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Staff

Michael Rogers became Librarian of the Institute on September 1st, in replacement of Una Nottage, who has taken up a post at the Library of the Haile Selassie I University, Addis Ababa. Mr. Rogers was previously Sub-Librarian at the University of Sussex and has considerable experience in dealing with documentation on developing countries.

Clive Bell has been appointed Shell Research Fellow in succession to Oscar Braun.

Raymond Apthorpe, formerly professor and head of the Department of Sociology at Makerere University College, Uganda, has joined us for this academic year. Sol Encel, Professor of Sociology, University of New South Wales, is also currently attached to the Institute.

On September 30th, Paul Streeten ceased to be Deputy Director of the Institute and moved to Oxford, as Warden of Queen Elizabeth House and Director of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies Leonard Joy becomes Deputy Director during the current year.

At the beginning of the academic year, Colin Leys and Bernard Schaffer returned from field trips to Nairobi, Dar es Salaam and Lusaka in connection with the Public Administration Training Project, described elsewhere in this Bulletin. David Feldman has recently left for a two-year stay in Tanzania. Harold Caustin's Visiting Fellowship has ended and Malcolm Christie has returned to the planning office in Zambia on completion of his research work on the construction industry.

Richard Stern, who has been working as a volunteer with the UNDP in Addis Ababa, has been appointed as research assistant in economics; Miriam Gibson, who has been with IVS in India and latterly in Oxfam's information department, joins the Institute in November, as research assistant in charge of our information and publications work; Andrea Hopkinson and Jonathan Seagrave are also working with us as research assistants.

David Lehmann has taken up a Fellowship and will be studying land reform in Chile, where he arrived last month.

Professor Ronald Dore and Dr. Hans Singer will be taking up Fellowships later.

Study Seminars and Conferences

Conference on the Politics of Development

Between June 28th and July 2nd, the Institute held a conference on the University of Sussex campus under the general title of "The Politics of Development". The conference, organised by Colin Leys, was attended by 45 political scientists, economists, sociologists and social anthropologists, from fourteen British universities and institutions, and from Kenya, Tanzania and the United States. Nine papers were presented to the conference, as follows:-

W.H. Morris-Jones	Political recruitment and political de-
	velopment.
B.B. Schaffer	The Deadlock in Development Admini-
	stration.
M. Staniland	Single-Party Regimes and Political
	Change: The Ivory Coast Revisited
Joan Vincent	Anthropology and political development
J.P. Nettl	Strategies in the Study of Political De-
	velopment
C.T. Leys	The Politics of Planning
R.E. Dowse	The Military and Political Development
A. Nove	Soviet Political Organisation and Deve-
	lopment
D. Feldman	Problems in Achieving Rural Socialism
	in Tanzania

Each paper was formally introduced by its author in a plenary session and was the subject of a two-hour panel discussion. This arrangement made it possible for every participant to speak and created an informal, congenial atmosphere both inside and outside sessions. In the panel discussions there was time for each paper to be criticised in detail, for the development of the issues which it raised, and for the exploration of the theoretical implications present. For the contributors at least, such discussion was extremely stimulating

both because of the rigour of the examination and because of the creative momentum that tends to develop in a panel with a closely defined topic. Given the brevity of the conference, a remarkably wide range of issues was brought up and a remarkably intense exchange of ideas and knowledge took place. Many new friends were made and many new lines of research were suggested.

To follow up the conference, Colin Leys is editing the collected papers for publication by the Cambridge University Press, probably in the autumn of 1969. We hope that the book will not only be a useful addition to analysis of the processes and problems of political development but also, for those who participated in the conference, a reminder of what was an unusual, valuable and memorable occasion.

Study Seminar on Finance and the Resources for Economic Development

Twenty-three Study Fellows participated in this seminar, held at Stanmer from June 30th to July 26th 1968. The director of the seminar was Michael Lipton, assisted by Clive Bell, with Dr. Pramit Chaudhuri and Mr. David Wall, lecturers in economics at the University of Sussex.

The aim of the seminar was to improve the participants' understanding of the objectives, techniques and elements of development finance. "Development finance" was seen not merely as a question of providing cash for public investment. It involved the use of cash and credit for:

- a) increasing the total of national resources for development;
- b) improving the allocation of such resources among uses.

These two aspects were considered with reference to the private and public sectors, dealing with foreign finance (aid and private investment) as well as domestic resources. An important feature of the seminar was the opportunity it provided for participants to learn from the experiences of other countries and to see the experience of their own countries in relation to development theory. In addition to the syndicates, emphasizing communication between participants, there were lectures and panels involving twenty-four outside speakers from

other universities and institutions and from the private sector.

Study Seminar on Aid and Trade

The second I.D.S. Study Seminar on Aid and Trade was held at Stanmer from September 1st to September 27th under Paul Streeten. There were twenty-four Study Fellows ranging from the Deputy Premier and Minister of Finance of Tonga to senior officials from economic departments in India, Pakistan and Latin America and Professors of Economics from Japan and Costa Rica. The pattern followed was fairly similar to that of the first Aid and Trade seminar. The principal new feature was the first run-through of Clive Bell's Development Although time did not allow for more than a few "decisions" in the game, enough was done to show that this is a teaching instrument of potentially great importance. were indeed some eccentric results - one team managed to increase unemployment to about a half of the labour force and another caused interest rates to rise to about 700 per cent. But with experience, Clive Bell plans to build into the model some limitations against extreme movement of this kind. Even within its present limitations, however, the game brought home sharply to the participants the impossibility of taking action in one sector without causing substantial and often unexpected repercussions throughout the economy.

Percy Selwyn.

Aid Administration Course

The third Aid Administration Course was held from September 30th to October 11th at the Isle of Thorns, Haywards Heath, and Stanmer. The course was directed by Leonard Joy with assistance from Percy Selwyn and George Irvin. As in previous seminars, the aim was to provide an interdisciplinary understanding of aid policies and techniques for the selection and evaluation of aid programmes. Work in lectures and study groups was concerned with relating the particular knowledge and experience of aid officials to a wider discussion of the significance of aid to both advanced and backward countries. The participants were introduced to analytic procedures, particularly cost-benefit analysis, which would be helpful in applying general principles to particular cases.

Twenty-one people, including civil servants from the Ministry of Overseas Development, other government depart-

ments and the Commonwealth Development Corporation attended the course.

Forthcoming Conferences and Seminars

Apart from two Diplomatic Service Courses, teaching in the next three months is mainly concerned with the Study Seminar on Implementing Development Plans. This seminar will last for five weeks and will be directed by Colin Leys. We expect twenty-six participants: five from Africa, seven from the Middle East, four from Latin America, three from the Caribbean, six from the Far East, and one from the Pacific.

The basic approach of the seminar will be to consider planning as a continuous process involving the entire social, political and economic structure of a country. It will seek to break down the distinction between "planning" and "policy-making" not normally thought of as part of the business of planning. The teaching will try particularly to establish a conceptual framework which will allow non-economic factors to be brought fully into the analysis and action stages of planning.

Subsequently, it will attempt to set out in detail a sequence of operations involved in the planning process, which can be used in practice to check the viability of any level or sector of development activity, from the formulation of the most general goals to the fulfilment of specific project targets.

Three other Study Seminars will be held during this academic year:

Study Ser	ninar 8,	Development Planning: Employment, Edu-
		cation and Manpower, directed by A.R.
		Jolly (May 4th to June 13th 1969)
Study Ser	ninar 9,	Project Evaluation and Planning, directed
_		by Leonard Joy (May 11th to June 13th 1969)
Study Ser	ninar 10,	Population Control: Performance, Policies,
		Techniques, directed by David Eversley
		(June 15th to July 18th 1969)

Study Seminars 9 and 10 will be held at Stanmer: Study Seminar 8 may be held in East Africa.

We shall be glad to supply fuller details on request.

Indian Planning

A book entitled The Crisis of Indian Planning Economic Planning in the 1960s, edited by Paul Streeten and Michael Lipton, has recently been published by the Oxford University Press, under the auspices of the Royal Institute of International Affairs (416 pages, 75/-). The book consists of eleven papers, considerably revised since their original presentation at a Conference on Indian Planning, held at the University of Sussex in April 1967. The contributors, apart from the editors, include James Mirrlees, J.M. Healey, E.A.G. Robinson, David Ovens, Robert Cassen, David Pocock (on social anthropology's contribution to planning), Sidney Wells, K. Subrahmanyam, and A.H. Hanson (writing on 'Power Shifts and Regional Balances').

I.D.S. Mimeo Series

- 13. "Frantz Fanon and the African Political Class", by Martin Staniland.
- 14. "Problems in Achieving Rural Socialism in Tanzania", by David Feldman.

Joint Reprint Series with School of African and Asian Studies, University of Sussex

- 15. "International Monetary Reform and the Less Developed Countries", by Paul Streeten.
- 16. "Should Reasonable Farmers Respond to Price Changes?" and "Mistakes by What Standard of Error", by Michael Lipton.

The following numbers of this series are available and were not mentioned in the list in our first issue:

- 1. "The Advent of Populism in Buganda", by D.A. Low
- 5. "The Government of India and the First Non-Cooperation Movement, 1920-22", by D.A. Low
 - 8. "Closed Social Stratification in India", by F.G. Bailey
