* 36(2) 2003 464-466

(David Henige)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 30(1) 2002 173-174 (Philip Murphy)

Journal of Southern African Studies 29(3) 2003 791-793 (John McCracken)

Overseas Pensioner 81 2001 36-37 (Henry Phillips)

NYASALAND

NORTHERN RHODESIA

GOVERNORS

The Wild Goose: The Life and Death of Hugh van Oppen

Cardiff: Mpemba Books 2002 xviii + 256 pp ISBN 0-954-20200-7

Van Oppen's adventurous life included a period in the Northern Rhodesia police. He joined the Royal Rhodesia Regiment and was involved with the Nkhata Bay incident and later was probably involved in espionage in Katanga.

Reviewed in *Society of Malawi Journal* 55(2) 2002 101-103 (John Lwanda)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE

BALL, DAVID R

Into Africa (and out): Northern Nigeria 1956-62

Frinton-on-Sea: The Author 2002 151 pp ISBN 0- 9541327-1-8

Work and leisure activities of a Town Planning Officer.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 84 2002 58 (Richard Barlow-Poole)

NIGERIA

SURVEY

51. BAMFORTH, ENID

www.life.sierra leone

Peterborough: Stamford House Publishing 2005 234 pp ISBN 1-904985-24-6

Enid Bamforth sailed to join her Colonial Service husband in Sierra Leone in 1952 and stayed until shortly after independence. Her account is mostly domestic and social – son, servants and snakes feature prominently.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 90 2005 62 (Terry Barringer)

SIERRA LEONE

WIVES

BANTON, MANDY

Administering the Empire 1801-1968: a Guide to the Records of the Colonial Office in The National Archives of the UK

London: Institute of Historical Research/The National Archives of the UK 2008 402 pp

ISBN 978-1-905165-29-2

An invaluable, user-friendly guide to the Colonial Office records.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 109 2009 55-56 (Edward Paice)

Family & Community History vol 12/2 November 2009 (Dick Hunter)

Reference Reviews vol. 23 no 5 2009 0950-4125 (David Clover)

Magazine of the Friends of The National Archives vol. 20 No 3 2009 (Tony Stockwell)

Overseas Pensioner 97 2009 51-52 (John Smith)

Reference Reviews vol 23 no 5 2009 0950-4125 (David Clover)

The Round Table 404 2009 620-21 (David Killingray)

BARKER, G H

A Circle of Trees

Braunton: Merlin Books 1989 211 pp ISBN 0-86303-440-3

After wartime naval service and running his own grocery business, Barker went to Uganda in 1956 as Trade Development Officer, to promote the interests of indigenous business. He remained until the Amin era as Head of the Department of Business Studies, Uganda College of Commerce. Later he worked in tourism and trade development in Kenya, Malawi, Fiji and Tonga.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 58 1989 64-65 (I A D) and 59 1990 36-37 (Tommy Gee)

UGANDA

BARLOW, HENRY SACKVILLE

Swettenham

Kuala Lumpur: Southdene 1995 xvii + 783 pp ISBN 983-999-1513

(paperback) 983-999-1523

Major biography of Sir Frank Swettenham.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 27(1) 1996 110-111 (Simon C Smith)

MALAYA

BARNES, KEN

Polio and Me

Hungerford: The Author 1998 viii + 55 pp ISBN 0-953456-706

Barnes was stricken by polio a few months after arriving as a Cadet in Calabar Province. Despite his disabilities he returned to Nigeria in 1956 and held office jobs in Enugu and served as a District Officer in Abak Division. He was transferred to the Financial Division, Nyasaland in 1960 and attended the Nyasaland Constitutional Conference. He left Malawi in 1970 having handed over to his Malawian successor.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 78 1999 69 (Michael Mann)

NIGERIA

NYASALAND

A Rough Passage: Memories of Empire

London: Radcliffe Press 2007 Vol 1 xvi + 312 pp ISBN 978-1-84511-263-9

Vol 2 xv + 307 pp ISBN 978-1-84511-264-6

Vol 1 covers Barnes' childhood in Malaya, wartime evacuation to Australia and colonial service in Nigeria. Vol 2 covers his career in Malawi and in Brussels.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 93 2007 57-58 (Colin Baker)

MALAYA

NIGERIA

NYASALAND

BARRINGER, TERRY (ed)

How Green was our Empire? Environment, Development and the Colonial Service

Occasional Paper of the OSPA Research Project at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London, No 2.

London: Institute of Commonwealth Studies 2005 iv + 152 pp ISBN 1-855-07135-5

Papers from the OSPA Research Project Conference at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London, 26-27 April 2004. Contents:
"This year's forest is next year's fire" – the Colonial Office and the Environment (John M. MacKenzie)

So few in the field: the staffing of the Colonial Agricultural, Forest and Veterinary Services (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

Forest conservation in Uganda – a roller-coaster ride (Henry Osmaston)

Fighting for survival: colonial conservation in Tsavo National Park, 1930-1963 (Caroline Cowan)

A History of Wildlife conservation and management in the mid-Luangwa Valley, Zambia (W L Astle)

The Environment and Development in Kano Nigeria and the Bechuanaland Protectorate 1930-1970 (Simon Gillett)

Reinventing the wheel: the status and achievements of the Nyasaland Colonial Veterinary Service as handed on to the Independent post-colonial Malawi (Robert Mares)

Fashions in extension objectives: crops, conservation and community (Ted Wilmot)

Staying green in the Overseas Territories? The work of the UK Overseas Territories Conservation Forum (Mike Pienkowski)

Review article: Green pasts and presents: the paradox of environmental histories and current anxieties of damage and destruction (John MacKenzie)

Reviewed in *The Round Table* 95 (384) 2006 315-318 (Bill Kirkman)

AGRICULTURAL

FORESTRY

VETERINARY

BARRON, T J

Before the Deluge: Leonard Woolf in Ceylon
Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 6(1) 1977 47-63
CEYLON

BARTON, BILL

In and Out of Africa

Hornby: Blaisdon Publishing 2000 370 pp ISBN 1-902838-02-5

The main purpose of this effort is to satisfy the request of my children...to relate the 'story' of my early life and leave an anecdotal record for them. Barton returned to Kenya, the land of his birth, with the Colonial Medical Service in 1946. He later held responsibility for medical services in all Mau Mau detention camps. From 1956-1964 he served in Zanzibar.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 81 2001 40-41 (Neil Squires)

KENYA

ZANZIBAR

MEDICAL

BARTON, DONALD

An Affair with Africa: Tanganyika Remembered

Hertford: AuthorsOnline 2004 xii + 260 pp ISBN 0-7552-0122-1

An account of service in Tanganyika 1952-1961.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 96 2004 85-86 (Terry Barringer)

Overseas Pensioner 88 2004 49-50 (N O Durdant-Hollamby)

Tanzanian Affairs 79 2004 41-42 (John Cooper-Poole)

TANGANYIKA

BATES, DARRELL

A Fly-Switch from the Sultan

London: Rupert Hart-Davies 1961 191 pp

An anecdotal account of service in Tanganyika in the late 1930s and war service in Abyssinia.

TANGANYIKA

A Gust of Plumes: A Biography of Lord Twining of Godalming and Tanganyika

London: Hodder & Stoughton 1972 319 pp ISBN 0-340-12879-8

A sympathetic biography drawing on Twining's diaries, letters and fragments of autobiography and reminiscences of those who knew him. Twining served in the KAR before joining the Colonial Service. After ten years in Uganda, he was appointed Deputy Head of Labour, Mauritius in 1938, Administrator of St Lucia, 1944, then Governor of North Borneo before becoming Governor of Tanganyika, 1949 to 1958.

Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 11(4) 293-296 (W J M Mackenzie)

MAURITIUS

NORTH BORNEO

ST LUCIA

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

The Mango and the Palm

London: Rupert Hart Davies 1962 197 pp

TANGANYIKA

The Shell at my Ear

London: Rupert Hart Davies 1961 179 pp

Episodes from Bates' childhood and youth. The final chapter is an amusing account of his Colonial Service interview.

TANGANYIKA

BAZLEY, WALTER

Bunyoro, Tropical Paradox

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1993 301 pp ISBN 1-85821-065-8

This is the story of Canadian Walter Bazley's first year in the Colonial Service. He was sent to Bunyoro in the late 1940s. *Bunyoro was regarded as a difficult, unlovable District but I threw myself into it heart and soul and developed an affection for the place which was not matched in all my subsequent service in Uganda.* He continued in Uganda until independence.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 68 1994 62-63 (Tommy Gee)

UGANDA

BEADEN, TONY

A Policeman's Lot

London: Olympia, 2011 382 pp. ISBN 978-1-84897-143-1

UGANDA

POLICE

BECK, H R

Wings and Wheels

Whitby: The Mab Press 2004 354 pp ISBN 0-9550733-0-8

Beck served in Northern Rhodesia 1951-1964, mostly in rural districts.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 91 2006 54-55 (David Glendening)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

BECKENHAM, ARTHUR F

Wagon of Smoke: An Informal History of the East African Railways and Harbours Administration

London: Cadogan Books 1989 xiii + 405 pp ISBN 0-947-75413-X

Beckenham insists that his is not an "official history" but he joined the Transportation as a keen young man of 23 at the beginning of 1950 and served – and had fun – until the period covered by the book ended.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 32(3) 1991 540 (Frederick Cooper)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 18(3) 1990 389-390

Overseas Pensioner 58 1989 61 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

EAST AFRICA

RAILWAYS

BELL, Sir GAWAIN

Shadows on the Sand

London: Hurst 1983 xiv + 258 pp ISBN 0-905-83892-0

Bell served in the Sudan 1931-1938, then in Palestine and in the Arab Legion under Glubb Pasha before returning to the Sudan in 1945. He was one of the last members of the Sudan Political Service to leave the country. He was Political Agent in Kuwait 1955-1957.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 47 1984 28 (A H M Kirk-Greene)

MIDDLE EAST

SUDAN

An Imperial Twilight

London: Lester Crook 1989 xvii + 267 pp ISBN 1-870915-060-2

Continues the story begun in *Shadows on the Sand*. Bell was appointed Governor of Northern Nigeria in 1957 and was asked to stay on after independence. Later

followed a mission impossible to draft a new constitution for Aden and South Arabia in 1965, advisory missions in Oman, the Secretary-Generalship of the South Pacific Commission and mediation in oil rights disputes in the Gulf.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 89 (354) 1990 126-127 (Alhaji M Yakubu)

African Affairs 103 (412) 2004 471-491 (Ashley Jackson)

Overseas Pensioner 58 1989 64 (R S F)

ADEN

NIGERIA

PACIFIC

BELL, Sir (HENRY) HESKETH (JOUDOU)

Glimpses of a Governor's Life

London: Sampson Low Marston & Co 1946 xi + 212 pp

The book that I am now presenting to my readers...is merely a scrappy collection of extracts from some of my diaries, notes and memoranda relating to my experiences during the first ten years of my service as an Administrator of Colonial Governments. That period was one of the happiest of my life. If in some parts of the compilation, a tone of somewhat marked complacency may be observed, I hope it will be borne in mind that the writer, finding himself, at a comparatively early age in a position of considerable responsibility and interest, thoroughly enjoyed his work and the success it sometimes achieved.

Hesketh Bell (1864-1952) was born in the West Indies in obscure circumstances. In 1882 he was appointed a clerk in the office of the Governor of Barbados and the West Indies. He moved through various posts in the West Indies and the Gold Coast, becoming Administrator of Dominica in 1899. In 1906 he became Commissioner for Uganda (Governor, 1907). His later career, not covered by this book, embraced governorships of Northern Nigeria (1909-), Leeward Islands (1912-) and Mauritius (1916-). See his DNB entry by Charles Jeffries which emphasises his interest in welfare and development and describes *Glimpses of a Governor's Life* and other published works as "readable, instructive and informed by a strong sense of humour".

DOMINICA

GOLD COAST

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

BELL, VIVIENNE

Blown by the Wind of Change

Sussex: The Book Guild 1986-87 192 pp ISBN 0-86322-219-0

Vivienne Bell's African experience began in 1949 working as a Secretary for the Groundnuts Scheme in Tanganyika. Numerous jobs as secretary and personal assistant followed in government circles in Northern Rhodesia, Uganda and Swaziland, also Cyprus, Bermuda and Nauru.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 55 1988 39 (M L H)

BERMUDA

CYPRUS

NAURU

NORTHERN RHODESIA

SWAZILAND

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

BELLERS, VERONICA

A Speck in the Ocean of Time

An anecdotal account of Colonial Administration in Africa, generously illustrated with old photographs.

No place or publisher given; available from Amazon, 2014, 298 pp. ISBN9781502924179

BENNETT, FRANK

Under an African Sun: Memoirs of a Colonial Officer in Northern Rhodesia

London, New York: Radcliffe Press 2006 ix + 246 pp ISBN 1-84511-083-8

Describes Bennett's recruitment, travel out and first tour of duty 1958-1961. He served as Clerical Officer in the Ministry of Finance.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 91 2006 53-54 (David Glendenning)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

BENTWICH, NORMAN and BENTWICH, HELEN

Mandate Memories, 1918-1948

London: Hogarth Press 1965 231 pp

Norman Bentwich was a Legal Officer in Palestine 1918-1931, under first the military administration and then the Mandate government. He was then a part-time Professor at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. This volume draws on his experience and Helen Bentwich's letters home.

PALESTINE

BENTWICH, NORMAN

Wanderer Between Two Worlds

London: Kegan Paul Trench Trubner & Co 1941 vii + 357 pp

Bentwich's first essay in autobiography.

PALESTINE

My 77 years: An Account of my Life and Times, 1883-1960

London: Routledge and Kegan Paul 1962 344 pp

PALESTINE

BERE, RENNIE

A Cuckoo's Parting Cry: A Personal Account of Life and Work in Uganda between 1930 and 1960

Broadoak, Glos: Cedar Publishing 1992 295 pp ISBN 0-951-70020-0

After serving as a District Officer and Provincial Commissioner, Northern Province, Bere was for five years Director and Chief Warden of the Uganda National Parks.

This memoir reflects his interests in wildlife and mountaineering.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 64 1992 61-62 (W F H Ansell)

UGANDA

BERMAN, BRUCE

Control & Crisis in Colonial Kenya

London: James Currey, Nairobi: Heineman Kenya and Athens: Ohio University Press 1990

xvi + 479 pp ISBN (hardback) 0-852-55070-7 (paperback) 0-852-55069-3

Chapter 3 on "The Bureaucratic dialectic: structure, process and ideology in the colonial state" is of particular interest. It considers the deployment, recruitment, training and attitudes of administrative officers.

KENYA

BERRY, ERICK

Mad Dogs and Englishmen...

London: Michael Joseph 1931 286 pp

Erick Berry, an American writer and journalist, married a District Officer in Northern Nigeria, Herbert Best.

NIGERIA

WIVES

BERRY, W T C

Before the Wind of Change

Suffolk: Halesworth Press 1983 xxiii + 120 pp ISBN 0-950-94700-8

Berry went to Nyasaland in 1936. In 1938 he was appointed to a team carrying out a nutrition survey and he began to specialise in such work as well as continuing with general medicine. After the war, he worked on a nutrition survey in Gambia.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 48 1984 54-55 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

GAMBIA

NYASALAND

MEDICAL

BERTRAM, Sir ANTON

The Colonial Service

Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 1930 xii + 291 pp

Bertram was a former Attorney-General and Chief Justice with experience of Bahamas, Cyprus and Ceylon. This volume, based on his lectures at LSE, is particularly strong in its treatment of the organisation of law and justice, courts and judicial systems throughout the Colonial Empire.

LEGAL

COLONIAL SERVICE

BEVAN, SHEILA

The Parting Years: A British Family and the End of Empire

London: Radcliffe Press 2001 xviii + 336 pp ISBN 1-86064-734-0

Sheila Bevan grew up in South Africa. She married a policeman who had served in the British South Africa Police. Their life together spanned Singapore, Nyasaland, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 92 2003 70-74 (Terry Barringer)

NYASALAND

SINGAPORE

YEMEN

POLICE

WIVES

BEVINGTON, E

The Things we do for England...if England Only Knew

Burley: The Author 1990 vii + 164 pp ISBN 0-951-57620-8

Bevington began his career as a cadet in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands in direct line of succession from Arthur Grimble. He became Financial Secretary Fiji. Although his career was spent almost entirely in the Pacific he was briefly in Nigeria in 1945 as Secretary of the Commission of Enquiry into the strike of African civil servants and in Brunei to supervise post-war reconstruction.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 60 1990 53 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

PACIFIC

BEX, FRANK

Lucky Me: Memoirs of a Former District Officer in Nigeria

(Privately published) 2003 iv + 236 pp

Bex served in Nigeria for the thirteen years, 1943-1956, most of that time in the south-eastern provinces of Onitsha, Owerri and Rivers.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 94 2004 57-59 (Ken Barnes)

Nigerian Field 69(1) 2004 62 (Ronald L Dittlich)

Overseas Pensioner 87 2004 49-50 (Richard Barlow-Poole)

NIGERIA

BICKLEY, VERNER C

Footfalls Echo in the Memory: A Life with the Colonial Education Service and the British Council in Asia

London: Radcliffe Press 2010 xviii + 314 pp ISBN 978-184885-085-9

Bickley served as an Education Officer in Singapore and worked for the British Council in Burma and Indonesia before settling in Hong Kong.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 100 2010 63-64 Mark Howard)

SINGAPORE

EDUCATION

BISHOP, ALAN

Gentleman Rider: A Life of Joyce Cary

London: Michael Joseph 1988 408 pp ISBN 0-7181-23330-1

Good coverage of Cary's years in Nigeria.

NIGERIA

BLACKBURNE, Sir KENNETH

Lasting Legacy: A Story of British Colonialism

London: Johnson 1976 xiv + 206 pp ISBN 0-853-07146-2

Blackburne's distinguished career had an unusually wide geographical spread. This memoir, based on his letters and diaries, covers Nigeria 1930-1933, Palestine 1935-38, Beachcombing 1939-41, Gambia (as Colonial Secretary) 1941-43. From 1943 to 1947 he was in the West Indies with a brief to advise West Indian governments on the improvements of conditions in their territories and to recommend to London the approval of grants under the Colonial Development and Welfare Act. Back in London from 1947 to 1950, he was the first Director of Information for the Colonial Office. Governorships of the Leeward Islands 1950-56 and Jamaica 1957-62, crowned his career. He has a final reflective chapter on the Imperial/Colonial legacy entitled *The British Contribution*.

GAMBIA

JAMAICA

LEEWARD ISLANDS

NIGERIA

PALESTINE

GOVERNORS

BLAIR, JOHN

Justice and Juju

Perth, Australia: Paul B Press 1991 245 pp ISBN 0-959-6606-9-0

Reminiscences of work as a DO in Western Nigeria, 1926-1949, written entirely from memory.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 65 1993 45-46 (Brian Eccles)

NIGERIA

BLAKE, CHRISTOPHER

A View from Within: The Last Years of British Rule in South East Asia

Castle Cary: Mendip Publishing 1990 xv + 206 pp ISBN 0-905903-17-X

In this memoir, written originally for his children, Blake records his life as a District Officer and in the Secretariat. Unpretentious, anecdotal account of the day's work with a note of self-deprecating humour. The final chapter is a paternalist apologia for the British Empire. Particularly interesting for the author's views on such personalities as MacDonald, Gent, Templer and Tunku Abdul Rahman.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 62 1991 45 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

MALAYA

BLAKELY, BRIAN L

Pensions and Professionalism: The Colonial Governors (Pensions) Acts and the British Colonial Service 1865-1911

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 4(2)1975 138-153

COLONIAL SERVICE

BLOWER, JOHN

Banagi Hill – A Game Warden’s Africa

Milton Brodie, Kinloss: Librario Publishing 2004 303 pp ISBN 1-904440-35-5

John Blower began his career in the Tanganyika Forestry Department but soon transferred to the Game Department. In 1954 he was seconded to Kenya and led a small striking group against a Mau Mau gang in the Aberdares. He then moved to Uganda and oversaw the creation of the Kidepo National Park. He was Chief Game Warden 1960-64.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 90 2005 53-54 (Henry Osmaston)

KENYA

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

GAME DEPARTMENT

BOASE, ALICE M

When the Sun Never Set

Crowborough: East Sussex Press 1982 125 pp

When the Sun Never Set: A Family’s Life in the British Empire

by Alice M Boase with Mary Hannah (née Griffin),

edited by Margaret Knowlden (née Boase)

London and New York: Radcliffe Press, 2nd edn. 2005, xx + 231 pp. ISBN 1-85043-943-5.

A family chronicle with many Colonial Service connections. Alice’s father Charles Griffin went to Nyasaland as a legal official in 1901, later served in Gibraltar and the Leeward Islands and ended his career as Chief Justice, Uganda. Her brother, John, also became Chief Justice of Uganda, also serving in the Bahamas, Palestine and Hong Kong. Alice, a doctor’s wife, spent many years in Uganda. A sister married into the ICS.

In the second edition Alice Boase’s account of her brother, John Bowes Griffin, is replaced by a more comprehensive account by his daughter using notes compiled by Griffin himself. It also contains Peter Griffin’s account of his Uganda childhood.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 49 1985 21-22 (I A) [1st edition]

Overseas Pensioner 90 2005 54-55 (Patricia and Andrew Stuart) [2nd edition]

UGANDA

BOEDER, ROBERT B

Alfred Sharpe of Nyasaland: Builder of an Empire

Blantyre: Society of Malawi 1981 viii + 152 pp

Biography of the first Governor of Nyasaland.

Reviewed in *Society of Nyasaland Journal* 32(2) 1985 66-68 (Kings M Phiri)

NYASALAND

GOVERNORS

BOND, MICK

From Northern Rhodesia to Zambia: Recollections a DO/DC 1962–73.

Gadsden Publishers, 2014 252 pp ISBN 978-99822-40901

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2015 110 52-55 (Veronica Bellars)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

BOORMAN, MICHAEL

Diamonds are Trumps: A Colonial Reflects

Lewes: Book Guild 1996 xi + 234 pp ISBN 1-85776067-0

After National Service with the KAR, Boorman served with the Sierra Leone Police 1954 to 1965. His subsequent career was also Africa based, working on security issues in the diamond industry in Sierra Leone, Tanzania and Botswana.

SIERRA LEONE

POLICE

BOUTILIER, J

The Government is the District Officer: An Historical Analysis of District Officers as Middlemen in the British Solomon Islands Protectorate, 1893-1943

In William L Rodman and Dorothy Ayers Counts eds, *Middlemen and Brokers in Oceania*, Lanham, NY and London: University Press of America 1982 pp 35-67 ISBN 0-8191-3467 and 0-8191-3468

Easily overlooked, this is a useful overview.

SOLOMON ISLANDS

BOUSTEAD, Sir HUGH

The Wind of Morning

London: Chatto & Windus 1972

After military service on the Western Front and in Russia and with the Egyptian Army, Boustead was with the Sudan Political Service. From 1949-1965 he held posts in Aden and the Gulf.

ADEN

SUDAN

BOWCOCK, PHILIP

Last Guardians: Crown Service in Sudan, Northern Rhodesia and Britain

London: Radcliffe Press 2015 384 pp ISBN 978-1-78453-438-7

Bowcock began his career in the Sudan then served in the Colonial Service in Northern Rhodesia. After independence, he returned to Britain for a career in the Home Civil Service and then private law practice. He returned to Africa as a Zimbabwe election observer in 1980.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 111 2016 54-57 (Douglas H. Johnson)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

SUDAN

BOYD, ROBERT NATHANIEL

A Colonial Odyssey

Ringwood: Navigator Books 1996 102 pp ISBN 0-902830-635

Boyd was Northern Rhodesia-born and after banking experience and war service joined the Accountant General's Department in 1947. He transferred to the Central African service in 1954 but when the Federation collapsed he reverted to HMOCS and retired as Auditor General of Zambia in 1968.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 74 68-69 (R J Short)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

AUDIT SERVICE

BOYLE, DAVID

With Ardours Manifold

London: Hutchinson 1959 340 pp

Boyle was an Assistant District Commissioner in the Gold Coast 1914-1917.

GOLD COAST.

BOYLE, LAURA

Diary of a Colonial Officer's Wife

Oxford: Alden Press 1968 175 pp

Diary of David Boyle's wife, covering her first year in the Gold Coast 1916-17.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 68 (273) 1969 364-365 (Alec Dickson)

GOLD COAST

WIVES

BRADLEY, EMILY

Dearest Priscilla: Letters to the Wife of a Colonial Civil Servant

London: Alex Parrish 1950 239 pp

Cast in the form of a long letter to a young goddaughter, newly married to a Colonial officer *telling you all I know, and all you ought to know... about marrying an Empire builder and going abroad to live among "subject" peoples*. Chapters on, *inter alia*, housing, servants, gardens, leisure, children and race relationships. Written with a light touch and, sometimes, arch humour but with an underlying seriousness of purpose as in her remarks on the Christian basis of *our civilisation* and defence of missionaries.

WIVES

A Household Book for Africa

Oxford: Oxford University Press 1938 170 pp

(Republished as *A Household Book for the Tropical Colonies*)

Written with the active encouragement of Furse. *This book has been put together at the request of a number of people who have at heart the welfare and efficiency of the odd folk who live in queer places in the Empire, and whose first job should be to keep themselves well and comfortable. It represents what I wish I had known when Africa's alarms and excursions were raised for me out of the smoke of the kitchen or the camp fire*. Mostly recipes plus advice on household management, the garden and the medicine cupboard.

BRADLEY, KENNETH GRANVILLE

Africa Notwithstanding

London: Lovat Dickson 1932 256 pp

Five stories originally published in *Wide World Magazine*, *Fortnightly Review* and *Review of Reviews*.

AFRICA

The Colonial Service as a Career

London: His Majesty's Stationery Office 1950 68 pp

I have written this little book for a very special public and for a very special purpose. My public is those young people who are thinking of making their careers in the Colonial Service. I am writing for boys and girls (Bradley's use of what we would now call inclusive language is noteworthy) who are about to leave school and for parents, headteachers and headmistresses; and I am talking to undergraduates and to professional and technical students of all kinds...to tell as much as I can about the Colonial Service, about the opportunities and responsibilities which such a career brings with it and the kind of life and experiences which are likely to fall to the lot of everyone who feels that Empire building is the life for him or her.

This booklet is well illustrated with photographs of officers at work and is divided into five chapters: A Career in the Colonial Service, The Qualities Required, Life in the Colonial Service, Work in the Colonial Service, Empire Building and Towards the Commonwealth.

A Career in the Overseas Civil Service

London: Her Majesty's Stationery Office 1955

Revised version of item 102, with final chapter completely rewritten.

The Diary of a District Officer

London: Harrap 1943 192 pp
London: Harrap 1944 192 pp
London: Nelson 1947 205 pp (Foreword by Lord Hailey)
London; Macmillan 1966 192 pp
A classic of the genre. Genuine diary *written up in camp each night on a series of tours in my District*, when Bradley was District Commissioner at Fort Jameson. First published in *Blackwoods Magazine*.

NORTHERN RHODESIA

Once a District Officer

London: Macmillan and New York: St. Martin's Press 1966 219 pp
Bradley's autobiography which he regarded as the *at least one good book which they say every man has in him*". It takes in a little family history, youth, entry to the Colonial Service, his career in Northern Rhodesia, the Falklands (Colonial and Financial Secretary, 1942-45) and as Under-Secretary in the Gold Coast after which *I never wanted to work again in any hierarchy of any sort*. He returned to the UK to found and run *Corona* and then became Director of the Commonwealth Institute – *a dream come true*.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 65(261) 1968 361-362 (J P Murray)

FALKLAND ISLANDS

GOLD COAST

NORTHERN RHODESIA

BRASNETT, N V

A History of the Uganda Forest Department 1898-1929

Uganda Forest Department Bulletin No 3 1951

Entebbe, 1951, 26 pp.

UGANDA

FORESTRY

A History of the Uganda Forest Department 1930-1950

Uganda Forest Department Bulletin No 4 1955

Entebbe: Government Printer 1955 43 pp

Brasnett joined the Department as the first forestry-trained Conservator at the end of 1929. For continuation see Item 669

UGANDA

FORESTRY

BRAY, DENNIS

Hong Kong Metamorphosis: An Autobiography

Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press 2001 viii + 248 pp ISBN 9-62-0950- X

Bray worked in Hong Kong from 1950 and served as Assistant Colonial Secretary (special duties) 1964.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 83 2002 59-60 (Patrick H. Hase)

HONG KONG

BRELSFORD, W V

Generation of Men: The European Pioneers of Northern Rhodesia

Salisbury: Stuart Manning (Pty) Ltd for the Northern Rhodesia Society 1965 x + 154 pp

A "frankly anecdotal" account of the first Europeans in Northern Rhodesia (pre 1930s) including early officials.

NORTHERN RHODESIA

BRENDON, JACK

Mr Burpington Presides

Cape Town: Howard Timmins Publishers 1983

This is meant to be a fun book about an era and a British Colony which no longer exists. The characters who trip through the pages are fictitious but some of the events recorded are almost true. The book has been written in an attempt to make us laugh at ourselves and it is to be hoped that no one of whatever race, colour or creed will find it offensive. If anyone does, the author will bow his head in sorrow – and disbelief. Tale of a young bachelor ADO who arrives to take up his post in one of the remoter districts of Central Africa.

AFRICA

BRESNIHAN, BRIAN J and WOODWARD, KEITH (ed)

Tufala Gavman: Reminiscences from the Anglo-French Condominium of the New Hebrides

Suva: Institute of Pacific Studies 2002 632 pp ISBN 982-02-0342-2

Brings together contributions from a wide circle, expatriate and indigenous.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 85 2003 56-57 (Brian Macdonald-Milne)

NEW HEBRIDES

BRIDGER, GORDON

How I failed to Save the World or Forty Years of Foreign Aid

Milton Keynes: Author-house 2008 ix + 199 pp ISBN 978-1-4343-9445-3

Turned down by the Colonial Office on account of his reputed “strong left wing views”, Bridger was appointed in 1957 as an economic adviser to the Ministry of Agriculture of the Central African Federation. He went on to work for the United Nations and then for the Ministry of Overseas Development, work which took him to many colonies and former colonies in Africa and the Pacific as well as to South America. He often comments on District Officers and colonial administration.

Although he is gently mocking of pomposity and bureaucracy, he is an admirer of their many good qualities.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 39 (John Smith)

The Round Table 98 (402) 2009 387-89 (Terry Barringer)

BRIDGES, A FRANK B

In the service of Nigeria

Ile Ife: Nigerian Field Society 1980 64 pp (Supplement to No 45 of *The Nigerian Field*; Nigerian Field Monograph, No 2)

NIGERIA

So We Used to Do

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1990 xi + 195 pp

Drawing on diaries, covers the years 1921-1949.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 60 1990 56-57 (M E)

NIGERIA

BRIND, HARRY

Lying Abroad: Diplomatic Memoirs

London: Radcliffe Press 1999 xi + 260 pp ISBN 1-86064-377-9

Chapter 2 deals with ‘Colonial Days in the Gold/Coast/Ghana August 1951 to February 1960’. After the Colonial Service, Brind’s diplomatic career took him to Canada, Uganda, Mauritius, Somalia and Malawi.

GOLD COAST

BRITISH EMPIRE AND COMMONWEALTH MUSEUM

Voices and Echoes: a Catalogue of the Oral History Holdings of the British Empire and Commonwealth Museum (British Empire and Commonwealth Museum Research Paper 2)

Bristol: British Empire and Commonwealth Museum 1998 142 pp ISBN 0-953017-1-0

2nd edition, 1999 (British Empire and Commonwealth Museum Research Paper 5).
Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 77 1998 52-53 (Terry Barringer)

BROOK, IAN

The One-eyed Man is King

London: Cassell 1966 327 pp

Brook served in Nigeria from 1946 to the eve of independence. His account ends on a bitter note. *The Roman Empire declined and fell over centuries. It died in dignity and struggle and stamped itself upon generations yet to come. The British Empire collapsed like a wet fart and we who had tried to serve it could only muffle our noses against the stench it left in its passing. We were part of the betrayal and must bear a measure of the shame.*

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 66 (263) 1967 164-165 (Hilary Blood)

NIGERIA.

BROOKS, RONALD J

Under Five Flags: The Story of Sabah, East Malaysia

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1995 256 pp ISBN 1-85821-322-3

Brooks went out as a cadet with the British North Borneo Company, was prisoner of the Japanese and returned to his district after the war. He stayed on for two years after Malaysia independence as Curator of Sabah's State Museum and in charge of the library service.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 72 1996 67-68 (Christine Holland)

NORTH BORNEO

BROWN, DOUGLAS and BROWN, MARCELLE V (eds)

Looking Back at the Uganda Protectorate: Recollections of District Officers

Dalkeith, Australia: Douglas Brown 1996 ix + 374 pp ISBN 0-646-280465

The Browns endeavoured to track down all former DOs still living and invited them to contribute an account of some event or episode in which they were involved. More than 60 people, including some wives, contributed to this volume. Part I covers The Protectorate Years and is divided into the following sections: Up-Country Stations, The Kingdom of Buganda, Central Government and Secretariat, On Safari, Border Incidents, Projects and Assignments, Off-duty and Recreational Pursuits, Visits and Visitors, Internal Self-Government and Independence. Part II is shorter and covers Independent Uganda with just three sections: Staying on after Independence, Revisiting Uganda, Reflections.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 38(3) 1997 532-533 (Richard Reid)

Overseas Pensioner 76 1996 65-66 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

UGANDA

BROWN, JAMES LANG

The Life of a Forester in the years before Amin

Bruton, Somerset: The Author, 2011 185 pp. ISBN 978-095-710-910-0

UGANDA

FORESTRY

BROWN, JUDITH and LOUIS, Wm ROGER (eds)

Oxford History of the British Empire, Vol. 4: The Twentieth Century

Oxford: Oxford University Press 1999 xxvi + 773 pp ISBN (hardback) 0-19-820564

(paperback) 0-19-924679-3

See especially chapters by John W Cell on "Colonial Rule" and Ronald Hyam on "Bureaucracy and Trusteeship in the British Empire."

BROWN, RON

Ex Africa

Torquay: Venture Press 1997 112 pp ISBN 0-95289-360-6

This book is divided into three parts: African Bees (Brown became an enthusiastic and distinguished apiarist after a swarm took over his garage in Lusaka in 1953), African Topics and Family Life in Africa. There is disappointingly little on his work as a science teacher and educationalist.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 73 1997 51 (Keith Arrowsmith)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

EDUCATION

BROWNE, ROBERT

Beyond the Cape of Good Hope

London: John Murray 1965 152 pp

South African-born Browne served in Tanganyika and Somaliland. A lyrical account but sparse on dates and details.

SOMALILAND

TANGANYIKA

BRUN, HARRY

A Copper in Calabar: Experiences of a student, soldier & policeman in South & West Africa 1920s–1950s.

Bogner Regis: Woodfield Publishing, 2012, 174 pp. ISBN 1846831288

South African born Henry Brun joined the Colonial Police Service after the army and worked with the Railway Police, in Enugu, Calabar and Port Harcourt.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2013 105 63 (K.V. Arrowsmith)

NIGERIA

POLICE

BRYAN, GERALD

Be of Good Cheer: Service in War and Peace

Binfield, Berks: Wilton 65 2008 262 pp ISBN 978 1-905060-11- 5

Memoir of a long and varied career in public service.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 43-45 (John Doble)

BARBADOS

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

MAURITIUS

ST.LUCIA

SWAZILAND

BURKINSHAW, P L

Alarms and Excursions

Leominster: Davis Brothers 1991 240 pp

A “largely anecdotal” account of Burkinshaw’s three careers. Part I “Carrying the Flag” covers his war-service. Part II “Carrying the Burden” is about his time in the Colonial Service. Posted to Sierra Leone in 1949, he transferred to Gambia in 1955 and then to Nyasaland, leaving there at independence to serve as Assistant Administrator of the Turks & Caicos Islands. Part III “Carrying the Bag” covers his final career as a Queen’s Messenger.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 62 1991 48-49 (D F)

GAMBIA

NYASALAND

SIERRA LEONE

TURKS & CAICOS

BURNS, Sir ALAN

Colonial Civil Servant

London: George Allen & Unwin 1949 339 pp

Burns (died 1980) was “practically born into the Colonial Service” in the West Indies where his father was Treasurer of St Kitts. After his first post in the West Indies he was sent to Nigeria, where he served for a time as ADC and Private Secretary to Lugard. He was Deputy Chief Secretary, Nigeria, Governor of British Honduras, Assistant Under Secretary of State for the Colonies and from 1941-1947 Governor of the Gold Coast. His is a careful, dated narrative with particular detail on his handling of a notorious ritual murder case in the Gold Coast. He adds two thematic chapters on Wars and Riots and on Colonial Legislatures before a concluding chapter on the Colonial Civil Service.

BAHAMAS

GOLD COAST

NIGERIA

ST KITTS

GOVERNORS

BURRIDGE, GORDON AND MARION

African Honeymoon: when Malawi was Nyasaland

Maryborough, Queensland: KB Productions, [2011?], 450 pp. ISBN 978-064654364-2.

Gordon Burridge spent 1957-1960 as an Agricultural Supervisor in the remote Northern Province of Nyasaland

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 102 2011 62-63 (Gordon Landreth)

NYASALAND

AGRICULTURE

BURT, F

Nakumbuka: (I Remember)

London: Excalibur Press 1989 vi + 217 pp ISBN 1-872-08007-3

Short account of a surveyor in Tanganyika 1922-1924 and as a DC 1925-1946.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 61 1991 31 (Patrick Robertson)

TANGANYIKA.

BURTON, A

'Brothers by Day': Colonial Policing in Dar es Salaam under British Rule, 1919-1961

Urban History 30(1) 2003 63-91

TANGANYIKA

POLICE

BUTCHER, MIKE

'...when the long trick's over': Donald Kennedy in the Pacific

Kennington, Vic: Holland House, 2012, x + 232 pp. ISBN 9780987162700

Reviewed in *Journal of Pacific History* 47(3), 2012 pp. 440-41.

BUTLER, I.E.

Ghost Stories and other island tales: a Colonial Officer in the Gilbert Islands

Available for Amazon, 2014 174 pp. ISBN 9781500505929

Ian Butler left an unpublished manuscript of stories of his service in the Gilbert Islands in the 1950s, where he served two terms before transferring to Swaziland. It was prepared for publication by his family after his death.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

BUTTER, JOHN

Uncivil Servant: In India, Pakistan, Kenya, Abu Dhabi

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1989

Butter transferred to the Colonial Service from the ICS. His excuse for *daring to add to the flood of reminiscences written by former servants of the British Empire* is his experience of *both sides of the independence divide* and his interest in *the successes and failures of the Westminster-type democracy as an export commodity (and their relevance to the solution of some existing problems)*. He was a Deputy Commissioner in Pakistan, a Permanent Secretary in Kenya before and after independence and head of the Abu Dhabi Finance Department.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 59 1990 37-38 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

KENYA

MIDDLE EAST

CAIRNS, J C

Bush and Boma

London: John Murray 1959 xi + 178 pp

Cairns was a Canadian District Officer in the 1950s serving in Kilwa, Mikindani and Dar es Salaam.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 59(237) 1960 349-350 (D L Robinson).

TANGANYIKA

CALLAWAY, HELEN

Gender, Culture and Empire: European women in Colonial Nigeria

Basingstoke: Macmillan 1987 xiv + 278 pp ISBN 0-333-43641-5

Helen Callaway lived in Nigeria 1959-1970 before embarking on the "ethnography of European women in the historical setting of colonial Nigeria". Chapters on women in Health Care, Women Education Officers and Women as Colonial Administrators as well as "Wives in Supporting Roles."

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 87 (348) 467 (Susan Martin)

Journal of African History 29 (2) 1988 350-52 (Deborah Birkett)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 17(1) 1988 126-127 (Antoinette M. Burton)

Overseas Pensioner 54 1987 66 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA

EDUCATION

NURSING

WIVES

CALLAN, HILARY and ARDENER, SHIRLEY (eds)

The Incorporated Wife

London: Croom Helm in association with the Centre for Cross Cultural Research on Women, Queen Elizabeth House, Oxford 1984 iii + 229 pp ISBN 0-7099-0521-1

Two relevant chapters in a volume that also looks at police, oil company army and Oxbridge college wives. Beverley Gartrell (pp 165-185) writes on *Colonial Wives: Villains or Victims?* with special reference to Uganda. Janice N Brownfoot (pp 186-210) writes on *Memsahibs in Colonial Malaya: a Study of Empire Wives in a British Colony and Protectorate 1900-1940*, including Government officers' wives.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 50 1985 49 (A H M Kirk-Greene)

MALAYA

UGANDA

WIVES

CALLANDER, R.N.

One Beat of a Butterfly's Hear: a Tanganyika police notebook

Johannesburg: 30 ° South 2014 320 pp ISBN 9781 920143 954

Australian Ron Callander served in the Tanganyika police in the 1950s.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 110 2015 60-61 (Tim Tawney)

TANGANYIKA
POLICE

CAMERON, Sir DONALD

My Tanganyika Service and Some Nigeria

London: George Allen and Unwin 1939 293 pp

Cameron was Governor of Tanganyika 1925-1931 and Nigeria 1931-1935.

NIGERIA
TANGANYIKA

CAMPBELL, A

“Not Knots in a Piece of String”: Counting the Population in 1964

Botswana Notes and Records 36 2004 143-145

BECHUANALAND

CARDINALL, A W

In Ashanti and Beyond

London: Seeley, Service & Co 1927 288 pp

Fully described by its subtitle: *the record of a resident magistrate, many years in tropical Africa, his arduous and dangerous treks both in the course of his duty and in pursuit of big game, with descriptions of the people, their manner of living and the wonderful ways of beasts and insects.*

GOLD COAST

CARMAN, J A

A Medical History of Kenya: A Personal Memoir of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya

London: Rex Collings 1984 110 pp ISBN 901720-88-7

Carman arrived in Kenya in 1926 and retired from the Medical Service in 1951. His book is a nice combination of medical history and anecdotes and pen-portraits of District Officers and others with whom he worked including Sir Robert Brooke-Popham. He also describes his role in the foundation and development of the prestigious *East African Medical Journal* and in the development of anaesthesia.

KENYA
MEDICAL

CARNEGIE, DAVID WYNFORD

Letters from Nigeria

Brechin: Black & Johnston 1902 xli + 142 + 8 pp

Privately printed edition of 100 copies.

Edited by Ann O’Hear and published by Madison: African Studies Program, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1992, xvi + 96 pp. ISBN 0-942615-16-6.

Carnegie, the son of an earl, made a name for himself as explorer and writer in Australia before being appointed Assistant Resident in Northern Nigeria in 1899. He sailed out with Lugard but was killed not long afterwards on an expedition to capture the “brigand” Mama Gana.

Reviewed *Journal of African History* 36(2) 1995 330-331 (H O Danmobo)

NIGERIA

CARR, BARBARA

Not for Me the Wilds

London: Bailey and Swinfen 1963 253 pp

Cape Town: H Timmins, 1963, 253 pp.

Republished as: *The Beastly Wilds*. London: Allan-Wingate-Baker Ltd, 1969, 256 pp.

Account by Game Ranger's wife in Northern Rhodesia, Barbara Carr came from a family imbued with ideals of Colonial Service but she became a critic.

NORTHERN RHODESIA

GAME DEPARTMENT

WIVES

CARSON, J B

Sun, Sand and Safari: Some Leaves from a Kenya Notebook

London: Robert Hale 1957 192 pp

Carson was for twenty years a District Officer in Kenya working in a great variety of locations. He stops short his account before the outbreak of Mau Mau.

KENYA

CARTER, TERENCE D

The Northern Rhodesian Record

[Worthing?: s.n] 1992 iii + 222 pp No ISBN given

This privately published work is available in a few major libraries. Carter sent out a circular letter to former members of HMOCS in Northern Rhodesia. There are 23 thematic chapters on e.g. the Kariba Resettlement Scheme, Justice and the Maintenance of Law and Order, Education. Agriculture and Forestry. A separate *History of the Northern Rhodesia Police* by T B Wright takes up pp 193-222.

NORTHERN RHODESIA

CARTLAND, RACHEL

Paper Tigress: a life in the Hong Kong Government

Hong Kong: Blacksmith Books, 2013, 304 pp. ISBN 9789881900388

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 107 2014 58-59 (Michael Waters)

HONG KONG

CAWTE, JENNIFER

From Kaduna to Kirakira: Letters Home from Overseas

Edinburgh etc.: Pentland Press 2000, ix + 292 pp ISBN 1-85821-780-6

Jennifer Cawte was sent by the Crown Agents to Nigeria in 1957 to work as a secretary. She married a colonial officer, Ian Cawte, who enjoyed a number of postings in Plateau and Benue Provinces. This book, consisting of letters home, is largely a chronicle of the perennial servant problem and the pleasures and hazards of bringing up babies in the tropics with some nice vignettes of people and places, for example a description of the 1959 elections. From 1963 to 1965 they were posted to the Solomon Islands before Ian Cawte embarked on a second career with the Agriculture Faculty at the University of Reading.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 85 2001 77-78 (Terry Barringer)

Overseas Pensioner 82 2001 51 (Pat Yaxley)

NIGERIA

SOLOMON ISLANDS

WIVES

CELL, JOHN W (ed and introduction)

By Kenya Possessed: The Correspondence of Norman Leys and J H Oldham 1918-1926

Chicago: Chicago University Press 1976 x + 382 pp

John W Cell provides an informative introduction to this collection of Leys' correspondence with the missionary statesman J H Oldham.

KENYA

Who Ran the British Empire?

In More Adventures with Britannia: Personalities, Politics and Culture in Britain

edited by Wm Roger Louis

A selection of lectures given to the British Studies seminar at the University of Texas, Austin:
University of Texas Press and London: I B Tauris 1998 303-319 ISBN 1-86064-287-X

Some trenchant remarks on the myths and reality of indirect rule.

CHAMPION, OLIVE

Journey of a Lifetime

Worcester: Square One 1994 ix + 160 pp ISBN 1-872017-77-0

Olive met fellow-classicist John Champion at Oxford. After gaining a first she worked at Bletchley Park before their marriage in 1944. John followed his father into the Colonial Service and served in Uganda from 1946 to independence. He then joined the CRO and thence Foreign Office. After experience in Jordan and Iran, he was Resident Commissioner for the New Hebrides 1975-78.

NEW HEBRIDES

UGANDA

WIVES

CHARTERS, A D

Reminiscences of East Africa and Western Australia in the Milestones of a Doctor's Life

Kalamunda, Australia: A D Charters 1985 xiii + 222 pp ISBN 0-959-00520-X

MEDICAL

CHENEVIX TRENCH, CHARLES

The Desert's Dusty Face

Edinburgh: Blackwood 1964 243 pp

The Northern Frontier District of Kenya in the 1950s and 1960s. Charming line-drawings.

KENYA

Men who Ruled Kenya: The Kenya Administration, 1892-1963

London: Radcliffe Press 1993 xi + 316 pp ISBN 1-850-43-571-5

Draws on memoirs, letters, diaries and photographs of a large number of former officers of the Kenyan administration and their families. A readable narrative from "The Conquistadors" of the 1890s to the "Wind of Change" in the 1960s.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 35(2) 1994 525-526 (Christopher P Youé)

Overseas Pensioner 67 1994 47-48 (Anthony Clayton)

KENYA

CHRISTIE, CALLUM

Goodbye Colonialism, Farewell Feudalism letters from a District Officer

Glasgow: Kirkgate Books, 2016 320 pp.

Based on letters written home from Christie's first tour in Northern Rhodesia 1959-62.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 111 2016 58-60 (Pamela Shurmer-Smith)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

CLARK, TREVOR

Good Second Class (but not even C.3): Memoirs of a Generalist Overseas Administrator

Stanhope, Co Durham: Memoir Club 2004 xii + 303 pp ISBN 1-84104-085-1

After war-service with West African soldiers in India and Burma, Clark began his Colonial Service career in Northern Nigeria then spent twelve years in Hong Kong. From there he was seconded to the Solomon Islands, as Deputy Chief Secretary to

prepare for independence. An obituary of Trevor Clark (1923-2005) was published in *The Times* June 6 2005.

Reviewed in *African Studies Review* 48(1) 2005 207-209 (Michael Vickers)
Overseas Pensioner 88 2004 47-49 (Keith Arrowsmith)

HONG KONG

NIGERIA

SOLOMON ISLANDS

CLARK, TREVOR (ed)

Was it Only Yesterday? The Last Generation of Nigeria's Turawa

Bristol: British Empire & Commonwealth Museum Press 2002 xi + 336 pp

ISBN (hardback) 0-9530174-7-8 (paperback) 0-9530174-8-6

Densely printed, well illustrated with photographs and maps, this volume draws on accounts from over 100 of the "Turawa" (Europeans) in Northern Nigeria from the 1940s to the 1960s.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 91 2003 77-79 (Terry Barringer)

African Studies Review 46(3) 2003 147-149 (Michael Vickers)

Britain-Nigeria Association Newsletter February 2005 5-6 (Richard Barlow-Poole)

Cambridge 52 2003 49-51 (C W Squire)

Canadian Journal of African Studies 38(2) 2004 443-446 (Toyin Falola)

Overseas Pensioner 86 2003 52-53 (Martin Lynn)

NIGERIA

CLARKE, JOHN D

Teacher and Friend: Memoirs of an Education Officer in Colonial Africa

Pittsburgh, PA: Allies Behavioral Center 1993 vi + 207 pp ISBN 0-9639288-0-5

Detailed account of work as an education officer in Nigeria, 1924-1952. Clarke subsequently spent a year with UNESCO in Liberia. He later became a lecturer at the University of London Institute of Education and the biographer of General Yakubu Gowon.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 68 1994 60-61 (W A Dodd)

NIGERIA

EDUCATION

CLAYTON, ANTHONY and KILLINGRAY, DAVID

Khaki and Blue: Military and Police in British Colonial Africa

Athens, Ohio: Ohio University Center for International Studies 1989 xii + 335 pp

ISBN 0-89680-147-0

Part I by Anthony Clayton is concerned with the work of law enforcement mainly by colonial police services in Gold Coast, Nigeria, Northern Rhodesia, Nyasaland, Uganda and Kenya.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 31(1) 1990 330-331 (John MacKenzie)

POLICE

CLEMENS, MARTIN

Alone on Guadalcanal: A Coastwatcher's Story

Annapolis: Naval Institute Press 1998 xviii + 343 pp ISBN 1-55750-122-X

Memoir of a remarkably courageous DO who, as a "coastwatcher" behind enemy lines, with his loyal team of local people, played a crucial role in the American Marines campaign against the Japanese in the Pacific in 1942.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 80 2000 61 (R N Barlow-Poole)

SOLOMON ISLANDS

CLIFFORD, Sir BEDE

Proconsul: Being Incidents in the Life and Career of the Honourable Sir Bede Clifford

London: Evans Bros 1964 327 pp

Clifford was Governor of Bahamas 1932-37, Mauritius 1937-42, and Trinidad and Tobago 1942-46.

BAHAMAS
MAURITIUS
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
GOVERNORS

CLIFFORD, Lady ELIZABETH

Our Days on the Gold Coast, in Ashanti, in the Northern Territories and the British Sphere of Occupation in Togoland

Limited edition printed and produced by Mr Charles Fairweather and his staff in the Government Printing Office at Accra in aid of the Red Cross 1918 366 pp

Republished: London: John Murray 1919 314 pp

An anthology with many good photographs. *Of the essays and extracts which appear in the following pages, nearly half were written by West Africans, one or two by West Indians and the rest by Europeans.* Includes, for example, "A Law Officer's Day in Accra", "From a District Commissioner: a typical day" and "All in the day's work, by a Political Officer". Many extracts were the fruit of an essay competition organised by Lady Clifford in aid of the Red Cross on the theme "A Day of the writer's life on the Coast.

GOLD COAST

COATES, AUSTIN

Myself a Mandarin: Memoirs of a Special Magistrate

Hong Kong: Oxford University Press 1968 258 pp ISBN 0-19-584199-9

This book has the arresting opening, *A few hours after being directed by the British Government to proceed to Hong Kong (in 1949), I received from them a printed notification that I would need a sword.* He asked his father, the composer Eric Coates and Ivor Novello, for advice on the management of the weapon. An amusing and anecdotal account of the cases he heard as Special Magistrate. Coates left Government Service in 1962.

HONG KONG

COE, DAVID G and GREENALL, E Cyril

Kaunda's Gaoler: Memoirs of a District Officer in Northern Rhodesia and Zambia

London: Radcliffe Press 2003 xxii + 272 pp ISBN 1-86064-862-2

Greenall arrived in Northern Rhodesia in 1944. His duties included a spell as Kaunda's "gaoler" when KK was confined to Kabompo District, reporting to the DO everyday except Sunday for eight weeks. He "stayed on" for five years after independence. A concise, readable account with insights into the daily routine, the role of chiefs, the Central African Federation and Kaunda himself.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 103 (412) 2004 471-491 (Ashley Jackson)

African Business 285 March 2003 64 (not attributed)

African Research and Documentation 92 2003 70-74 (Terry Barringer)

Overseas Pensioner 86 2003 58-59 (Robin Short)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

COHEN, ANDREW

British Policy in Changing Africa

London: Routledge and Kegan Paul 1959 x + 118 pp

Cohen joined the Colonial Office in 1933 under Charles Jeffries and became Assistant Under-Secretary of State for the African Division. From 1952 to 1957 he served as Governor of Uganda. This was followed by three years as Permanent Representative on the UN Trusteeship Council. Back in Whitehall, he was instrumental in setting up the Ministry of Overseas Development. His ONDB entry describes him as "the intellectual dreamer of the Colonial Office. (He) was one of the

most anti-colonial and unofficial of the imperial officials who finally dismantled the African empire. In one way or another his measures helped to awaken the slumbering genius of African nationalism, and wittingly or unwittingly, he did more to bring about the fall of empire and the rise of the nationalists than most African politicians were able to achieve between them.”

This book is based on his Harris Lectures at Northwestern University. The third chapter entitled “The Tasks of Government” covers “The British Officer in the Field” (including a description of the work of District Officers in Uganda), “The Governor and the Central Government” and “The Governor and the Colonial Office”.

AFRICA
GOVERNORS

COLE, RODNEY

A Pacific Journey

Tweed Heads, Australia: R & J Cole Consulting Pty Ltd 2001 v + 198 pp

ISBN 095-7992203.

PACIFIC

COLLINS, MERLE

The Governor's Story: the authorized biography of Dame Hilda Bynoe

Leeds: Peepal Tree Press, 2013 156 pp.

Hilda Bynoe was appointed Governor of Grenada in 1968 and served until independence in 1974.

GRENADA
GOVERNORS

COLLINS, W B

They Went to Bush

London: MacGibbon & Kee 1961 230pp

Interweaves autobiography with the history of the Forestry Service in the Gold Coast.

GOLD COAST

FORESTRY

COLLINS, D

A Tear for Somalia

London: Jarrolds 1960 192 pp

As a young Irish subaltern, Collins served in the Somalia Gendarmerie in occupied Italian Somaliland and then transferred to the Administrative Service.

SOMALILAND

CONSIDINE, JOAN and RAWLINS, JOHN (eds)

Childhood Memories from Colonial East Africa

Lancaster: Bongo Books 2004 226 pp. ISBN 0-954-72490-9

Memories collected in 2003 from those colonials born, or at school, in East Africa during the years 1920 to 1963. The foreword by Elizabeth Watkins (See Items 661-74) picks out three recurring themes: the freedom of playing outdoors, the wild life and *the ever patient African who surrounded us.*

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 89 2005 63-64 (Veronica Bellers)

KENYA

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

CONSTANTINE, S.

Woman's work in the service of Empire: Lady Margaret Field (1905-94) from school teacher to governor's wife.

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 46(2), 473-501
GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS
GOLD COAST
NIGERIA
EDUCATION
GOVERNORS
WIVES

COOKE, JOHN

One White Man in Black Africa: From Kilimanjaro to the Kalahari 1951-1991

Thornhill, Dumfriesshire: Tynron Press 1991 284 pp ISBN 1-85646-011-8

Cooke was a District Officer then a teacher in Tanganyika/Tanzania 1951-1968.

From 1971 to 1991 he was at the University of Botswana, where he became Professor of Environmental Science.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 62 1991 44-45 (C G R)

TANGANYIKA

COOKEY, S J S

Sir Hugh Clifford as Governor of Nigeria: an Evaluation.

African Affairs 79(317) 1980 531-547

NIGERIA

GOVERNORS

CORDEN, RODDY

Seven Years Island Hopping

[No publisher given] 1997 268 pp ISBN 0-952-42-47-11

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 74 1997 65 (Kelvin Nicolson)

Seven Years Island Hopping Vol 2

Lincoln: Cordon & Wood 1999 254 pp ISBN 0-952424-7-X

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 77 1999 26-27 (Kelvin Nicolson)

Overlong memoir of one of the four female Education Officers posted to the Gilbert & Ellice Islands in 1965.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

EDUCATION

WOMEN IN COLONIAL SERVICE

Corona: The Journal of His Majesty's Colonial Service

London: HMSO vols 1-14 1949-1962

COULTER, GEORGE

Africa in Transition: the journey from traditional to modern in Africa

Brighton: Book Guild, 2011. 318 pp. ISBN 978-184624632-6

Coulter was first posted to Africa as a Fisheries Officer in Ghana in 1954,

transferring to Northern Rhodesia five years later. He later worked in other parts of the continent as a UNDP/FAO consultant

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 59-60 (RO Lowe-McConnell)

GOLD COAST

NORTHERN RHODESIA

FISHERIES

COWEN, WILLIAM

A Central African Odyssey

London: Radcliffe Press 1995 xi + 212 pp ISBN 1-850439-230

South African born, London trained doctor, William Cowen served in both Northern and Southern Rhodesia. At the request of his son, a development economist, he places special emphasis on race relations and he has some interesting observations on the break-up of the Central African Federation and the move towards UDI.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 71 1996 43-43 (J A Girdlestone), and see Letter to Editor in *Overseas Pensioner* 72 1996 74 (C W Collins)

CENTRAL AFRICAN FEDERATION
NORTHERN RHODESIA
SOUTHERN RHODESIA
MEDICAL

CRABTREE, WILLIAM

Came the Fourth Flag (or Dambashawa)

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 2001 352 pp ISBN 1-858-21942-6

Lancaster: Scotforth Books 2002 352 pp ISBN 1-904-24419-X

Memoirs of a BSAP trooper in Southern Rhodesia who later transferred to the CID.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA
POLICE

CRADDOCK, SALLY

Retired Except on Demand: The Life of Dr Cicely Williams

Oxford: Oxford University Press for Green College 1983

Dr Williams, known for pioneering work on Kwashiorkor, served as a medical officer in the Gold Coast 1929-1936 and then in Singapore to 1948. She was interned in Changi.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 47 1984 28 (A H M Kirk-Greene)

GOLD COAST
MALAYA
MEDICAL

CRAVEN, DAVID

Mapolisa: Some Reminiscences of a Rhodesian Policeman

Weltevredonpark, South Africa: Covos-Day Books 1998 reprinted 2000 xii + 174 pp

ISBN 0-620-22522-X

David Craven worked for the British South Africa Police (BSAP) in Southern Rhodesia (Zimbabwe) for twenty years, from the post-war period through Federation, the Unilateral Declaration of Independence (UDI) in 1965, and the insurgency campaign.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 81 2001 46-47 (Robert Barkley)

SOUTHERN RHODESIA
POLICE

CREECH JONES, ARTHUR

The Colonial Service (In The Civil Service in Britain and France)

edited by William A Robson

London: The Hogarth Press 1956 81-97

An excellent overview of the structure and prospects of the Colonial Service as seen by the former Secretary of State in the mid 1950s.

CROCKER, Sir WALTER RUSSELL

Nigeria: A Critique of British Colonial Administration

London: Allen & Unwin 1934 277 pp

Part I: Journal of an Administrative Officer consists of extracts from Crocker's journal June 1933 to June 1934. *These touch on the sights and sounds of Africa and on the ways of the African but their selection has been made primarily with the end of*

showing the Administrative Service in action day by day and how the English official spends his life. In Part II: A Tract on Colonial Administration, Crocker aims to point the moral of the journal. The first part of the tract attempts to define the defects of our Administration in one colony and to outline a reconstruction which, in the author's opinion, would eliminate or mitigate them; in the second part he traverses the administration of the Colonial Empire as a whole and in the third parts he ends with a general discussion of the vital question of public administration.

Anthony Kirk-Greene writes of this book in *Public Administration and African Studies* (Item 388) : "It was so depressing and so demoralising when I rashly read it sailing to the Coast...I almost resigned my appointment on the spot."

NIGERIA

On Governing Colonies: Being an Outline of Real Issues and a Comparison of the British, French and Belgian Approach to them

London: George Allen and Unwin 1947 152 pp

Based on eight years experience in Africa, partly in the Colonial Service (Nigeria) and partly in the armed forces, this is an opinionated survey with chapters on Africa and Africans; Where to begin, Policy and Practice; British, French, Belgian; Self-Government and the White Official (with an interesting comparison of the French, Belgian and British services). There is a sub-section describing the "quality and morale of the British official". *The level of administrative skill required of the colonial official is not high...The qualities demanded of the colonial administrator are...moral rather than administrative: understanding, sympathy, insight and patience. Running Africa is a job requiring character and kindness more than intellect....England of all countries can find the men who would pass the test.* However he is quite damning of the current intake. *Self-confidence is lacking and the willingness to take risks and live dangerous is conspicuously absent: a spirit dominated by fear.* However he concludes that *All the Colonial powers in Africa have done well by their African wards.*

Travelling Back: The Memoirs of Sir Walter Crocker

South Melbourne: Macmillan Co of Australia 1986 222pp

Selections from a much longer unpublished memoir deposited in the University of Adelaide. Australian born and bred Crocker (1902-2002) was in the Colonial Service 1930-1934. He transferred to the League of Nations and the ILO. After the Second World War, he had a distinguished diplomatic career, culminating in his appointment as Lieutenant Governor of South Australia 1973-1982.

NIGERIA

CROSSKEY, PEGGY

Knotted Round my Heart: Recollections of Life in Nigeria 1952-59

Grantham: Barry Books 2007 136 pp ISBN 978-1-903172-84-1

Peggy Crosskey, herself a trained entomologist, shared her husband's work on tsetse fly and blackfly.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 95 2008 50-51 (Patricia Farrant)

NIGERIA

ENTOMOLOGY

WIVES

CROUCH, MICHAEL

An Element of Luck: To South Arabia and Beyond

London: Radcliffe Press 1993 xiv + 270 pp

Western Australia: Rowlhouse Publishing 2nd edn 2000 282 pp ISBN 0-95874064-X

Crouch was a Political Officer in South Arabia from the late 1950s to British withdrawal. The final chapter records a return visit to Yemen in 1993.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 68 1994 57-58 (R H J Thorne) and 81 2001 47 (Anon)

ADEN

YEMEN

CROZIER, ANNA

Practising Colonial Medicine: The Colonial Medical Service in British East Africa

London: I B Tauris 2007 225pp ISBN 978-84511-459-6

Reviewed in *the Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 36-38 (Dr Wenzel Geissler)

MEDICAL

What was Tropical about Tropical Neurasthenia? The Utility of the Diagnosis in the Management of British East Africa

Journal of History of Medicine and Allied Sciences 64 (4) 2009 518-48

‘Neurasthenia’ was a popular diagnosis for a nervous condition experienced by Europeans in the tropics. This article concentrates on Colonial Service employees in East Africa.

CULWICK, ARTHUR THEODORE

Britannia Waives the Rules

Cape Town: Nasionale Boekhandel 1963

Occasional anecdote or illustration from Culwick’s administrative career in Tanganyika but for the most part a spirited, opinionated and, now, decidedly non-p c outline of his views on decolonisation and African capacities.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 63(251) 1964 148-149 (A G)

TANGANYIKA

CUNNINGHAM, ERIC (ed)

Gold Coast and Ghana Memories

Chichester: Eric Cunningham for Ghana School Aid 2006 162pp

An anthology with a wide range of contributors grouped into politics, education, work, events and memories.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 92 2006 85 (John Smith)

GOLD COAST

CUNNINGHAM-BROWN, SJOVALD

Crowded Hour

London: John Murray 1975 xi + 156 pp

After an adventurous youth, Cunningham-Brown joined the Malayan Civil Service and became Controller of Labour, Johore. He was interned during the War and the book ends with his liberation and return to Johore.

MALAYA

CURLE, CHRISTIAN (ed)

Letters from the Horn of Africa 1923-42: Sandy Curle, Soldier & Diplomat Extraordinary

Barnsley: Pen & Sword Books 2008 252 p. ISBN 978-1-84415-845-4

Sandy Curle’s adventurous career took him to Jubaland with the KAR, the Somaliland Protectorate and to Tanganyika.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 98 2009 61-63 (Walter W Bowring)

KENYA

SOMALIA

TANGANYIKA

DAILY TELEGRAPH

The British Empire 1497-1997: 500 Years that Shaped the World

London: Daily Telegraph, 1997 221 pp

Richly illustrated magazine published to mark the handover of Hong Kong. Includes feature on The Colonial Service by Dr Nile Gardiner (p 167) and a selection of Colonial Service memoirs from the resources of the British Empire and Commonwealth Museum, Bristol (pp 212-217).

DAVEY, J B

Nyasaland Days 1902-1919

edited by John and Pamela Beard

Bristol: British Empire and Commonwealth Museum 2005 132 pp No ISBN given

NYASALAND

MEDICAL

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 102 2011 59-60 (Colin Baker)

DAVIDSON, ANN

The Real Paradise: Memories of Africa, 1950-1963

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1993 548 pp ISBN 1-85821-044-5

Ann Davidson accompanied her husband to Nyasaland at the beginning of his Colonial Service career. This (over-long) volume consists of her weekly letters home to her mother.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 67 1994 50-51 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NYASALAND

WIVES

DAVIES, DAVID TWISTON (ed)

The Daily Telegraph Book of Imperial and Commonwealth Obituaries

London: Frontline Books 2009 vi + 298 pp ISBN 978-1-84832-534-1

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 98 2009 65-66 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 38 (1) 2010 157-8 (Philip Murphy)

DENNIS, PHILIP

Goodbye to Pith Helmets: A District Commissioner's Account of the Last Years before Ghana's Independence

Edinburgh etc: Pentland Press 2000 v + 215 pp ISBN 1 85821 798 X

Dennis served in the Gold Coast 1940-1956. His subsequent career with BAT gave him considerable experience of independent Africa. His final chapter is entitled "Reflections in retrospect".

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 86 2001 59-61 (Sheila Allcock)

Overseas Pensioner 82 2001 55-56 (Richard Jeffries)

GOLD COAST

DES VOEUX, SIR GEORGE WILLIAM

My Colonial Service in British Guiana, St. Lucia, Trinidad, Fiji, Australia, Newfoundland and Hong Kong with interludes

London: John Murray, 1903, 2 vols

Des Voeux (1834-1909) began his distinguished career in British Guiana where he was a champion of the indentured labourers and reviled by the white settlers.

BRITISH GUIANA

FIJI

HONG KONG

ST. LUCIA

TRINIDAD

GOVERNORS

DICKENSON, REGINALD

African Ambit

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1995 xi + 314 pp ISBN 1-85821-2448

The final page of this book gives a list of 35 countries in which the author worked and a further 17 visited but most of the book was written in 1957-1959 and is based on notes and diaries kept in Nyasaland. Dickenson was a British Post Office Engineering Department trainee before the war and, immediately after the war, Controller of Postal and Telecommunications Services in North Rhine/Westphalia. From 1950-1957 he worked for the Nyasaland Post Office, with responsibility for communications development, and a period as acting Post-Master-General. He left to take up a management position with the Jamaica Telephone Company.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 70 1995 56-57 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NYASALAND

POST OFFICE

DICKSON, H P

The Badge of Britannia: History and Reminiscences of Queen Elizabeth's Overseas Nursing Service, 1886-1966

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1990 xii + 139 pp ISBN 0-946270-83-X

Part I is a chronological history. Part II deals with motivation, impressions of voyages out, all aspects of work and play, the effect of local conflicts and the world wars, training of local nurses. Incorporates personal accounts and reminiscences. The author was herself a member of the service and the wife of a District Officer.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 61 1991 33 (J G)

NURSING

DIGBY, K H

Lawyer in the Wilderness

Cornell University, Department of Asian Studies 1980 xi + 109 pp

Written in 1952. Covers Sarawak 1934-1951.

SARAWAK

LEGAL

DIMBLEBY, JONATHAN

The Last Governor: Chris Patten & the Handover of Hong Kong

London: Little Brown 1997 xi + 448 pp ISBN 0-316-64018

HONG KONG

GOVERNORS

DIXON, ALEC

Singapore Patrol

London: George G Harrap 1935 270 pp

Lively account of police service in Singapore.

SINGAPORE

POLICE

DOMINY, G.

'Not a position for a gentleman!' Sir Matthew Nathan as Colonial Administrator: From Cape Coast to Dublin Castle via Natal.

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 46 (1) 93-120

GHANA

GOVERNORS

DORMAN, T E

African Experience: An Education Officer in Northern Rhodesia (Zambia)

London: Radcliffe Press 1993 x + 173 pp ISBN 1-850435-685

A New Zealander, Dorman had seven years teaching in Cyprus, before coming to Northern Rhodesia. He left at independence to become Assistant Director of Education, Western Samoa.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 68 1994 60 (W A Dodd)

NORTHERN RHODESIA
EDUCATION

DOUGLAS-HOME, CHARLES

Evelyn Baring: The Last Proconsul

London: Collins 1978 344pp

Son of Lord Cromer, Baring began his career in the Indian Civil Service from which he resigned on health grounds in 1933. He was Governor of Southern Rhodesia 1942-1944 and then High Commissioner in South Africa where he was involved in the debates over the future of the High Commission Territories and the marriage of Seretse Khama. From 1952 to 1959 he was Governor of Kenya and so had a major role in responding to Mau Mau. His final post was with the Colonial Development Corporation.

Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 18(2) 1979 149-151 (T C Colchester)

HIGH COMMISSION TERRITORIES
KENYA
SOUTHERN RHODESIA
GOVERNORS

DUFF, Sir HECTOR

African Small Chop

London: Hodder and Stoughton 1932 223 pp

Duff went to Nyasaland in 1897. From 1916 to 1917 he administered the Provisional Government of occupied German East Africa. A breakdown in health forced his retirement from Africa.

NYASALAND

DUNDAS, Sir CHARLES

African Crossroads

London: Macmillan and New York: St Martin's Press 1955 x + 243 pp

Autobiography of Governor of Bahamas and Uganda, with earlier service in Kenya, Tanganyika and Northern Rhodesia.

BAHAMAS
KENYA
NORTHERN RHODESIA
UGANDA
GOVERNORS

DYUS, GORDON

Twilight of the Bwanas

Xlibris Publishing, 2011, 196 pp. 978-1-4653-6653-3

Gordon Dyus grew up in East Africa, the son of a Port official and returned to work for Tanganyika's Lands and Surveys Department.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 104 64-65 (Hubert Allen)

TANGANYIKA

ECKERT, ANDREAS

Herrschen und Verwalten: Afrikanische Bürokraten, Staatliche Ordnung und Politik in Tanzania, 1920-1970

München: R Oldenbourg Verlag 20007 viii + 313 pp ISBN 978-3-486-57906-2

A Political history of Tanzania between 1920 and 1970 with a focus on the administrators.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 107 429 2008 659-660 (Jan-Georg Deutsch)
TANGANYIKA

EBERLIE, DICK

District officer in Tanganyika: the memoirs of Dick Eberlie Part 2: 1956–1960

The Author, 2015, 320 pp. ISBN 978-0-9932-7320-9.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2015 110 52-55 (Veronica Bellars)

TANGANYIKA

The Winds and Wounds of Change: 1962 to 1965: the memoirs of Dick Eberlie Part 3: 1961 to 1965.

The Author 2016, 268 pp. ISBN 978-0-9932-7321-6

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2016 112 61-63 (Michael Shaw)

TANGANYIKA

Aden: the curtain falls; the memoirs of Dick Eberlie: Part 4, 1965 to 1967

The Author, 2016, 269 pp. ISBN 169 pp. ISBN 978-0-9932732-2-3

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2017 113 80-83 (John Ducker)

ADEN

EGGELING, W J

When I was Younger: A Forest Officer's Memoirs of Uganda in the Thirties

Dunkeld: The Author 1987 ii + 77 pp

An Edinburgh Forestry graduate, Egging went to Uganda as Assistant Conservator of Forests. This book covers only the years to 1939, although his African career continued until 1950.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 55 1988 32 (R S F)

UGANDA

FORESTRY

ELKINS, CAROLINE

Britain's Gulag: the Brutal End of Empire in Kenya (American title: *Imperial Reckoning*)

London: Jonathan Cape 2005 xiv + 475 pp ISBN 0-244-07363-X

A Harvard professor's account of Mau Mau detention camps in Kenya 1952-1960. Fiercely and controversially critical of colonial officials especially Gavaghan (see Items 237, 238). Elkins writes, *In the official written record as well as in later interviews the testimonies of British colonial agents are littered with omissions, half-truths and lies.*

Reviewed in *African Studies Review* 48(3) 2005 147-154 (Pascal James Imperato) ("Differing perspectives on Mau Mau": review covering Elkins, Anderson and Lovatt Smith, summarised in *Overseas Pensioner* 91 2006 46-47)

Contemporary European History 15(4) 2006 573-583 (A J Stockwell in review article entitled "British Decolonisation: the record and the records")

International Bulletin of Missionary Research 29(3) 2005 160 (Aylward Shorter)

International Journal of African Historical Studies 39 (1) 2006 158-160 (Kennell Jackson)

Journal of African History 46(3) 2005 493-516 (Bethwell Ogot)

London Review of Books March 3 2005 3-6 (Bernard Porter)

Overseas Pensioner 90 2005 48-50 (T H R Cashmore) and 90 2005 50 (Oliver Knowles)

The Round Table 96(389) 2007 201-223 (Joanna Lewis in review article entitled "Nasty brutish and in shorts? British colonial rule, violence and the historians of Mau Mau.")

Times Higher Education Supplement September 30 2005 (John Darwin)

Times Literary Supplement 5320 March 18 2005 37 (Justin Willis)

See also letters from J B T Cowan and James Robertson in *Overseas Pensioner* 89 2005 66-67

KENYA

ELIOT, E C

Broken Atoms

London: G Bles 1938 258 pp

Eliot was a contemporary of Grimble in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands. Later served in the Gold Coast, Tobago, Uganda and finally as administrator of Dominica.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

EMMETT, CHRIS

Hong Kong Policeman

Chris Emmett served as an Inspector in the Royal Hong Police during the 1970s.

Earnshaw Books 2014 276 pp. isbn 9789881609038.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 109 2015 55-56 (Michael Waters)

HONG KONG

POLICE

EVANS, DOROTHY

Schooling in the South Atlantic Islands, 1861-1962

Oswestry: Anthony Nelson 1994 414 pp ISBN 0-904614-51-4

A comprehensive history by the former Vice Principal of the College of St Paul and St Mary, Cheltenham, who visited all the South Atlantic Islands and trained many of their teachers.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 70 1995 63 (John Massingham)

ASCENSION ISLAND

FALKLAND ISLANDS

ST HELENA

SOUTH ATLANTIC

TRISTAN DA CUNHA

EDUCATION

EVANS, JEAN

Not Bad for a Foreigner

Ibadan, London, Accra: Safari Books 1996 149 pp ISBN 0-946-480-99-0

Jean went to Nigeria in 1950 to teach English and history in Ibadan Grammar School.

Three years later she was Education Officer in charge of the Government Provincial Girls' School, Yola. In 1957 she married and the latter part of the book describes her life as a Colonial Service wife, writing for publication and for radio as well as bringing up her children.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 73 1997 44-45 (W A Dodd)

NIGERIA

EDUCATION

WIVES

EVERARD, COLIN

The Guardian Angel: A Voice from the Wilderness

Montreux, London: Minerva Press 1996 276 pp ISBN 1-85863-906-9

Desert Locust Survey Officer in East Africa 1952-1971.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 73 1997 54-55 (Malcolm Page)

EAST AFRICA

AGRICULTURE

FAIRLIE, MICHAEL

No Time Like the Past

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1992 ix + 246 pp

After war service with the Black Watch in Crete and time as a POW, Fairlie went to Bechuanaland as a cadet. In 1953 he transferred to Swaziland where he was Secretary to the Swaziland Constitutional Committee and a pillar of Mbabane Choral Society.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 64 1992 59 (David Scott)
BECHUANALAND
SWAZILAND

FAIRWEATHER, W G
A Colonial Surveyor at Work: The Field Diary of W G Fairweather, Assistant Surveyor, Northern Rhodesia Government, 1913-14
Introduction by Jeffrey Stone
Occasional Publication of the Aberdeen University African Studies Group 1993 44 pp
ISBN 0-950-99895-8
Appointed Assistant Surveyor, North West Rhodesia in 1910, Fairweather (died 1952) rose to Chief Surveyor 1920-1939. This diary (original deposited in the Livingstone Museum) covers September 1913 to April 1914, when he was continuously on tour. It is a record of daily work with its logistical and practical problems and also interesting as a record of impressions, beliefs and attitudes.
NORTHERN RHODESIA
SURVEY

FALCONER, J D
On Horseback Through Nigeria
London: Fisher Unwin 1911 306 pp
Falconer was engaged in surveying for minerals. His book is cast in the form of a continuous travel narrative *to exhibit the present condition of the country under British rule and the remarkable prestige which the white man has secured within a few short years among pagans and Mohammedans alike.*
NIGERIA

FALCONER, JEAN
Woodsmoke and Temple Flowers
Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1996 216 pp ISBN 1-872-79568-4
Jean Falconer met her husband in Sydney in 1941 and followed him to Malaya. She was safely evacuated but John Falconer spent over three years in internment. They returned together to Malaya in April 1946, leaving in 1952. She was active in voluntary and welfare work.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 67 1994 48 (Veronica Masefield)
MALAYA
WIVES

FARSON, NEGLEY
Behind God's Back
London: Victor Gollancz 1940 448 pp
2nd edition with a new foreword by Colin Wilson, Feltham: Zenith, 1983, 400 pp.
ISBN 0-600-207-390.
Farson drove across Africa with his wife ("She was better than any man") in 1939, travelling through South West Africa, South Africa, Tanganyika, Kenya, Uganda, Ruanda-Urundi, Belgian Congo, French Equatorial Africa, French Cameroons and Gold Coast. His conclusion, firmly stated at the beginning of the book: *I believe that it is under the Englishman that the native will have the best chance to progress in Africa.*
AFRICA

FAUGHT, C. BRAD
Into Africa: the imperial life of Margery Perham

London and New York, I.B. Tauris, 2011, ix +198 pp. ISBN 978-184885490-1
Reviewed in *Africa Today* 2012 59 (2) 101-03
African Research & Documentation 2011 117 101-102 (Terry Barringer)
Overseas Pensioner 2012 104 54-58 (John M. Mackenzie)
The Round Table 2012 1010(6) 589-90 (Richard Bourne)

FAWCUS, PETER (with the collaboration of Alan Tilbury)

Botswana: The Road to Independence

Gaborone: Pula Press and the Botswana Society 2000 xviii + 240 pp ISBN 99912-6040-4 and 99912- 6168-0

Sir Peter Fawcus served in Bechuanaland from 1954 to self-government as successively Government Secretary, Resident Commissioner and Queen's Commissioner. Alan Tilbury arrived in 1955 and was soon promoted to Attorney-General, a position he retained for the first three years of Botswana's independence. He was the prime architect of Botswana's independence constitution. This is a useful, if austere, account of the prelude to independence told in the third person by two key figures. In a concluding summary chapter, Sir Peter reviews the reasons for the painless transfer of power and Botswana's peaceful and prosperous history thereafter.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 85 2001 83-86. (Terry Barringer)

Overseas Pensioner 81 2001 41-42 (Michael Twaddle)

BECHUANALAND

FAZAN, S.H.; edited and with a foreword by John Lonsdale

Colonial Kenya Observed: British Rule, Mau Mau and the Wind of Change

London and New York: I.B. Tauris, 2015 xliii + 358 pp. ISBN 978-1-78076-865-6.

Sidney Herbert Fazan [1888-1979] served in Kenya from 1911. During the Second World War he served as a political liaison officer for East African troops. He settled in Kenya on retirement in 1949. He served on important committees responding to Mau Mau and wrote the official history of the Kenyan loyalists. John Lonsdale's sympathetic foreword contextualises the work and writings of one whom David Anderson describes as 'Britain's most important colonial officer servicing in Britain's most important African colony'.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 116 2015 55-57 (Peter Fullerton)

KENYA

FERGUSON, MICHAEL

Good Hope to Guardafui

St Leonards-on Sea: UPSO Ltd 2007 240 pp ISBN 978-1-84375-303-2

War service with Rhodesian and South African forces, Colonial Administrative

Service in Somaliland, later life in UK, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

SOMALIA

FIDDES, GEORGE V

The Dominions and Colonial Office

London: Putnam 1926 288 pp

COLONIAL OFFICE

FOOT, HUGH

A Start in Freedom

London: Hodder & Stoughton 1964 256 pp

Covers Foot's early career in Palestine and Trans-Jordan, Cyprus (as Colonial Secretary in the 1940s and as Governor from 1957), Nigeria (Colonial Secretary) and Jamaica (Colonial Secretary and later Governor).

CYPRUS

JAMAICA
NIGERIA
PALESTINE
GOVERNORS

FOOT, SYLVIA

Emergency Exit

London: Chatto & Windus 1960 192 pp

Lady Foot's account of the last difficult days of British rule in Cyprus.

CYPRUS

WIVES

FORAN, W ROBERT

A Cuckoo in Kenya: The Reminiscences of a Pioneer Police Officer in British East Africa

London: Hutchinson, 1936 360 pp

An Irishman, Foran served in the East African Police, 1904-1910.

KENYA

POLICE

The Kenya Police, 1887-1960

London: Robert Hale 1962 xiii + 237 pp

A well-illustrated history, but lacks bibliography or footnotes.

Reviewed in *Police Journal* 36(3) 1963 154 (R T Cooper)

KENYA

POLICE

FORBES, LEWIS

Odyssey of a Veterinarian Vagabond

Mountain Center, CA: The Author 1998 339 pp ISBN 1-57502-721-6

After serving as an Army Veterinary Officer in India and Burma, Forbes joined the Colonial Veterinary Service after the war and was posted to Uganda.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 76 1998 48-49 (Bruce E Kinloch)

UGANDA

VETERINARY

FORWARD, ALAN

"You have been Allocated Uganda" : Letters from a District Officer

Poyntington: Poyntington Publishing Company 1999 169 pp ISBN 0-9536-6970-X

Forward held a variety of District and Secretariat posts 1955-1963 and was Private Secretary to the Governor, Sir Walter Coutts, immediately before and after independence. This beautifully illustrated book is cast in the form of letters.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 89 2002 84-90 (Terry Barringer)

Overseas Pensioner 79 2000 40-41 (Andrew Stuart)

Public Administration and Development 21 2001 363-368 (Ashley Jackson)

Times Literary Supplement (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

UGANDA

FOSTER, DONALD

Landscape with Arabs

Brighton and London: Clifton Books 1969 216 pp

Foster held a variety of posts in South Arabia between 1952 and 1967. *It is as a painter of landscapes rather than as an official that I have attempted in this book to draw a picture of the South Arabian scene during the fifties and sixties...Anyone who*

claims to understand the political situation in South Arabia has probably been misinformed.

ADEN

FOWLER, W

This Island's Mine

London: Constable 1959 239 pp

An anecdotal and rather lyrical account of the pre-war Solomons.

SOLOMON ISLANDS

FRANCE, PETER

Journey: A Spiritual Odyssey

London: Chatto & Windus 1998 192 pp ISBN 070 1166 967

Peter France's spiritual journey took him from Yorkshire Methodism to Greek Orthodoxy on the island of Patmos. Chapter 3 deals with his period of service in Fiji in the fifties and sixties.

FIJI

FRANKL, P J L

H E Lambert (1893-1967): Swahili Scholar of Eminence

(being a short biography together with a bibliography of his previous work)

Journal of African Cultural Studies 12(1) 1999 47-53

Lambert, described as "The greatest British scholar of Swahili in the twentieth century" went to East Africa in 1919 and worked for the colonial administration until retirement in 1950. His final rank was as Senior District Commissioner, seconded to the African Settlement and Land Utilization Board.

KENYA

FRANKLIN, DEREK

A Pied Cloak: Memoirs of a Colonial Police Officer (Special Branch)

London: Janus Publications 1996 164 pp ISBN 1-85756-294-1

Franklin served in the Kenya Police 1953-66, seeing action against Somali bandits and Mau Mau and on the Ethiopian frontier. Most of the book is devoted to Kenya but it also touches on service in Bahrain (1967-71), Lesotho (1971-75) and Botswana (1976-81).

KENYA

POLICE

FRANKLIN, H

The Flag Wagger

London: Shepherd Walwyn 1974 xi + 204 pp ISBN 0-85683-006-2

With an introduction by Elspeth Huxley, this is a delightfully humorous account of service in Northern Rhodesia 1928-51. Franklin was recruited as Inspector of Native Education but it was *soon clear that I was not going to be over-worked ...in a Protectorate where there was hardly any education to inspect* and he soon transferred to the Administrative Service. He was a pioneer of African broadcasting and "saucepan radio".

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 74 1997 61 (J L Burns)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

FRANKSON, A S

A Caribbean Identity: Memoirs of the Colonial Service

London: Radcliffe Press 2008 xviii + 253 pp ISBN 978 1 84511 591 3

Black Jamaican, Frankson trained as a teacher and joined HMOCS as an Education Officer assigned to British Honduras. He later transferred to the Administrative Service where he worked as a District Commissioner and later at the Secretariat.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 96 2008 57-59 (Richard Posnett)
BRITISH HONDURAS
EDUCATION

FREEDLAND, JONATHAN

Jacob's Gift

London: Hamish Hamilton 2005 xvii + 394 pp

Jonathan Freeland's exploration of his family history and Jewish heritage includes the story of his great uncle Nat Mindel, a naturalised Briton and convinced Zionist who spent over 25 years working for the Palestine administration, entering the Department of Immigration in 1921.

PALESTINE

FREEMAN, TED

Doctor in Vanuatu

Suva: Institute of Pacific Studies 2006 187 pp ISBN 978-982-02-0380-3

For seven years in the 1960s, Freeman was doctor in charge of the main hospital in the New Hebrides.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 94 2007 54-55 (Dr J D Macgregor)

NEW HEBRIDES

MEDICAL

FREMANTLE, JOHN MORTON

Two African Journals and Other Papers of the Late John Morton Fremantle CMG, MBE

edited by A F Fremantle

Printed for private circulation 1938 95 pp

Fremantle (1876-1936) went to Nigeria in 1904 and became Secretary of the Northern Provinces in 1928. His diaries and other writings were edited and annotated by his cousin. The first journal covers his (undramatic) South African War experience. The second belongs to his first decade in Nigeria.

NIGERIA

FROST, R

Enigmatic Proconsul: Sir Philip Mitchell and the Twilight of Empire

London: Radcliffe Press 1992 xi + 287 pp ISBN 1-85043-525-1

After earlier experience in Nyasaland and Tanganyika, Mitchell (died 1964) was successively Governor of Uganda 1935-1940, Fiji 1942-1944, Kenya 1944-1952.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 65 1993 44-45 (G W T Hodge)

FIJI

KENYA

PACIFIC

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

Sir Philip Mitchell, Governor of Kenya

African Affairs 78(313) 1979 535-553

KENYA

GOVERNORS

FURSE, Sir RALPH

Aucuparius: Recollections of a Recruiting Officer

London: Oxford University Press 1962 330 pp

Dedicated to the anonymous devotion of the officers of Her Majesty's Colonial Service and its peerless sister in the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, to their wives and mine, this bears the disclaimer, *This book is not a normal autobiography...rather an account of the development – especially as regards its recruitment and training – of the British Colonial Service. But this account is written from a highly personal standpoint since from 1919 to 1948 I had a great deal to do with such reforms as took place. I have therefore included enough biographical background to show why I was the sort of man who would see things as I saw them and act as I did.*

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 61(245) 1962 327 (Hilary Blood)
Journal of Modern African Studies 1(4) 1965 558-560 (Alec Dickson)

GAILEY, HARRY A

Clifford: Imperial Consul

London: Collings 1982 209 pp ISBN 0-860-36189-6

Clifford's career began in Malaya. He was Colonial Secretary in Trinidad and Ceylon before a series of governorships: Gold Coast, Nigeria (succeeding Lugard), Ceylon and Straits Settlement. He retired, in failing mental and physical health, in 1929.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 83(3303) 1984 263-264 (A J Stockwell)

Journal of African History 25(1) 1982 131-133 (Kenneth Ingham)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 13(1) 1984 99-100 (J J White)

CEYLON

MALAYA

NIGERIA

TRINIDAD

GOVERNORS

Sir Donald Cameron: Colonial Governor

Stanford: Hoover Institution Press 1974 xvii + 181 pp ISBN 0-817-91391-2

Cameron rose to gubernatorial rank from a modest Caribbean and Irish background and then an early career in Mauritius.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 77(307) 1978 259-260 (H F Morris)

Journal of Administration Overseas 12(3) 1973 (R S Hudson)

NIGERIA

TANGANYIKA

GOVERNORS

GANN, L H and DUIGNAN, PETER

African Proconsuls: European Governors in Africa

New York, London, Stanford: Free Press Collier Macmillan and Hoover Institution 1978

xi + 548 pp ISBN 0-02911-190-0

Sections on French, Belgian, Portuguese and German governors as well as British. The British chapters are: Anthony Kirk-Greene on Governorship and Governors in British Africa, pp 209-264, Harry A Gailey on Sir Hugh Clifford (1866-1941), pp 265-289, John E Flint on Frederick Lugard: the making of an autocrat (1858-1943) pp 290-312, Peter Duignan on Sir Robert Coryndon (1870-1925) pp 313-352 and Ronald Robinson on Sir Andrew Cohen: proconsul of African nationalism (1909-1968).

Reviewed in *Canadian Journal of African Studies* 14(2) 1980 340-351 (Christopher Youé)

Journal of African History 22(1) 1981 131-132 (J Suret-Canale)

AFRICA

GOVERNORS

The Rulers of British Africa 1870-1914

Stanford: Stanford University Press 1978 xi + 406 pp

Chapters include: The Colonial Office, The Army, The Colonial Governor, The District Officer and The Specialist.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 80 (318) 1981 116-122

Canadian Journal of African Studies 14(2) 1980 340-351 (Christopher Youé)

AFRICA

GARDINER, NILE

Sentinels of Empire: The British Colonial Administrative Service 1919-54

University of Yale PhD 1998

GARDNER, TREVOR

My First Eighty Years: An Autobiography

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1998 364 pp ISBN 1 8558 21 5536

Gardner served in Central Africa, ending as Minister of Finance in Northern Rhodesia on the eve of independence. Strongly critical of the Central African Federation. Subsequently Deputy Treasurer and then Treasurer of the University of Cambridge.

Reviewed in *Cambridge* 41 1997-8 88-89 (Bill Kirkman)

Overseas Pensioner 76 1998 44-45 (R J Short)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

GARVEY, Sir RONALD

Gentleman Pauper

Bognor Regis: Anchor Publications, 1984 226 pp ISBN 0-861-16885-2

An anecdotal, amusing and self-deprecating account of a varied and distinguished career. Garvey went as a Cadet to the Solomons in 1926. He gained experience in the New Hebrides, Fiji, the Gilbert and Ellice Islands, Nyasaland (briefly) and St Vincent, before becoming Governor of British Honduras in 1949 and of Fiji in 1958. He retired in 1958 but later served as Administrator of the Isle of Man.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 50 1985 50 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

BRITISH HONDURAS

NYASALAND

PACIFIC

ST. VINCENT

GOVERNORS

GAVAGHAN, TERENCE

Corridors of Wire: A Saga of Colonial Power and Preventive Detention in Kenya

Privately published 1994 viii + 177 pp

“Faction” account of detention and rehabilitation programmes in Kenya.

KENYA

Of Lions and Dung Beetles

Ilfracombe: Arthur H Stockwell 1999 322 pp ISBN 0-722-332-319

Gavaghan served in HMOCS 1944-1963. In 1957 he was appointed Officer in Charge of Rehabilitation with responsibility for the release of the last 20,000 Mau Mau detainees. In 1960 he became Officer in Charge of Localisation and Training to plan the Africanisation of the Kenya Public Services. He chaired a Steering Committee to bring together the separate European, Asian and African Civil Servants' Associations and was elected President of the non-racial Senior Civil Servants' Association. He retired from the Cabinet Office in 1963 and went on to work for the UN and Humanitarian agencies in twenty different developing countries. This book is written in short, readable chapters with good illustrations and maps. It has a thoughtful foreword by John Lonsdale and, unusually, also an index listing some 1,000 names.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 78 1999 64-65 (Veronica Bellers)

KENYA

GIBBS, PETER

The History of the British South African Police

Vol 1: The First Line of Defence, 1899-1903

Salisbury: British South Africa Police 1972 ix + 266 pp

Vol. 2: The Right of the Line, 1903-1939

Salisbury: British South Africa Police 1974 xv + 244 pp

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE

GIBBS, PETER and PHILLIPS, HUGH

The History of the British South Africa Police, 1889-1980

North Ringword, Vic: Something of Value 2000 423 pp ISBN 0-646-40119-X

Comprises volumes 1 and 2 as above plus vol 3: The End of the Line by

Hugh Phillips.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE

GILL, ANTON

Ruling Passions: Sex, Race and Empire

London: BBC Books 1995 192 pp ISBN 0-563-37091-2

The book of a somewhat controversial television programme. Includes some frank reminiscences from former members of the Colonial Service.

GILL, JOHN M

Cameroon Trilogy

Ponteland, Newcastle Upon Tyne: The Author 2006 378 pp

A trilogy comprising a reprint of item 243 and additional material.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 92 2006 77 (R J Elkerton)

CAMEROONS

ENGINEERING

Old Bill in the Bush

Ely: Pentland Press 1996 185 pp ISBN 1-85821-426-1

Stories of British Cameroon in the 1950s, illustrated from original water-colours.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 73 1997 53 (R J Elkerton)

CAMEROONS

ENGINEERING

GILLIES, MICK

Mayfly on the Stream of Time

Whitfield: Messuage Books 2000 xii + 404 pp ISBN 0-953-89370-7

Gillies was a medical entomologist serving with the Colonial Research Service, East African Mosquito Unit at Amani, Tanganyika.

Reviewed in *Cambridge* 47 2001 70-71 (Louise Pirouet)

Overseas Pensioner 81 2001 39 (Rosemary Lowe-McConnell)

TANGANYIKA

RESEARCH

MEDICAL

GILMOUR, ANDREW

An Eastern Cadet's Anecdote

Singapore: Singapore University Educational Press 1974 174 pp

Gilmour was with the Malayan Civil Service from 1921 to 1953. He was in Hong Kong for a Conference in 1941 and interned there for four years, returning to Malaya after the war. This is a light-hearted collection of reminiscences, many of them originally published in the *BEAM*, the journal of the British European Association of Malaya, of which Gilmour was the editor.

MALAYA

My Role in the Rehabilitation of Singapore 1946-53

Singapore: Institute of Southeast Asian Studies 1973

Reminiscences transcribed from tape give detailed account of Gilmour's work as Secretary for Economic Affairs, Financial Secretary and Acting Colonial Secretary.

MALAYA

GITTINS, ANNE

Tales of the Fiji Islands, by the Wife of a District Officer

Fleet: J A Gittins 1991 xiii + 187 pp ISBN 0-95173-180-7

Anne Gittins was in Fiji between 1930 and 1952 but most of the book is set in the 1930s. It has an introduction by Philip Snow who calls it "almost Grimbleque".

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 62 1991 47-48 (I A)

FIJI

WIVES

GLENDINNING, VICTORIA

Leonard Woolf

London, Simon and Schuster 2006 499 pp ISBN 0-743-22030-7

Reviewed in *The Tablet*, 262 (8658) 23 September 2006 (Robert Nye)

Times Higher 1758, 1 September 2006 22-23 (Christopher Ondaatjie)

Times Literary Supplement 5403 20 October 2006 24 (Mark Bostridge)

CEYLON

GODDARD, TONY

My African Stories

Weardale: Memoir Club 2004 176 pp ISBN 1-84104-121-1

Tony Goddard followed his father into Colonial Service in Northern Rhodesia, was a District Officer in the three years running up to independence and briefly a post-independence Resident Magistrate in Barotseland.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 90 2005 63 (W R Lindsay-Stewart)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

GOLDING, J A

Colonialism: the Golden Years

Ashford: Birlings, 1987 vi + 253 pp ISBN 0-950-97365-3

Golding left school at 17 and worked briefly for a shipping company in New Zealand and for Dalgetys in Nairobi but a wartime commission in the KAR took him to Somalia, where as Political Officer for the military administration, he became an enthusiast for country and people. He joined the Colonial Service after the war and served in Tanganyika where he experienced the Groundnuts Scheme and other development projects. He remained after independence and formed the National Tourist Board. From 1965-67, he was Administrator of the Turks and Caicos Islands.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 55 1988 38 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

SOMALILAND

TANGANYIKA

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

GOLDSMITH, ANNE (ed)

Gentle Warrior: A Life of Hugh Grant, Soldier, Farmer and Kenya Administrator

Privately published 2001. Available from Mrs T C A Goldsmith, Rowan Cottage, Whitebridge, Inverness-shire or Mrs Paul O'Hear, Bramshott Lodge, Rectory Lane, Liphook, Hants GU30 7QZ ISBN 0-952-89161-1

Grant was seconded to the KAR in the First World War and fell in love with Kenya. He joined the Administration in 1930. His death from a Masai spear at an enforced cattle sale shocked the Masai elders as well as his colleagues.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 83 2002 63 (Sir John Johnson)
KENYA

GOODALL, H

Beloved Imperialist: Sir Gordon Guggisberg, Governor of the Gold Coast

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1998 xxv + 189 pp ISBN 1-858215-579

Biography by an admiring amateur historian, tracing the life of Guggisberg mainly through his published books. Introduction by Anthony Kirk-Greene.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 97(389) 1998 577 (David Killingray)

Nigerian Field 67(2) 2002 170-171 (R G Lowe)

Overseas Pensioner 77 1999 22-23 (Sir George Sinclair)

GOLD COAST

GOVERNORS

GOODALL, JOHN

Goodbye to Empire: A Doctor Remembers

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1987 viii + 133 pp ISBN 0-946270-43-0

Goodall joined the Indian Medical Service. He was posted to Malaya in command of a military hospital and interned in Changi. In 1946 he returned to India but left after Partition. After a research post back in England, he joined the Colonial Medical Service and was posted to Nyasaland in 1951. From 1963-1967, before settling in South Africa, he worked in the Bahamas.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 55 1988 38 (H M S)

BAHAMAS

MALAYA

NYASALAND

MEDICAL

GODDEN, CHARLES H

Trespassers Forgiven: Memoirs of Imperial Service in an Age of Independence

London: The Radcliffe Press 2009 xvii + 398 pp ISBN 978-184511-780-1

Godden, later Governor of Anguilla, served in British Honduras/Belize from 1961 to 1964 and 1975-76.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 98 2009 58-59 (Gordon Baker)

BRITISH HONDURAS

GORNALL, JOHN

No Better Life: The Experiences of a Police Officer in Central Africa

Nelson: New Zealand: The Copy Press [2008?] 460 pp ISBN 978-0-473-14111-0

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 45-46 (Col Tim Wright)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE

GOULDSBURY, COLIN

An African Year

London: Edward Arnold, 1912.

I have endeavoured to depict the more purely domestic side of life on the Outer Fringe, disregarding the heavier political questions, avoiding the weightier matters of ethnology and native social problems and laying stress, if stress be needed, upon the theme that women as well as men may find a congenial sphere in the frontier life provided they are of the right calibre... If more women went abroad to supervise the

hams and jams of their husbands in the tropics I have no doubt that we should hear less of the Suffragettes.

NORTHERN RHODESIA

GRANT, WILLIAM

Zambia Then and Now: Colonial Rulers and their African Successors

Abingdon: Routledge 2009 xiv + 327 pp ISBN 978-0-7103-1343-0

Grant was a Cadet/District Officer in a remote district of Northern Rhodesia between 1958 and 1961.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 48-49 (Jonathan Lawley)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

GRANTHAM, Sir ALEXANDER

Via Ports: from Hong Kong to Hong Kong

Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press 1965 205 pp

Grantham's career began in Hong Kong, as a cadet, and ended there, as Governor 1947-57. In between he served as Colonial Secretary of Bermuda 1935-38 and of Jamaica 1938-41, Chief Secretary, Nigeria 1942-44 and Governor of Fiji 1945-47.

BERMUDA

FIJI

HONG KONG

JAMAICA

NIGERIA

PACIFIC

GOVERNORS

GREENWOOD, ANNA (ed)

Beyond the State: the Colonial Medical Service in British Africa

Manchester: Manchester University Press 2016 viii + 197 pp ISBN 978-0-7190-8967-1

Case studies include Kenya, Malawi, Tanzania, Uganda and Zanzibar.

MEDICAL

GRIFFITH, Sir WILLIAM BRANDFORD

The Far Horizon: Portrait of a Colonial Judge

Ilfracombe: Arthur H Stockwell 1951 317pp

Griffith (1858-1939) was Chief Justice of the Gold Coast 1895-1911.

GOLD COAST

JAMAICA

LEGAL

GRIFFITHS, J C

A Welshman Overseas: Requiem for Colonialism

Privately published 1993 262 pp

Half the book is concerned with Griffiths' career in the ICS (1937-1948). He then served in Malaya and the Central African Federation and later as a magistrate in Hong Kong 1970-1982. Interesting comments on moving from the Indian Civil Service to the Colonial Administrative Service.

CENTRAL AFRICAN FEDERATION

HONG KONG

MALAYA

GRIFFITHS, JOHN TUDOR

Reminiscences and Observations of a Hong Kong Choi Lo

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1997 226 pp ISBN 1-858-21470-X

Fictionalised memoir. Griffiths joined the Hong Kong Police in 1960 and served in a range of positions including Internal Security, Narcotics, Training, Explosives and Special Branch, retiring with the rank of Chief Superintendent.

HONG KONG
POLICE

GRIMBLE, ARTHUR

A Pattern of Islands

London: John Murray 1952 250 pp

“Dedicated to the District Officers of the Colonial Administrative Service and their long suffering wives”, this book is well-known far beyond the confines of the Colonial Service. It became the basis for a film, featured on many school syllabuses and ran into many editions including junior and school editions. Grimble went to the Gilbert Islands as a cadet in 1914 and remained there until 1933. He was subsequently Administrator of St Vincent, Governor of the Seychelles and Governor of St Vincent. His popular books were written after his retirement in 1948.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

Return to the Islands

London: John Murray 1957 214 pp

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

GRIMBLE, ARTHUR and CLARKE, S F

Instructions and Hints to District Officers, Deputy Commissioners and Sub-accountants

Suva: High Commission for the Western Pacific 1929 58 pp

PACIFIC

GRIMBLE, ARTHUR

edited by H E Maude

Tunguru Traditions: Writings on the Atoll Culture of the Gilbert Islands

Honolulu: University of Hawaii Press and Melbourne: Melbourne University Press 1998

xxxii + 382 pp ISBN 0-8248-1217-4 and 0-522-84386-7

Maude’s section “A F Grimble as an anthropologist”, pp xix-xxvi, contains biographical details and comments on Grimble as an administrator.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

GROOM, NIGEL

Sheba Revealed – A Posting to Bayhan in the Yemen

London: London Centre of Arabic Studies 2002 296 pp ISBN 1-900404-31-1

Political Officer in remote post 200 miles north east of Aden.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 84 2002 53-54 (Peter Hinchcliffe)

ADEN

YEMEN

GUILBRIDE, PATRICK

Far Away Cows: Veterinary Vignettes from the Third World

Lewes: The Book Guild 1998 xi + 658 pp ISBN 1-85776-234-7

An over-long, but well-illustrated account of a career in the Colonial Veterinary Service (and in Peru, Brazil and Mozambique).

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 77 1999 21-22 (John A Hammond)

JAMAICA

NORTHERN RHODESIA

UGANDA

VETERINARY

GULLICK, JOHN M

The Overseas Civil Service 1837-1997: II The End of Colonial Rule in Malaya

Asian Affairs 30(3) 1999 312-315

MALAYA

Rulers and Residents: Influence and Power in the Malay States, 1870-1920

Singapore, Oxford, New York: Oxford University Press 1992 xiv + 411 pp

ISBN 0-19588567-8

Scholarly account of the relationship between Malay rulers and British residents.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 34(3) 1993 343-344 (Simon Smith)

MALAYA

GUNN, IAIN

With a Rod in Four Continents

Golspie, Sutherland: Method Publishing Company 1981 100 pp

For fishing enthusiasts only. Gunn was an Administrative Officer in Nigeria

1930 –1960 but only a few pages cover West Africa.

NIGERIA

GUTCH, Sir JOHN

Colonial Servant

[s.l.]: The Author 1987 143 pp ISBN 0-951-23720-9

A straightforward account of a distinguished and varied career. Gutch began his career in the Gold Coast, transferred to Palestine in 1936 and remained there until 1947. He then served as Chief Secretary, Cyrenaica and Colonial Secretary, British Guiana before becoming High Commissioner for the Western Pacific in 1955.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 54 1987 63 (R A S)

BRITISH GUIANA

CYRENAICA

GOLD COAST

PACIFIC

PALESTINE

GOVERNORS

GUTTERIDGE, CECIL

Tales from the Godown

Libanus Press 2005 206 pp

Seventeen years as a Customs Officer in Malaya. Gutteridge saw active service as a locally commissioned RNVR officer in 1942 and was a prisoner of the Japanese Navy. He ended his (first) career at independence as head of all preventative work in North Western Malaya.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 90 2005 56-57 (Simon Hutchinson)

MALAYA

CUSTOMS

HADFIELD, JAMES

We Went to Africa

Worthing: Lantern Press 1987 138 pp ISBN 1-850-93068-6

Hadfield taught history at Murati Secondary School for Africans in Northern Rhodesia and then became an economist at the Ministry of Agriculture.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 55 1988 34 (R J B)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

HADLEY, CHRIS

A Forester in the Solomon Islands: Diary and Letters 1953 to 1958

Lewes: Book Guild 1991 313 pp ISBN 0-963-32572-6

Hadley trained at the Oxford School of Forestry and took his first post in the Solomons, having assured himself that unlike Grimble's islands, these had mountains. This book reproduces diary entries and letters home, with minimal editing and annotation. Hadley went on to a career in Tanganyika and then in nature conservancy in the UK.

SOLOMON ISLANDS
FORESTRY

HAIG, EDWIN FELIX GREY

Nigerian Sketches

London: Allen & Unwin 1931 251 pp

41 "sketches" or "tales", many originally published in *The Manchester Guardian* or other magazines. *Though entirely non-political and non-sectarian, they are written from the point of view of a junior administrative officer* in Southern Nigeria.

NIGERIA

HAMILTON-BAYLY, P H

Memoirs of a Colonial Product

Coombe Martin: Rotapress 1994 252 pp

Prison Service in Kenya, Sierra Leone, Nyasaland, Central African Federation and Zanzibar.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 71 1996 45 (J B Cowan)

CENTRAL AFRICAN FEDERATION

KENYA

NYASALAND

SIERRA LEONE

PRISONS

HARDING, JOHN

Roads to Nowhere: A South Arabian Odyssey

London: Arabian Publishing 2009 xxiii + 311 pp ISBN 978-09558894-2-4

Harding was a Political Officer in Aden between 1960 and 1965.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 99 2010 46-48 (Hugh Walker)

ADEN

HARDINGE, Sir ARTHUR

A Diplomatist in Europe

London: Jonathan Cape 1927 272 pp

A Diplomatist in the East

London: Jonathan Cape 1938 398 pp

Hardinge's varied career included a post as Political Agent and Consul-General for Zanzibar in 1894 and as Commissioner for the East African Protectorate, 1895-1900.

KENYA

UGANDA

ZANZIBAR

HARE, JOHN

Last Man In: the end of empire in Northern Nigeria.

Benenden, Kent, Neville & Harding, 2013, pp. xi +240 pp. ISBN 980094028038

John Hare was the last recruit into the Colonial Administrative Service in Northern Nigeria, serving from 1957 to 1964 and involved with the Cameroons plebiscite.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2013 106 58-59 (John Smith)

The Spectator 11 May 2012 (Matthew Paris)

HARRIS, GEOFFREY T

Dry Between your Toes: Autobiography of a Chief Education Officer in the Department of African Education, Southern Rhodesia

Upton-upon-Severn: G T Harris 2009 180 pp

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 99 2010 54 (Barry Lennox)

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

HARRIS, RICHARD

Making Leeway in the Leewards, 1929-51: The Negotiation of Colonial Development

Journal of Imperial & Commonwealth History 33(3) 2005 393-418

The impact and working of the Colonial Development and Welfare Act in the Leewards.

LEEWARD ISLANDS

HARRIS, TIM

Donkey's Gratitude: Twenty Two Years in the Growth of a New African Nation

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1992 xiii + 478 pp ISBN 1-872-79528-5

Perhaps over-long but rarely uninteresting account written as a *pleasurable and therapeutic hobby*, following a stroke in an *outbreak of nostalgic flatulence*, neither as scholarly nor so large a brick for the wall of history as [Heussler's work] but at least a glimpse of life as it was lived and loved (nearly always) for the twenty years before independence by an expatriate who seldom felt himself to be a foreigner in one of the most delightful and interesting parts of Africa. Harris came to Tanganyika as a cadet in September 1940 and retired as a Provincial Commissioner in 1962.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 65 1993 50-51 (F G Finch)

TANGANYIKA

HARRISON, MARGARET and HARRISON, WILL; edited by Jane Harrison

I Wish you were here: letters from a long distance marriage 1940-1957

Richmond: Towpath Books 2016 256 pp. ISBN 9780955755828

Letters, exchanged between 1940 and 1957, when Will Harrison was (mostly) in Nigeria and the Gold Coast, and his wife (mostly) in England with small children.

GHANA

NIGERIA

WIVES

HARWICH, CHRISTOPHER

Red Dust: Memoirs of the Uganda Police 1935-1955

London: Vincent Stuart 1961 ix + 156 pp

Harwich spent five years in the Palestine Police before his transfer to Uganda.

A readable account, with an introduction by the Kabaka and a foreword by

Lord Twining. A postscript gives *Some reflections on the Colonial Police*.

UGANDA

POLICE

HASTINGS, A C

Nigerian Days

London: John Lane The Bodley Head 1925 xxii + 2555 pp

Introduction by R B Cunninghame Graham (with thirty-two illustrations).

Hastings went to Nigeria in 1906 as a junior Political Officer. This account of his eighteen years there is dedicated to Sir Hugh Clifford.

NIGERIA

HATTON, TIM

A Spider in the Web of International Terrorism

Lewes: The Book Guild 2004 348 pp ISBN 1-85776-851-5

After service in the 9th Gurkha Rifles, Hatton served in the Malayan Police 1948-1967, rising to Acting Director of Special Branch.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 88 2004 46-47 ("Review by a former Malaysian Policeman")

MALAYA
POLICE

HAYDON, ANTHONY P

Sir Matthew Nathan: British Colonial Governor and Civil Servant

St. Lucia: University of Queensland Press 1976 280 pp ISBN 0-7022-0965-1

Nathan (1862-1939) was an Anglo-Jewish Royal Engineer who went to Sierra Leone as Acting Governor in 1899. He served as Governor of the Gold Coast 1900-1904, Hong Kong 1904-1907 and Natal, then in the Post Office. He became Under-Secretary for Ireland in 1914 and his final post was as Governor of Queensland.

Reviewed in *Canadian Journal of African Studies* 14(2) 1980 340-351 (Christopher Youé)

GOLD COAST
HONG KONG
SIERRA LEONE
GOVERNORS

HAYWARD, ALAN

Africa Called: Science and Development in Nigeria

London: The Radcliffe Press 2008 xxiv + 198 pp ISBN 978-1-84511-494-7

Agriculturalist and food chemist Alan Hayward worked in Nigeria for fourteen years from 1948 and then as a consultant in crop protection and conservation in many other tropical countries.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 42-43 (Terry Barringer)

NIGERIA
AGRICULTURE

HAZELL, ROBIN

Life on the Rocks

Bodmin: Compass Publishing, 2012, 231 pp. ISBN 9781907308994

Hazell joined the Colonial Geological Service in 1948 and spent most of his career in Nigeria.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2013 105 56-57 (K.V. Arrowsmith)

NIGERIA
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

HEAPE, R.C.

The Career of W.L. Heape CMG: Colonial Administrator 1919-1958

Avoch, Ross-shire: The Author, 2012, no pagination or ISBN given

A short account of a long Colonial Service career in Africa and the West Indies.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 107 2014 66 (Tim Tawney)

BAHAMAS
BARBADOS
BRITISH GUIANA
SOMALILAND
TANGANYIKA

HELEAN, W

Bed in the Bush

Lewes: Book Guild 1991 256 pp ISBN 0-863-32539-4

Set in "Magonda", Tanganyika in the early 1950s, in the form of a first-person narrative by Acting District Commissioner Ashton. Bears the customary but unconvincing disclaimer that *This book is a work of fiction. The characters and situations in this story are imaginary. No resemblance is intended between these characters and any real persons, either living or dead.*

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 62 1991 52 (E E S)

TANGANYIKA

HEMANS, HERBERT NASSAU

Log of a Native Commissioner: A Record of Work and Sport in Southern Rhodesia

London: H F & G Witherby 1935 224 pp

Reprinted by Books of Rhodesia Bulawayo 1971

More on sport (shooting game) than on work in the Sebungwe District.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

HEMANS, TREVOR

Those were the Days

ds.dial.pipex.com/hemans/book/index.htm (not available in printed form)

The son of H N Hemans, Trevor followed his father into Southern Rhodesian Department of Native Affairs at the age of 16 in 1946 and served for 36 years. He describes his work as *in no way a technical book and I have attempted to record all facets of a District Commissioner's life in as entertaining a way as possible without digressing in an erudite manner into the realms of ethnology, law and custom.* His son Michael Hemans rescued this account from old 5¼" discs and made it available on the World Wide Web.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

HENDERSON, IAN with PHILIP GOODHART

The Hunt for Kimathi

London: Hamish Hamilton 1958 267 pp

Foreword by Richard Catling, Commissioner of Police, Kenya, who describes this book as *an account of the most important pseudo-gang operation of the whole campaign against Mau Mau terrorists in Kenya.*

KENYA

POLICE

HENNINGS, R O

African Morning

London: Chatto & Windus 1951 240 pp

The Baringo district in the 1930s.

KENYA

HENRY, P W T

Memories of a Forester in Nigeria, 1950-62

Porthcawl, Mid-Glamorgan: The Author 2010 208 pp ISBN 978-0-9565901-7

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 100 2010 61-62 (Peter Wood)

NIGERIA

FORESTRY

All Our Yesterdays: memories of a forester in Nigeria, 1950-62.

Porthcawl: The Author, 2011, 208 pp. 9780956590114.

NIGERIA

An Earthly Paradise: memories of a forester in the Bechuanaland Protectorate/Botswana, 1963–68 (All our Yesterdays, Volume 2)

Porthcawl: The Author, 2011, 114 pp. ISBN 978-095659011-4

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 112, 449, pp. 696-98 (Pauline von Hellermann)

Overseas Pensioner 2011 102 62-63 (Peter Wood)

BECHUANALAND

HERBERT, EUGENIA W

Twilight on the Zambezi: Late Colonialism in Central Africa

Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan 2002 196 pp ISBN 0-312-29431-X

Barotseland in 1959. *The last moment I believe when British colonialism still seemed, both to the man on the spot and to the policy makers at home, to have a future on the Upper Zambezi.* Draws extensively on memoirs and interviews with DCs and their files and reports, with the first chapter, *Kalabo: the view from the Boma*, focusing on the DCs' experience. The remaining chapters look at the view from the Native Authority, the Federation and from Whitehall.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 103(413) 2004 692-694 (Michael Vickers)

African Studies Quarterly 8 (1) 2004 (online only)

<http://web.africa.ufl.edu/asq/v8/v8i1a16.htm>

Africa Today 50(2) 2003 103-105 (Jeremy Rich)

International Journal of African Historical Studies 35(2-3) 2002 490-492 (David Gordon)

Journal of African History 45(1) 2004 178-179 (A D Roberts)

Overseas Pensioner 85 2003 55-56 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

Round Table 373 2004 99-102 (Derek Ingram)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

HEUSSLER, ROBERT

An American looks at the Colonial Service

New Commonwealth July 1960 pp 418-420

Sympathetic, short survey which eschews generalisations and stereotypes. Heussler concludes, *One can only hope that when the history of colonialism is written it will be noted that the Colonial Service was an overworked, underpaid body of men who went on discharging their duties of trust long after it was either pleasant or remunerative to do so. That should be their enduring monument.*

The British Colonial Legacy: The Colonial Service

South Atlantic Quarterly 60 (3) July 1961 pp 301-310

A sympathetic overview which includes a brief comparison with other colonial services and a focus on recruitment.

The British in Northern Nigeria

London: Oxford University Press 1968 xxii + 210 pp

Chapters on Founding Anglo-African Government, Policy, Colonial Government as a System of Power, District Officer and Chiefs, Touring.

Reviewed in *Journal of Modern African Studies* 7(4) 1969 756-758

NIGERIA

British Malaya: A Bibliographical and Biographical Companion

New York and London: Garland 1981 xvii + 193 pp ISBN 0-8240-9369-0

Designed to provide sources for an overview of the main themes and historical developments of the British phase in Malaya's history, together with biographical sketches of the men who bore the burden of responsibility for supervising trade and government.

Reviewed in *Journal of Commonwealth and Imperial History* 11(3) 1983 361-363

(A J Stockwell)

MALAYA

British Rule in Malaya: The Malayan Civil Service and its Predecessors, 1867-1942

Oxford: Clio 1981 xx + 356 pp ISBN 0-903-45049-6

Focuses on the background and education of members of the MCS, the work they did in Malaya and the ethos they developed.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 11(1) 1982 106-107

(J M Gullick)

Overseas Pensioner 42 1981 49-50 (W G)

MALAYA

British Tanganyika: An Essay and Documents on District Administration

Durham, N C: Duke University Press 1971 xii + 154 pp ISBN 0-8223-0247-0

Chapters on Starting Out, The Many Worlds of the District Officer, Headquarters and Native Administration and on Holding the Ring plus excerpts from the collections of the Colonial Records Project, Rhodes House.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 72(286) 1973 93 (Gavin Kitchin)

Journal of African History 12(4) 1971 661-662 (P M Redmond)

Journal of Modern African Studies 10(3) 1972 484-486 (Walter W Bowring)

TANGANYIKA

Completing a Stewardship: The Malayan Civil Service, 1942-1957

Westport, CO, London: Greenwood 1983 xvii + 240 pp ISBN 0-313-23930-4

Both narrative and analytical, this volume follows the MCS through World War II, occupation and internment, post-war recovery, the Emergency, Malayanisation and on to independence.

MALAYA

Why study the Colonial Service?

Corona May 1961 165-168

Underscores the importance of Britain's colonial legacy, especially the Colonial Service itself as a proper subject of study.

Yesterday's Rulers: The Making of the British Colonial Service

Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press 1963 260 pp

With an introduction by Margery Perham, this is a study of the recruitment and training of colonial administrators especially during Furse's heyday. Chapter on the Public Schools and on Oxford (but not Cambridge).

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 63(251) 1964 146-147 (Hilary Blood)

Journal of Modern African Studies 1(4) 1965 558-560 (Alec Dickson)

HEWITT, PETER

Kenya Cowboy: A Police Officer's Account of the Mau Mau Emergency in Kenya

London: Avon Books 1999 xiv + 358 pp ISBN 1-86033949-2

2nd edn Weltevredon: Covos Day 2001 xi + 359 pp

3rd edn 30 Degrees South 2008 352 pp ISBN 978-1-920143-23-7

Hewitt served in Kenya 1952-1956 and the first draft of this book was written in 1963. *It is to be stressed that this book is not a memoir...it is my account, a contemporaneous one of fact and fictionalised fact.* It is dedicated to those spunky, indomitable pioneer settlers who were to find their precious paradise in the White Highlands of Kenya to be but a tantalising fantasy.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 46-47 (James Franks)

KENYA

POLICE

HICKMAN, A S

Men Who Made Rhodesia: A Register of those who Served in the British South Africa Company's Police

Salisbury: British South Africa Company 1960 462 pp

Hickman served as a Commissioner of the BSACP. He gives a historical summary and a detailed biographical record of those attested into the Company's police
SOUTHERN RHODESIA
POLICE

HINCHCLIFFE, PETER
The Overseas Civil Service 1837-1997: I South Arabian Federation
Asian Affairs 30(3) 1999 305-312
ADEN

HINCHCLIFFE, PETER, DUCKER, JOHN T and HOLT, MARIA
Without Glory in Arabia: The British Retreat from Aden
London and New York: I B Tauris 2007 xxiii + 327 pp ISBN 978-1-84511-140-3
The story of the last few years of British rule in Aden and the Protectorates. Uses previously unpublished material including diaries and interviews with both British and Yemeni individuals. Hinchcliffe and Ducker both served with HMOCS in Aden.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 92 2006 80-81 (John G R Harding)
and see correspondence in *Overseas Pensioner* 93 2007 65 (letter from Dick Eberlie) 94 2007 65-66 (response from Peter Hinchcliffe) 95 2008 60 (Dick Eberlie)
Reviewed in *Round Table* 97 (395) 2008 325-327 (Valerie Johnson)
ADEN

HIVES, FRANK
Ju-ju and Justice in Nigeria
London: John Lane The Bodley Head 1930 254 pp
Told by Frank Hives and written down by Gascoigne Lumley.
Hives came to Nigeria early in the 20th century after 17 years "roughing it" in North Queensland and other colonies. His narrative focuses on the "primitive" and bizarre and tends to the sensational. Includes a colourful account of Hives trying to replicate the wisdom of Solomon in a case of a disputed child.
NIGERIA

Justice in the Jungle
London: John Lane The Bodley Head 1932 x + 254 pp
More in the same vein, as indicated by the chapter headings: "Durance vile", "Capture of the slave-traders", "Ju-Ju and the faith in it". But the opening chapter "As we were" is a good brief description of an Administrative Officer's life and duties at the turn of the century.
NIGERIA

Momo and I
London: John Lane The Bodley Head 1934 286 pp
Momo was a native policeman Hives first met in 1911. Some of these tales of their shared adventures were originally published in *Blackwoods*.
NIGERIA

HODGE, JOSEPH MORGAN
Triumph of the Expert: Agrarian Doctrines of Development and the Legacies of British Colonialism
Athens: Ohio University Press 2007 402 pp ISBN (hardback) 978-0-8214-1717-1 (paperback) 978-0-8214-1718-8
This follows the origins, course and legacies of the strategic engagement between scientific and technical expertise, development and the state at the climax of the British colonial empire.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 96 2008 59-60 (Terry Barringer)
AGRICULTURE

HODGKIN, THOMAS L

Letters from Palestine, 1932-1936

edited by E C Hodgkin

London: Quartet 1986 202 pp ISBN 0-7043-2595-0

Hodgkin resigned from the Colonial Service after only two years and declared himself a Communist. His letters, mostly to his parents, are edited and given a sympathetic introduction by his brother. He spent time in the Secretariat and as Private Secretary to the Governor, General Wauchope.

PALESTINE

HODSON, ARNOLD

Retrekking the Great Thirst: Travel and Sport in the Kalahari Desert

edited by A E Nellen

London: T Fisher Unwin 1912 359 pp

After sheep farming in Queensland, Hodson came to South Africa hoping to see action in the Boer War, but arrived too late. He became a Police Officer in Bechuanaland and a noted hunter (Selous provides a foreword).

BECHUANALAND

POLICE

HOLDSWORTH, MARY, with additional text by Caroline Courtauld

Foreign Devils: Expatriates in Hong Kong

Hong Kong, Oxford: Oxford University Press 2001 308 pp ISBN 0-195-9437-1

Oral history of expatriates in Hong Kong during the last years of British sovereignty and the first few years of Chinese rule.

HONG KONG

HOLLEY, STEPHEN

A White Headhunter in Borneo

Kota Kinabalu: Natural History Publications (Borneo) 2004 138 pp ISBN 983-812-081-2

Holley entered Borneo with the postwar British Military Administration. Later he served as the Governor's Private Secretary, Resident Interior and State Secretary to the Chief Minister in the post-colonial government.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 88 2004 pp 50-51 (David Fielding)

NORTH BORNEO

HOME, ROBERT

Scientific Survey and Land Settlement in British Colonialism with particular reference to Land Tenure Reform in the Middle East 1920-1950

Planning Perspectives 21(1) 2006 1-22

Investigates the dissemination of scientific survey methods across the British Empire in the 19th and 20th centuries, the role of the Empire Surveyors Conference and the Empire Survey Review in promoting cadastral survey for land settlement.

SURVEY

HOPPE, KIRK ARDEN

Lords of the Fly: Sleeping Sickness Control in British East Africa 1900-1960

Westport, C T: Praeger 2003 xii + 203 pp ISBN 0-325-07123-3

Reviewed in *African Studies Quarterly: the online journal for African Studies*

<http://www.africa.ufl.edu/asq/v8/v8i2a22.htm> (Carol Sommers)

African Studies Review 48(1) 2005 166-169 (Pascal James Imperato)

International Journal of African Historical Studies 38(3) 2005 536-537 (Gregory H Maddox)

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

HOLLIS, ROSEMARY

A Scorpion for Tea

Ilfracombe: Arthur Stockwell 1981 183 pp ISBN 0-722-3158-4

Rosemary Hollis joined her husband in Northern Nigeria in 1951 and left with him at Independence. Most of the intervening years were spent in the Bush. An unpretentious record with the author's sketches and *true to the last bug*.

NIGERIA

WIVES

HOPWOOD, DEREK

Earth's Proud Empires Pass Away: Britain's Moment in the Middle East

British Journal of Middle Eastern studies 29(2) 2002 109-120

Concludes, *The men and women I knew of or had read about who worked in the Middle East were convinced that they had been working in a good cause and that they had achieved something worthy and honourable in acting as servants of empire. They had done their best in the ethos of the time. They had considered serving others in that way to have been an enjoyable duty. They could have done no other.*

MIDDLE EAST

Tales of Empire: The British in the Middle East

London: I.B. Tauris 1989 xiv + 196 pp ISBN 1-850-43129-9

The Director of the Middle East Centre at St Antony's College, Oxford gives his choice of anecdotes and personal stories from the College's collection of unpublished papers. Features Britons who worked in official and unofficial capacities in Egypt, Palestine and "here and there in the Middle East".

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 60 1990 54-55 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

MIDDLE EAST

HORNE, E

A Job Well Done: Being a History of the Palestine Police Force, 1920-1948

Eastwood: Palestine Police Old Comrades Benevolent Association 1982 616 pp
ISBN 1857767586

Horne, who served in Palestine 1941-1946 before a long career in the Metropolitan Police, provides a solid account with full supporting photographs, footnotes, appendices, bibliography and index. A chronological survey is supplemented by chapters on training, sport and specialist units.

PALESTINE

POLICE

HORTON, D C

Fire Over the Islands: The Coast Watchers of the Solomons

London: Leo Cooper 1970 xiv + 256 pp ISBN 0-85052-206-4

A personal account of the war in the Pacific.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 23 1972 15 (W)

SOLOMON ISLANDS

The Happy Isles: A Diary of the Solomons

London: Heinemann 1965 197 pp

Horton went to the Solomons as a Cadet in 1937 and served there throughout the War and the campaign against the Japanese. This account concentrates on the five years before the invasion, reflecting on his day to day work and expressing his deep affection for the islanders.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 12 1966 20 (A H Stafford)

SOLOMON ISLANDS

HUDSON, HARRY

Time Remembered: Reminiscences of Education in Uganda and Nyasaland

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1996 176 pp ISBN 1-85821-325-8

Hudson went to Uganda as an Education Officer in 1946. In 1959 he was appointed Deputy Director of Education, Nyasaland. He left at independence.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 74 1997 91-93 (Louise Pirouet)

Overseas Pensioner 73 1997 44-45 (W A Dodd)

Society of Malawi Journal 50(2) 1997 58-59 (Colin Baker)

NYASALAND

UGANDA

EDUCATION

HUDSON, JOHN

A Time to Mourn: A Personal Account of the Lumpa Church Revolt in Zambia

Lusaka: Bookworld 1999 147 pp ISBN 9-98224-912-9

Part I is an account of the rise and fall of Alice Lenshina's Lumpa Church. Part II is a personal, first hand account of Hudson's part as District Commissioner at Isoka.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 78 1999 67-68 (Colin Baker)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

HUGGINS, MOLLY

Too Much to Tell

London: Heinemann 1967 vii + 328 pp

Singapore born, Molly returned to Malaya after education at Roedean and married John Huggins of the MCS in 1929. He went to Trinidad as Colonial Secretary in 1948 and was Governor of Jamaica from 1943-1950. Molly particularly enjoyed the Caribbean years and was involved with voluntary and welfare work. The latter part of the book is taken up with an account of her family (the Huggins divorced in 1958), travels and political ambitions (she stood as a Conservative candidate in 1955 and 1957 and hoped to be selected to contest Finchley but lost to a young Margaret Thatcher). An unselective account, with a tendency to gush and name-drop but interesting on the Jamaica years.

JAMAICA

MALAYA

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

GOVERNORS

WIVES

HUMMEL, FRED

Memories of Forestry and Travel: Uganda, Mexico, Britain, Brussels and Beyond

London: Radcliffe Press 2001 xi +249 pp ISBN 1-86964-726-X

Hummel followed his father (German born, naturalised in 1914) into the Colonial Forestry Service. Posted to Uganda in 1938 he worked with W J Eggeling. War service with the KAR gave him garrison duties in Somalia and Ethiopia. After the tragic death of an infant son in 1945 he decided against a return to Africa. He went on to work for the Forestry Commission in the UK, in Mexico, for the European Commission and then on a variety of international consultancies. Although only a small part of this book relates to the Colonial Service it is particularly interesting on early attempts at sustainable management and as a source for environmental history.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 92 2003 70-74 (Terry Barringer)

UGANDA

FORESTRY

HUNT, Sir REX

My Falkland Days

Newton Abbot: David & Charles 1992 488 pp ISBN 0-7153-9087-2

London: Politico's Publishing 2002 xii + 420 pp ISBN 1-84275-017-8

Based upon a scrappy diary which I have been in the habit of keeping off and on since childhood...In the Falkland Islands, I usually scribbled it in the early morning, before tackling my in-tray. It was not intended to be source material for a book, but merely to remind me of the things that I had done the day before and the things that I had left undone. Hunt, who describes himself as a *Colonial Officer at heart*, was appointed to the Falklands in 1979, after a career spent mainly in Africa and South East Asia. He gives a full account of the years before the Argentinian invasion, the invasion and its immediate aftermath. A brief postscript describes return visits in 1989 and 1990.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 85 2003 58-59 (L G Blake)

FALKLAND ISLANDS
GOVERNORS

HUSSEY, ERIC R J

Tropical Africa: Memoirs of a Period, 1908-1944

London: St. Catherine Press 1959 ix + 157 pp

Hussey, an Olympic hurdler in 1908, served with the Sudan Education Department from 1908 to 1924 and was seconded for a period as a District Officer. From 1924 to 1929 he was Director of Education, Uganda and from 1929 to 1936, Director of Education, Nigeria. He later undertook advisory work in Ethiopia and Eritrea.

NIGERIA
SUDAN
UGANDA
EDUCATION

HUTCHINGS, DORA

Every Road Leads Back Home

Bogner Regis: Anchor Publications 1986 2 vols

Wife of S E Hutchings (see below)

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 52 1986 50 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

GOLD COAST
MALAYA
WIVES

HUTCHINGS, S E

Life in the Colonial Prison Service

Ilfacombe; Arthur Stockwell 1987 138 pp ISBN 0-722-32151-1

Covers the Gold Coast 1947-1951 and the Emergency in Malaya.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 55 1988 32 (D C)

GOLD COAST
MALAYA
PRISONS

HYAM, RONALD

Empire and Sexuality: The British Experience

Manchester: Manchester University Press 1990 ix + 234 pp ISBN 0-7190-2504-4

Includes chapter on *Chastity and the Colonial Service* with particular reference to Lord Crewe's Circular on concubinage, 1901.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 19(2) 1991 289-291
(Kenneth Ballhatchet)

IMRAY, COLIN

Crickets in the Backblocks

Lewes: The Book Guild 1998 xviii + 137 pp

A cricket-centred autobiography, described as *a light-hearted story*. Imray joined a business company in Singapore at the age of 19, in 1928. He returned to England jobless in 1932 and, after six months, joined the Palestine Police. Later he served in the Gold Coast and Kenya, playing and watching cricket whenever he could.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 76 1998 47-48 (W A Dodd)

GOLD COAST

KENYA

PALESTINE

POLICE

Policeman in Africa

Lewes: The Book Guild 1997 x + 289 pp ISBN 1-85776201-0

Imray went to the Gold Coast in 1935 and was the police superintendent who gave the order to fire in the Gold Coast riots of 1948. He gives a frank account of this incident. He was transferred to Kenya where he served until 1956 in Nairobi, Nyeri, Coast Province and Lamu. He includes a chapter on the much discussed Errol murder case. Although he arrived in Kenya after the event, he knew most of those involved and has his theories.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 75 1998 49-50 (Michael Ensor)

GOLD COAST

KENYA

POLICE

Policeman in Palestine: Memoirs of the Early Years

Bideford: Edward Gaskell 1994 x + 180 pp ISBN 1-898546-04-5

The first in Imray's series of memoirs.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 70 1995 57 (Michael Macoun)

PALESTINE

POLICE

Quest for Identity

Lewes: Book Guild 1998 xii + 105 pp ISBN 1-85776-315-7

Imray's spiritual autobiography, written in extreme old age (he was born in 1909) recording his wrestlings with orthodox Christianity and fascination with spiritualism, the paranormal and astral travel. Contains little about his Colonial career. Imray writes, *I'm bound to say that I've sometimes been surprised that some of the material could have been written through me...I have written three previous books, each of which is very much of the earth, earthy and in a totally different vein to the present effort*. Readers will share his surprise.

POLICE

INGRAMS, DOREEN

A Time in Arabia

London: John Murray 1970 xii + 160 pp ISBN 0-719-52050-9

Wife of W H Ingrams (see items 337, 338). Based on diaries.

ADEN

WIVES

INGRAMS, WILLIAM HAROLD

Arabia and the Isles

London: John Murray 1942 xvi + 367 pp

2nd edn. London: John Murray 1952 399 pp

3rd edn. Enlarged with an introduction covering recent developments in South West Arabia

London: John Murray 1966 x + 400 pp

Republished as Vol 1 of Kegan Paul Arabia Library. London: Kegan Paul 1997

Ingrams joined the Colonial Service in 1919 and his early experience was in Mauritius and Zanzibar, before being posted to Aden, as Political Officer in 1934. He

spent 10 years in Arabia, which he loved. A vivid description of place and people. Ingrams' personal philosophy also shows through.

ADEN

Seven Across the Sahara

London: John Murray 1950 xii +228 pp

In 1946 Ingrams was appointed Chief Commissioner of the Northern Territories, Gold Coast. Unusually he decided to drive from Algiers across the Sahara to Accra. Primarily a travelogue but contains a final chapter entitled *I look at the map again and reflect on the problems it evokes*. His reflections are mostly of a religious nature but he also considers the future of Africa, having become convinced of the need to *speed up the tempo* in leading Africa to independence.

GOLD COAST

IREMONGER, LUCILLE

It's a Bigger Life

London, New York: Hutchinson 1948 191 pp

Lucille Iremonger went reluctantly to the Ellice Islands as a new bride. Her account covers the year 1939-40, a last view of the islands before the Japanese invasion.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

WIVES

JACKSON, ASHLEY

Governing Empire: Colonial Memoirs and the History of HM Overseas Civil Service

African Affairs 103 (412) 2004 471-491

A review article covering six memoirs and the *Overseas Pensioner*. Jackson emphasises the value of this material and describes "The generic colonial memoir".

JACKSON, Sir FREDERICK

Early Days in East Africa

London: E Arnold 1930 399 pp

Reprint with new introduction by H B Thomas. (Colonial History Series)

London: Dawsons 1969 xxvii + 389 pp ISBN 7129-0332-1

KENYA

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

JACKSON, MICHAEL

edited by Janet Jackson

A Scottish Life: Sir John Martin, Churchill and Empire

London: Radcliffe Press 1999 296 pp ISBN 1-860-064416-3

Sir John Martin worked at the Colonial Office 1927-1940 and 1945-64, travelling and advising widely. During the Second World War he served in Churchill's private office.

COLONIAL OFFICE

JACKSON, Sir WILLIAM

The Governor's Cat

Northampton: Gibraltar Books 1992 x + 200 pp ISBN 0-948466-23-5

Sir William Jackson was Governor of Gibraltar 1978-1982. This delightful (to cat-lovers) book, entwines an account of his duties and experience with the story of his Siamese cat *Solo*.

GIBRALTAR

GOVERNORS

JAMESON, J D (ed)

Agriculture in Uganda

London: Oxford University Press for the Uganda Government Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry 2nd edn 1970 xvii + 395 pp ISBN 0-198-59423-2

Standard textbook on agriculture on Uganda but includes a useful few pages on the organisation and early history of the Agricultural Department. The first edition was edited by John Douglas Tothill in 1940.

UGANDA

AGRICULTURE

JEATER, DIANA

Imagining Africans: Scholarship, Fantasy and Science in Colonial Administration 1920s, Southern Rhodesia

International Journal of African Historical Studies 38(1) 2005 1-26

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

JEFFRIES, CHARLES

The Colonial Empire and its Civil Service

Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 1938 259 pp

Part I traces "The Development of the Colonial Service". Part II describes "The Colonial Service Today" with chapters on the Legal, Medical, Agricultural, Forest and Veterinary services as well as the Administrative Service. Jeffries' career spanned four decades in the Colonial Office.

The Colonial Office

London: George Allen & Unwin and New York: Oxford University Press 1956 222 pp

An affectionate and comprehensive overview of the history, organisation and work of the Colonial Office. Part of the New Whitehall series.

COLONIAL OFFICE

The Colonial Police

London: Max Parrish 1952 232 pp

Part 1 surveys the Colonial Police Service and its traditions. Part 2 is regional with sections on the Caribbean Far East, West Africa, East and Central Africa, Cities and Islands. Part 3 deals with the Colonial Policeman and his work under the headings Recruitment and Training, The Heart of the Matter, Riots and Disturbances, Unity and Diversity.

POLICE

Transfer of Power

London: Pall Mall Press 1960 148 pp

Is there a pattern in all this, or have we just muddled along? That is what I want to look into; and I suspect, in advance, that the answer is not one or the other but both.

The perspective of a Colonial Office elder statesman at a particular point in the history of decolonisation.

Whitehall and the Colonial Service

London: Athlone Press 1972 105 pp

Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 12(3) 1973 (R S Hudson)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 1(3) 1972 402-403 (Marjorie Perham)

JENKINS, Arthur Hughes

A Long Beat: Service to the Crown, Home and Abroad

Denbigh: Gee and Son 1994 260 pp. ISBN 0-7074-0260

A straightforward account of a varied police career.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 70 1995 58 (Michael Macoun)

BRITISH GUIANA
FALKLANDS
GRENADA
HONG KONG
ST. VINCENT
POLICE

JEPPESON, CHRIS

‘Sanders of the river, still the best job for a British boy’: recruitment to the Colonial Administration Service at the end of empire.

Historical Journal 59 (2) 2016 1107-32.

JEWELL, NORMAN PARSONS

On Call in Africa in War and Peace, 1910–1932.

Hove: Gillyflower Publishing, 2016 318 pp. ISBN 978-0-9931382-0-1

Irishman Norman Parsons Jewell qualified in medicine at Trinity College Dublin and joined the colonial Medical Service in 1910. He was posted to the Seychelles. He volunteered for the World War I campaigns in East Africa and won the military cross. After the war he rejoined the Colonial Medical Service in Kenya where he served until 1932. He died in 1973 leaving the handwritten memoir which forms the first part of this book. Part II consists of official transcripts from the East African Campaign and Part II tells the story from the perspective of his wife Sydney. The volume has been meticulously compiled by family members and is illustrated with high quality maps and photographs.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 112 53-64 (John Burton)

KENYA
SEYCHELLES
MEDICAL

JOHNSTON, CAROLYN

Harmattan: A Wind of Change: Life and Letters from Northern Nigeria at the End of Empire

London: I B Tauris 2010 ix + 277 pp ISBN 9781848851436

Carolyn Johnston’s compilation of letters and diaries of her parents. Tim Johnston served as a District Officer in Northern Nigeria and rose to be Deputy Governor.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 100 2010 58-59 (Sir Frank Kennedy)

NIGERIA
WIVES

JOHNSTON, CHARLES

The View from Steamer Point: Being an Account of Three Years in Aden

London: Collins 1964 217 pp

Johnston was serving as ambassador to Jordan when he was seconded from the Foreign Office to serve as Governor of Aden.

ADEN
GOVERNORS

4. JOHNSON, Sir JOHN (ed)

Colony to Nation: British Administrators in Kenya 1940-1963

Banham, Norfolk: Erskine Press 2002 x + 299 pp ISBN 1-85297-074-X

A well-edited collection of short pieces by former administrative officers, grouped thematically in chapters headed for example “First Impressions”, “The Administrator’s Day”, “The Mau Mau Emergency”, “Preparing for Independence”.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 103 (412) 2004 471-491 (Ashley Jackson)

African Research and Documentation 91 2003 77-79 (Terry Barringer)
African Studies Review 46(3) 2003 139-141 (Pascal James Imperato)
Overseas Pensioner 85 2003 53-54 (Christine Nicholls)

KENYA

Kenya: The Land and the People: District Administration 1950 –1963

Amersham: J Johnson 2009 216 pp

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 99 2010 48-49 (David Lovatt Smith)

KENYA

JONES-BATEMAN, R

A Refuge from Civilisation and Other Trifles

London: Edward Arnold 1931 191 pp

Episodic pieces by a Political Officer in the Wannu jungle region of North East Ceylon.

CEYLON

JOURNAL OF AFRICAN ADMINISTRATION, v 1 no 1 January 1949 – v 13 no 4 1961

Published for the Secretary of State for the Colonies by His Majesty's Stationery Office, London

The Journal is produced by the African Studies Branch as an authoritative quarterly of a high technical level for the recording and discussion of African administration...It is primarily designed for the practical administrator in Africa but we confidently expect that it will be of interest and value to a wider public among the serious students of African affairs both in the United Kingdom and elsewhere.

This journal aimed to provide a link between research and administration. The opening article was by Arthur Creech Jones, Secretary of State for the Colonies on *The Place of African Local Administration in Colonial policy.*

Continued in 1962 as *Journal of Local Administration Overseas.*

JOYCE, R B

Sir William MacGregor

Melbourne: Oxford University Press 1971 xvi + 484 pp

From Medical Officer in the Seychelles and Senior Administrator in Fiji, MacGregor became between 1888 and 1914 Governor of, in turn, New Guinea, Lagos, Newfoundland and Queensland.

GOVERNORS

KEITH-ROACH, EDWARD

Pasha of Jerusalem: Memoirs of a District Commissioner under the British Mandate

edited by Paul Eedle

London: Radcliffe Press 1994 xix + 224 pp ISBN 1-85043-825-0

After banking in India, military service in Egypt and three years in the Sudan administration (where on occasion he took his judgements directly from the Book of Exodus) Keith-Roach transferred to Palestine, initially as Custodian of Enemy Property. He succeeded Sir Ronald Storrs as Governor of Jerusalem.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 70 1995 54 (C W Squire)

PALESTINE

SUDAN

KENNEDY, Sir FRANCIS

Dust Suspended: a Memoir of Colonial and Diplomatic Service Life 1953 to 1986

Stanhope, Co Durham: Memoir Club 2006 xiv + 254 pp ISBN 1-84104-109-2

Foreword by President Obasanjo

Kennedy was a District Officer in the Delta area of Nigeria on the eve of independence. He returned to Nigeria in the course of a distinguished diplomatic

career. Later still he had a successful business career with British Airways and became the first Chancellor of the University of Central Lancashire.
Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 102 2006 66 (Ian Cooke)
Overseas Pensioner 92 2006 71-72 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)
Times Literary Supplement 5428 April 13 2007 35 (John Ure)
NIGERIA

KENWORTHY, JOAN M.

Albert Walter, O.B.E. (1877–1972). Part I: His early life and work in Mauritius (Royal Meteorological Society, Occasional Papers in Meteorological History; 12)
2013, 30 pp.

Albert Walter, O.B.E. (1877–1972). Part II: First Director of the British East African Meteorological Service, First President, IMO Regional Commission No. 1 (Africa), Group Captain in the Second World War and Adviser on Meteorology to the Groundnut Scheme (Royal Meteorological Society, Occasional Papers in Meteorological History; 13)
2014, 55 pp.

MAURITIUS

TANGANYIKA

METEOROLOGY

KERSLAKE, R T

Time and the Hour: Nigeria, East Africa and the Second World War

London: Radcliffe Press 1997 xv + 274 pp ISBN 1-86064-154-7

Kerslake started out in Northern Nigeria 1937-39, saw military service in East Africa with the Nigeria Regiment and was posted back to Nigeria. Promoted to the Secretariat in Lagos, he resigned in 1946. Glimpses of puzzlement and self-questioning and the sad conclusion *that I had achieved very little, least of all in the fight against corruption and exploitation but he found it all enormously worthwhile for me as a personal experience.*

NIGERIA

KILLINGRAY, DAVID and TAYLOR, DAVID (eds)

The United Kingdom Overseas Territories: Past, Present & Future

Occasional Paper of the OSPA Research Project at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London No 3

London: Institute of Commonwealth Studies 2005 iv + 146 p. ISBN 1-855-07136-3

Contents:

Introduction; David Killingray and David Taylor

British decolonisation and the smaller territories: the origins of the United Kingdom Overseas Territories (David Killingray)

The United Kingdom Overseas Territories relationship; an overview
(Roy P Osbourne)

Constitutional reform in some British Overseas Territories in the Caribbean: modernisation or colonial entrenchment? (Howard Fergus)

A Question of identity: how the people of Gibraltar became Gibraltarians
(Martin Blinkhorn)

The French Overseas Territories in change (Natalie Mrgudovic)

Partnerships and pragmatism: UK policies towards the Caribbean Overseas Territories in the new millennium (Helena Hintjens and Dorothea Hodge)

The Role of tourism development in the economic development of Anguilla
(Aidan Harrigan)

Economic necessity versus international legitimacy: the political economy of offshore financial regulation in the UK Overseas Territories of the Caribbean
(Peter Clegg)

Reviewed in *The Round Table* 95 (384) 2006 315-318 (Bill Kirkman)

KING, JACK

'So Life Be': a collection of memories of West Africa

Hawkhurst: Alec Travers, 2011, 195 pp. ISBN 978-0957080-20-1

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 63-64 (Ronald Bird)

NIGERIA

KINLOCH, BRUCE

The Shamba Raiders: Memoirs of a Game Warden

London: Collins and Harvill 1972 384 pp ISBN 0-0261751-X

Southampton: Ashford Press rev edn 1988 xxvi + 405 pp ISBN 1-85253-035-9

After war service with the Gurkhas in Burma, Kinloch began his career as a District Officer in Kenya but soon transferred to the Uganda Game Department. Fully involved in game and conservation developments throughout East Africa. Retired as Chief Game Warden, Tanganyika.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 55 1988 37 (M E)

KENYA

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

GAME DEPARTMENT

KIRK-GREENE, ANTHONY H M

Aspects of Empire: a new Corona Anthology

London and New York: I.B.Tauris, 2012, xii + 291 pp. ISBN 978-1848855-14-4

Focuses on colonial policy, the Colonial Office and decolonisation.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 41(3) 2013 524-26 (D.K. Fieldhouse)

Overseas Pensioner 2012 104 52-54 (Wm. Roger Louis)

Badge of Office: Sport and His Excellency in the British Empire

(In J A Mangan (ed), *The Cultural Bond: Sport, Empire, Society*, London 1992 178-200)

A Biographical Dictionary of the British Colonial Governor: I Africa

Brighton: Harvester Press 1980 320 pp ISBN 0-855-27383-6

"Biodata" of 200 or so governors in British Africa between c 1875 and 1968.

A 58 page Introduction gives *Rationale and Sources*, traces patterns and draws conclusions. A useful appendix gives a chronological list for each territory.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 91(363) 1992 304-305 (John D Hargreaves)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 10(2) 1982 248-249

GOVERNORS

A Biographical Dictionary of the British Colonial Service 1939-1966

London: Hans Zell 1991 403 pp ISBN 0-905-45096-5

A cumulative and composite reproduction of all the biographical entries that appeared in the *Colonial Office List* between 1939 and 1966 with a useful introduction.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 33(3) 1992 523-524 (David Killingray)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 21(1) 198-199 1993 (A J Stockwell)

Overseas Pensioner 62 1991 50-51 (C D S)

Britain's Imperial Administrators, 1858-1966

Basingstoke, Macmillan 2000 xv + 347 pp ISBN 0-333-73297-9

The first book to consider together the Indian Civil Service, the Sudan Political Service and the Colonial Service. Focuses on the District Officer: *who he was, how he was selected and trained and what became of him when he was over-taken in mid career by the transfer of power to the newly-independent countries.*

Reviewed in *Journal of Modern African studies* 40 (1) 2002 168-170 (John Mackenzie)

Overseas Pensioner 80 2000 50-51 (David Killingray)

Times Literary Supplement May 12 2000 30 (Bernard Porter)

Canada in Africa: Sir Percy Girouard, Neglected Colonial Governor
African Affairs 83 1984 207-239

Colonial Administration and Race Relations: Some Research Reflections and Directions
Ethnic and racial studies 9(3) 1965 275-287

“Court Adjourned”: A Colonial Service Literary Interlude
African Research and Documentation 100 2006 29-3.

Dame Imperial: The Writings and Travels of Margery Perham
Royal Commonwealth Society Library Notes 286 1988 1-8

Decolonization: The Ultimate Diaspora
Journal of Contemporary History 36(1) 2001 133-151

The “second careers” of members of the Indian Civil Service, the Sudan Political Service and the Colonial Service/Her Majesty’s Overseas Civil Service. Concludes, *At the end of the day, Britain’s overseas administrators clearly demonstrated two qualities in their second careers. First, they showed that innate versatility which has stood them in such good stead throughout their colonial career: professionally trained in nothing, they consistently revealed a huge capacity for turning their hand to anything, often ending up as first-class public administrators. The result was that, come enforced retirement, it was often by shrewdly accepting a modest initial salary and a status post lower than that from which they had just come, that their very versatility enabled them to rise high – sometimes to the top – in their second career.*

The District Officer in the African Colonial Novel
Part I *Overseas Pensioner* 100 2010 45-49
Part II *Overseas Pensioner* 101 2011 41-45

Entente Cordiale ou Enquête Coloniale?
Margery Perham hands down her suspended judgement.
Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth history 37 1 2009 pp 119-26

For better or for Verse?
Overseas Pensioner 72 1996 47-50 and 75 1998 33-38
Colonial Service poetry.

Forging a relationship with the Colonial Administrative Service 1921-1939
Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 19(3) 1991 62-82
(Also published in book: *Margery Perham and British Rule in Africa*, edited by Alison Smith and Mary Bull, London: Frank Cass, 1991, ISBN 0-714-63451-4)
Part of a special issue on Margery Perham who *must be cast in the role of godmother to the service in the last thirty years of colonial rule*. This article looks at her visit to British Somaliland in 1921, her thinking about colonial administration and her lecturing of cadets and Colonial Service Summer Schools.

Glimpses of Empire: a Corona Anthology
London: I B Tauris 2001 xxvii + 302 pp ISBN 1-86064-3981
Corona was the Journal of His Majesty’s Colonial Service (later HM Overseas Civil Service) published monthly from 1948 to 1962 (see Item 165). This anthology contains sections on ‘The Colonial Service at large’, ‘The Administrative Officer’, The Professional Branches, ‘Special Duties’ and ‘From the woman’s viewpoint’.
Reviewed in *African Affairs* 101 403 271-274 (Ashley Jackson)
African Research & Documentation 87 2001 106-107 (Terry Barringer)
Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies, 65 (1) 2002 255-256 (M.E.Yapp)
International Journal of African Historical Studies 34(3) 2001 (Walter H Sangree)
Overseas Pensioner 82 2001 51 (John Smith)

Imperial Administration and the Athletic Imperative: The Case of the District Officer in Africa

(In W J Baker and J D Mangan (eds) *Sport in Africa: Essays in Social History* 1987, pp. 81–113)

The Location of Colonial Staff and Civil Lists in British Libraries: A Preliminary Checklist
African Research and Documentation 73 1997 8-29

Includes useful introduction to contents and research value of these Lists.

Margery Who? A Biography Waiting to Happen

African Research and Documentation 107 2008 47-51

A plea for a scholarly biography of Margery Perham and an outline of the sources available to the biographer.

More Memoirs as a Source for a Service History

Journal of Administration Overseas 15(4) 1976 235-240

Review article covering seven titles.

The Name of the Game: A Survey of the Literature on Decolonization in Africa, 1957-1967

Royal Commonwealth Society Library Notes 298 1990 pp 1-6

'Not quite a Gentleman': The Desk Diaries of the Assistant Private Secretary (Appointments) to the Secretary (Appointments) to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, 1899-1915

English Historical Review 117 (472), 2002 622-633

On Crown Service

London: I B Tauris 1999 xxviii 276 pp ISBN 1-86064-260-8

An institutional history of the Colonial Service, its antecedents and successors covering the years 1837 to 1997. Includes the “first ever attempt at some sort of Colonial Service bibliography” with more than 1,000 titles and a selection of Colonial Service documents.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 98 (393) 1999 586-587 (Nile Gardiner)

African Research and Documentation 80 1999 60-62 (Terry Barringer)

Cambridge 44 1999 82-8 (Bill Kirkman)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 27(3) 1999 193-195 (Richard Symonds)

Overseas Pensioner 77 1999,29-31 (A J Stockwell)

The Round Table 356 2000 501-502 (Sarah Stockwell)

Ours to Reason Why

Cambridge 30 1992 75-80

OSPA's Golden Jubilee: A Retrospect

Overseas Pensioner 99 2010 22-24

The Progress of Proconsuls

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 7 (2) 1979 181-212

Reviewed in *Canadian Journal of African Studies* 14(2) 1980 340-351 (Christopher Youé)

Public Administration and African Studies

(In Christopher Fyfe (ed) *African Studies since 1945: a tribute to Basil Davidson*)

Harlow: Longman, 1976, pp. 125-135

Argues that Africanisation inspired the legitimisation of public administration as an academic discipline. Considers the training (or lack of it) accorded to members of the Colonial Administrative Service compared to courses for administrators of newly independent nations.

Public Administration and the Colonial Administrator

Public Administration and Development, 19 1999 507-514

Looks at how colonial administrators were selected and trained. Examines the impact of the Journal of African Administration, the role and staffing of Africa's new Institutes of Administration and second careers in UK public administration.

Reflections on a Putative History of the Colonial Administrative Service

Journal of Administration Overseas 14(3) 1975 39-44

Sanders of the River

New Society 42 (788) 1977 308-309

Scholastic Attainment and Scholarly Achievement in Britain's Imperial Civil Services

Oxford review of education 7(1) 1981 11-22

A Short History of the Corona Club, 1900-1990

London: Corona Club 1990 39 pp

The Corona Club was for all past and present members of the Colonial Service and Colonial Office. Its most important activity was an annual dinner addressed by the Secretary of State, which continued until 1974. This outline history also contains information on the Women's Corona Society, the journal *Corona* and the Corona Library series of books.

394. ***Symbol of Authority: The British District Officer in Africa***

London and New York: I B Tauris 2006 xxi + 333 pp ISBN 1-85043-452-2

A socio-historical study of members of the Colonial Administrative Service whose careers were as District Officers in Africa between 1932 and 1966. Draws heavily on published and unpublished memoirs. Considers influences drawing men to a Colonial Service career, selection and training. Gives a clear picture of the nature of work in station, on tour and in the Secretariat, leisure activities and social life. There is a chapter on the experience of officers' wives and finally material on how the District Officer reacted and adapted to decolonisation and a consideration of the image and memory of the DO.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 107 429 651-52 (Uma Kothari)

African Research and Documentation 100 41-44 2006 (Terry Barringer)

Cambridge 58 2006 35 (Richard Barlow-Poole)

Overseas Pensioner 91 2006 39-41 (T H R Cashmore)

The Thin White Line: The Size of the British Colonial Service in Africa

African Affairs 79 (314) 1980 25-44

Towards a History of the Colonial Service

African Affairs 73 1974 105-108

Review article covering five titles.

Towards a Retrospective Record: Part I – What Became of Us?

Overseas Pensioner 84 2002 30-34

Second career patterns.

Towards a Retrospective Record: Part II: on Reflection and in Retrospect: The Colonial Service Mind

Overseas Pensioner 85 2003 15-21

Analysis of response to seven questions to OSPA members: Why did you join the Colonial Service/HMOCS? What did you think you were meant to be doing? What do you think we failed to do? What do you think 'they' thought of 'us' and our work? How do you see and remember your CS/HMOCS career experience? If you had a second career, how did the two compare?

"Was (s)he really? I never realised that!"

Overseas Pensioner 94 2007 30-32

Prominent personalities with an "unexpected Colonial Service link, by marriage or relationship or maybe through a bit of a 'first career'".

KIRK-GREENE, ANTHONY (ed)

The Transfer of Power: The Colonial Administrator in the Age of Decolonization

Oxford: Inter-Faculty Committee on African Studies 1979 194 pp

Proceedings of a Conference held at St Antony's College, Oxford, 15-16 March. 1978. This conference brought together about eighty participants, many of them former colonial officers but with a sprinkling of academics. The papers are grouped under the following headings: The Governor as the Man in the Middle, The Chief Secretary as the Man in the Middle, The Resident and Permanent Secretary as the Man in the Middle and Africanisation of the Administrative Service. Discussion is fully recorded.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 10(2) 1982 242-243

(W P Kirkman)

Journal of Administration Overseas 19(4) 1980 282-283 1980 (W J M Mackenzie)

Overseas Pensioner 39 1980 6-7 (H M S)

KISCH, MARTIN S

Letters and Sketches from Northern Nigeria

London: Chatto & Windus 1910 xii + 232 pp

Aldershot: Gregg Revivals 1993 xii + 174 pp

Kisch, with a military and legal background, was appointed Assistant Resident in Northern Nigeria in 1908. This volume, based on his letters, gives a continuous record from the day he left England until a few days before his death from diphtheria in Sokoto in February 1909. It includes sketches and photographs.

NIGERIA

KITCHING, TOM

Life and Death in Changi: The Diary of Tom Kitching

Perth: Brian Kitching 1998 v + 280 pp ISBN 1-872-891-350

Life and death in Changi: the war and internment diary of Thomas Kitching (1942-1944)

edited by Goh Eck Kheng

Singapore: Landmark 2002 336pp

Tom Kitching, who died in Changi in 1944, was Chief Surveyor of Singapore.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 87(1) 2000 97-98 (J E Hoare)

SINGAPORE

KNIGHT, NORMAN

Memories of a District Officer in Northern Rhodesia and of the War Years

Durban: Privately printed 2007 81pp

NORTHERN RHODESIA

KNOWLES, OLIVER

Back Seat Driver

Brighton: Pen Press Publishers 2008 255 pp ISBN 978-1-906710-08-8

Foreword by John Lonsdale.

Oliver Knowles, with his wife, Elizabeth Watkins (see Items 661-664) went to Kenya in 1949. He made his mark as an economist and researcher and was posted to the Treasury in 1955. He stayed on in independent Kenya until 1969, becoming Deputy Secretary in the Ministry of Finance and for a while acting as Permanent Secretary.

Reviewed *Overseas Pensioner* 96 2008 55-56 (J C Edwards)

KENYA

KNOX, COLLIE

It might Have Been You

London: Chapman and Hall 1938 427 pp

At the age of 21, Knox served as ADC to Sir George Lloyd, then Governor of Bombay. On a voyage home, he met Geoffrey Archer (see above), then Governor of Somaliland. When Archer was appointed Governor of Uganda, he invited Knox to join his staff and Knox was with Archer for the whole of his terms of office in Uganda and Sudan. He subsequently made a career as an author and journalist.

UGANDA
SUDAN
GOVERNORS

KNOX-MAWER, JUNE

The Sultans Came to Tea

London: John Murray, 1961, 218 pp.

June Knox-Mawer was 21 and a bride of six months when she accompanied her husband to his posting as Chief Magistrate, Aden.

ADEN
WIVES

Tales from Paradise: Memories of the British in the South Pacific

London: Ariel Books & BBC Productions 1986 136 pp ISBN 0-563-20460-5

Based on a six part Radio 4 series on the Charles Allen model.

PACIFIC

KNOX-MAWER, RONALD

Are you Coming or Going: My Sixty Years on the Run

Corwen, Denbighshire: Holiday Books 1999 ISBN 0-9535481-0-4

Humorous and fictionalised autobiographical episodes.

PACIFIC
LEGAL

A Case of Bananas and other South Sea Trials

London: Michael O' Mara, 1992, 186 pp. ISBN 1-85479-165-6

Bears the note, *As a British judge in the South Pacific Ronnie Knox-Mawer's circuit stretched North of Capricorn for three thousand miles... Naturally in this wide and colourful judicial parish, the author's more bizarre adventures have required a little prudent disguise for both characters and place names.*

PACIFIC
LEGAL

Tales from a Palm Court

First published under the name of Robert Overton

London: Hamish Hamilton 1979 153pp ISBN 0-241-0110-7

London: Souvenir Press 1986 190 pp ISBN 0-285-62773-2

The first volume of Knox Mawer's judicial tales. Bears the author's note, *Courts of law have one thing in common. For 99% of people, 99% of the time, they are melancholy places. From the remaining fraction I have collected a few impressions, entertaining ones, I hope. I have thrown them into a hat, altered every name and written this book.*

ADEN
PACIFIC
LEGAL

KOTHARI, UMA

From Colonialism to Development: Reflections of Former Colonial Officers

Commonwealth & Comparative Politics 44(1) 2006 118-136

Uma Kothari is a historical geographer with a particular interest in the history of development. In this article she draws on personal narratives of individuals involved

first in colonial administration and subsequently in the field of development as expatriate consultants.

Spatial Practices and Imaginaries: Experiences of Colonial Officers and Development Professionals

Singapore Journal of Tropical Geography 27(3) 2006 235-253

KUKLICK, HENRIKA

The Imperial Bureaucrat: The Colonial Administrative Service in the Gold Coast, 1920-1939

Stanford: Hoover Institution Press 1979 xvii + 405 pp

An ethnography of the Colonial Service with emphasis on the junior officer and his experiences on the frontline of the colonial encounter. Surveys recruitment and career patterns, the ideology and practice of colonial rule and the colonial legacy.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 40 1980 39-40 (P L K)

GOLD COAST

LAM, JERMAN T M

From a Colonial to an Accountable Administration: Hong Kong's Experience

Asian Affairs 26(3) 1995 305-313.

HONG KONG

LANGA LANGA [i.e. Henry Baldwin Herman-Hodge]

Up Against it in Nigeria

London: G. Allen & Unwin 1922 244 pp.

Deals with Northern Nigeria 1908-18.

NIGERIA

LAPPING, BRIAN

End of Empire

London: Granada 1985 560 pp ISBN 1-85043-881-1

Based on television series. Chapters on India, Palestine, Malaya, Iran, Egypt, Aden, Cyprus, Gold Coast, Kenya, Rhodesia.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 15(1) 1986 93-96

LARYMORE, CONSTANCE

A Resident's Wife in Nigeria

London: Routledge and New York: E P Dutton 1908 xiii + 306 pp

London: Routledge and New York: E P Dutton 2nd rev edn 1911 295 pp

Constance Larymore accompanied her husband to Nigeria in 1902. She describes her book, which is generously illustrated with photographs, as *merely a record gathered up from journals and notes of our everyday life and journeys*. It also contains advice for those coming out on Home, Garden, Stable, Camp Life, What to wear. *At least six pairs of corsets are necessary, the coolest kind obtainable certainly, but I can assure you that to leave off wearing them at any time for the sake of coolness is a huge mistake; there is nothing so fatiguing as to lose one's ordinary support even with a view to being 'comfy'. Always wear corsets, even for a tête a tête home dinner on the warmest evenings; there is something about their absence almost as demoralizing as hair in curling pins.*

NIGERIA

WIVES

LATHAM, GWYNETH and LATHAM, MICHAEL

Kilimanjaro Tales: The Saga of a Medical Family in Africa

London: Radcliffe Press 1995 ix + 220 pp ISBN 1-85043-881-1
Based on Gwyneth Latham's writings and reminiscences about her life in Tanganyika in the 1920s and 1930s. Her husband was a member of the Tanganyika Medical Service. Their son, Michael, adds chapters on his own experience as a Medical Officer, also in Tanganyika in the 1950s.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 70 1995 64 (P C Duff)

TANGANYIKA
MEDICAL
WIVES

LATTIMER, PAMELA
A Family of Ginger Griffins

London: Regency Press 1986 112 pp ISBN 0-7212-0787-1

Pamela Lattimer married in 1938 and accompanied her husband to Fiji. He had previously served in Nigeria. Later postings were to Malaya and Kenya. Mostly taken up with accounts of travel and family life.

FIJI
KENYA
MALAYA
WIVES

LAURENCE, MARGARET

The Prophet's Camel Bell

London: Macmillan 1963 237 pp

Canadian, Margaret Laurence, went on to become a prize-winning novelist. This book is based on her time in the Somaliland Protectorate with her husband Jack, a civil engineer, building dams for the Department of Public Works. A chapter on "The Imperialists" has vivid pen portraits of a District Officer, Agricultural, Veterinary and Geological officers.

SOMALILAND
WIVES

LAWLEY, JONATHAN

Achievements of the British Colonial Service: a retrospective view

The Round Table 104(3) 2015 pp.267-280

ZAMBIA

Beyond the Malachite Hills

London: I B Tauris 2010 304 pp ISBN 978-1-84885-049-1

South African born, Lawley served as a District Officer in Northern Rhodesia and then as a consultant in many countries of Africa.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 112 2010 63-65 (John Pinfold)

Overseas Pensioner 98 2009 56-57 (Richard Luce)

Reviewed in *The Spectator* 11 May 2012 (Matthew Paris)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

LAWRENCE, BENJAMIN N, OSBORN, EMILY LYNN and ROBERTS, RICHARD L
Intermediaries, interpreters and Clerks: African Employees in the Making of Colonial Africa

Madison: University of Wisconsin Press 2006 312 pp ISBN 0-299-21950

Reviewed in *Africa* 78 3 2008 462-3 (Paul Swanepoel)

Africa Today 54 4 2008 106-108 (Jeremy Rich)

Overseas Pensioner 94 2007 58-59 (T H R Cashmore)

AFRICA

LE BRETON, DAVID (ed)

I remember it Well: Fifty Years of Colonial Service Personal Reminiscences

Milton Brodie, Kinloss: Librario Publishing Ltd. 2010 343 pp ISBN 978-190677-518-6

Foreword by Anthony Kirk-Greene

A compilation of 74 short pieces of reminiscence which previously appeared in *the Overseas Pensioner*.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 99 2010 42-44 (Peter J Marshall)

LEE, J M

Colonial Development and Good Government: A Study of the Ideas Expressed by the British Official Classes in Planning Decolonization 1939-1964

Oxford: Clarendon Press 1967 viii + 311 pp

This book attempts to provide an alternative to those accounts of the transfer of power which fail to relate British colonial policy either to events in Britain or to changes in the international order.

LEE, ROBERT P

Destination Five: Memories of an Irish Veterinarian

Killala: Morrigan 2003 261 pp ISBN 0-907677-79-7

An account of Lee's first post in Tanganyika in the 1940s. In 1947 he was appointed lecturer in veterinary parasitology at the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine and went on to a varied and distinguished career in Tanganyika, Nigeria and Northern Rhodesia and as Dean of Veterinary Medicine at Trinity College, Dublin.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 95 2004 71-74 (Robert Mares)

Overseas Pensioner 88 2004 53-54 (Robert Mares)

TANGANYIKA

VETERINARY

LEEDS, ALLEN

Long Ago and Far Away: Gold Coast Days 1939-1958

Upton-on-Severn: Square One Publications 1998 198 pp ISBN 1-899955-29-1

Leeds joined the Gold Coast Agriculture Department in 1939 and, after war service with the Gold Coast Regiment in East Africa, returned. He became Assistant Director of Agriculture with particular responsibilities for cocoa agronomy and disease control.

Reviewed in *Nigerian Field* 66(1) 2001 81-82

Overseas Pensioner 76 1998 49-50 (Rodney Bennett)

GOLD COAST

AGRICULTURAL

LEGGAT, GEORGE

edited by Arnold Beaton, James Lang Brown and Henry Osmaston

Your Obedient Servant: Tales of a Uganda Forester

Ulverston: Henry Osmaston 2004 112 pp ISBN 0-9518039-5-6

Leggat served in the Uganda Forest Department 1946-1962. His second working life and retirement were spent in New Zealand. He died in 2000 and his unpublished memoir was lovingly edited by three younger colleagues from the Department.

Illustrated with map and colour photographs.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 89 2005 56-57 (Tommy Gee)

UGANDA

FORESTRY

LEITH-ROSS, SYLVIA

(edited by Michael Crowder)

Stepping Stones: Memoirs of Colonial Nigeria, 1907-1960

London: Peter Owen 1983 189 pp ISBN 0-70-60600-4

Sylvia Leith-Ross arrived in 1907 to join her husband who had recently been appointed Transport Officer in the Northern Nigeria Protectorate, only the third British wife allowed there. Her husband died a year later but she continued an intermittent association with Nigeria, last visiting in 1969. *Stepping Stones* was edited after her death in 1980 by Michael Crowder and records her involvement in various capacities: first Lady Superintendent of Education in the 1920s, Intelligence Officer during World War II and collector of pottery for the Nigerian Museum in Jos.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 82(329) 1983 580-582 (Robert Pearce)

Overseas Pensioner 47 1984 29 (D L)

NIGERIA

WIVES

LEWIS, MARTIN

In the Shadow of Empire: My Life in the Colonies

2017

Available from <http://www.fromthecorner.co.nz/products/in-the-shadow-of-empire>

Army Officer joined HMOCS and served from 1958 to 1994.

ADEN

CYPRUS

HONG KONG

MALAYA

SARAWAK

SINGAPORE

SOLOMON ISLANDS

LEWIS, R H

An Attempt

Lagos: West African Book Publishers 2002 320 pp ISBN 978-153-099-5

Lewis, a musical Maths teacher came to Nigeria as a Government Education Officer in 1956. He taught at Keffi Government College and at Government Secondary School, Kuru near Jos, where he lived until his death in 2006.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 88 2004 55-56 (Richard Barlow-Poole)

NIGERIA

EDUCATION

LEWIS, ROY and FOY, YVONNE

The British in Africa

London: Weidenfeld and Nicolson 1971 xviii + 238 pp ISBN 0-297-00347-X

A popular overview. A chapter on *Men of the Establishment* covers, *inter alia*, the Colonial Service.

AFRICA

LEWIS, T P M

Changi: The Lost Years: A Malayan Diary 1941-45

Kuala Lumpur: The Malaysia Historical Society 1984 xi + 315 pp

2nd edn Kuala Lumpur: The Malaysian Historical Society 1989 xi + 315 pp

Lewis began his teaching career in Malaya in 1926. He was interned in Changi and Sime Road 1942-45. After the war, he held a series of education administrative posts and retired in 1955 as Chief Inspector of Schools, Singapore. The diary runs from 13/3/42 daily to 15/9/45. It is extensively footnoted and framed by a historical introduction on Anglo-Japanese relations 1600-1941, a list of persons mentioned, maps, appendices and an index.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 50 1985 47 (Lord Gridley)

MALAYA

LEWIS-BARNED, JOHN

A Fanfare of Trumpets

Witney: The Author 1993 ix + 120 pp ISBN 0-9520248-0-2

A nicely produced book, well-illustrated with family photographs, sketches and newspaper cuttings. Lewis-Barned went to Tanganyika in 1951 and left at independence in 1963.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 66 1993 54-55 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

TANGANYIKA

LEYS, NORMAN

The Colour Bar in Kenya

London: Hogarth Press 1941 160 pp

KENYA

Kenya

London: Hogarth Press 1924 409 pp

London: Hogarth Press 2nd edn 1925 409 pp

London: Hogarth Press 3rd edn 1926 409 pp

London: Frank Cass 4th edn 1973 x + 425 pp

With new introduction by George Shepperson

A doctor, Leys went first to Portuguese East Africa. From 1904-1918 he worked for the Colonial Medical Service in Kenya and Nyasaland and fell foul of the Administration because of his stance over Masai land disputes. His health did not permit him to remain in Africa and he retired to a small country practice in Derbyshire, writing and campaigning on Kenyan issues. George Shepperson describes him as *a hard-headed medical man whom sixteen years of colonial service in Kenya, Nyasaland and Portuguese East Africa had convinced of the harsh realities of the indigenous African situation.*

KENYA

NYASALAND

Land Law and Policy in Tropical Africa

London: League of Nations 1922 15 pp

A Last Chance in Kenya

London: Hogarth Press 1931 170 pp

LLOYD, F E

Rhodesian Patrol

Foreword by Roy Welensky

Ilfracombe: Arthur Stockwell 1965 267 pp

Lloyd joined the Mounted Section of the British South Africa Police in 1931 and served to the mid 50s.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE

LIKHOVSKI, ASSAF

Law and Identity in Mandate Palestine: A New Paradigm of Law, Colonialism and Nationalism

Chapel Hill NC: University of North Carolina Press 2006 xi +312 pp ISBN 0-807-83017-8

PALESTINE

LOCH, J

My First Alphabet

Marlborough: The Author 1994 180 pp

Loch served in the Malayan Civil Service 1948-1957. He describes his book as *happy recollections and literary recreation...in an alphabetical and inconsequential form because I have no skill for chronological narrative*. Chapters with headings such as *Convictions, Cousins and Colonial Service, Hell, holidays, hotels and hospitals, Kampongs and Kuala Lumpur*.

MALAYA

LONGFORD, MICHAEL

The Flags Changed at Midnight

Leominster: Gracewing 2001 xii + 459 pp ISBN 0 85244 551 2

Longford served in Tanganyika 1951-1962, mainly in District postings but with a year as Private Secretary to the Governor, Sir Edward Twining.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 103 (412) 2004 471-491 (Ashley Jackson)

African Research & Documentation 89 2002 84-90 (Terry Barringer)

Cambridge 50 2002 40-42 (Humphrey Taylor)

International Journal of African Historical Studies 35(2) 2002 539-541 (Robert Nunson)

Overseas Pensioner 83 2002 64 (Walter W. Bowring)

Tanzanian Affairs 71 2002 45-46 (Randal Sadleir)

TANGANYIKA

The Path that Led to Africa

Leominster: Gracewing 2003 ix + 151 pp ISBN 0-852-44574-1

Longford's early life, schooldays, Cambridge and National Service. He reveals the influence of Graham Greene's *Heart of the Matter* on his choice of career. *The book was not calculated to attract sane-minded recruits into the Colonial Service, but that is exactly the effect it had on me. As I turned each page, I became more and more convinced that Africa was where I wanted to work*. The final chapter is entitled "Preparing for Africa" and includes an account of Colonial Service interview and training at Cambridge. It ends with Longford's departure for Tanganyika.

TANGANYIKA

LOVATT SMITH, DAVID

Kenya, the Kikuyu and Mau Mau

Herstmonceux: Mawenzi Books 2005 359 pp ISBN 0-954-47132-6

Lovatt Smith went to Kenya in 1950 to work as a farm manager but soon joined the Royal National Parks as a warden. He served in the Kenya Regiment during the Mau Mau Emergency. This book, well illustrated with plenty of maps and photographs, is a history of Kenya from the earliest records up to the end of colonial rule. It draws heavily on eye witness accounts, personal experience and *nearly 200 letters and communications from all over the world while writing this book, mostly from those who took part in or lived in the areas affected by the Emergency*.

Reviewed in *African Studies Review* 48(3) 2005 147-154 (Pascal James Imperato) ("Differing perspectives on Mau Mau": review covering Elkins, Anderson and Lovatt Smith, summarised in *Overseas Pensioner* 91 2006 46-47)

Journal of African History 47 (1) 2006 165-166 (Derek R Peterson)

Overseas Pensioner 90 2005 48-50 (T H R Cashmore)

KENYA

LOWE-MCCONELL, R O

The Tilapia Trail: The Life Story of a Fish Biologist

Ascot: MPM Publishing 2006 296 pp ISBN 0-9545596-4-9

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 93 2007 49-50 (P B N Jackson)

FISHERIES

LUCE, MARGARET

From Aden to the Gulf: Personal Diaries, 1956-1966

Salisbury: Michael Russell 1987 199 pp ISBN 0-85955-138-5
Sir William Luce (formerly of the Sudan Political Service) was Governor of Aden 1956-1960, Political Resident in the Gulf 1961-1966 and the Foreign Secretary's Special Representative for Gulf Affairs 1970-1971.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 54 1987 65 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)
ADEN
GOVERNORS
WIVES

LUCE, RICHARD

Ringing the Changes: A Memoir

Norwich: Michael Russell 2007 192 pp ISBN 978-0-85955-312-4
The son of Sir William and Margaret Luce (see Item 443), Richard was one of the last District Officers appointed to Kenya. A successful business and political career followed as Margaret Thatcher's Minister for Africa, Governor of Gibraltar 1997-2000, Lord Chamberlain 2000-2006.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 95 2008 40-44 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)
GIBRALTAR
KENYA
GOVERNORS

LUGARD, Lord

The Diaries

edited by Margery Perham and Mary Bull
Faber and Faber 1959/1963 4 vols
Vol 1 1889-90 (East Africa) 1959
Vol 2 1890-91 (East Africa) 1959
Vol 3 1892 (East Africa) 1959)
Vol 4 1894-95 and 1898 (Nigeria) 1963

LUKE, Sir HARRY

Cities and Men: An Autobiography

1. *The First Thirty Years, 1884-1914*
2. *Aegean, Cyprus, Turkey, Transcaucasia & Palestine, 1914-1924*
3. *Work and Travel in all Continents, 1924-1954.*

London: Godfrey Bles 1953-56 3 vols
Sir Harry Luke (1884-1969) had a distinguished career and was a prolific author. He served as Colonial Secretary in Sierra Leone, Assistant Governor-General of Jerusalem, Chief Secretary to the Government of Palestine, Governor of Malta and Governor of Fiji and High Commissioner of the British Western Pacific Territories.

FIJI
MALTA
PACIFIC
PALESTINE
SIERRA LEONE
GOVERNORS

LUMHOLTZ, LUDVIG L

A Slice of Life

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1992 209 pp ISBN 1-87295-51-X
Norwegian born Lumholtz served 22 years in the British South Africa Police, mostly in the CID. On retirement he accepted a post with a Rhodesian marketing organisation but left, unable to come to terms with the UDI regime.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 65 1993 48 (J G Storry)
SOUTHERN RHODESIA
POLICE

LUMLEY, E K

Forgotten Mandate: A British District Officer in Tanganyika

London: Christopher Hurst 1976 178 pp ISBN 0-903-983-346

Based on contemporary diaries with the intention of describing *the methods of administration formerly employed by the British in dealing with African tribes as seen at close range by a junior member of the Colonial Administrative Service between 1923 and 1946.*

Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 16(1) 1977 66-67 (P H J)

TANGANYIKA

LYNN, MARTIN (ed)

The British Empire in the 1950s: Retreat or Revival?

Basingstoke and New York: Palgrave Macmillan 2006 xvii +242 pp

ISBN 13-978-1-4039-3226-6 and 10-1-4039-3226-3

A fascinating collection of papers originally presented at the Wiles Colloquium held at Queen's University, Belfast, September 2004. Useful background reading for many of the memoirs listed in this volume. See especially the chapters: "Keeping Change Within Bounds: A Whitehall Reassessment", by S R Ashton; "Things Fall Apart: The Erosion of Local Government, Local Justice and Civil Rights in Ghana, 1955-60", by Richard Rathbone and "'We Cannot let the North Down': British Policy and Nigeria in the 1950s".

Reviewed in *The Round Table* 388 2007 77-797 (John Mackenzie)

LYNN, CHARLES, MARJORIE and SYLVIA

The Long Garden Master in the Gold Coast

Sandy: Authors Online, 2012, vii + 450 pp. ISBN 978-0-7552-0710-7

Charles Lynn served as an Agricultural Officer in the Northern Territories of the Gold Coast 1930-47. He was a close friend of the anthropologist Meyers Fortes. Later he was a lecturer at the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture, Trinidad, Director of Agriculture, Northern Rhodesia and Director of Agriculture Food and Fisheries Bahamas. This book compiled by his daughter Sylvia draws on his letters, Fortes' diaries and other related material.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 107 2014 56-57 (Hugh Brammer)

GOLD COAST

AGRICULTURE

LYNN-MEADEN, SYLVIA

The Long Garden Master: Charles Lynn, Agricultural Officer in the Gold Coast

African Research and Documentation 113 2010 11-18

GOLD COAST

AGRICULTURE

LYTTON, Earl of

The Desert and the Green

London: MacDonald 1957 xiv + 350 pp

Although not a Colonial Service memoir, this volume contains much of relevance.

Lytton was a professional soldier and a large part of the book is taken up with his service in the King's African Rifles in Kenya 1922-1926.

KENYA

MACLEAN, JOY

The Guardians

Bulawayo: Books of Rhodesia 1974 283 pp

A history of the Southern Rhodesian Native Department, its serving members and their wives.
SOUTHERN RHODESIA

MCCRACKEN, JOHN

Coercion and Control in Nyasaland: Aspects of the History of a Colonial Police Force

Journal of African History 27(1) 1986 127-147

NYASALAND

POLICE

MACDONALD, ANDREW S

Love is a Grapefruit: The Life and Times of Olive Alexandrina MacDonald née McAndrew: An Exercise in Social Commentary by Her Other Half

Wokingham: O A & A S Macdonald 1997 182 pp ISBN 0-953-1965-0-X

Andrew MacDonald was an Agricultural Officer in Sierra Leone and Uganda, an academic in Uganda and Mauritius and finally a freelance Tropical Agriculture consultant. This memoir of his wife includes extensive coverage of their life together in Africa including the experience of raising a daughter with cystic fibrosis.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 75 1998 47 (Patricia Stuart)

SIERRA LEONE

UGANDA

AGRICULTURE

WIVES

More a way of life than a livelihood an autobiography

Wokingham: The Author, 2011, 328 pp. ISBN 9780953196517

Macdonald's career as an Agricultural Officer began in Sierra Leone. After independence he had a long career as a consultant in Africa and, to a lesser extent, Asia.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 61-62 (Andrew Seager)

MAURITIUS

SIERRA LEONE

UGANDA

AGRICULTURE

MACGREGOR, J D

Colonial Window: A View from the Past

Weardale: The Memoir Club 2006 429 pp ISBN 1-84104-147-5

James Macgregor began his Colonial Medical Service career in Sierra Leone. Still under 30, he was promoted to Senior Medical Officer in the Solomon Islands where he had a distinguished career and served on the Legislative Council.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 93 2007 53-54 (Tom Russell)

MACIEL, M

Bwana Karani

Braunton: Merlin Books 1985 262 pp ISBN 0-863-03261-3

Maciel was a Nairobi-born Goan who entered government service as a clerk in 1947. Much of his career was spent in the Northern Frontier District and he only left this area because of the ill-health of his son. He was transferred to the Agricultural Ministry and served under it at Machakos and Njoro. He left Kenya when his post was Africanised in 1966.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 87 (346) 1988 145 (Book Note)

KENYA

From Mtoto to Mzee

Sutton: The Author 2014 161 pp

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 108 2014 53-56 (Peter Fullerton)

Memoirs of a Frontier Man: the Goan Contribution to the Kenya Administration
Kenya Past and Present 36 2006 24-27

MACINTOSH, DONALD

Travels in the White Man's Grave

Glasgow: Neil Wilson 1998 192 pp ISBN 1-897784-83

London: Abacus 2000 x + 245 pp ISBN 0-349-11320-3

MacIntosh was a Scottish forester posted to Nigeria in 1954. A beautifully written description of West Africa. The second edition has a foreword by Richard Ingram who published some of MacIntosh's writings about Africa in *The Oldie*.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 77 1999 27-28 (Keith Arrowsmith)

NIGERIA

FORESTRY

MCCLINTOCK, N C

Kingdoms in the Sand and Sun: An African Path to Independence

London: Radcliffe Press 1992 vii + 200 pp ISBN 1-870-91513-5

Served in Northern Nigeria from 1946 to independence.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 36(1) 1995 156-157 (Ann O' Hear)

NIGERIA

MACKAY, DEREK

Eastern Customs: The Customs Service in British Malaya and the Opium Trade

London and New York: Radcliffe Press 2005 xviii + 298 pp ISBN 1-85043-844-7

Mackay, a former member of the Customs Service, gives a well-documented history of the Service from its inception in 1910 and a vivid picture of the lives and work of its officials.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 90 2005 56-57 (Simon Hutchinson)

MALAYA

CUSTOMS

MACKINSON, IAN

Footprints in the Dust

Nursling: Ian Mackinson 2003 344 pp (no ISBN)

Ian Mackinson joined the Colonial Service in 1951 and spent thirteen years in "bush" posts in Northern Rhodesia. He stayed on to become Principal of National Institute of Public Administration and regarded his years there 1966-1971 as the *most rewarding years personally of my time in Africa*. From there he went to independent Swaziland as Director of Government Management Services. He went on to work in the Seychelles, for the British Council and as an independent consultant in many and varied countries. This book, written for his family, is illustrated with the author's photographs and line drawings.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 94 2004 56-57 (Terry Barringer)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

SEYCHELLES

SWAZILAND

MCLAREN, JACK

Gentlemen of the Empire: The Colourful and Remarkable Experiences of District Commissioners, Patrol Officers and Other Officials in Some of the British Empire's Tropical Outposts

London and Melbourne: Hutchinson & Co 1940 256 pp

Sensational chapter headings (*Among the Headhunters, White Man's Grave, City of Blood*) and extracts from the first few pages capture the flavour of this book: *Recognized the world over are the tremendous achievements of the British Colonial Service, that fine flower of the genius of colonization which has made the British Empire the greatest ever known. In all quarters of the globe, facing and overcoming every imaginable difficulty and danger, it has carried the light of western civilization, shouldered the white man's burden, solved racial and other problems of government and organization to a degree unheard of under the flag of any other nation...The individual achievements and remarkable experiences of...the District Commissioners, Patrol Officers and other officials on remote pinpoints of the great Empire, the men who in steamy jungle and sun-blistered plain maintain and carry forward the civilization of which they are splendid heirs and representatives. Their surroundings are often the surroundings of murder, savagery, attack. Strange and terrible death has been the lot of many. Extreme isolation they know; the nearest other white may be a hundred miles away.*

Chapters are set in the Solomons, Papua, Nigeria, Gold Coast, Burma, Andaman Islands, Sudan and Pondoland. There are no footnotes or bibliography and it is not clear how much is fictionalised and how much is based on real incidents.

MACLURE, H R

Land-Travel and Sea-Faring: A Frivolous Record of Twenty Years' Wanderings

London: Hutchinson 19245 xv + 286 pp

Maclure saw service in the Far East as a Midshipmen but left the Navy and was appointed to the Administrative Branch in 1905, *the very last appointment of the Foreign Office...It appears that a dear old lady friend of my family literally dogged Lord Lansdowne's footsteps until in desperation he promised to do something for her protégée.* In 1921 he was offered the post of Resident Commissioner of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands. *Such was my lamentable ignorance that I did not know where these islands were situated.* His foreword records his thanks to Arthur Grimble.

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

MACMILLAN, WILLIAM MILLER

Africa Emergent: A Survey of Social, Political and Economic Trends in British Africa

London: Faber and Faber 1938 414 pp

Harmondsworth: Penguin, revised and expanded edition with new appendix 1949 352 pp

Chapter IX deals with "The Rulers of British Africa – Colonial Office and Colonial Service".

MACOUN, M J

Wrong Place, Right Time: Policing the End of Empire

London: Radcliffe Press 1996 xxiii + 183 pp ISBN 1-86064-019-2

Short account of Macoun's career in Tanganyika 1939-1959 as Commissioner of Police, Uganda and worldwide short assignments and consultancies after "retirement". Framed by a useful introduction on "The Evolution of the Police Services" in Commonwealth Africa and seven appendices covering such topics as "Prewar Nazi penetration of East Africa and its potential threat 1939-1940" and "Anguilla: decolonization fiasco".

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 73 1997 50 (Alastair Macpherson)

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

POLICE

MACQUARRIE, H

Vouza and the Solomon Islands

London: Victor Gollancz 1945 142 pp

After serving as ADC to the Governor of Fiji, Macquarrie was a District Officer in the Solomon Islands. Particularly concerned with court cases.
SOLOMON ISLANDS

MADDOCKS, Sir KENNETH

Of No Fixed Abode: An Account of Colonial Service in Nigeria and Fiji and of Subsequent Work in London and East Africa

Aldeburgh: The Author 1988 170 pp ISBN 0-951-38950-5

Maddocks began his career as a Cadet in Kano in 1929, rising through the ranks to

Acting Governor and then served as Governor of Fiji 1958-1963.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 57 1989 44-45 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

FIJI

NIGERIA

GOVERNORS

MADDOCKS, PATRICIA

So Many Worlds

Weardale: Memoir Club 2004 xi + 242 pp ISBN 184-104113-0

A well-written memoir. After surviving an unsettled childhood, London in the Blitz and an unhappy first marriage, the author travelled to Nigeria in 1947 to work as a librarian. There she met and married George "Satan" Mooring then working in the Establishments Department in the Lagos Secretariat. Most of her years in Nigeria were spent in the Western Region where "Satan" became Deputy Governor. From 1960-1964 "Satan" was British Resident, Zanzibar, retiring shortly before the Zanzibar Revolution. After his death in 1969, Patricia had her own "second career" working for the Red Cross in Mauritius and the South Pacific, before her marriage in 1980 to Sir Kenneth Maddocks.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 90 2005 51-52 (Richard Barlow-Poole)

NIGERIA

SOUTH PACIFIC

ZANZIBAR

WIVES

MAHMUD BIN MAT, Dato Sir

Tinggal Kenangan: The Memoirs of Dato Sir Mahmud bin Mat

Kuala Lumpur: Bahasa dan Pustaka 1997 xi + 308 pp ISBN 9-836-2531-2

Covers youth in Pahang, experiences as an official under British administration and Japanese occupation. This memoir ends in 1945 and does not cover the later distinguished career of Dato Sir Mahmud bin Mat, 1894-1971, the first Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Malaya.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 30(2) 1999 227 (Donald Hawley)

MAMAKI, MARGARET

The Jacaranda Children

Broadstairs: Harmattan Press 2004 196 pp ISBN 1-900-32540-3

Despite family opposition to a mixed marriage Margaret married Nigerian medical student Eli Mama and accompanied him back to Kaduna. He soon left government service and spent most of his career in private practice. The couple set up a pottery inspired by Michael Cardew and a medical charity "Hope for the Village Child".

They were forced to flee from Kaduna after the riots of February 2002.

Reviewed in *Nigerian Field* 69(2) 2004 163-164

Overseas Pensioner 88 2004 58-59 (Richard Barlow-Poole)

NIGERIA

MEDICAL

WIVES

MARES, ROBERT G

Animal Health and Production in Malawi: Past, Present and Future

Tropical Animal Health and Production 5 1973 272-277

Traces the development of Veterinary Services in Nyasaland from their inception in 1911.

NYASALAND
VETERINARY

The History of Veterinary Medicine in Gold Coast/Ghana from 1909 to 1961

Veterinary History n s 10(3) 2000 81-95

A complementary study to the previous item, with rather more veterinary detail.

GOLD COAST
VETERINARY

Personality and Policy in the Gold Coast: Some Incidents in the History of the Colonial Veterinary Services 1945-1948

Historia Medicinae Veterinariae 22(3) 1997 64-69

A short but fascinating article which leaves one wishing there were more like it on the professional services. Focuses on the two Directors of the Department of Animal Health : Captain Beal (1909-1929) and John Livingstone Stewart (1929-1948). Reveals the rivalry between the Departments of Agriculture and of Animal Health and Stewart's difficult relationships with the Governor, Alan Burns.

GOLD COAST
VETERINARY

Some Difficulties with Rinderpest Vaccination in East Africa in the 1940s

Veterinary History n s 12(1) 2003 57-64

Based on the unpublished account of Kenneth Aspinall, Veterinary Officer in Tanganyika.

TANGANYIKA
VETERINARY

MARSHALL, H H

Like Father Like Son

Ifracombe: Arthur Stockwell 1980 128 pp ISBN 0-7223-1374-8

Marshall spent his childhood in Malaya where his father worked in the Prison Service. He gives a short, unpretentious account of his service in Nigeria, 1928 to 1946.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 40 1980 38
NIGERIA

MARTIN, ROBIN H

Palestine Betrayed: A British Palestine Policeman's Memoirs (1936-1948)

Ringwood: Seglewai Press 2007 265 pp ISBN 978-09556211-0-9

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 95 2008 44-46 (C W Squire)

PALESTINE
POLICE

MASEFIELD, G B

A History of the Colonial Agricultural Service

Oxford: Clarendon Press 1972 183 pp ISBN 0-198-223336-6

Part 1 deals with development and organisation of the Service, Part 2 with Special Aspects such as Research, Extension Work and Agricultural Education. Part 3 gives 16 short biographies to illustrate the kind of career that could be made in the Colonial Agricultural Service.

Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 12 (2) 1973 161-163 (Geoffrey Nye)
AGRICULTURE

MASLEN, JAMES

Beating About the Nigerian Bush

Ringwood: Navigator Books 1994 175 pp ISBN 0-902-83027-9

Maslen joined BAT in 1929. Although this is not a Colonial Service memoir it contains much of interest.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 69 1995 57 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA

MASON, TONY

Anthony's Odyssey

Bradford-on-Avon: The Author 2008 394 pp ISBN 978-0-9543956-3-6

This memoir of a long and varied life includes three chapters on Mason's work as an Income Tax Officer with the East Africa High Commission.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 50 (John Edwards)

KENYA

UGANDA

MATHIESON, WILLIAM P

A Chequered Career

London: Janus Publishing Company 1994 180 pp ISBN 1-85756-135-X

Mathieson served in the Malayan Police during the Emergency from 1948 to 1955 and then in Tanganyika until 1962.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 69 1995 56-57 (Roy Henry)

MALAYA

TANGANYIKA

POLICE

MAXON, R M

John Ainsworth and the Making of Kenya

Washington, DC: University Press of America 1980 xvi+ 456 pp

ISBN (hardback) 0-8191-1155-4 (paperback) 0-8191-1156-2

Ainsworth went to Kenya with the Imperial British East Africa Company in 1889 before transferring to Government service. He was a Provincial Commissioner, Military Commissioner for Labour, Adviser on Native Affairs and Chief Native Commissioner before retiring in 1920.

KENYA

MAYBURY, MAURICE

Pearl of Africa

Castle Cary: Folio Hadspen 1991 171 pp ISBN 1-871-42104-7

Maybury served in Burma (the subject of earlier books) until 1948, before becoming Director of Supplies, Uganda in 1950. He became Permanent Secretary to the Ministries of Rural Development and Social Development and a member of the Legislative Council.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 63 1992 54-55 (T W G)

UGANDA

MEEK, CHARLES, edited by Innes Meek

Brief Authority: a memoir of colonial administration in Tanganyika

London: I.B.Tauris, 2011, 288 pp. ISBN 978-1-84885-83-6.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 48-50 (Donald Barton)

TANGANYIKA

MEEHAN, MYRA

My Nigerian Journey: A Narrative of my Eighteen Years Spent in Nigeria

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1993 128 pp ISBN 1-85821-089-5

Myra Meehan was urged to write up her own experiences after the publication of *Goodbye Maigida*. Her book admirably complements her husband's with minimal duplication.

NIGERIA

WIVES

MEEHAN, TONY

Goodbye Maigida

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1991 xii + 176 pp ISBN 1-872-79518-8

Not a Colonial Service memoir but much related material. Australian Meehan joined the Amalgamated Tin Mines of Nigeria in 1949.

NIGERIA

MEGAHEY, ALAN

Humphrey Gibbs: Beleaguered Governor: Southern Rhodesia, 1929-69

Basingstoke: Macmillan and New York: St. Martin's Press 1988 xxii + 241 pp

ISBN 0-333-72158-6 (USA) 0-312-21209-7

Gibbs emigrated to Rhodesia as a young man, farmed in Matabeleland, served in the Legislative Assembly 1948-1953 and was appointed Governor in 1953. He opposed UDI but stuck to his post, a virtual prisoner in Government House, until Ian Smith's declaration of a Republic in 1969. This biography has an introduction by Robert Mugabe who writes, *We honour him because he was a man of principle and commitment.*

METROPOLITAN POLICE COLLEGE JOURNAL, vols 1-5 1935-1939

Contains news of the Colonial Police Forces and the occasional significant article, eg Spicer, R G B, *The Training of the British Policeman in Palestine* 2(1) 1936 94-98
Grantham, S H, *The Nigeria Police* 2(2) 1936 223-227

POLICE

MILLARD, JOHN

Never a Dull Moment: The Autobiography of John Millard – Administrator, Soldier and Farmer

Swavesey, Cambs: Silent Books 1996 232 pp ISBN 1-85183-096-0

Millard served in Tanganyika and also worked with Furse at the Colonial Office.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 74 1999 63 (N O Durdant-Hollamby)

TANGANYIKA

MILLER, J P

Last Boat for Africa: A District Officer's Experiences During Swaziland's run up to Independence in the 1960s

Kinross: Librario Publishing 2005 281 pp ISBN 1-904-44068-1

John Miller arrived in Swaziland in 1962, one of the last four administrative officers to be sent to Africa.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 92 2006 78-79 (John Wilson)

SWAZILAND

MILNE, MALCOLM

No Telephone to Heaven: From Apex to Nadir – Colonial Service in Nigeria, Aden, the Cameroons and the Gold Coast, 1938-61

Stockbridge: Meon Hill Press 1999 464 pp ISBN 0 9535540 7

A detailed memoir of a solid Colonial Service career.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 86 2001 59-61 (Sheila Allcock)

LUCAS African Studies Bulletin 64 2001 106-107 (Martin Banham)

Overseas Pensioner 80 2000 52-53 (Peter Bursey)

Times Literary Supplement May 12 2000 30 (Bernard Porter)

ADEN

CAMEROONS

GOLD COAST

NIGERIA

MISRA, MARIA

Colonial Officers and Gentlemen: The British Empire and the Globalization of Tradition

Journal of Global History 3 (2) 2008 135-61

MITCHELL, HARRY

Confessions of a Briefless Barrister

Kibworth: Toubadour Publishing 2016 208pp. ISBN 978-1785- 8997-7- 5

Remote Corners: A Sierra Leone Memoir

London: Radcliffe Press 2002 256 pp ISBN 1-86064-817-7

Harry Mitchell was an Assistant District Commissioner and Magistrate in Sierra Leone 1954-59. He went on to work in industry in India and the UK, becoming Company Secretary for Wellcome. Later he became a part-time immigration adjudicator, hearing appeals against refusals of asylum, sometimes from Sierra Leone. *Remote Corners* is a lightly revised version of a memoir written on a portable typewriter, a little over 40 years ago in India, mainly on Sunday mornings sitting on the veranda of a bungalow.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 103 (412) 2004 471-491 (Ashley Jackson)

African Research and Documentation 92 2003 70-74 (Terry Barringer)

Overseas Pensioner 85 2003 57-58 (Dougal Reid)

SIERRA LEONE

MITCHELL, Sir PHILIP

African Afterthoughts

London: Hutchinson 1954 276 pp

Dedicated to the Colonial Service with admiration and gratitude and with a foreword by Lord Hailey, this book combines a history of British rule in East Africa with an account of Mitchell's career, beginning in Nyasaland, then Tanganyika, then governorships in Uganda and Kenya with a brief interlude in Fiji. He retired in 1952. The final chapters give his reactions to Mau Mau and reflections on his underlying Christian idealism and sense of civilising mission.

KENYA

NYASALAND

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

MONTGOMERY, BRIAN

Shenton of Singapore: Governor and Prisoner of War

London: Leo Cooper in association with Secker and Warburg 1984 xviii + 218 pp

ISBN 9-436-284405

Sir Shenton Thomas held a number of posts in Africa (though never in a district), serving as Governor of Nyasaland and the Gold Coast before his appointment as Governor of the Straits Settlement in 1934.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 17(1) 1986 92-94 (Anthony Short)

MALAYA

GOVERNORS

MORLEY, JOHN, with portraits by Patricia Morley

Colonial Postscript: Diary of a District Officer, 1935-56

London: Radcliffe Press 1993 xii + 212 pp ISBN 1-8594356-X

Morley was on the verge of a Colonial Service career when he was recruited by Antonin Besse to work in Aden 1935-36. After this he returned to his original career plan and was sent to Northern Nigeria. He saw war service in the RWAFF and in Eritrea, worked in Singapore and Malaya 1945-51 and in the Gold Coast 1952-56.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 65 1993 40 (H Y W S Dickson)

GOLD COAST

MALAYA

NIGERIA

MORLEY, PATRICIA

My Other Family: An Artist-Wife in Singapore

London: Radcliffe Press 1994 xi + 153 pp ISBN 1-850-43823-4

John Morley's wife was an artist and portraitist, trained at the Slade. Living in Singapore she befriended and painted their Malay servants and their families.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 69 1995 52-53 (Angela Horsley)

MALAYA

WIVES

MORRIS, KATE

A Zambian Odyssey, 1958-1988

Falmouth: 2000 142 pp ISBN 1-899-12101-3

NORTHERN RHODESIA

GAME DEPARTMENT

WIVES

MORRIS-JONES, W H and FISCHER, GEORGES (eds)

Decolonisation and After: The British and French Experience

London: Frank Cass 1980 xvii + 369 pp ISBN 0-714-63095-0

Product of a bilingual colloquium held in Paris, 6-8 May 1976

MORRISH, JUDY

A Decade in Africa

Durham: Pearl Press, 2011, 178 pp. ISBN 978-0956868-86-2

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 68(Cynthia Coase)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

WIVES

MORTON, G J

Just the Job: Some Experiences of a Colonial Policeman

London: Hodder & Stoughton 1957 316 pp

Morton served in Palestine 1930-1944, Trinidad 1945-1947 and Nyasaland 1947-1953.

NYASALAND

PALESTINE

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
POLICE

MOWAT, GEOFFREY SCOTT

The Rainbow Through the Rain

Oxford: New Cherwell Press 1995 xi + 154 pp ISBN 0-951-76959-6

Mowat arrived in Malaya as a new cadet with a new bride in 1940. His wife was evacuated but Mowat became a POW. He and a friend escaped and were at large for several months before being recaptured by the Japanese. This book is an account of his wartime experiences in Changi, Sime Road and on the Railway and of his call to ordination. After the war, Mowat resumed his career in the MCS and served in various posts, retiring as Senior Lands Officer, Negri Sembilan in 1958. He was then ordained in the Church of England.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 71 1996 41-42 (Bill Fox)

MALAYA

MULLINS, PATRICK

Retreat from Africa

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1992 vii + 104 pp ISBN 1-872-89537-4

Mullins first saw Africa with the Navy in wartime. After taking his degree, he joined the Colonial Service and was posted to Ghana. He then transferred to Nyasaland which takes up most of the book. He left at Independence and joined the BBC.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 64 1992 57 (Marian Muir)

GOLD COAST

NYASALAND

MURPHY, GERALD

Copper Mandarin: A Memoir

London: Regency Press 1984 168 pp ISBN 0-7212-0674-3

An Irishman who had served in the Garda, Murphy joined the Palestine Police in 1947 and transferred to Malaya in 1948. He anticipated a longer career in Malaya but the sudden death of his wife left him with two very small children. He applied for a transfer to a colony with a climate and educational facilities suitable for European children. Hoping for Kenya, he was sent instead to Uganda in 1955. He became Head of CID. Retiring in 1965, he joined the Home Service but went back to Uganda in 1971 to work with the Commission of Enquiry into the Obote régime.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 49 1985 19-20 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

MALAYA

PALESTINE

UGANDA

POLICE

NASH, T A M

A Zoo Without Bars: Life in the East African Bush 1927-1932

Tunbridge Wells: Wayte Binding 1984 155 pp ISBN 0-950-97300-9

Born in India, Nash spent his working life studying tsetse flies and trypanosomes, first in Tanganyika and then for 26 years in Nigeria where he became Director of the West African Institute for Trypanosomiasis. This book is mainly concerned with the early years in Tanganyika.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 49 1985 21 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

KENYA

TANGANYIKA

MEDICAL

NEMO A C (Douglas)

Niger Memories

Exeter: J Townsend Printers 1927 174 pp

Breezy account of Victorian and Edwardian Eastern Nigeria. Douglas went out in the 1890s, by way of family patronage, as Vice-Consul, Opobo.

NIGERIA

NEWTON, JOHN

The Kenya Police: a living history

Leighton Buzzard: Kenya Police Association, 2015 308 pp ISBN 978-09575-8385-6

The Kenya Police: a living history written by those who served during the concluding years of Colonial Rule, Volume 2

The Kenya Police: a living history written by those who served during the concluding years of Colonial Rule, Volume 3

Leighton Buzzard: Kenya Police Association 2016 -2017

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2016 112 59-60 (Peter Fullerton)

Overseas Pensioner, 114, 2017, 101-102 (Peter Fullerton)

Memoirs of the 1950s from former police officers and a few wives.

KENYA

POLICE

NICHOLLS, C S

A Kenya Childhood

Oxford: The Author, 2011, 200 pp. No ISBN given

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 2011 117 103-104 (John Pinfeld)

Overseas Pensioner 2012 104 66-67 (Susan Duke and Veronica Bellers)

KENYA

Red Strangers: The White Tribe of Kenya

London: Timewell Press 2005 349 pp ISBN 1-85725-206-3

History of all the white people who lived and worked in Kenya including the administrators and governors.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 105 (418) 148-151 (Lotte Hughes)

African Research and Documentation 99 2005 56-57 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

KENYA

NICOL, BRUCE M

Wind of Chance

Durham: Pentland Press 1991 178 pp ISBN 0-946-27098-8

Nicol went to Nigeria as a District Medical Officer in 1946. There he became interested in nutrition, a field in which he became distinguished. After Nigerian independence, he worked for the FAO.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 63 1992 55-56 (S S R)

NIGERIA

MEDICAL

NICOLSON, I F

The Administration of Nigeria, 1900-1960: Men, Methods and Myths

Oxford: Clarendon Press 1969 viii + 326 pp

Scholarly account *intended in part as a kind of acknowledgement to past generations of public servants in Nigeria and also as something which may be of some use to their hard-pressed Nigerian successors*. The author was a colonial administrator turned academic. Something of a debunker of Lugard.

Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 9(3) 1970 220-221 (R E Wraith)

NIGERIA

7. NICHOLSON, I F and HUGHES, COLIN
A Provenance of Proconsuls: British Colonial Governors, 1900-60
Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 4(1) 1975 77-106
GOVERNORS

NIGHTINGALE, BRUCE
Seven Rivers to Cross: A Mostly British Council Life
London: Radcliffe Press 1996 331 pp ISBN 0-7212-0674-3
Most of this book is concerned with Nightingale's British Council career in Malawi, Japan, Malaysia, Romania, Finland and Ethiopia but he was with the Colonial Service in Nigeria from 1957 to independence.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 73 1997 52 (Richard Barlow-Poole)
NIGERIA

NIVEN, Sir REX
Nigerian Kaleidoscope: Memoirs of a Colonial Servant
London: Hurst 1982 x + 278 pp ISBN 0-905-83859-9
Niven was in Nigeria 1921-1961. He also covers the political and economic development of Nigeria especially the North.
Reviewed in *African Affairs* 82(329) 1983 580-582 (Robert Pearce)
NIGERIA

NORTHERN RHODESIA JOURNAL, vols 1-6 Livingstone 1950-1965 (vol. 6 also known as Zambia Journal)
Numerous articles of interest including a series "Memories of abandoned bomas" and articles by Kenneth Bradley.
Vol 2 no 3 1954 34-42 W V Brelsford: The Boma Messenger and his uniform is a rare discussion of the role of the Messenger.

OAKLEY, R R
Treks and Palavers
London: Seeley Service & Co 1938 300 pp
Oakley was a Political Officer in Northern Nigeria, following war service and an earlier career as a rubber planter in Ceylon.
NIGERIA

OKONJO, I M
British Administration in Nigeria 1900-1950: A Nigerian View
New York: Nok Publishers 1974 390 pp
Okonjo, a Nigerian civil servant before and after independence, took time out from his post as head of the Civil Service in Mid-West State to complete the London PhD on which this book is based.
Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 18(1) 1979 74-75 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)
NIGERIA

OLDEN, ANTONY
Somali Opposition to Government Education: R E Ellison and the Berbera School Affair, 1938-40
History of Education 37(1) 2008 71-90
SOMALILAND
EDUCATION

OMMANNEY, FRANCIS DOWNES

Eastern Windows

London: Longmans 1960 245 pp

Ommannney was based in Singapore to research a fisheries scheme. The book is more descriptive of landscape and people than of his work.

MALAYA

FISHERIES

Isle of Cloves: A View of Zanzibar

London, New York: Longmans Green 1955 230 pp

Ommannney went in 1951 to Zanzibar, the base for his research on fisheries along the East coast of Africa.

ZANZIBAR

FISHERIES

ONDAATJE, CHRISTOPHER

Ceylon Revisited: A Journey in the Footsteps of Leonard Woolf

Geographical 76(7) 2004 46-53

CEYLON

Woolf in Ceylon: An Imperial Journey in the Shadow of Leonard Woolf 1904-1911

Toronto: Harper Collins 2005 326 pp ISBN 0-002-007185

(paperback edn 2005) 0-006-39525-2

Reviewed in *Times Higher Education Supplement* 1716 2005 24-25 (Richard Boyle)

Times Literary Supplement 5374 2006 27 (Kim A Wagner)

CEYLON

O'REGAN, JOHN

From Empire to Commonwealth: Reflections on a Career in Britain's Overseas Service

London: Radcliffe Press 1994 xi + 196 pp ISBN 1-850-43777-7

O'Regan went to Ceylon in 1935, the first Ceylon Civil Service cadet to be appointed by a process of selection rather than competitive examination. He was Private Secretary to the Governor Sir Andrew Caldecott, whose daughter he married. In 1950 he went to Jamaica as Deputy Colonial Secretary and worked closely with Sir Hugh Foot, Bustamante and Manley. In 1956 he transferred to Nigeria as Permanent Secretary, Western Region and then (1958) Permanent Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Works and Survey. Joining the Foreign Office in 1962, he served in Uganda with the British High Commission and then 1968-73 in Iran. He includes a chapter on the debates over the future of the Colonial Service in the 1940s and 1950s – a subject on which the author had strong views.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 23(1) 1995 184-185

(Richard Symonds)

Overseas Pensioner 69 1995 49 (John Lonsdale)

Public Administration and Development 15(2) 1995 187-1888 (Raja Gomen)

CEYLON

JAMAICA

NIGERIA

ORRETT, W A

History of the British Guiana Police

George Town: Daily Chronicle Ltd 1951 74 pp

This rare item is held in the Royal Commonwealth Society Collections at Cambridge University Library. Orrett commanded the British Guiana Police from 1943 to 1952.

He traces the history of the Police from their origins in an ordinance of 1839 to 1950.

BRITISH GUIANA

POLICE

OSMASTON, ANNA

Uganda Before Amin: Our Family Life, 1949-1963

Bristol: Henry Osmaston 1991 vi + 88 pp ISBN 0-9518039-0-5

Mainly travelogue and domestic.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 63 1992 57-58 (G H Y)

UGANDA

WIVES

OSMASTON, HENRY

Foresters & Imperial Servants: The Osmaston Family

Commonwealth Forestry Review March 1989 1-11

Story of a family which over three generations produced eight professional foresters, most of whom served in India.

FORESTRY

OVERSEAS PENSIONER

ISSN 2041-2363

The official journal of the Overseas Service Pensioners' Association, published biannually since 1961, is a rich source of reminiscent and reflective articles, book reviews, obituaries and news items.

OXFORD DEVELOPMENT RECORDS PROJECT REPORTS

No 1: Clayton, A; *The Thin Blue Line: Studies in Law Enforcement in Late Colonial Africa*, 247 pp

No 2: Clayton, A; *The British Military Presence in East and Central Africa: Research Memorandum*, 184 pp

No 3: Killingray, D; *The British Military Presence in East and Central Africa: Research Memorandum*, 221 pp

No 4: Burr, E; *Localization and Public Service Training*, 166 pp

No 5: Holden, P; *Women Administrative Officers in Colonial Africa 1944-1960*, 255 pp

No 6: Thurston, A; *The Intensification of Smallholder Agriculture in Kenya: The Genesis and Implementation of the Swynnerton Plan*, 133 pp

No 7: Sykes, W M; *The Sukumaland Development Scheme, 1947-57: An Outline of the Scheme Based on the Manuscripts in the Sukumaland Collection*, Rhodes House Library, Oxford, 89 pp

No 8: Silk, B; *Post-War Food and Cash Crop Production in Former Colonial Territories*, 65 pp

No 9: Allen, A R; *Conferring Benefits on the Land – the Colonial Education Service in Northern Nigeria 1945-60*, iv + 159 pp

No 10: Earle, E W D H; *The Development of Education in Pre-Independent Ghana, based on the Personal Accounts of Twenty-Five Participants in that Development*, 96 pp

No 11: Bell, C.R; *Education in Uganda before Independence*, 106 pp

No 12: Robertson, K; *Educational Development in Pre Independent Tanganyika*, 103 pp

No 13: Greig, J C E; *Education in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland: The Pre-Independence Period*, 109 pp

No 14: Tolmie, P; *Higher Education in Anglophone Tropical Africa: Material Collected by the Oxford Development Records Project*, 47 pp

No 15: Dalton, H; *The Gold Coast: The Wives Experience based on the Personal Accounts of 25 Contributors*, 67 pp

No 16: Tolmie, P; *Medicine and Public Health in British Tropical Africa: Materials Collected by the ODRP*, 49 pp

No 17: Holden, P; *Doctors and Other Medical Personnel in the Public Health Services in Africa 1930-1965: Nigeria, Uganda, Tanganyika*, xiv + 233 pp

No 18: Holden, P; *Nursing Sisters in Nigeria, Uganda, Tanganyika 1929-1978*, 194 pp

No 19: Bull, M; *The Medical Services of Nigeria in 1954-55*, 108 pp

No 20: Bull, M; *The Medical Services of Uganda 1954-55*, iii + 55 pp

There is a description and assessment of these reports by D H Simpson in Royal Commonwealth Society *Library Notes*, 280, 1987.

OXFORD DICTIONARY OF NATIONAL BIOGRAPHY

edited by H C G Matthew and Brian Harrison

Oxford: Oxford University Press 2004 60 vols ISBN 0-198-61411-X (set)

Online at <http://www.oxforddnb.com/>

Includes numerous colonial governors, administrators and officials. The online version includes supplements, updates and superb search facilities.

PACKHAM, ERIC S

Africa in War and Peace

Hauppauge, NY: Nova Science Publishers 2004 viii + 217 pp ISBN 1-56072-939-2

After war service in East Africa, Packham spent 22 years in the Administrative Service in the Gold Coast.

GOLD COAST

PAGE, GWENDOLINE

Coconuts and Coral

Wymondham: George R Reeve 1993 x + 219 pp ISBN 0-900616-45-8

Gwendoline Page accompanied her husband to the New Hebrides where he was involved in teacher training at Kawena College.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 68 1994 61-62 (K Nicholson)

NEW HEBRIDES

EDUCATION

WIVES

PAKENHAM, VALERIE

The Noonday Sun: Edwardians in the Tropics

London: Methuen 1985 255 pp ISBN 0-413-4718-0

Chapter 2 on *Rulers* deals with the Colonial Service and gives vivid pen-portraits of Leonard Woolf in Ceylon and Joyce Cary in Nigeria.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 85(338) 1986 145-147 (Jean Jacques van Helten)

Overseas Pensioner 50 1985 51-52 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

PARKER, IAN and BLEAZARD, STAN (eds)

An Impossible Dream: Some of Kenya's Last Colonial Game Wardens Recall the Game Department in the British Empire's Closing Years

Elgin: Librario 2001 x + 350 pp ISBN 1-904-44020-7

The history of the Kenya Game Department told through the eyes and memories of Game Wardens during the last half of the twentieth century.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 86 2003 54-55 (Richard Leakey)

KENYA

GAME DEPARTMENT

PARKINSON, COSMO

The Colonial Office From Within 1909-1945

London: Faber and Faber 1947 157 pp

Sir Cosmo Parkinson (1884-1967) joined the Colonial Office in 1909 after a year at the Admiralty, and spent his entire career there. He writes of this book, *This is not an autobiography...No, my idea is that having spent thirty-six years working in, or for, the Colonial Office, some account of that department and changes made in it in the*

course of a generation may be of interest. Inevitably, the personal story will keep on intruding in the telling of the story.

COLONIAL OFFICE

PATTERSON, G

A Spoonful of Rice with Salt

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1993 ix + 161 pp ISBN 1-85821-073-9

Patterson's followed his father (Nigeria) into the Colonial Service, arriving in Malaya in 1941. He served briefly in Trengganu before his years as a Prisoner of War in Formosa and Mukden. He returned to Malaya as Private Secretary to Malcolm MacDonald. The book ends there although as Patterson served through the Emergency and only retired from Malaya in 1960, a sequel is to be desired.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 67 1994 48 (Veronica Masefield)

MALAYA

PATTERSON, K D

The Veterinary Department and Animal Industry in the Gold Coast 1909-1955

International Journal of African Historical Studies 13 (3) 1979 457-491

Veterinary work was one of the most successful developmental activities during the colonial period in many African territories...A handful of competent, hardworking veterinarians made a substantial and lasting contribution to the Gold Coast.

GOLD COAST

VETERINARY

PEARCE, ROBERT D

Follow Up: Robert Hepburn Wright

Bedford: Semprington Histories 1998 251 pp ISBN 0-953270203

Wright went to Nigeria in 1936. He was Private Secretary to Sir Bernard Bourdillon, a "Beachcomber" at the Colonial Office, served briefly in Cyprus and in the RAFVR before rejoining the Colonial Service and returning to Nigeria in 1946. He transferred to the Education Department and retired in 1956 as Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education. Pearce provides a brief biography, a handlist of Wright's papers (over 2,000) items and extracts from them, including some of Wright's verse.

NIGERIA

EDUCATION

Morale in the Colonial Service in Nigeria During the Second World War

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 11(2) 1983 175-196

NIGERIA

Sir Bernard Bourdillon: A Twentieth-Century Colonialist

Kensal Press 1987 ii + 389 pp ISBN 0-946-04148-2

Scholarly biography of Governor of Uganda and Nigeria.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 18(3) 1990 389-390

Overseas Pensioner 58 1989 61-62 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

CEYLON

NIGERIA

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

Then the Wind Changed in Africa: Nigerian Letters of Robert Hepburn Wright

London: Radcliffe Press 1992 152 pp ISBN 1-85043-573-1

See Item 532

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 66 1993 47-48 (Richard Barlow-Poole)

NIGERIA

EDUCATION

The Turning Point in Africa: British Colonial Policy 1938-1948

London: Frank Cass 1982 223 pp ISBN 0-714-63160-4

This book deals with the remarkable transformation that took place in British policy towards the empire in tropical Africa between 1938 and 1948 during which time a revolution occurred in the methods and purpose of British rule...Attention is given to the parts played by the Colonial Office, the Colonial Service and by African nationalists, while the effects of the Second World War for the African Empire are also evaluated.

AFRICA

Violet Bourdillon: Colonial Governor's Wife

African Affairs 82 (327) 1983 267-277

. An admiring portrait of a governor's wife. Lady Bourdillon lived on to 1979, dying at the age of 93.

NIGERIA

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

WIVES

PEDLER, Sir FREDERICK

Business and Decolonization in West Africa, c 1940-1960

Oxford: Privately printed with the assistance of generous grants from UAC, Barclays Bank and Mr John Zochonis 1989 47 pp

Pedler entered the Colonial Office in 1930 and was seconded to Tanganyika, 1934 to 1937. He worked with Lord Hailey and in the Finance and Development and Recruitment Departments of the Colonial Office. In 1947 he joined the United Africa Company of which he became Deputy Chairman in 1965. This short but valuable memoir touches on his relations with Colonial officials and nationalist politicians in Gold Coast and Nigeria.

GOLD COAST

NIGERIA

PEEL, RICHARD

Old Sinister: A Memoir of Sir Arthur Richards

Cambridge: The Author 1986 196 pp ISBN 0-951-14470-7

Sir Arthur Richards (Lord Milverton aka Old Sinister) served 22 years in the Malayan Civil Service then held the governorships of Gambia, Fiji, Jamaica and Nigeria. Peel was his Private Secretary in Malaya.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 86(343) 287-288 (Book notes)

Cambridge (Richard Barlow-Poole)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 16(1) 1987 143-144 (Robert Pearce)

Overseas Pensioner 52 1986 49-50 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

FIJI

GAMBIA

JAMAICA

MALAYA

NIGERIA

PEREIRA, CHARLES

Simama: A Lifetime Study of Tropical Issues

Teston: Teston Books 2000 167 pp

Pereira worked in East Africa from 1947-1961.

KENYA

AGRICULTURE

PERHAM, MARGERY

The Colonial Reckoning

London: Collins 1961 160 pp

The 1961 Reith lectures. On pp 124-128 Margery Perham reflects on her encounters with the Administrative Service as lecturer and visitor in Africa. *I believe that for its special task in its period, the Colonial Service achieved as much as could have been expected of any large body of men. More, the office of District Commissioner should stand out in history as one of the supreme types developed by Britain to meet a special demand like the Justices of the Peace in Tudor times.*

Lugard: The Years of Adventure, 1858-1898

London: Collins 1956 xv + 750 pp

Lugard: The Years of Authority, 1898-1945

London: Collins 1960 xx + 748 pp

See also Lugard's diaries (Item 445)

NIGERIA

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

Ten Africans

London: Faber and Faber 1936

Ten African life stories. Of particular interest is the story of Martim Kayamba Mdumi, MBE (born 1891). UMCA educated Mdumi was Head Clerk at Tanga from 1923 and served on the Advisory Committee for African Education. In 1931 he travelled to Britain as a witness to the Joint Parliamentary Committee in East Africa. Although much of his account is of his journey to England, this is a rare picture of an African employee.

TANGANYIKA

PHILLIPS, HENRY

From Obscurity to Bright Dawn: How Nyasaland became Malawi: An Insider's Account

London: Radcliffe Press 1998 xix + 252 pp ISBN 1-86064-248-9

Phillips began his career in 1946 *posted to the most remote district in the Protectorate*. He was soon transferred to the Finance Division and worked for the Central African Federation treasury before becoming Financial Secretary of Nyasaland in 1957. He was a great admirer of Governor Colby and also enjoyed good relations with Hastings Banda. He maintained close relations with Malawi after independence, working for Standard Bank and an international company promoting equity investment in Africa. He was for six years on the board of the National Bank of Malawi.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 76 1998 (Colin Baker)

NYASALAND

PINK, PATTIE

The Last of the White Ants

Oxford: Trafford Publishing 2006 206 pp ISBN 1-4120-5515-6

Disguised as a novel featuring "Sinclair Brown" who joined the Colonial Service after World War II. Describes his doubts about colonialism and the work, relationships and social life of Civil Servants in Zomba. The author was Publications Officer for the Nyasaland Ministry of Information in the 1950s.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 101 2006 71-72 (Robert Mares)

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 92 2006 81-82 (Robert Mares)

NYASALAND

PIRKIS, D (ed)

Variations on a Theme – Memories from Members of Queen Elizabeth’s Overseas Nursing Service Association

Storrington: QEONSA 2000 295 pp ISBN 0-953-94960-5

Part 1 (pp 1-38) gives a history of the Association, mostly told in extracts from its Newsletter. The rest of the book consists of ‘memories’ arranged in 24 territories from Aden to Zanzibar. Uganda is the most recently represented.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 83 2002 65-66 (Margaret A Brayton)

NURSING

PITCHFORD, JOHN

The Last District Officer

Librario Publishing, 2013, 196 pp. ISBN 978190923806 0

A lively account of service in Northern Rhodesia and independent Zambia and then in the Gilbert & Ellice Islands .

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 107 2014 62-63 (Michael Waters)

GILBERT AND ELLIS ISLANDS

NORTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE JOURNAL v 1 1928 –

Subtitle originally *a quarterly review for the police forces of the empire*. Frequency varies and “Empire” gives way to “Commonwealth” in 1958.

Introduction in first issue: *For some time it had been felt by certain police officers whose duties had brought them into contact with the works of other units both at home and abroad that a link between all the police forces of the Empire was wanting. These forces are scattered all over the world working under varied conditions and climates and embracing many different nationalities in their ranks. But with all the different codes and regulations and conditions of service, the police forces of the Empire have a common bond, whether performing their duties in the heat of the metropolis, in the snows of Canada or in the plains of India, they are representatives of law and order, pledged to protect the welfare of their fellow citizens whose servants they are.* Especially in the early volumes, the colonial forces are well represented and depicted in some high quality photographs.

Significant articles include:

Heath, A J Kingsley

The Palestine Police Force under the Mandate, 1(1) 1928 78-88

Dowbiggin, H L

The Ceylon Police and its Development, 1(2) 1928 303-217

Gallagher, A E

The Development of the Police in Ceylon, 1(3) 470-474

Adam, Lieut J H Stanley

The British South Africa Police in Southern Rhodesia: History, Present Organization and Work, 1(4) 1928 553-567

Sempill, C I

The Making of an East African Policeman, 1(4) 1928 669-681

Adams, Capt W C

The Constabulary of North Borneo, 2(2) 1929 310-315

Pennefather-Evans, J P

Policing the Federated Malay States, 2(3) 1929 406-415

Rountree, F R G

The Mauritius Police Force, 3(1) 1930 50-62.

Hole, H Marshall

The Police Forces of Southern Rhodesia, 3(3) 1930 435-446

‘Quatamba’ the Gold Coast Police. 5(1) 1932 136-138

Sheringham, A I, Lieut Col (Commissioner of Police, Uganda)

Colonial police and the use of Rifle Fire, 23(2) 1950 136-138

Conway, H (Asst Supt, Aden Police)

The Colonial Police and Riots, 25(1) 1952 64-68

Turner, H R (Asst Supt, Singapore Police)

Staff Officers of the Colonial Police Force, 37(1) 1959 28-40

POLICE

POSTLETHWAITE, J R P

I look back

London: T V Broadman 1947 204 pp

Postlethwaite went out to Uganda as a Treasury Assistant. He soon transferred to the Native District Administration and went on to hold a variety of posts culminating in Provincial Commissioner, Buganda. He retired in 1932.

UGANDA

POSNETT, RICHARD

The Scent of Eucalyptus: A Journal of Colonial and Foreign Service

London: The Radcliffe Press 2001 xx + 275 pp ISBN 1-86064-637-9

Born in India, the son of a Methodist missionary, Posnett began his career as ADO, West Nile, Uganda. He then served in Teso before transferring to the Legal Department. He gives a good account of routine District work. He was Judicial Adviser, Buganda and gives an account of the Kabaka crisis. After a "Beachcomber" term at the Colonial Office, he returned to Uganda to work on the Independence celebrations, staying on for a time as head of the Office of Foreign Affairs. He then transferred to the FCO, gaining Caribbean and Pacific experience before appointment in 1971 as Governor of Belize. He led the Ocean Island Enquiry before returning to Uganda on a special mission as Amin fell in 1979. He then served, unhappily, as Governor of Bermuda.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 101 no 402 121-123 (Mark Leopold)

African Research & Documentation 89 2002 84-90 (Terry Barringer)

Overseas Pensioner 83 2002 49-50 (Rex Hunt)

BERMUDA

BRITISH HONDURAS

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

POWELL, ERICA

Private Secretary (Female)/Gold Coast

London: Hurst 1994 xi + 228 pp ISBN 0-905-83893-9

Erica Powell left her post as personal secretary to Sir Charles Arden-Clarke to work for Nkrumah, a post she held until he was toppled by the 1966 coup.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 47 1984 33-35 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

GOLD COAST

POWELL, J M

Dominion Over Palm and Pine: The British Empire Forestry Conferences, 1920-1947

Journal of Historical Geography 33 (3) 2007 596-618

FORESTRY

PRICE, GEOFFREY R

Building a Life

Stanhope, Co Durham: The Memoir Club 2006 132 pp ISBN 1-84104-138-6

An architect's account of his work in government service and private practice over thirty years in Africa and the Pacific.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 92 2006 82-83 (Chris Cochran)

AFRICA

PACIFIC

PRIOR, CHRISTOPHER

Exporting Empire: Africa, colonial officials and the construction of the imperial state, c.

1900–39.

Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2013, xvii + 199 pp. ISBN 978079083686.

This book examines what British colonial officials thought and why. It is concerned with those officials who served in Africa between the end of the Scramble for Africa and the start of the Second World War.

It draws from a wide range of unpublished and published letters, diaries and memoirs and much secondary literature.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 107 2014 60-61 (Terry Barringer)

PURCELL, VICTOR

The Memoirs of a Malayan Official

London: Cassell 1965 365 pp

A lively account which begins with Purcell's war experiences on the Western Front and as a POW and his Cambridge years. As a cadet in Malaya he was attached to the Chinese Protectorate and sent to Canton to learn Chinese, which he did with aid of a "sleeping dictionary". Back in Malaya his duties were mainly concerned with Chinese education although he also worked in immigration and had seven months as District Officer, Christmas Island. He challenges Somerset Maugham's view of Malaya although he adds a few scandalous stories of his own. He devotes a chapter to "The British Record". Fortuitously out of Malaya at the time of the Japanese invasion, he returned briefly after the war but resigned in 1946.

MALAYA

RAWLINSON, JUDY

Finding a Flame Lily: a teenager in Africa

Neighbrook, Glocs: Rawlinson Publications 2015 353 pp ISBN 978-1-907991-13-4

Judy Rawlinson spent five years in Northern Rhodesia where her father was with the Public Works Department.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 111 2016 48-50 (Hugh Macmillan)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

RAYNE, H

Sun, Sand and Somalis: Leaves from the Note-Book of a District Commissioner in British Somaliland

London: H F & G Witterby 1921 223 pp

Descriptive and anecdotal book from Marjorie Perham's brother-in-law. Includes an account of operations against the Mad Mullah.

SOMALILAND

REECE, ALYS

To My Wife, 50 Camels

London: Harvill Press 1963 254 pp

A Colonial Service wife (married 1936) in the Northern Frontier District of Kenya. Her husband later became Governor of British Somaliland.

KENYA

WIVES

REARDON, MARGARET; edited by Catherine Armstrong

An Unexpected Journey: Life in the Colonies at Empire's End: a woman's role

Bourn: Catherine Armstrong 2015 ix + 337 pp ISBN 978-0-993401-0-8

Margaret worked at Bletchley Park before her marriage. She then spent several years in Eritrea before accompanying her husband to Tanganyika, Bechuanaland, the Gilbert and Ellice Islands and the Turks and Caicos Islands.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 111 2016 62-64 (Joanna Lewis)

BECHUANALAND

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

TANGANYIKA
TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS

REDCLIFFE-MAUD, JEAN

High Commission to Embassy: South Africa 1959-1963 from the Letters and Diaries of Jean Redcliffe-Maud

Cirencester: Englang Publishing 1990 311pp

John Redcliffe-Maud was appointed High Commissioner to South Africa in 1959. His wife kept a diary, most often writing as they flew to and from the High Commission Territories, for circulation to friends at home.

HIGH COMMISSION TERRITORIES
WIVES

REEVE, W H

Hammer, Compass and Traverse Wheel: A Geologist in Africa

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1992 142 pp ISBN 1-872795-33-1

Reeve worked as a geologist for Anglo-American in 1930 to 1933. He transferred to the Colonial Survey Service and worked in Tanganyika, later in Nyasaland, Kenya and Northern Rhodesia.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 64 1992 62-63 (R J Barkley)

KENYA
NORTHERN RHODESIA
NYASALAND
TANGANYIKA
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

REY, Sir CHARLES

Monarch of All I Survey: Bechuanaland Diaries, 1929-1937

edited by Neil Parsons and Michael Crowder

Gaborone: Botswana Society, London: James Currey and New York: Lilian Barber Press 1988
xxiv + 282 pp ISBN 99912-60-00-5 0-85255-016-2 0-936508-22-1

Rey died in 1968, aged 90 after a long and varied life. He rose rapidly through the Home Civil Service, becoming Director General of National Labour Supply, before becoming Resident Commissioner, Bechuanaland. He retired from this post in 1937, having recorded his experiences in fourteen hand-written diaries. Published in a shortened but unbowdlerised version with extensive and useful editorial notes.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 88(352) 1989 449-450 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

BECHUANALAND

RICHARDSON, SAM

No Weariness – Memoir of a Generalist in Public Service in Four Continents

Wiltshire: Malt House Publishing 2001 xix + 485 pp ISBN 0-9541145-1-5

The life story of Sam Richardson, who worked as a District Commissioner in the Sudan Political Service and assisted in the reform of the Northern Nigerian legal and judicial systems. After Nigerian independence he directed the Institute of Administration in Northern Nigeria for seven years, and was Deputy Vice Chancellor of Ahmadu Bello University. He moved to Canberra College of Advanced Education in 1969 to become the Foundation Principal, and served for seventeen years in South Pacific university management.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 83 2002 51-52 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA
SUDAN
PACIFIC

RICKMAN, ROY

Spindoctor

Bideford: The Author 2006 245 pp ISBN 978-0-9553360-03
Anecdotes and reflections from a medical parasitologist and public health expert.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 97 2009 36-38 (Wenzel Geissler)
MEDICAL

ROBERTS, DENYS

Another Disaster: Hong Kong Sketches

London: Radcliffe Press 2006 viii + 332 pp ISBN 1-84511-112-5
Entertaining account of Roberts' time in Hong Kong, 1962-1988, as successively
Solicitor General, Attorney General, Colonial Secretary and Chief Justice.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 92 2006 74-75 (Peter Moss)

HONG KONG

LEGAL

I'll Do Better Next Time

Chichester: Barry Rose 1995 vi + 263 pp ISBN 1-872-328-08-3
A light-hearted, self-mocking account. Roberts was in Nyasaland 1953-1959. His
final four chapters are concerned with the 1959 State of Emergency and the Devlin
Commission of Inquiry, at which he represented the Nyasaland Government. He was
later Chief Justice in Hong Kong and Brunei and President of the Court of Appeal,
Bermuda.

Reviewed in *Society of Nyasaland Journal* 50 (2) 1997 60-61 (Colin Baker)

NYASALAND

LEGAL

ROBERTSON, BRIDGET

Angels in Africa: A Memoir of Nursing with the Colonial Service

London: Radcliffe Press 1993 xv + 144 pp ISBN 1-8504352-7
After Guys and Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service, Bridget Robertson
joined Queen Elizabeth's Overseas Nursing Service in 1947.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 66 1993 53-54 (Pat Dickson)

KENYA

SEYCHELLES

TANGANYIKA

ZANZIBAR

NURSING

ROBERTSON, Sir JAMES

***The Last of the Proconsuls: Letters from Sir James W Robertson KT, GCMG, GCVO, KBE
Order of the Nile (4th Class) K St J, Civil Secretary of the Sudan 1945-1953, Governor-
General of Nigeria 1955-1960***

edited by Graham F Thomas

London: Radcliffe Press 1994 xiv + 144 pp ISBN 1-850-43790-4
Robertson (died 1983) went to the Sudan in 1922 and left in 1953 after eight years as
Civil Secretary. He was Governor-General of Nigeria 1955-60. This volume consists
of his letters to his friend Graham Thomas and a brief memoir by Thomas.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 69 1995 50 (Gawain Bell)

NIGERIA

SUDAN

GOVERNORS

Transition in Africa: from Direct Rule to Independence: A Memoir

London: Hurst 1974 xiv + 272 pp
*This book was started in order to give my family some account of my service in
Africa, first in the Sudan and then in Nigeria.* It has a foreword by Margery Perham

and a final chapter of reflections. In addition to Africa, it also has a brief account of Robertson's membership of the British Guiana Constitutional Commission.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 74 (297) 1975 486-487 (Kenneth Robinson)

BRITISH GUIANA

NIGERIA

SUDAN

GOVERNORS

ROBINSON, RONALD

Andrew Cohen and the Transfer of Power in Tropical Africa

In W H Morris-Jones and Georges Fischer (eds), *Decolonisation and After* 50-72

(see item 497)

GOVERNORS

ROONEY, DAVID

Sir Charles Arden-Clarke

London: Collins 1982 ix +222 pp ISBN 0-86036157-8

Over half this book deals with Arden-Clarke as Governor of the Gold Coast 1949 to independence, but it also deals with his earlier career in Nigeria 1920-1936 as

Resident Commissioner in first Bechuanaland then Basutoland and as Governor of Sarawak.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 82 (328) 1983 441-442 (Kenneth Robinson)

BASUTOLAND

BECHUANALAND

GOLD COAST

SARAWAK

GOVERNORS

The Role and Experiences of Expatriate Women in the Last Phase of Empire and After: a transcript of the proceedings of the seminar held on 7 October 2015 (Occasional Paper of the OSPA Research Project at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London; 10).

London: OSPA and ICS, 2016 106 pp.

vi + 106 pp. ISBN 978-0-9931102-4-5

WIVES

WOMEN IN THE COLONIAL SERVICE

ROSEVEARE, Sir MARTIN

Joys, Jobs and Jaunts

Malawi: [1984?] vi + 159 pp

Sir Martin retired from a distinguished career in the British Civil Service as Chief Inspector of Schools in 1957. He then went to Nyasaland, becoming headmaster of a new mixed secondary school at Mzuzu.

NYASALAND

EDUCATION

ROSS, M A

The Old Third World: The Golden Years; Recollections of South-East Africa 1924-1945

Bishop's Castle: The Author 1977 v + 71 pp ISBN 0-950-60820-3

Very sparing of biographical details, this is a mixture of travelogue, observations and opinion (with a marked tendency to see "reds under the bed") by the wife of a medical officer.

KENYA

WIVES

ROSS, W MCGREGOR

Kenya From Within: A Short Political History

London: Allen & Unwin 1927 486 pp

London: Frank Cass 1968 486 pp

The writer during his twenty three years in the service of the British Government kept a diary, written day by day – except for a few gaps denoting illness or misadventure. Also he systematically retained newspaper files or cuttings, and personal letters. It is only to be expected that the book suffers in places from faults inherent in accounts of heated political happenings written by one who played parts varying from inconspicuous to prominent, in some of them and took a lively interest in them all.

KENYA

ROWE, E G

Reflections on the Oxford Overseas Courses

Journal of Administration Overseas 9(3) 1970 205-215

After service in Tanganyika, Rowe was the last supervisor of the courses at Oxford.

ROWLING, NOEL

Nigerian Memoirs

Braunton: Merlin 1982 80 pp ISBN 0-863-0351-3

Noel Rowling married in 1933 and accompanied her District Officer husband back to Northern Nigeria where they remained until retirement in 1954.

NIGERIA

WIVES

ROYAL COMMONWEALTH SOCIETY

The Day's Work in Word and Picture

An occasional series drawing attention to autobiographical material by the administrators, professionals, technicians and their wives who served in the colonies and newly independent countries in the 20th century, published in the Society's Library Notes. The first three were compiled by Donald Simpson, the remainder by Terry Barringer.

The Day's Work in Word and Picture: I, Library Notes 271 1986; II, Library Notes 272 1986; III, Library Notes 280 1987; IV, Library Notes 289 1989; V, Library Notes 294 1989; VI, Library Notes 303 1991.

RUSSELL, A COLIN

Gold Coast to Ghana: A Happy Life in West Africa

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1996 147 pp ISBN 1-85821-405-8

Russell served in the Gold Coast from 1929 to 1957. This account is based on a fairly complete set of daily diaries with the *main fault that they record chiefly social and recreational matters, and only occasionally any official activities*. Russell read for the bar, taking exams every time he came home on leave, and taking ten years to qualify. After retirement from Ghana, he was ordained in the Church of Scotland.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 74 1997 65 (Michael Ensor)

GOLD COAST

RUSSELL, ELNOR

Bush Life in Nigeria: An Account of the Experiences of the Wife of an Administrative Officer in Northern Nigeria from 1934-1944

Yeovil: Sir Kenneth Maddocks 1978 136 pp

Elnor Russell married a member of the Nigerian Administrative Service in 1935 and lived in various stations in Northern Nigeria. Her account was written in 1944 and published here with a few additional letters, a brief memoir and an introduction by Sir Kenneth Maddocks (see item 468) her second husband.

NIGERIA
WIVES

RUSSELL, JOHN

Kenya: Beyond the Marich Pass: A District Officer's Story

London: Radcliffe Press 1994 224 pp ISBN 1-850-437866

Russell served with the Kenya Regiment during the Mau Mau Emergency. In 1954 he was seconded to District Administration to train Home Guard Units and establish guard posts. He was soon appointed to the permanent staff *but being the son of a Kenya settler, I was regarded as suspect material for Her Majesty's Colonial Service so they sent me off to Oxford University to be suitably brainwashed.* Most of the book is devoted to the two years he spent in West Pokot. It ends with his posting to the Coast Province and only hints at his subsequent career in Kenya and the Solomons.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 69 1995 53 (Oliver Knowles)

KENYA

RUSSELL, TOM

I Have the Honour to Be

Spennymoor, Co Durham: The Memoir Club 2003 242 pp ISBN 1-84104-047-9

First assigned to the post-war Solomon Islands as a District Administrator, Tom Russell rose to Chief Secretary of the Western Pacific High Commission and then Governor of the Cayman Islands.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 87 2004 51-52 (John Smith)

CAYMAN ISLANDS

PACIFIC

SOLOMON ISLANDS

SABBEN-CLARE, E E, BRADLEY, D J and KIRKWOOD, K (eds)

Health in Tropical Africa During the Colonial Period: Based on the Proceedings of a Symposium held at New College Oxford 21-23 March 1977

Oxford: Clarendon Press 1980 ix + 276 pp ISBN 0-198-58165-3

Includes personal accounts of what it was like to be a district medical officer.

MEDICAL

SADLEIR, RANDAL

Tanzania: Journey to Republic

London: Radcliffe Press 1999 ix + 342 pp ISBN 1-86064-437-6

Sadleir arrived in Africa in 1943, serving in the King's African Rifles. District Officer who stayed on after independence. Valuable record of the rise of nationalism and rapport with Nyerere and of the Zanzibar Revolution, the army mutiny, the Arusha Declaration and Ujamaa.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 79 2000 40-42 (Andrew Stuart)

The Round Table 355 2000 411-412 (Derek Ingram)

TANGANYIKA

ST JOHNSTON, T R A

A West Indian Pepper-Pot: Or Thirteen 'Quarshie' Stories

Foreword by L S Amery

London: Philip Allan 1928 xiii + 209 pp

St Johnston was the Administrator of St Kitts-Nevis and states, *In these stories, written up from notes made at intervals during some eight years of residence in the West Indies...I have endeavoured to depict the life of the West Indian peasant.*

ST KITTS

SALMON, DAVID

Letters from Africa

Newcastle, Staffs: David Slamon, 2008, 134 pp. No ISBN given

Letters written home to his parents from David Salmon's first posting as a cadet in Barotseland in 1959/60.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 62-63 (Ian Mackinson)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

SANDERS, PETER

The Last of the Queen's Men: A Lesotho Experience

Johannesburg: Witwatersrand University Press 2000 175 pp ISBN 1-86814-353-8

Sanders arrived in Basutoland in 1961, leaving in 1966. He worked as a District Officer, in the Secretariat, as Secretary to the Constitutional Commission and as Chief Electoral Officer in the elections leading up to independence. He describes this book as *an attempt to recapture what it was like for me as a young and impressionable Englishman, to work as an administrator in the last days of British rule in Basutoland.*

Reviewed in *Australasian Review of African Studies* 13 (2) 2001 71-72 (David Goldsworthy)

Overseas Pensioner 82 2001 53-54 (M J L Glaze)

BASUTOLAND

SANGER, CLYDE

Malcolm MacDonald: Bringing an End to Empire

Liverpool: Liverpool University Press 1995 xxxi + 498 pp ISBN 0-85323-900-2

Readable biography of the man who played a central role in decolonisation.

MacDonald (1901-1981) Colonial Secretary in the 1930s, Governor-General of Malaya and Singapore 1946, last Governor and first Governor-General of Kenya.

KENYA

MALAYA

GOVERNORS

SANDFORD, EILEEN

Come on, Eileen! Encounters and experiences

Shrewsbury: Shrewsbury Words, 2010 212 pp, ISBN 978- 0 955754-44-9

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2011 101 57-58 (Patricia Farrant)

Administrative Officer's wife in Northern Nigeria

NIGERIA

WIVES

SCHOFIELD, ALICE SHIRLEY

The Donas Remember

Castleford, West Yorkshire: Privately Printed 1993 122pp ISBN: 0-95191621- 1

Reminiscences from wives of Northern Rhodesia policemen.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 67 1994 53-54 (R K Barkley)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

POLICE

WIVES

SCHRAM, RALPH

A History of the Nigerian Health Services

Ibadan: Ibadan University Press 1972 xxvi + 480 pp

A shortened version of a Cambridge Doctor of Medicine thesis. Schram was Reader in Community Medicine at Ahmadu Bello University. This wide-ranging book begins with Portuguese traders on the West Coast of Africa and takes in the whole history of disease, health and medical practice in Nigeria.

NIGERIA
MEDICAL

SCHUR, TONY (ed.)

From the Cam to the Zambezi: Colonial Service and the path to the new Zambia

London, New York: I.B. Tauris 2014 xx + 298 pp. ISBN 8781784444530044

22 men (two of them African) took the Overseas Services Course in Cambridge in 1961 before going on to work in Northern Rhodesia. That cohort kept in touch over the years and Tony Schur (Cadet in the Kabompo District from 1962 to 1964) has edited this collection of reminiscences by members and their wives.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 110 2015 52-55 (Veronica Bellers)

ZAMBIA

SCOTT, DAVID

Ambassador in Black and White

London: Weidenfeld and Nicholson 1981 xiii + 258 pp ISBN 0-297-77865-X

Scott went out to South Africa in 1950 as First Secretary (Political) in the High Commission. He has much of interest on the High Commission Territories particularly Swaziland and Bechuanaland (including the 'Seretse Affair'). Later, he was in charge of the Central African and Territories Department at the Commonwealth Relations Office, High Commissioner to Uganda and to New Zealand. At the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in the early seventies he was responsible for the administration of the remaining Dependent Territories and managed to visit 13 out of 17 of them. He returned to Africa as Ambassador to South Africa 1975-1979.

HIGH COMMISSION TERRITORIES

SCOTT, JOAN HALL

The Governor's Lady

Draguigan, France: The author 2007 202 pp

American born Joan Scott accompanied her husband Alan, Governor of the Cayman Islands 1987-1992. This memoir includes mouth-watering recipes.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 95 2008 59 (Peter Moss)

CAYMAN ISLANDS

GOVERNORS

SCOTT, MICHAEL

Special Forces Commander: the life and wars of Peter Wand-Tetley OBE MC, Commando, SAS, SOE & Paratrooper

Barnsley: Pen & Sword, 2011, 200 pp, ISBN 978-18488846-73-9

Most of this book is devoted to Wand-Tetley's distinguished military career but there are a few significant pages on his Colonial Administrative Service in Nigeria 1947-1964.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 64-65 (Ronald Bird)

NIGERIA

SCOTT, R

Gowers of Uganda: The Public and Private Life of a Forgotten Colonial Governor

Australasian Review of African Studies 30(2) 2009 12-31

Study of Sir Williams Gowers, Governor of Uganda 1925-32.

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

SCRUTON, ROGER

England: An Elegy

London: Chatto and Windus 2004 ix + 270 pp ISBN 1-85619-251-2

Scruton describes this book as a *memorial address and a personal tribute to the civilisation that made me and which is now passing from the world*. Pages 27-35 are given to an appreciative portrait of "Mr Chapman", Scruton's physics master at High Wycombe Royal Grammar School. *He joined the Colonial Service, was called upon to defend various outposts of empire against imaginary Germans and then, after the war found himself Assistant District Commissioner in Nigeria, responsible for the administration of Ibo territories.*

NIGERIA

SEATON, HENRY

Lion in the Morning

London: John Murray 1963 ix + 229 pp

Episodes from Seaton's early career working with the Akamba and Kamasia peoples. Some previously published as short stories in the *Wide World Magazine* and similar publications. Illustrated with fine drawings by Victor Ambrun. The book ends in the 1920s with Seaton's marriage and transfer to Eldoret. He spent the rest of his career in the White Highlands.

KENYA

SELWYN-CLARKE, Sir SELWYN

Footprints; Memoirs: The Memoirs of Sir Selwyn Selwyn-Clarke 1975

Sir Selwyn served with the Colonial Medical Service in the Gold Coast, Malaya, Nigeria and Hong Kong. He was Governor of the Seychelles 1947-1951.

GOLD COAST

HONG KONG

MALAYA

NIGERIA

SEYCHELLES

GOVERNORS

MEDICAL

SHARWOOD SMITH, Sir BRYAN

But Always as Friends: Northern Nigeria and the Cameroons 1921-1957

London: Allen & Unwin 1969 xvii + 460 pp

Sharwood-Smith spent his entire career in Nigeria, becoming Governor of Northern Nigeria. His book is divided into three parts: *First as Masters* (to 1927), *Then as Leaders* (1927-1951), *Finally as Partners*. Some solid history is interwoven with his personal story and supported by maps, scholarly appendices and index.

Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 9(4) 1970 307-309 (D E Glason)

NIGERIA

SHARWOOD-SMITH, JOAN

Diary of a Colonial Wife: An African Experience

London: Radcliffe Press 1992 viii + 160 pp ISBN 1-85043-524-3

Joan married Bryan Sharwood-Smith in 1939 and joined him in Nigeria at the beginning of the war, during which she entertained De Gaulle and the Free French and taught ciphers and survival hints to young officers raiding Vichy territory.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 64 1992 55-56 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA

WIVES

SHENNAN, MARGARET

Out in the Midday Sun: The British in Malaya 1880-1960

London: John Murray 2000 xv + 426 pp ISBN 0-7195-5716-X

Well-researched and highly readable. Chapters 7 “Pyramids of Power” and 8 “Official and Unofficials” are particularly relevant.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 31(3) 2000 360 (Adrian Steger)

Journal of Contemporary History 40(3) 2005 585-589 (Review article: *When – if ever – did Empire end? Recent Studies of Imperialism and Decolonization*; Stephen Howe)

Overseas Pensioner 80 2000 53-54 (Dr A V M Horton)

Round Table 358 2001 129-131 (John M Mackenzie)

MALAYA

SHEPPARD, MUBIN C

Taman Budiman: Memoirs of an Unorthodox Civil Servant

Kuala Lumpur: Heinemann Educational Books (Asia) 1979 xii + 278 pp

Sheppard went to Malaya as a cadet in 1928 during the governorship of Sir Hugh Clifford and held diverse posts, serving through the war, during which he was interned, and the Emergency. He remained in Malaya after Independence, became a Muslim and was actively involved in the creation of the National Archives and the National Museum.

MALAYA

SHERMAN, A J

Mandate Days: British Lives in Palestine, 1918-1948

London: Thames and Hudson 1997 264 pp ISBN 0-500-25116-9

The British men and women of the Mandate have with rare exceptions been omitted from the histories of Palestine... This book aims to remedy that omission, largely by permitting the participants in the Mandate to tell their own stories. Draws on the archive of private papers at St Antony's, Oxford and includes many good photographs.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 75 1998 43-44 (Patrick Moberly)

PALESTINE

SHERWOOD, SANDYS

It's Been a Pleasure

London: Minerva Press 1994 314 pp ISBN 1-85863-110-6

Memoir of an Englishman who served in the Colonial Police Force in Nigeria and Jamaica before retiring to Alicante, Spain. Contains diary extracts and cartoons.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 70 1995 59 (Michael Macoun)

JAMAICA

NIGERIA

POLICE

SHORT, ROBIN

African Sunset

London: Johnson 1973 280 pp ISBN 0-85307-123-3

District Officer 1950-1966. Anthropological interest especially in the account of his cadetship at Kasempa, Kaonde-Luangwa Province and also notable for his account of the impact of Federation and the path to independence.

NORTHERN RHODESIA

SHURMER-SMITH, PAMELA

Remnants of Empire: memory and Norther Rhodesia's white diaspora

Lusaka: Gadsden Publishers, 2015 280 pp. ISBN 978-9982-24-0932

ZAMBIA

Based on survey of white people who had lived in Northern Rhodesia and who left at Independence of shortly afterwards. Half the book deals with life in colonial

Northern Rhodesia in thematic chapters. The second half deals with reasons for leaving and life afterwards.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 111 2016 48-50 (Hugh Macmillan)

SIMNETT, W E

The British Colonial Empire

London: George Allen & Unwin 1942 (and reprints) 249 pp

In 1940 the British Government sent Simnett on a mission to the United States to express thanks for American co-operation in the Colonial sphere and to explain Colonial policy and Colonial Development and Welfare legislation to the Americans. *I felt constrained, after my return to England, and in default of any better attempt to fill the gap, to make the necessary time to write this little book which is offered in all diffidence not only to our own people who are directly responsible for the future welfare of the British colonies but also to the American public.* Chapter X deals with Colonial Government and the Colonial Service.

SINCLAIR, GEORGINA

At the End of the Line: Colonial Policing and the Imperial Endgame 1945-50

Manchester: Manchester University Press 2006 xii + 250 pp ISBN 0-7190-7138-0

The Colonial Police Service in the Caribbean, Mediterranean and Middle East, Africa and South East Asia. Based on a range of archival sources and some 400 interviews with surviving police officers.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 93 2007 49-50 (Robin Mitchell and Bob Bradney)

POLICE

'Get into a Crack Force and Earn £20 a Month and all Found...' The Influence of the Palestine Police upon Colonial Policing 1922-1948

European Review of History 13(1) 2006 49-65

PALESTINE

POLICE

SKINNER, NEIL

Burden Assumed: The Making of a Colonial Candidate

Madison: The Author 1985 126 pp

This account begins with Skinner's Colonial Service interview and takes the story up to his first leave.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 51 1986 45-46 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA

Burden at Sunset: Last Days of Empire

Madison: African Studies Program, University of Wisconsin-Madison 1996 205 pp

Written with a light touch, this is an account of Skinner's colonial service 1942-60.

After an interlude in New Zealand, Skinner went to the Department of African Languages and Literature at the University of Wisconsin.

NIGERIA

SLAUGHTER, CAROLYN

Before the Knife

London: Doubleday 2002 254 pp ISBN 0-385-60344-4

London: Black Swan 2003 272 pp ISBN 0-552-9998-1

This book by the daughter of a District Commissioner attracted considerable attention but is deeply offensive to some. This is a story of surviving sexual abuse by her father and Carolyn Slaughter draws connections between her own abuse and the abuse of Africa and Africans by white colonialists, frequently portrayed as bigoted and sadistic.

BECHUANALAND
SWAZILAND

SMITH, ALEC

Insect Man: A Fight Against Malaria in Africa

London: Radcliffe Press 1993 192 pp ISBN 1-85043-597-9

In 1950, Smith took up a post as Entomologist with the newly established Filariasis Research Unit. He continued in Tanzania for eleven years after independence, retiring in 1972. He then worked for WHO in Geneva and Africa.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 36(2) 1995 345-346 (James L Giblin)

Overseas Pensioner 67 1994 51-52 (C C Draper)

TANGANYIKA

MEDICAL

SMITH, COLIN

Green Mountain Doctor: Memoirs of a Government Medical Officer in Basutoland in the Nineteen Sixties

Beaminster: The Author 2000 160 pp ISBN 0-95388-950-5

Smith went to Basutoland in the early 60s, having wanted to be a doctor from the age of four and having become an enthusiast for Africa after reading Rider Haggard, John Buchan and the like. He describes himself as *romantic, a bit arrogant, with a sense of Christian destiny, physically and mentally tough, cheerful to the point of silliness at times and very green*. He encountered many surgical challenges and odd obstetrical problems which are described in graphic layman's language. Good photographs and pleasant sketches.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 81 2001 40-41 (Neil Squires)

BASUTOLAND

MEDICAL

SMITH, FRANCIS G.

Sixty-nine Years Together

Ely: Melrose Books, 2011, 398 pp. ISBN 978-1907732-37-9

Memoir published as a tribute to the author's late wife and containing much domestic detail but of interest because in 1949 Francis Smith was appointed to the unusual post of Beeswax Officer, Tanganyika.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 66-67 (David Connolly)

TANGANYIKA

SMITH, JOAN

Patch of Africa

Nedlands, Australia: Frances J Smith 1991 viii +232 pp ISBN 0-958-75381-4

Stories of life in Tabora and Arusha 1949-1962.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 36(1) 1995 156-157 (Ann O' Hear)

Overseas Pensioner 62 1991 47 (R J H)

TANGANYIKA

WIVES

Heart of Africa

Nedlands, Australia: Francis J Smith 1993 x + 202 pp ISBN 0-95875384-9

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 65 1993 52 (A Bertrand)

TANGANYIKA

WIVES

SMITH, JOHN H

Colonial Cadet in Nigeria

Durham, NC: Duke University Press for the Duke University Commonwealth Studies Centre
1968 202 pp

Smith was appointed to Northern Nigeria in 1951, the last year of large-scale British recruitment to the Nigerian Administrative Service. This book, written at the suggestion of Robert Heussler, draws on diaries, correspondence and official reports written at the time. A particularly valuable feature is the inclusion of some 70 pages of Touring Reports. Smith describes his object as *to show the kind of men we were and the type of work the majority of us, at the broad base of the administrative pyramid, did and how we did it.*

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 68 (273) 1969 364-365 (Alec Dickson)
Journal of Modern African Studies 7(4) 1969 756-758 (John A Ballard)
NIGERIA

SMITH, JOHN (ed)

Administering Empire: The British Colonial Service in Retrospect: Proceedings of a Conference jointly sponsored by the University of London and the Corona Club held at Senate House on 27th and 28th May 1999 under the auspices and Direction of the Institute of Historical Research and the Institute of Commonwealth Studies

London: University of London Press 1999 xiv + 350 pp ISBN 0 718716 159

A modest attempt to understand better the men and women who administered empire on the ground, their motivation and background and the constraints under which they worked. The book opens with Peter Marshall's lecture on 'The British experience of Imperial rule' and Tony Kirk-Greene's taxonomic survey of 'The Colonial Service in the novel'. The bulk of the volume is divided into sections on East Africa, West Africa, The West Indies and The Far East and Pacific, mingling anecdotes and reminiscences from colonial officers with scholarly assessments.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 82 2000 77-78 (Terry Barringer)
Journal of Modern African studies 40(1) 2002 168-170 (John Mackenzie)

SMITH, JOHN

An Island in the Autumn

Kinloss: Librario, 2011, 281 pp. ISBN 978-19067775-26-1

After his service in Nigeria (see Item 609), John Smith was posted to the South Pacific where he served as Financial Secretary of the Solomon Islands and Governor of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 56-58 (W. David McIntyre)
The Round Table 2012 101(3) 278-80

GILBERT & ELLICE ISLANDS

SOLOMON ISLANDS

GOVERNORS

SMITH, JOHN

Vet in Africa: Life on the Zambezi, 1913-1933: Selected Letters and Memoirs of John Smith

edited and with a commentary by Tony Bagnall Smith

London: Radcliffe Press 1997 360 pp ISBN 1-86064-132-6

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 74 1997 68-69 (R J Short)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

VETERINARY

SMITH, VIC

Birds, Beasts and Bature

Edinburgh : Pentland Press 1995 163 pp ISBN 1-85821-404-1

Vic Smith took a job as Veterinary Research Officer in Nigeria, having no tropical experience but attracted by the bird-watching, in 1957. He left in 1966 to work in Australia.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 73 1997 51 (K V Arrowsmith)

NIGERIA

VETERINARY

SNELSON, PETER

To Independence and Beyond: Memoirs of a Colonial and Commonwealth Civil Servant

London: Radcliffe Press 1993 x + 342 pp ISBN 1-85043-572-3

Snelson spent fourteen years in Northern Rhodesia/Zambia, ten years before and four after independence, beginning as a teacher of history and English at Munali Secondary School and rising to Provincial Education Officer with a major role in integrating European and African education. He then spent 19 years at the Commonwealth Secretariat.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 66 1993 52-53 (D A Bell)

NORTHERN RHODESIA

EDUCATION

SNOW, PHILIP

The Years of Hope: Cambridge, Colonial Administration in the South Seas and Cricket

London: The Radcliffe Press 1997 256 pp ISBN 1-86064-147-4

Snow arrived in Fiji in 1938. His work there was extremely varied: Magistrate, Deputy Sheriff, Officer-in-Charge of Police, Superintendent of Gaols, Receiver of Wrecks and Assistant Colonial Secretary.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 75 1998 44-45 (Kenneth Bain); and see Letter to Editor in *OP* 76 1998 56 (Sir Ian Thomson)

FIJI

A Time of Renewal: Clusters of Characters, C P Snow and Coups

London: Radcliffe Press 1998 304 pp ISBN 1-860-64149-0

Sequel to *The Years of Hope*. Despite his change of career in 1952 – Snow became Bursar of Rugby – Snow retained his connections with and interest in Fiji.

FIJI

SNOXALL, R A

Peripatetic Pedagogy: Some Reminiscences of R A Snoxall

edited by P R Snoxall

Worthing: The Author 1985 76 pp

Snoxall was an Education Officer in Tanganyika 1926-1928 and Uganda 1928-1952. He compiled a *Luganda/English Dictionary* and a *Concise English/Swahili Dictionary*.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 50 1985 53-54 (I A)

TANGANYIKA

UGANDA

EDUCATION

SPURR, R

Excellency: the Governors of Hong Kong

Hong Kong: Form Asia Books 1995 264 pp ISBN 9-627-28312-6

Copiously illustrated biographical sketches of Hong Kong governors from 1841 to 1997 (31 in all, including two Japanese).

HONG KONG

GOVERNORS

STANLEY, Sir ROBERT

King George's Keys

London: Johnson 1975 xvi + 248 pp ISBN 0-853-07133-0

Beginning as a cadet in Nigeria in 1925, Stanley went on to Cyprus in 1935, to Barbados as Colonial Secretary 1941, to Gibraltar as Colonial Secretary 1944, to Northern Rhodesia as Chief Secretary, 1947 and as High Commissioner to the

Western Pacific in 1952. After retirement from the Colonial Service, he spent three years as Speaker of the Mauritius Legislative Council.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 74 (297) 1975 486-487 (Kenneth Robinson)

BARBADOS
CYPRUS
GIBRALTAR
NIGERIA
MAURITIUS
PACIFIC
GOVERNORS

STEPHENSON, RALPH

Colonial Sunset – A Worm’s Eye View

Brighton: Pen Press Publishers 2004 166 pp ISBN 1-904754-58-9

A career in the Colonial Audit Service with tours in Hong Kong, Seychelles, Gold Coast and Sierra Leone.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 88 2004 59-60 (Gillian Bickley)

GOLD COAST
HONG KONG
SEYCHELLES
SIERRA LEONE
AUDIT SERVICE

STEWART, BRIAN (ed)

Smashing Terrorism in the Malayan Emergency

Selangor: Pelanduk Publications 2004 (available from Asean Academic Press Ltd, London)

Memories of junior police officers of all races.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 88 2004 58 (Simon Hutchinson)

MALAYA
POLICE

STIGAND, Capt C H

Administration in Tropical Africa

London: Constable 1914 viii + 302 pp

Captain (later Major) Chauncey Hugh (d 1919) served with the army in Burma, Aden, Somaliland and in the King’s African Rifles. In 1907 he was attached to the East African Survey and he became Governor, Upper Nile in 1916. He published several other books on game and hunting and a Swahili grammar.

This book does not pretend to aim at the higher administrative problems of this continent. It is written from the junior officer’s point of view and only touches on such wider problems as affect or should affect him either directly or indirectly in the performance of his duties. Junior officials for African administration are generally selected from those who have been educated in the usual way and are healthy in mind and body. In few cases are any special qualifications made a sine qua non. On appointment, there appears no royal road to the acquisition of a knowledge of his duties, he must learn them by practice and experience. The present book is the outcome of my efforts to elucidate what these duties really were and what was expected of me.

Chapter headings include “Law and Equity”, “Taxes”, “Customs and Revenue”, “Labour”, “Correspondence and Filing”, “Forestry”, “Sleeping Sickness” and “Punitive Expeditions” but no mention of education.

AFRICA

The Land of Zinj: Being an Account of British East Africa, its Ancient History and Present Inhabitants

London: Constable 1913 351 pp

A careful compilation of African traditions with a final chapter on ‘The African’s

Future'.
EAST AFRICA

STOCKWELL, A J
Sir Hugh Clifford's Early Career 1866-1903 as told from his Private Papers
Journal of the Malaysian Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society 49(1) 1976 89-112

STOW, Sir JOHN
Times Remembered: In Africa and the Caribbean
[s.l]: The Author 1991 75 pp ISBN 0-951-9370-5

This modest volume, dedicated to the hundreds of Africans and West Indians who have made life rewarding in the many territories in which my wife and I have served, is well written and well illustrated. Stow's father was a distinguished member of the ICS who advised his son, *You will probably not pass into the Indian Civil Service and in any case there will probably be no India to govern in a few years time. You had better try the Colonial Service.* He joined in 1934 and served in Nigeria, Gambia, the Windward Islands and Kenya before becoming Colonial Secretary of Jamaica in 1955 and Governor of Barbados in 1959.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 63 1992 51-52 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

BARBADOS
GAMBIA
JAMAICA
KENYA
NIGERIA
GOVERNORS

STROBEL, MARGARET
European Women and the Second British Empire
Bloomington and Indianapolis: Indiana University Press 1991 108 pp ISBN 0-253-3551-6 (paperback) 0-253-20631-6

Wide ranging but does include comments on Colonial Service wives.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 21(2) 1993 452-453 (Judith Brown)

WIVES

STUART, ANDREW
Of Cargoes, Colonies and Kings: Diplomatic and Administrative Service from Africa to the Pacific

London: Radcliffe Press 2000 xix + 235 pp ISBN 1 86064 713 8

Stuart, the son of the Bishop of Uganda, joined the Colonial Service in 1952 and was posted to Toro, then Mbale. He gives a lively account of a District Officer's work and has some interesting impressions of the governors, King Freddie, Obote, Amin and Museveni. He was seconded to Special Branch HQ and helped to design the flag of independent Uganda. He stayed on, working in the Ministry of Information, Broadcasting and Tourism but left before Amin's takeover. Transferring to the FCO, he served in Hong Kong and the Seychelles before becoming Resident Commissioner in the New Hebrides. His final diplomatic post was as Ambassador to Finland. This book is written with a light touch and much good humour (at the expense of the colonisers rather than the colonised). A good read but impressionistic and sparing on dates, names and hard facts.

Reviewed in *African Research & Documentation* 89 2002 84-90 (Terry Barringer)
Overseas Pensioner 83 2002 49-50 (Rex Hunt)

HONG KONG
NEW HEBRIDES
SEYCHELLES
UGANDA

SULLIVAN, PAUL (ed.)

Kikuyu District: Francis Hall's Letters from East Africa to his Father, Lt. Colonel Edward Hall 1892–1901

Dar es Salaam: Mkuki na Nyota 2006 xix + 181 pp. ISBN 998-7-427-57-4

KENYA

SUNDERLAND, DAVID

Managing the British Empire – The Crown Agents, 1833-1914

Woodbridge: Boydell Press/Royal Historical Society 2004 xv + 352 pp ISBN 0-96193-267-6

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 94 2007 55-57 (Alan Frood)

Managing British Colonial and Post-Colonial Development: The Crown Agents, 1914-1974

Woodbridge: Boydell Press/Royal Historical Society 2007 312 pp ISBN 978-1-84383-301-7

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 95 2008 46-48 (Larry Butler)

SUNMAN, HILARY

A Very Different Land: memories of Empire from the farmlands of Kenya

London, New York: Radcliffe Press, 2014, xvii + 278 pp. ISBN 978-1-78076-996-7

Owen Sunman served with the Colonial Agricultural Service from 1928 to 1950. His daughter, Hilary, provides a careful and contextualised account of his career, informed by her own perspective as a Development Economist. Peter Hennessy provides a foreword.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 109 2015 51-52 (Parmeet Singh)

KENYA

SWAISLAND, CECILLIE

Forty Years of Service: The Women's Corona Society 1950-1990

London: Women's Corona Society 1992 ix + 154 pp ISBN 0-9520374-0-8

The Women's Corona Society functioned as a network and advisory agency for women members of the Colonial Service and Colonial Service wives with particular concerns for briefing services, children's education and travel.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 66 1993 55-56 (I Andrew)

WIVES

SWIFT, CHARLES R

Dar Days: The Early Years in Tanzania

Lanham, MD: University Press of America 2002 xvi + 211 pp ISBN 0-7618-2331-X

Swift worked as a Psychiatric Consultant with the Ministry of Health.

TANGANYIKA

MEDICAL

SYMES, Sir STEWART

Tour of Duty

London: Collins 1946 271 pp

Beginning his career in the Army and the Egyptian Army, Symes saw service in Sudan, Egypt and Palestine. He was Chief Secretary, Jerusalem 1925-28, Resident and Commander in Chief, Aden 1929-1930, Governor, Tanganyika 1931-1933 and Governor of the Sudan 1934-1940.

ADEN

PALESTINE

SUDAN

TANGANYIKA

GOVERNORS

SYMONDS, RICHARD

The British and their Successors

London: Faber & Faber 1966 287 pp

The subject of this book is the succession to the British in the government services which they established in Asia and in Africa. Part I deals with India and Ceylon, Part II with West Africa and Part III with East Africa. A final section gives comparisons (with the French and other Empires) and reflections.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 66(263) 1967 156-157 (Ronald Wraith)

Journal of Administration Overseas 6(2) 1967 140-142 (S S Kehra)

Times Literary Supplement 3437 11 January 1968 30 (John Chadwick)

Oxford and Empire: The Last Lost Cause?

London: Macmillan 1986

Oxford: Clarendon Press 1991 (paperback issue with corrections) xxiv + 368 pp

ISBN 0-19-820300-4

A comprehensive and highly readable account of the University's connections with the British Empire including alumni careers in the Colonial Service, teaching about the Empire and colonies and Colonial Service training courses in Oxford.

TALIB, NAIMAH S

Administrators and their Service: The Sarawak Administrative Service under the Brooke Rajahs and British Colonial Rule

Oxford: Oxford University Press 1999 xxi + 274 pp ISBN 983-56-0031-7

Based on a Hull University PhD, this is a very thorough study. More than half the book is devoted to the period 1946-1963.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 31(2) 200 227-228 (A V M Horton)

SARAWAK

TAMUNO, TEKENA N

The Police in Modern Nigeria, 1861-1965

Ibadan: Ibadan University Press 1970 xvi + 304 pp

A thoroughly researched history by a Nigerian scholar.

Reviewed in *Journal of African history* 14(1) 1973 173-4 (David Craig Dorwood)

NIGERIA

POLICE

TAWNEY, JOHN J

Personal Thoughts on a Rescue Operation: The Oxford Colonial Records Project

African Affairs 67 (269) 1968 345-350

TAYLOR, DAVID

The Rehabilitation and Development of the Falkland Islands 1983-87: A Personal Experience of Colonial Administration in the South Atlantic

The Round Table 369 2003 269-277

David Taylor was the first Chief Executive of the Falklands.

FALKLAND ISLANDS

TAYLOR, HUMPHREY

40 years On – An Old Africa Hand Reflects on the Colonial Era

Cambridge: the magazine of the Cambridge Society 48 2001 pp 72-77

Humphrey Taylor, now living in America and Chairman of the Harris Poll, was a District Officer in Tanganyika 1959-1962. See also the response to his article by

John Bridgen in *Cambridge* 49 2002 56-57.

TANGANYIKA

TAYLOR, THOMAS K

Sunset of the Empire in Malaya: A New Zealander's Life in the Colonial Education Service

London, New York: Radcliffe Press 2006 xxiii + 164 pp ISBN 1-84511-1117

New Zealander Tom Taylor was appointed Senior Master in English at King Edward VII High School, Taiping in 1946. He rose through the ranks becoming a Headmaster in Klang, before taking over as Chief Education Officer, Selangor.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 92 2006 73-74 (John Gullick)

MALAYA

EDUCATION

TEASDALE, JEAN

Facing the Bow: European Women in Colonial Malaya 1919-1945

Perth, Western Australia: The Author 1997 xxii + 262 pp ISBN 0-86422-554-7

Combines oral interviews and documentary material to tell the stories of 18 women who were in colonial Malaya between 1919 and 1945.

MALAYA

WIVES

TEDDER, JAMES L O

Solomon Island Years: A District Administrator in the Islands 1952-1974

Stuarts Point, NSW: Tautu Studies 2008 303 pp ISBN 978-064-649-0182

Tedder was an Australian who spent almost all his career in district administration.

SOLOMON ISLANDS

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 96 2008 54 (John Smith)

TERRELL, R

West African Interlude: A Retrieval of Personal Experience

Wilton: Michael Russell 1988 175 pp ISBN 0-859-55144-X

Terrell was the first Principal sent overseas under the 1951 scheme for seconding Colonial Office civil servants to the administrative services of colonial governments. His book is a blend of journal entries made at the time with later reminiscences and reflections. It displays a keen awareness of the sensory experiences of Africa and an unusual candour about emotional strain and sexual frustration. He describes his work supervising elections and censuses, resolving boundary disputes, inspecting prisons and working on community development (*a method of getting a job done without the use of money*).

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 56 1988 68-69 (S S R)

NIGERIA

THOMAS, GRAHAM

Far from the Valleys

Sussex: Book Guild 1995 xiii + 203 pp ISBN 1-85776-040-9

After a working-class upbringing in Wales and London and exploring a religious vocation, Thomas, a Conscientious Objector in World War II, took a degree at the University of Wales. He had brief excursions into teaching and industry and was a Labour candidate in the 1950 election before he and his wife joined the Sudan Education Service in 1950. In 1954 he transferred to Kenya where he was appointed to the staff of Siriba Government Teacher Training College. He then went to the Headquarters of the Ministry of Education, Labour and Land and planned training courses for supervisors. He was on good terms with the young Tom Mboya but never met Kenyatta. Concerns for children and elderly parents brought the Thomases back to the UK, where they were active in Labour and later SDP politics.

KENYA

SUDAN

EDUCATION

THOMAS, PARAMPIL T

Little Sparks of Celestial Fire

An autobiography and inner safari: three books in one volume: I The gains, pains and joyous tears of following the still small voice within; II India, Christianity and empires upside down; III Nazarenes and Kizarones: Indo-Syrian Christians of old and new, good and bad.

London: Minerva Press 2001 842 + 25 pp ISBN 0-75411-088

A huge baggy book which *contains histories, church annals, family lore, safari stories and profiles of people great and small. It is the story of life under dependent and free societies and tinpot tyrants, of nature and the supernatural, fairy tales and a sup with the spirits, mostly facts and a few factions, odd poems and odes with tribal and folk songs.*

Thomas, a South Indian Christian, went to Kenya in 1950, aged 19, and joined the Public Works Department in Nairobi as an Asian clerk grade 2. He soon transferred to the Provincial Administration where his career prospered. "Life with the knights and knaves in a young crown colony of a doomed empire" is a rare and valuable account of African colonial administration from an Asian viewpoint.

KENYA

THOMPSON, HARRY

Peter Cook: A Biography

London: Hodder and Stoughton 1997 xii + 516 pp ISBN 0-340-649682

London: Sceptre 1998 xii + 516 pp ISBN 0-340-64969-0

This biography of the comedian and satirist gives attention, in its early chapters, to his Colonial Service background. Peter Cook's grandfather, Edward Cook, was Traffic Manager for the FMS State Railway in Kuala Lumpur. His father, Alec Cook, was a District Officer in Nigeria, Financial Secretary in Gibraltar, Permanent Secretary, Eastern Region, Nigeria. He retired with a CMG in 1955.

NIGERIA

THORPE, HELEN

Ladder of Bones

London: Jonathan Cape 1956 320 pp

Thorpe's "ladder of bones" refers to the means by which, in her view, Nigerians had advanced so quickly and so high as to have a credible claim to self-government. The book is concerned to *set down something of the work of the (white) men and women who, in Southern Nigeria, helped to build that ladder of bones and in doing so shaped the modern state.*

NIGERIA

TIDRICK, KATHERINE

Empire and the English Character

London: I.B. Tauris 1990 xi + 338 pp ISBN 1-85043-191-4

Tidrick is concerned with *the play of character within the context of empire*, the ideals of the British as a ruling race, how these ideals were worked out in practice, the ideology of Indirect Rule, moral dilemmas and particularly ambivalence over violence and compulsion. Includes substantial sections on the career of Hugh Clifford and on the British experience in Kenya with particular reference to the Mau Mau Emergency and to the administration of the Masai.

Reviewed in *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* 20(1) 1992 150-152

(John M Mackenzie)

Overseas Pensioner 64 1992 63-64 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

TILL, W B

A Surveyor and his Friends: A West African Odyssey

Bacup: The Author 2006 336 pp ISBN 1-871315-95-6

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 93 2007 52-53 (Richard Barlow-Poole)
NIGERIA
SURVEY

TOMPKINS, ALASTAIR

A Beat Around the Bush – Memoirs of a Kenya Policeman 1953-63

Bognor Regis: Woodfield Publishing 2003 300 pp ISBN 1-873203-94-2

As a young officer, Tompkins joined the Kenya police to counter Mau Mau.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 89 2005 61 (“A former Kenya policeman”)

KENYA

POLICE

TSANG, STEVE

Governing Hong Kong: Administrative Officers from the Nineteenth Century to the Handover to China, 1862-1997

London, New York: I B Tauris 2007 xii + 227 pp ISBN 978-1-84511-525-8

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 95 2008 40-42 (Brian Hook)

HONG KONG

TURBOTT, Sir IAN

Lands of Sun and Spice

Sydney: 1996 xiii + 375 pp ISBN 0-646-29515-2

A New Zealander, Turbott served in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands, 1948-56, Antigua 1958-1964, and as Governor of Grenada 1964-68.

ANTIGUA

GILBERT & ELLICE ISLANDS

GRENADA

GOVERNORS

TUGENDHAT, JULIA

My Colonial Childhood in Tanganyika

The Choir Press, 2011, 159 pp. ISBN 9780957070707

Julia Tugendhat grew up in Tanganyika as the child of a District Officer.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2012 103 65-66 (Christine Nicholls)

TANGANYIKA

TWADDLE, MICHAEL (ed)

Empire & After

Occasional Paper of the OSPA Research Project at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London No 1

London: Institute of Commonwealth Studies 2005 iii + 101 pp ISBN 1-855-071333-9

Contents:

Questions of concern; Michael Twaddle

Asylum in a crowded colony – the Vietnamese Boat People in Hong Kong 1975-1997 (Clinton Leeks)

Education: the Colonial Service Legacy: the case of Northern Rhodesia (Peter Snelson)

Notes on a visit to Zambia in November 2003 (Jonathan Lawley)

Law and the administration of justice: a police perspective from Nigeria (Robin Mitchell)

Uganda (Andrew Stuart)

Language and sport in nation building (Sir Richard Posnett)

Imperialism (Michael Twaddle)

Review Article: Was there a “British Empire?” The Oxford History of the British Empire from a Canadian perspective.

Book reviews.

TWEEDSMUIR, LORD

Always a Countryman

London: Robert Hale 1953 320 pp

This son of the more famous Lord Tweedsmuir (John Buchan) served briefly in the Colonial Service 1934-1935, but the relevant part of his autobiography is more concerned with wildlife, shooting and pets than the Day's Work.

UGANDA

UDOJI, JEROME

Under Three Masters: Memoirs of an African Administrator

Ibadan: Spectrum Books 1995 xii + 167 pp ISBN (hardback) 978-246-264-0
(paperback) 978-246-264-0

One of the first African District Officers, Udoji had the unique experience of serving under colonial, civilian and military regimes. He read law at Cambridge 1944-1948 and was accepted for the Colonial Administrative Service. He had postings in Western Nigeria, Abeokuta, the Lagos Secretariat and Enugu, becoming Chief Secretary, Eastern Nigeria. Later he worked for the Ford Foundation and the private sector. This book, written with the active encouragement of Tony Kirk-Greene is *not a straightforward biography. It includes personal assessments of the three administrative periods, colonial, civil and military as well as assessments of the performance of corporate institutions of the private sector.* The Epilogue bears the sad title, *I weep for Nigeria.*

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 96(382) 1997 142-143 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA

ULRICH, RETO (COMP.)

Charles W. Welman (1878–1961) Collection: the life of a Colonial Official: documents from South Africa, the Gold Coast and Switzerland (Registratur PA.42); introduction by Sonia Abun-Nasr

Basel: Basler Afrika Bibliographien, 2012, xv + xiii pp. ISBN 9783905758368

Welman worked in the Transvaal and then from 1910 in the Gold Coast, becoming Secretary for Native Affairs in 1923. He kept a regular diary. He retired to Switzerland and lived there for 30 years.

GOLD COAST

WADDINGTON, DAVID

David Waddington: Memoirs: Dispatches for Margaret Thatcher's Last Home Secretary

London: Biteback Publishing, 2012, 352 pp. ISBN 9781849543194

Lord Waddington retired as President of OSPA in 2012, after fourteen years. He had a distinguished Parliamentary career, serving as Home Secretary and Leader of the House of Lords. He was Governor of Bermuda for five years in the 1990s.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2013 105 56-57 (Richard Luce)

WALKER, PATRICK

Towards Independence in Africa: A District Officer in Uganda at the End of Empire

London: Radcliffe Press 2009 xiii + 220 pp ISBN 978-1848850194

Patrick Walker enjoyed a colonial childhood in Kenya and joined the Overseas Civil Service after Oxford, serving in Uganda from 1956 to 1963. He then joined MI5 where he was Director-General from 1988 to 1992.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 99 2010 44-46 (Anthony Low)

KENYA

UGANDA

WARD, A B

Rajah's Servant

Cornell University Department of Asian Studies 1966
Written in 1934 about time in Sarawak 1899-1923.
SARAWAK

WARD PRICE, H L

Dark Subjects

London: Jarrolds 1939 287 pp

A discursive, well-illustrated account. Ward went to Nigeria in 1912, retiring in 1936 as Resident of Oyo Province.

NIGERIA

WARD, W E F

My Africa

Accra: Ghana Universities Press 199, 267 pp ISBN 9964-3-0122-7

Ward was at Achimota, 1924-1940. He then transferred to Mauritius as Director of Education.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 64 1992 58 (Michael de N Ensor)

GOLD COAST

MAURITIUS

EDUCATION

WASS, PETER

Initiatives to Promote Civil Society in Botswana in the 1960s: A Personal Memoir

Botswana Notes and Records 36 2004 74-81

BECHUANALAND

WATERFORD, ENID

Not out of Malawi

Bridport: Plaintiles Publishing 2008 335 pp ISBN 9780955903007

NYASALAND

AGRICULTURE

WIVES

WATKINS, BRIAN

Feathers on the Brain

Vancouver: Hardwick Hill Publishing 2013 186 pp ISBN 9781493798841

Brian Watkins' first service was in Sierra Leone. He became Administrator of Tristan da Cuna in 1966 and later Deputy Governor of Bermuda.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 108 2014 59-60

BERMUDA

SIERRA LEONE

TRISTAN DA CUNHA

WATKINS, ELIZABETH

Cypher Officer

Brighton: Pen Press Publishers 2008 191 pp ISBN 978-1-906206-27-7

As a young woman Elizabeth Watkins served as a wartime RAF Cypher Officer in the Middle East, Seychelles and Madagascar.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 96 2008 66 (Joan Cox)

Jomo's Jailor: The Life of Leslie Whitehouse

Calais: Mulberry Books 1993

Revised edition: Watlington: Britwell Books 1996 xv + 266 pp ISBN 0-952-89520-X

Whitehouse began to write his memoirs at the age of 87. Elspeth Huxley says in her foreword, that this *was too late*, that he wrote with *too many gaps* and *too much*

reticence. But the unfinished memoir provided a base for this admiring biography. Whitehouse had a difficult start in life and was working in a chemist's shop in Nairobi when offered a temporary job at a school for Masai boys. Then in 1927 he was offered a permanent job in the Education Department. From there, he found his way into the Administration. Near retirement, he was serving as District Commissioner, Turkana where Kenyatta was in internal exile. A rapport built up between the two.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 65 1993 49-50 (C Chenevix Trench)
KENYA

Olga from Kenya: Repressing the Irrepressible

Brighton: Pen Press Publishers 2005 iv + 278 pp ISBN 1-905203-74-8

Elizabeth Watkins' biography of her mother who went to Kenya in 1914 and died there in 1947. Olga's first husband was killed in the East Africa Campaign and she later married Oscar Watkins (see next item). She was an elected member of the Legislative Council.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 91 2006 48 (Sir John Johnston)
KENYA

Oscar from Africa: The Biography of O F Watkins

London: Radcliffe Press 1995 255 pp ISBN 1-85043-948-6

A biography of Oscar Watkins by his daughter. Watkins (died 1943) joined the Administrative Service of the East African Protectorate in 1908. During the war, he was put in charge of the recruitment and deployment of the Carrier Corps. Later he found himself on a collision course with Delamere and the white settlers, opposing the recruitment of labour for white farms and making more land available for European farmers.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 95 (378) 1996 149 (David Killingray)
Overseas Pensioner 70 1995 62 (John Johnson)
KENYA

WATT, PEGGY

There is Only One Nigeria

Ilfracombe: Arthur Stockwell 1985 203 pp

Based on letters written to her father and the diaries of her husband, a New Zealander and District Officer, describing their family life, touring the District, her voluntary work for the blind and the run-up to independence.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 50 1985 49-50 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)
NIGERIA
WIVES

WATTS, RONALD

Eyes on Africa: A Fifty Year Commentary

York: William Sessions 2005 xi + 184 pp ISBN 1-85072-327-3

Experiences of the author and his doctor wife in 12 countries over 50 years.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 91 2006 55-56 (Laurie Robertson)
MEDICAL

WEBB, GEOFFREY

Five Years in the White Man's Grave: An Education Officer in Nigeria, 1928-33

Langham, Rutland: Legini Press 2008 80 pp (no ISBN)

Geoffrey Webb worked in Nigeria from 1928 to 1933 and was the co-author of the standard textbook for learning Hausa. This book is a skilfully edited (by Webb's son) and illustrated version of an account published serially in the *Leicester Evening Mail* in 1936.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 108 2008 115-116 (Terry Barringer)
Overseas Pensioner 96 2008 67 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)
NIGERIA
EDUCATION

WEBSTER, GEORGE and OSMASTON, HENRY

History of Uganda Forest Department 1951-1965

London: Commonwealth Secretariat 2003 ix + 169 pp ISBN 0-85092757-9

Webster served in the Department 1949 to 1963 (see Items 106, 107). A postscript covers the years 1963-2003.

UGANDA

FORESTRY

WELLS, CARVETH

Six Years in the Malay Jungle

London: Heinemann 1925 xviii + 261 pp

Garden City, New York: Garden City Publishing Company 1927 xviii + 261 pp

Singapore, Oxford: Oxford University Press 1988 xiii + 261 pp ISBN 0-19-588-873-1

Wells applied to the Crown Agents in 1913. At his interview he was told, *We send dozens of young fellows like you abroad...you see they don't last very long*. Posted to the Unfederated States, he remained there until 1918, surveying routes for railways and roads in Kelantan and Kedah. This account *condensed from my notebooks but I submit it as an absolutely true narrative of my personal experiences* is more descriptive of country and natural history than of his surveying work.

MALAYA

SURVEY

WEIGHTMAN, BARRY

Nowhere near Greenland

Ashford: Manples (BFov) Publishing 2008 378 pp ISBN 978-09560985-3-5

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 100 2010 64-65 (F.E. Baker)

KENYA

NEW HEBRIDES

MALAYA

TANGANYIKA

AGRICULTURE

WEST, GEOFFREY PHILIP (ed)

A History of the Overseas Veterinary Services

Part 1: London: British Veterinary Association [1961?] 143 pp

Part 2: London: British Veterinary Association 1973 369 pp ISBN 0-901-02804-5

VETERINARY

WEST, MARGARET

Catching the Bag: Who'd be a Woman Diplomat?

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 2000 xii + 381 pp ISBN 1-85821-750-4

After experience in India, New Zealand and the Commonwealth Relations Office, Margaret West was posted to Salisbury as First Secretary in 1960, as the Congo crisis was unfolding and just before the publication of the Monckton Report. This volume made up of (lightly edited) letters home gives an insider's view of the break up of the Central African Federation, some nice pen-portraits and anecdotes about key players and some wry observations on the advantages and disadvantages of being female in a male world.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 101(405) 2002 668-669 (Jonathan Lawley)

African Research & Documentation 85 2001 74 -76 (Terry Barringer)

CENTRAL AFRICAN FEDERATION

WHITE, STANHOPE

'Dan Bana': The Memoirs of a Nigerian Official

London: Cassell 1966 vii + 268 pp

The more interesting and amusing incidents in my career as Assistant District Officer and District Officer in Bornu, Benue, Kano and Sokoto provinces.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 66 (263) 1967 164-165 (Hilary Blood)
NIGERIA

WHITEHEAD, CLIVE

British Colonial Educational Policy: A Synonym for Cultural Imperialism?

In J A Mangan (ed) *'Benefits Bestowed'? Education and British Imperialism*, Manchester: Manchester University Press 1988 211-230 ISBN 0-7190-2517-6

Colonial Educators: The British Indian and Colonial Education Services 1858-1953

London, New York: I B Tauris 2003 xv + 286 pp ISBN 1-86064-864-9

Foreword by Tony Kirk-Greene points out that after this book, *No longer can 'Sanders of the River' leave 'Carruthers of the Classroom' in undeserved obscurity.*

Part One deals with India, Part Two with the Colonial Education Service. After a general chapter on The Origins and Nature of the Colonial Education Service, chapters are devoted to the following key individuals: Sir Hanns Vischer, Arthur Mayhew, Eric Hussey, Sir Christopher Cox, Frank Ward, Margaret Read, Freda Gwilliam, William Dodd.

Reviewed in *Empire & After* (see item 652) 97-100

Overseas Pensioner 87 2004 48-49 (Lalage Bown)

EDUCATION

The Concept of British Education Policy in the Colonies 1850-1960

Journal of Educational Administration and History 39 (2) 2007 161-73

WHITWORTH, PHOEBE

View from the Peak: An Autobiography

Cambridge : T G Whitworth 2001 150 pp (originally published P Whitworth, 1966)

ISBN 0-95091-734-6

Phoebe Whitworth was the daughter of Francis Henry May who spent most of his career in Hong Kong. He was Governor of Fiji, 1910-1912, before returning to Hong Kong as Governor. This memoir deals with her childhood and youth, impressions of Hong Kong and Fiji and of English schools and French finishing School.

FIJI

HONG KONG

GOVERNORS

WIGGINS, C A

Early Days in British East Africa and Uganda

Privately printed 1960 revised with additions 1963

Wiggins joined the Colonial Medical Service in British East Africa in 1901, transferred to Uganda in 1909 and retired in 1923 as Director of Medical Services. He returned to Uganda as a medical missionary in 1927-31 and 1938. He was ordained in 1943 and died in 1965 aged 88. He was also distinguished as a lepidopterist.

Copies are rare but can be found in Rhodes House Library and Cambridge University Library.

KENYA

UGANDA

MEDICAL

WILD, PERCY

Bwana Polisi (Under Three Flags)

Braunton: Merlin Books 1995 141 pp ISBN 0-86303-645-7

Wild joined the Kenya Police in 1955 and served until 1970. He then worked in Botswana for seven years.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 70 1995 58 (Michael Macoun)
BECHUANALAND
KENYA
POLICE

WILDE, J K H

Science and Safari: Memoirs of Jack Wilde

Cambridge: Vanguard Press 2005 343 pp ISBN 1-843861-53-4

Published when the author was 92, these memoirs tell of his veterinary training, work for the Colonial Veterinary Service in Tanganyika and Nigeria, for the Wellcome Foundation in Kenya and the Centre for Tropical Veterinary Medicine at the University of Edinburgh.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 90 2005 60-61 (Robert Mares)

TANGANYIKA
NIGERIA
VETERINARY

Wilde tales from Africa

Castle Cary Press 1990 143pp ISBN 0-905-90320-X

The James Herriott of post-war Tanganyika. Delightful, amusing line drawings. Wilde went on to a distinguished career in tropical veterinary medicine.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 61 1991 32 (M L H)

TANGANYIKA
VETERINARY

WILLES, OLIVIA

A Saharan Sketchbook: A Memoir of a Journey in an Africa of Yesterday

Westleton, Suffolk: Wayfarer 2003 xii + 181 pp ISBN 0-9543639-0-6

Olivia Willes worked for the Cameroons Development Corporation at Bota 1954-1955. This book is beautifully written and illustrated of her adventurous journey home, from Douala to Algiers across the Sahara in a temperamental motor car, sustained by the mechanical genius of her Dutch travelling companion. A few pen portraits of English and French colonial officials.

CAMEROONS
FRENCH COLONIES

WILLIAMS, J K

Black, Amber, White: An Autobiography

Worthing & Folkestone: Churchman Publishing 1990 157 pp ISBN 1-85093-211-5

Williams was appointed Stipendary Magistrate in Tanganyika in 1953 and went on to occupy a number of judicial posts, culminating in Judge of the High Court. *This book does not attempt to discuss the development of the nation but is intended to be the story of one who was privileged to work in the judiciary of a country which will always remain close to his heart.*

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 60 1990 56 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

TANGANYIKA
LEGAL

WILLIAMS, Sir RALPH

How I Became a Governor

London: John Murray 1913 466 pp

After an adventurous youth, Williams settled in Southern Africa where he had many dealings with Rhodes and became British Agent in the Transvaal then Resident Commissioner, Bechuanaland. From 1907 to 1909 he was Governor of the Windward Islands and then Governor of Newfoundland.

BECHUANALAND

WINDWARD ISLANDS
GOVERNORS

WILLIAMS, STEPHANIE

Running the Show: Governors of the British Empire 1857-1912.

London: Viking, 2011, xi + 493 pp. ISBN 97806700918041.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 2011 102 51-52 (A.H.M. Kirk-Greene)

The Round Table 101 (2) 189-90 (Terry Barringer)

GOVERNORS

WILLIAMSON, THORA

Gold Coast Diaries: Chronicles of Political Officers in West Africa, 1900-1919

edited by Anthony Kirk-Greene

London: Radcliffe Press 2000 xvi + 419 pp ISBN 1-86064-451-1

Extracts from some 50 diaries, ably edited and footnoted.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 101(403) 271-274 (Ashley Jackson)

African Research & Documentation 86 2001 65-67 (Terry Barringer)

Journal of African History 45(2) 2004 183-202

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 30(1) 2002 171-172

Overseas Pensioner 82 2001 52-53 (Michael Ensor)

GOLD COAST

WILLSON, LESLIE

A Son of the Raj

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1966 xi + 173 pp ISBN 1-85821-399-1

Born in India, trained in medicine at Edinburgh, Willson was called up in 1942 and served in Burma and South East Asia. He then joined the Colonial Medical Service and one chapter describes his work in Malaya.

MALAYA

MEDICAL

WILSON, BRIAN

Hong Kong Then

Bishop Auckland: Pentland Press 2000 208 pp ISBN 1-85821-773-3

Wilson held many administrative posts in Hong Kong culminating in that of Director of Urban Services, 1976-1983.

HONG KONG

WILSON, PETER M

Bwana Shamba: ('Mr Agriculture'): The Autobiography of a Field Officer (Agriculture) in Tanganyika Territory (now Tanzania) During the Closing Years of the British Colonial Era in Africa

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 2001 235 pp ISBN 1-85821-907-8

The service of an Agricultural Field Officer in Tanganyika 1958-1971 and subsequently at the Botswana Agricultural College. Wilson also wrote Swahili textbooks.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 83 2002 57-8 (Michael Longford)

Tanzanian Affairs 71 2002 (Jim Watson)

BECHUANALAND

TANGANYIKA

WILSON, R A M

A Cargo of Spice or Exploring Borneo

London: Radcliffe Press 1994 xiii + 278 pp ISBN 1-85043-793-9

Mostly a history of North Borneo, but some personal reminiscences.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 69 1995 54 (Henry Kirk)
NORTH BORNEO
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

WINSTANLEY, GEORGE

Under Two Flags in Africa: Recollections of a British Administrator in Bechuanaland and Botswana 1954 to 1972

Colchester: Blackwater Books 2000 x + 254 pp ISBN 0 953 9206 07

In the 1950s Winstanley served at Francistown and various 'bush' postings. In 1962 he was promoted to the Secretariat at Mafeking. He served as clerk to the Legislative and Executive Councils and was the secretary to the committee planning the move to Gaborone. With internal self-government, he became Clerk to the Cabinet. After independence, he became Permanent Secretary of Agriculture, leaving Botswana in 1972. Most of the book is concerned with the early years. In a disarming foreword the author writes, *This book is not a history. It is not meant to be a complete record. I never kept a diary and I have not consulted any archives so what is recorded is based on my memory which is fortunately very good when concerned with matters which have moved or amused me. On two or three occasions I verified dates.* Imagine Sir Arthur "Pattern of Islands" Grimble translated from the Pacific to Van der Post country and you will have some idea of the verve and anecdotalism of Winstanley's style. This should be read in conjunction with Peter Fawcus' *Botswana: The Road to independence* (item 208).

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 85 2001 83-86 (Terry Barringer)

Botswana Notes and Records 32 2000 218-219 (Ashley Jackson)

Overseas Pensioner 81 2001 43-44 (Colin Baker)

BECHUANALAND

WINSTEDT, Sir RICHARD

Start from Alif, Count from One: An Autobiographical Mémoire

Kuala Lumpur: Oxford University Press 1969 xiii + 186 pp

Introduction by Mubin Sheppard.

Winstedt arrived in Perak in 1902 and eight months later was an Assistant Inspector of Schools. He held a variety of administrative appointments before becoming Assistant Director of Education in 1916. The memoir ends at this point but Winstedt went on to become Director of Education. He left Malaya in 1935 but had a distinguished scholarly career ahead of him. He became Director of the Royal Asiatic Society and died in 1966.

MALAYA

EDUCATION

WOLLOCOMBE, RICHARD HENRY

A Passage from India: Reminiscences

Bath: The Author 1988

Some account of service in Nigeria as well as army service in Wollocombe's birthplace, India. Mostly concerned with family and childhood and of limited interest outside the family circle.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 60 1991 52-53 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

NIGERIA

WOODBURN, SUSAN (ed)

'Post-War Development Proposals for the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony', in Brij V. Lal The Defining Years: Pacific Islands, 1945-65

Canberra: Division of Pacific and Asian History, Australian National University 2005

111-22

Discusses the competing proposals for the post-WWII development of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony by Sir Philip Mitchell (the High Commissioner for the Western Pacific) and H E Maude (the First Assistant Secretary with the High Commission).

Reviewed in *Journal of Pacific History* 42 2007 131-32 (Richard Herr)
GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS

Where Our Hearts Still Lie: A Life of Harry and Honor Maude in the Pacific Islands

Adelaide: Crawford House Publishing 2003 xi + 281 pp ISBN1-86333-245-6

Harry Maude entered the Western Pacific service in 1929 as a cadet at Ocean Island, eventually becoming Resident Commissioner of the Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony 1946-48. During that time he became the most widely-travelled and versatile of the Western Pacific personnel. Following an increasingly unhappy period at the South Pacific Commission 1948-1955, Maude joined the staff of the Australian National University in 1957 when he wrote the histories of the people he once administered. Honor Maude became the world authority on Pacific Islands string figures - see Mark A Sherman, 'Honor C Maude: a tribute to the world's foremost authority on Pacific Islands string figures', *Bulletin of the International String Figure Association* 5 1998 1-38.

Reviewed in *Journal of Pacific History* 40 2005 124-25 (Doug Munro)

GILBERT AND ELLICE ISLANDS
PACIFIC

WOODWARD, KEITH

A Political Memoir of the Anglo-French Condominium of the New Hebrides

Australian National University Press ISBN 9781925021981 (paperback)

Keith Woodward was Secretary for Political Affairs in the New Hebrides 1953-78.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 110 2015 58-59 (Gregory Rawlings)
NEW HEBRIDES

WOOLF, LEONARD

Sowing: An Autobiography of the Years 1880-1904

London: Hogarth Press 1960 206 pp

Covers childhood and student years in Cambridge leading up to the moment when, after a disappointing performance in the Civil Service examination, Woolf found himself *to my astonishment and it must be admitted dismay, in the Ceylon Civil Service.*

Growing: An Autobiography of the Years 1904-1911

London: Hogarth Press 1961 256 pp

Covers Woolf's years in Ceylon.

Beginning Again: An Autobiography of the Years 1911-1918

London: Hogarth Press 1966

Downhill All the Way: An Autobiography of the Years 1919-1939

London: Hogarth Press 1967

The Journey Not the Arrival Matters: An Autobiography of the Years 1939-1969

London: Hogarth Press 1969

Includes account of revisiting Ceylon for three weeks in 1960.

CEYLON

Diaries in Ceylon 1908-11: Records of a Colonial Administrator: Being the Official Diaries Maintained by Leonard Woolf while Assistant Government Agent of the Hambantota District, Ceylon during the period August 1908 to May 1911

edited with preface by Leonard Woolf and *Stories from the East: three short stories on Ceylon* by Leonard Woolf

London: Hogarth Press 1963 lxxx +286 pp

A substantial introduction gives background and context.
CEYLON

The Village in the Jungle

London: Arnold 1913 307 pp

London: New Phoenix Library 1951 307 pp

With an introduction by E F C Ludowyk

Oxford, New York, Toronto, Delhi: Oxford University Press 1981 xv + 179 pp

ISBN 0-19-281212-9

The Village in the Jungle (revised and annotated in accordance with the original manuscript)
edited by Yasmine Gooneratne

Lewiston: Edwin Mellen Press 2004 xv + 273 pp ISBN 0-773461-787

Woolf's novel of Ceylon life.

Reviewed in *Times Higher Education Supplement* 1716 November 4 2005 24-25

(Richard Boyle)

Times Literary Supplement 5360/5361 December 23 and 30 2005 (Anthony Cummings)

CEYLON

WORKMAN, ALAN

A Colonial Postmaster-General's Reminiscences

London: Grayson & Grayson 1937 311 pp

Workman's colonial career began in 1905 and spanned East and West Africa and
Trinidad and Tobago.

KENYA

NIGERIA

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

UGANDA

WRAITH, RONALD E

Frederick Gordon Guggisberg: Myth and Mystery

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 80 (318) 1981 116-122

GOLD COAST

GOVERNORS

Guggisberg

London: Oxford University Press 1967 ix + 342 pp

This book concentrates on Guggisberg's eight years as Governor of the Gold Coast
but also deals with his earlier life and his final post as Governor of British Guiana
1928 to 1929.

Reviewed in *Journal of Administration Overseas* 6(2) 1967 140-142

BRITISH GUIANA

GOLD COAST

GOVERNORS

WRIGHT, ROBERT H MCKENDREE

'Strewth So Help Me God': A Tale Told in Twilight

Wadhurst: The Author, 1994, viii + 247 pp. ISBN 0-9523534-0-7.

After serving as a regular Indian Army officer, Wright spent ten years as a DO in
Northern Nigeria from 1951. Only pp 193-224 relate to his Nigerian service.

NIGERIA

WRIGHT, TIM B

The History of the Northern Rhodesia Police

Bristol: British Empire and Commonwealth Museum Press 2001 420 pp

ISBN 0-953-01744-3

Detailed descriptive history, based on archival sources. (See also Item 139)

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 84 2002 60-61 (Andrew Willis)
NORTHERN RHODESIA
POLICE

WYKES, ALAN

Snake Man: The Story of C J P Ionides

London: Hamish Hamilton 1960 221 pp

Gloucester: Sutton 1984 221 pp

After army and hunting adventures in India, Burma and Africa, Ionides joined the Tanganyika Game Department as a ranger in 1933. He achieved fame as a collector of wild animals and an expert on snakes, discovering six new varieties of African reptile.

TANGANYIKA

GAME DEPARTMENT

YOUÉ, CHRISTOPHER

Robert Thorne Coryndon: Proconsular Imperialism in Southern and Eastern Africa

Waterloo, Ontario: Wilfred Laurier University Press 1986 x + 241 pp

South African born and a close associate of Rhodes, Administrator of North-Western Rhodesia 1900-1907 and Resident Commissioner in Swaziland and Basutoland, Coryndon became Governor of Uganda in 1918 and Kenya 1922-25.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 87 (347) 1988 303-304 (Robert Pearce)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 16(1) 1987 139-140 (R M Maxon)

KENYA

SWAZILAND

UGANDA

GOVERNORS

YOUNG, ANTHONY

Thin on the Ground: Land Resource Survey in British Overseas Territories

Stanhope: The Memoir Club 2007 230 pp ISBN 978-1-84104-179-9

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 95 2008 49-50 (John K Coulter)

SURVEY

SOME COMPARATIVE MATERIAL: SUDAN

ARBER, PATRICIA

Nice Clean Missie

Swinbrook: Twentyman Books 1998 131 pp ISBN 0-953315-509

A rather slight volume. Patricia Arber married into the Sudan Political Service in 1938 and was there until 1954.

WIVES

ARENSEN, JON

The Red Pelican: Life on Africa's Last Frontier

Naivasha, Kenya: Old Africa Books, 2013 320 pp. ISBN 9789966757074

The story of Richard Lyth, who first went to Sudan as a CMS missionary but who, on the outbreak of war, trained a force to defend Sudan against any attack from the Italians in Ethiopia. After the war he served as a District Commissioner. After leaving Sudan in 1954 he eventually rejoined CMS and became a Bishop in Uganda.

BAYOUMI, AHMED

The History of Sudan Health Services

Nairobi: Kenya Literature Bureau 1979 xxii + 351 pp

MEDICAL

Medical administration in the Sudan, 1899-1970

Clio Medica 11(2) 1976 105-116

MEDICAL

BEASLEY, INA

Before the Wind Changed: People, Places and Education in the Sudan

edited by Janet Starkey

Oxford: Oxford University Press for the British Academy 1992 xxiv + 483 pp

ISBN 0-19-726110-8

In 1939 Ina Beasley, already with a wealth of experience from Burma, went to the Sudan as a Superintendent of Girls' Education. In 1942 she became Controller of Girls' Education and Archive at Durham, is dedicated *to the women of Sudan and especially the schoolmistresses*.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 92(369) 1993 630-631 (K M E Wood)

EDUCATION

BELL, Sir GAWAIN and KIRK-GREENE, ANTHONY H M

The Sudan Political Service, 1902-1952: A Preliminary Register of Second Careers

Oxford: [s n] 1989 iii + 39 pp

Lists over 250 names of officers who joined the Service between 1899 and 1952 with available information on their second careers.

BOUSFIELD, LEONARD

Sudan Doctor

London: Christopher Johnson 1954 201 pp

Bousfield, from the RAMC, spent a few years in the Sudan before his marriage and returned in 1912 as Medical Officer of Health, Khartoum. From 1920-1925 he was Chief Sanitary Officer, Sudan Government.

MEDICAL

COLLINS, ROBERT OAKLEY

The Sudan Political Service: A Portrait of the 'Imperialists'

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 71(284) 1972 293-303

COLLINS, ROBERT OAKLEY and DENG, FRANCIS M (eds)

The British in the Sudan, 1898-1965: The Sweetness and the Sorrow

London: Macmillan in association with St Antony's College, Oxford 1984 xii + 258 pp

ISBN 0-333-36150-4

Includes several chapters on the administrators and the professional services. Also a chapter by Francis M Deng entitled *In the Eyes of the Ruled*.

Reviewed in *Journal of Commonwealth and Imperial History* 14(2) 1986 127-129

(Anthony Kirk-Greene)

Shadows in the Grass: Britain in the Southern Sudan 1918-1956

New Haven and London: Yale University Press 1983 xiv + 494 pp ISBN 0-300-02922-5
4th volume in a series covering the history of Southern Sudan from 1883. *What does emerge from every scrap of research – written, oral, real and imagined – is that in these years of British rule in the Sudan, history was made by men who made decisions that did have a direct effect on the lives of the people they ruled. Thus the history of the Southern Sudan in this period revolved around these men.*
Comprehensive bibliography.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 84 (334) 1985 141-142 (Peter Woodward)

Journal of African History 26(4) 1985 431-433 (Douglas H Johnson)

CRUICKSHANK, ALEXANDER

The Kindling Fire: Medical Adventures in the Southern Sudan

London: Heinemann 1962 xvii + 201 pp

Dedicated “to the Sudanese” and with a foreword by Sir James Robertson.

Cruikshank joined the Sudan Medical Service in 1924 and served for a total of twenty years, mostly in the South, then as Senior Physician, Khartoum.

MEDICAL

Itchy Feet – A Doctor’s Tale

Ilfracombe: Stockwell 1991 168 pp ISBN 0-722-23541-X

MEDICAL

DAVIES, REGINALD

The Camel’s Back: Service in the Rural Sudan

London: John Murray 1957 xii + 209 pp

Davies went to Sudan in 1911 and this book records his early career in Kordofan and Darfur. He acknowledges his debt to his family *who preserved my weekly letters from the Sudan and handed me nearly a thousand of them when I retired. Many of the episodes in the book are not to be found in the letters from which I excluded anything which might lend support to my mother’s belief that the Sudan was an extremely unhealthy country inhabited by wild and dangerous people. But the letters contain much detail which I might well have forgotten and, reading between the lines, I can place with precision incidents which I censored at the time of their occurrence.*

723. DALY, M W and HOGAN, JANE

Images of Empire: Photographic Sources for the British in the Sudan

Leiden, Boston: Brill 2005 ix + 391 pp ISBN 90-04-14627

Over 300 photographs from the Sudan Archive at the University of Durham, with a scholarly introduction, informative captions, extensive footnotes and a wealth of biographical and bibliographical information.

Reviewed in *African Research and Documentation* 101 2006 6-63 (Terry Barringer)

724. DENG, FRANCIS M and DALY, M W

Bonds of Silk: The Human Factor in the British Administration of the Sudan

East Lansing: Michigan State University Press 1989 xiv + 245 pp

An analysis of questionnaires completed by 31 Britons, ten Northern and seven Sudanese. A rare attempt to record the view *through the eyes of the ruled.*

Biographical notes about all the respondents are included.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 91(362) 1992 157 (Douglas H Johnson)

FOLEY HELEN

Letters to her Mother: War-time in the Sudan 1938-45

Castle Cary Press 1992 244 pp ISBN 0-905903-26-9

Helen Foley's husband, Guy, joined the Sudan Defence Force in 1920, and in 1932 became a Sudan government official, retiring in 1946. Helen Foley was appointed Deputy Commissioner for the Red Cross for the Sudan and was heavily involved in hospital work during the war.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 64 1992 59 (Margaret Pawson)

GRIFFITHS, V L

An Experiment in Education: An Account of the Attempts to Improve the Lower Stages of Boys' Education in the Moslem Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, 1930-1950

London: Longman, Green and Co 1953 xv + 160 pp

Griffiths began his career in the Sudan as a school inspector in 1931-1932.

EDUCATION

HAWLEY, DONALD

Desert Wind and Tropic Storm: An Autobiography

Wilby: Michael Russell 200 xi + 292 pp ISBN 0-85955-258-6

Describes service in the Sudan 1940-1954. Hawley went on to a distinguished career in the Diplomatic Service in the Trucial States, Egypt, Nigeria, Iraq, Oman and, finally, as High Commissioner in Malaysia.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 31(3) 2000 332-333 (John Birch)

Sandtracks in the Sudan

Norwich: Michael Russell, 1995, 160 pp. ISBN 0-859-55210-1.

An account of his years in the Sudan in the Defence Force, as a District Officer and in the Legal Department.

Reviewed in *Asian Affairs* 27(1) 1996 79-80 (Peter Woodward)

HAWLEY, DONALD (ed)

Sudan Canterbury Tales

Norwich: Michael Russell 1999 271 pp ISBN 0-8-5955-245-4

19 stories by British men and women who served in the Sudan including *inter alia* the tales of the Administrator, the Agriculturalist, the District Commissioner, the Educationalist, the Geologist and the Veterinary Inspector.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 78 1999 59-60 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

The Zoologist's Tale (told by Lesley Lewis)

Michael Russell 1999 12pp ISBN 0-85955-247-0

HENDERSON, K D D

The Making of the Modern Sudan: The Life and Letters of Sir Douglas Newbold, KBE of the Sudan Political Service, Governor of Kordofan, 1932-1938, Civil Secretary, 1939-1945

London: Faber & Faber 1953

Substantial introduction by Margery Perham.

Set Under Authority

Castle Cary: Castle Cary Press 1987 229 pp ISBN 8-5126-190-6

The object of this book is to put on record what it was like to work as a British District Officer in the Sudan, under the Anglo-Egyptian Condominium between 1898 and 1956. Compiled from the reminiscences of a number of former District Officers supplemented by those of Henderson himself. Henderson served in various parts of northern Sudan 1926-1946. He dedicated the book to the Sudanese members of the Sudan Political Service.

Reviewed *African Affairs* 87(348) 302-303 (Robert O Collins)

Overseas Pensioner 54 1987 65 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

JACKSON, H C

Behind the Modern Sudan

Foreword by Sir Harold Macmichael

London: Macmillan, New York: St. Martin's Press 1955 226 pp

Sudan Days and Ways

London: Macmillan 1954 xvi + 261 pp

Jackson arrived in the Sudan in 1907 and spent 24 years there, ending as Governor of the provinces of Berber and Halfa.

KENRICK, ROSEMARY

Sudan Tales

Cambridge and New York: Oleander Press 1986 158 pp ISBN (hardback) 0-906-67231-7 (paperback) 0-906672-32-5

Recollections, thematically arranged, from wives of members of the Sudan Political Service.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 53 1987 38 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

WIVES

KIRK-GREENE, ANTHONY K

Nationalism and Arcadianism in the Sudan: The Janus Factor in the Political Service Memoirs

Oxford: Oxford University Press 1993 29 pp

A recast version of a paper on "Nationalism in the non-nationalist literature: the case of the Sudan Political Service" originally presented at a Conference on the History of the Nationalist Movement in the Sudan held at Khartoum in 1968.

The Sudan Political Service

Oxford: Oxford University Press 1982 38 pp

pp 1-28 reproduced from *International Journal of African historical studies* 15(1) 1982 with addition of an appendix listing members of the service 1899-1952 with date of entry, university, class of degree and whether held a blue.

The Sudan Political Service: A Profile in the Sociology of Imperialism

International Journal of African Historical Studies 15(1) 1982 21-48

LEA, C A E

On Trek in Kordofan: Diaries of a District Officer in the Sudan 1931-33

edited by M W Daly

Oxford: Oxford University Press 1994

Lea arrived in Sudan in 1927 and retired in 1952 as Director of Establishments. His trek notes were written in diary form and sometimes enclosed in letters home. The originals are deposited in the Sudan Archive, Durham.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 94 (375) 1995 296-298 (Charles Armour)

Journal of African History 36(1) 1995 155-156 (Anders Bjørkelo)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 1994 181-184 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

LUSH, A J M (ed)

A Life of Service: The Memoirs of Maurice Lush 1896-1990

London: A J M Lush 1992 iii + 332 pp ISBN 0-952-06870-2

Lush joined the Sudan Political Service in 1919 and became Governor of the Northern Province. During the Second War he served as an administrator in Ethiopia, Madagascar and liberated Italy.

MACKIE, IAN

Trek into Nuba

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1994 x + 416 pp ISBN 1858212006

Account of first tour of duty in Sudan by an Inspector of Agriculture.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 72 1996 64 (K R M Anthony)

AGRICULTURE

MANGAN, J A

The Education of an Elite imperial Administration: The Sudan Political Service and the British Public School System

International Journal of African Historical Studies 15 (4) 1982 671-699

An analysis of the educational and social background of the SPS. Draws substantially on hitherto unpublished correspondence and interviews with some 60 former members. Takes issue with some of Collins' conclusions (Items 717, 718).

MAVROGORDATO, JACK

Behind the Scenes: An Autobiography

Tisbury: Element Books 1982 185 pp ISBN 0-906-540-267

Mavrogordato's long-lasting love-affair with the Sudan began in the 1930s when, convalescing from TB, he went to stay with an Oxford friend who was a District Judge in Kordofan. In 1943, he was offered an appointment in the Legal Department of the Sudan Government, which he took up eagerly, against the advice of all the medical authorities. His duties included lecturing to the new intake of law students at the Gordon Memorial School. He was soon promoted to Attorney-General. He left Sudan in 1956 but returned after independence on a two year contract as Legal Counsel in the Ministry of Justice. He was a keen ornithologist and falconer.

LEGAL

OWEN, RICHARD

Sudan Days

Kibworth: Matador, 2016, 249 pp ISBN 978-178-5890-246

Owen joined the Sudan Political Service in the mid 1920s. He wrote his memoirs during the 1950s and 1960s and these are now published with the addition of extracts from letters now held in the Sudan Archive at Durham.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 111 2016 54-57 (Douglas H. Johnson)

SARFIELD-HALL, E GEOFFREY

From Cork to Khartoum: Memoirs of Southern Ireland and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan

Privately published by author 1975 123 + vii pp

Sarsfield-Hall's career in the Sudan Political Service spanned the years 1908-1935 and his account of activities in war (the Darfur Expedition of 1916) and peace is enlivened by some good photographs and sketches and pithy accounts of the five Governors-General under whom he served.

GOVERNORS

SCHUSTER, Sir GEORGE

Public Work and Public Causes: A Personal Record 1881-1978

Cowbridge: D Brown and Son 1979 xiii + 184 pp ISBN 0-905928-03-2

Schuster (1881-1978) was Financial Secretary, Sudan 1922-27. He subsequently served on the Hilton-Young Commission on Closer Union of Dependencies in Eastern and Central Africa and, in India, as Finance Member of the Viceroy's Council 1928-34. He went on to a distinguished and active career in business and

public life. He was a Financial and Economic Adviser to Malta in 1950 and played an active role in the founding of VSO and the Atlantic Colleges.

SHARKEY, HEATHER J

Living with Colonialism: Nationalism and Culture in the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan

Berkeley, Los Angeles, London: University of California Press 2003 xiv + 232 pp

ISBN (hardback) 0-520-23558-4 (paperback) 0520235592

This book originated in a desire to understand how colonialism worked on the ground...with a specific concern: to understand how a small number of Britons...developed a reputation for such efficiency in running a vast and diverse territory.

SQUIRES, H C

The Sudan Medical Service: An Experiment in Social Medicine

London: William Heinemann Medical Books 1958 vii + 138 pp

A history of the Service by an insider. The author joined in 1908, retired in 1930 but maintained close links with the service for another twenty years.

MEDICAL

STOBO, THOMAS WHYTE

The Vet's Tale – The Passing Years

edited by Valerie Carter

Southampton: Hamble Valley Press 1993 109 pp

Stobo's long and distinguished veterinary career included two years in the Sudan 1930-1932.

VETERINARY

Sudan Political Service 1899-1929 (compiled from official records)

Khartoum: Civil Secretary's Office 1930 66 pp

Details of date of birth, education, service record, honours and publications of members of SPS arranged by year of entry to the Service.

Sudan Political Service 1899-1956

Oxford: Oxonian Press 1958 89 pp

An updated version of the previous item, with an introduction, giving a brief history of the Service by Harold Macmichael, the former Civil Secretary.

Sudan Verse

London: Chancery Books 1963 67 pp

These verses are selected from a collection made...by A C Beaton, K D D Henderson and T R H Owen.

THESIGER, Sir WILFRED PATRICK

The Life of My Choice

London: Collins 1987 340 pp ISBN 0-002-16194-X

London: Fontana 1988 463 pp ISBN 0-006-37267-8

Includes account of a decade in the Sudan Political Service.

TIBBS, MICHAEL and ANNE,

A Sudan Sunset

Lynchmere, West Sussex: The Authors 1999 x + 308 pp ISBN 0-95167-271-1

Michael Tibbs joined the Sudan Political Service in 1949 and married Anne in 1951. They left in 1954. This account, written for their children and grandchildren, is

compiled largely from their letters home to their families. It is illustrated throughout with Anne's sketches and photographs.
Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 80 2000 57-60 (B P Potheary)

WARBURG, GABRIEL

The Wingate Literature Revisited: The Sudan as Seen by Members of the Sudan Political Service During the Condominium 1899-1956

Middle Eastern Studies 41(3) 2005 303-320

WILLIAMS, C R

Wheels and Paddles in the Sudan

Edinburgh: Pentland Press 1986 312 pp ISBN 0-94627024-4

When laid up sick recently, I was given "A Pattern of Islands" by Arthur Grimble to read. My evident pleasure prompted a suggestion that I should write about my own experience in the Sudan. I hesitated as 38 years have passed since my departure, diaries and notes are scarce and memory is not what it was. However the matter was not allowed to drop and I have been persuaded to try. Williams spent 23 years with Sudan Railways, 16 years in the Mechanical Department, largely concerned with the running and repair of locomotives and rolling stock, and seven years at Headquarters. For the last five years, he was a member of the Governor-General's Council.

Reviewed in *Journal of African History* 29(3) 1988 564 (D H Johnson)

Overseas Pensioner 53 1987 37-38 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

RAILWAYS

SOME COMPARATIVE MATERIAL: BELGIAN COLONIES

DEMBOUR, MARIE-BÉNEDICT

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection

New York, Oxford: Berghahn 2000 xx + 235 pp ISBN 1-571819-452

Based on interviews conducted in Belgium in the 1980s with men who had worked as colonial officers in the Belgian Congo between the late 1920s and 1960s.

GANN, L H and DUGNAN, PETER

The Rulers of Belgian Africa

Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press 1979 xv + 265 pp ISBN 0-691-05277-8

Concentrates on the role of civil servants and soldiers, with a chapter on *The Beginnings of Civil Administration*.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 80 (318) 1981 135-137 (Kenneth Robinson)

Journal of African History 23(1) 1982 131-133 (Lucy Mair)

VELLUT, JEAN-LUC

La Mémoire du Congo: Le Temps Colonial

Gand: Editions Snoeck, Tervuren: Musée royal de l' Afrique centrale 2005 271 pp ISBN 9-789-05349541-4

Published to accompany an exhibition at the Musée Royal de l' Afrique Centrale.

WHITAKER, PHILIP

The Problem of Public Accountability in Colonial Administration and the Belgian Approach

Makerere Journal 4 1960 pp 46-58

SOME COMPARATIVE MATERIAL: FRENCH COLONIES

ABWA, DANIEL

Commissaires et Hauts-Commissaires de la France au Cameroun (1916-1960): Ces Hommes qui ont Façonné Politiquement le Cameroun

Yaoundé: Presses Universitaires de Yaoundé 1998 x + 439 pp ISBN 2-9115422-4

BOILLY, PIERRE

Le Regard Institutionnel à Propos de la France d'outre-mer 1930-1960: Témoignages d'administrateurs et Magistrates

Notre Librairie 153 2004 28-33

Reflections prompted by publication of Jean Clauzel's book (see Item 764)

La Loi du Février 2005: Colonisation, Indigènes, Victimisations. Évocations Binaires, Représentations Primaires

Politique Africaine 98 2005 131-140

The controversial law of 23 February 2005, revoked in 2006, imposed on university and school curricula the obligation to recognise the "positive role of the French presence in France d'outre-mer".

CHRÉTIEN, JEAN-PIERRE

Le Passé Colonial: le Devoir d'histoire

Politique Africaine 98 2005 141-148

Historical scholarship and contemporary French debates over colonialism and immigration.

CLAUZEL, JEAN (ed)

La France d'outre-mer, 1930-1960: Témoignages d'administrateurs et de magistrats

Paris: Karthala 2003 878 pp ISBN 2-84586-423-X

Reviewed in *Empire & After* (Item 652) pp 100-101 (Michael Twaddle)

Overseas Pensioner 89 2005 64 (Véronique Dimier)

COHEN, W B

The Lure of Empire: Why Frenchmen entered the Colonial Service

Journal of Contemporary History 4(1) 1968 103-116

Interesting to compare with Anthony Kirk-Greene's work on British counterparts. Reveals that the influence of Kipling was as strong in France as in Britain.

Rulers of Empire: The French Colonial Service in Africa

Stanford: Hoover Institution Press 1971 xv + 279 pp

The best work in English on the French Colonial Service. Scholarly (based on PhD) and readable. *The sources for the study include published material, archival and oral sources as well as respondents' answers to (a) questionnaire sent out to most of the former administrators living in France. Unfortunately, only a few biographies and autobiographies of French overseas administrators exist. Compared with members of the British Colonial Service who left a rich published record of their thought and action, the French have been taciturn.*

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 71(284) 343-344 (Robert Heussler)

Journal of Administration Overseas 11(4) 1972 302 (M J Campbell)

Journal of African History 14(3) 1973 527 (Rita Cruise O' Brien)

Journal of Modern African Studies 10(3) 1972 484-486 (Walter W Bowring)

DELAVIGNETTE, ROBERT

Freedom and Authority in French West Africa

London: Oxford University Press for International African Institute 1950 vii + 152 pp

New impression: Frank Cass 1968

Translation of *Service Africain*, Paris: Gallimard 1946. Delavignette spent over twenty years in the French Colonial Service, was High Commissioner for the French Cameroons and taught at the École Nationale de la France d'outre-mer. His first chapter describes the role of the "Commandant du Cercle", the nearest equivalent to a British DC. He goes on to discuss functions and status of native chiefs, the relation of the French legal code to native law and custom, the activities of missions, development and the changing situation in Africa.

DIMIER, VERONIQUE

Direct or Indirect Rule: Propaganda around a Scientific Controversy.

In Tony Chafer and Amanda Sackur, eds, *Promoting the Colonial idea: propaganda and Vision of Empire in France*

Basingstoke: Palgrave 2002 pp 168-183 ISBN 0-333-79180-0

Compares British and French conceptions of the role of colonial administrators.

Le Discours Idéologique de la Method Coloniale chez les Français et les Britanniques de l'entre-deux guerres à la décolonisation, 1920-1960

Talence: Centre d' etude Afrique noire 1998 63 pp ISBN 2-908-06546-0

For a New Start: Resettling French Colonial Administrators in the Prefectorial Corps

Itinerario, 28(1) 2004 pp 49-68

Based on interviews with ten colonial administrators who worked in Africa.

Le Gouvernement des Colonies: Regards Croisés Franco-Britanniques

Brussels: Editions de l' Université libre de Bruxelles 2004 288 pp ISBN 2-800-4141325-5

Anglo-French debates on colonial policy and administration especially during the inter-war years.

Reviewed in *International Journal of African Historical Studies* 38(1) 2005 182-188

(Edouard Bustin)

Overseas Pensioner 89 2005 65 (Anthony Kirk-Greene)

GERMAIN, JACQUES

De la Guinée au Cameroun par la Côte d' Ivoire 1945-1963: Un Administrateur Témoigne

Paris: L'Harmattan 2000 306 pp ISBN 2738499651

SIMONIS, FRANCIS

Le Commandant en Tournée: Une Administration au Contact des Populations en Afrique Noire Coloniale

Paris: Seli Arslan 2005 287 pp ISBN 2-84276-113-8

A study of the role of the *Commandant de Cercle* in French African territories from the 1900s to the 1950s.

Reviewed in *Overseas Pensioner* 90 2005 52-53 (C W Squire)

SINGER, BARNETT and LANGDON, JOHN

Cultured Force: Makers and Defenders of the French Colonial Empire

Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Press 2004 xi + 483 pp ISBN 0-299-199900-2

Reviewed in *Itinerario*, 29(3), 2005 167-170 (Daniel Ringrose)

SOME COMPARATIVE MATERIAL: GERMAN COLONIES

GANN, L H and DUIGNAN, PETER

The Rulers of German Africa 1884-1914

Stanford: Stanford University Press 1977 286 pp ISBN 0-8047-0938-6

Shows how the Germans ran their Empire and portrays the colonial elite and their work in Africa.

Reviewed in *African Affairs* 78 (310) 1979 121-122 (L E Larson)

Canadian Journal of African Studies 13(3) 1980 512-513 (Christopher Youé)

Journal of African History 20(2) 1979 302-303 (Ralph A Austin)

Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History 8(3) 1980 267-268 (J M Lonsdale)

SCHNEE, DR HEINRICH

German Colonization Past and Future

London: George Allan & Unwin 1926 176 pp

The Truth about the German colonies by the former Governor of German East Africa

Introduction by W H Dawson (Oxford historian 1860-1948).

Dawson says In this book one of the ablest and best informed of German colonial administrators places before the English-speaking public the case for German colonization. In doing this Dr Schnee throws upon the subject a very different light from that in which it was inevitably judged during the war. The work is one that cannot be ignored, and if the writer's moral is heeded, it may assist greatly in the establishment of amicable relations between Germany and her late antagonists.

SOME COMPARATIVE MATERIAL: ITALIAN COLONIES

DENTI DI PIRAJNO, ALBERTO

A Cure for Serpents: A Doctor in Africa

translated by Kathleen Naylor

London: The Reprint Society 1956 by arrangement with Andre Dentsch, first published 1955 272pp

Duke Denti di Pirajno was a doctor who joined the Italian Colonial Administration in 1924, serving in Libya (Tripolitania), Eritrea and Abyssinia, ending as Chef de Cabinet to the Duke of Aosta.

HESS, ROBERT L

Italian Colonialism in Somalia

Chicago and London: University of Chicago Press 1966 xii+234 pp Reviewed in *The Journal of African History* 1967 8 553-54 (I M Lewis)

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