

GENERAL GUIDE

African Affairs and Chief Native Commissioner, Ministry of

(10 deps, 6252 items, 1912-1966)

Detainees; associations and societies; administrative legislation. Court returns; agenda and minutes; forfeiture of lands; complaints and petitions; correspondence; native affairs and tribunals; Kikuyu guards (Unrest); estimates; mining ordinance; oath taking; tribal police; missions and missionaries; surveys and research; publications; deportation of natives; establishment; native tribes and customs; rehabilitation camps and repatriation centers; War Council; personal papers; intelligence reports; circulars; maize control; ministers; provincial administration; honors and awards; agriculture – animal husbandry; local government; health and housing; forest development; internal security and defense; information and propaganda; Provincial and District annual reports; “native” newspapers; Mombasa commission of inquiry; Dini ya Msambwa; Kenya National Park Trustees; K.A.U.; Jeanes School courses; Kibera Nubian ex-soldiers settlement; control of native movement between Uganda and Kenya; Trust Fund; status of Somalis; Chief Native Commissioner correspondence with the Governor; Royal Commission on land problems; St. John’s Ambulance; Rotary Registration System Select Committee; E.A. Salaries Committee; Taveta Irrigation Scheme; Select Committee on Trade Unions Bill; Trade Advisory Committee; water resources; general and native administration policy records including native administration records of other countries; correspondence of government boards; native political organizations. Miscellaneous ordinances pertaining to African social conduct; African visits to U.K. The records also include African, Asian and European civil servants personal files; one album of prints and 22 loose prints depicting people, scenery, and buildings, Capt. J.E.H. Lambert.

(See also – Ministry of Internal Security and Defense and Ministry of Home Affairs).

Inland Revenue Department

(1 dep., 195 items, 1930-1957)

Reports and returns, personal files, correspondence.

Agriculture, Ministry of

(5 deps., 3761 items, 1920-1972)

Estimates; African District Councils; D.C. Meetings; conference papers; water supply and dams, reports on soil erosion and conservation; weeds; drainage; native agriculture; agricultural production; machinery; press cuttings; pests and disease; agricultural societies; unions; organizations; general correspondence; Central Tender Board; development plans; education; experimental stations and research services; board minutes and agenda; settlement; publications; monthly and annual reports (including handing-over reports); exports and imports; agricultural shows; visits; desert locust surveys; application for loans; retirement of officers; trade contracts; African and European staff files; circulars; commission of inquiry ordinance and other legislation; Water Resources Authority; price fixation; limited compensation scheme; farmers training centers and seed farms; quarantines and withdrawals; nutrition; Rockefeller Foundation Fund; inseminations; land consolidation procedure; Mwea / Tetere Irrigation Scheme and other schemes; livestock; water pollution and meteorological services.

(See also Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Water Resources).

Kiambu Agricultural Department

(1 dep., 270 items, 1930-1965)

Accounts; agricultural shows; applications; cash crops; circulars; clubs; education; experiments; farms; land consolidation; loans; marketing; minutes of meetings; pests; reports; safari diaries and files; soil conservation; accommodation; allowances; bank statements; census; compensation; cattle dips; staff personal files; maps and plans; labour; propaganda; agricultural policy; statistics; swamp drainage; villagization; aid to farmers; weather.

Kisumu Agricultural Department

(1 dep., 1068 items, 1934-1960)

Correspondence and reports

District Agricultural Office: Taita Taveta

(1 dep., 284 items, 1939-1970)

Minutes of the African District Council meetings; soil surveys and soil conservation and reclamation; food supply; laboratory monthly reports; safari reports; Secretariat circulars relating to elections and legal advice to persons; firms and companies outside the Government; instructions and reports concerning marketing; growing and experimental work on cash crops; famine relief; education and training courses; five-year post-war development plan; 4-k clubs; personal and staff files; Mau Mau detention camps (environmental problems); chemicals; pests and diseases; general correspondence and information; agricultural policy; co-operative societies and harambee groups; meteorological services; irrigation; publications; reports on crops; intelligence; general agriculture; ordinances; agricultural machinery.

Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Water Resources, Ministry of

(1 dep., 802 items, 1908-1953)

Agriculture boards; commissions' and committees' minutes; publications; reports and returns; records on agricultural crops and crop products; crop chemicals; legislation relating to agriculture; soil conservation; veterinary; correspondence on animal products and marketing; animal diseases; water supply; water conservation and water utilization; water problems; irrigation schemes; water legislation; water rights; water-pollution; publicity and settlement; London Settlement Office report; staff files.

(See also Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Water Development).

Attorney General's Office

(6 deps., 9953 items, 1899-1965)

Legislation; proclamations; acts; ordinances and rules relating to political, economic and social affairs. Supreme court and other courts civil and criminal cases records; records on prosecution

of "seditious" newspapers and publications; Governors' speeches; Kenya Colony annual reports; correspondence registers; Secretariat and other departmental and ministerial circulars; Native, Asian and European education; petitions to the governor; Kenya international and provincial boundaries; Zanzibar orders-in-council; E.A. Commission; Central Legislative Assembly-minutes of meetings; Italo-Abyssinian dispute; application of English law in East Africa; Crownland; witchcraft; exhumation and exportation of human corpses; weights and measures; dangerous drugs; medical practitioners; customs duties to foreign countries; annexation of Cyprus; international treaties – Zanzibar and U.K. treaties with other countries; currency-general; a survey of administration of justice in E.A. Protectorate; League of Nations (economic restrictions and its power); freedom of communications; opium convention; annexation of North Rhodesia; Nyasaland and Kenya; notes on foundation of British suzerainty in Kenya colony; Inquest and Commissions of Enquiry and evidence thereof; slavery; naturalization; mineral prospecting; publications and news-papers; declaration and history of 2nd World War.

(See also Judicial and Legal Department).

Judicial and Legal Department

(1 dep., 1546 items, 1937-1958)

Personal files; legislation, ordinances; district courts; jurisdiction of magistrates; reports and returns; administration of estates; births marriages and deaths.

(See also Office of the Attorney General).

Magistrates' Courts Records

Bungoma R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 13177 items, 1938-1958) – Civil Cases.

Eldoret R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 11098 items, 1932-1967) – Civil Cases.

Faza Muslim Court – Unprocessed.

Fort Hall R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 8713 items, 1931-1966) – Civil Cases.

Kericho R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 457 items, 1955-1966) – Civil Cases.

Kiambu R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 35203 items, 1907-1967) – Civil Cases.

Kisii R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 3558 items, 1934-1961) – Civil Cases.

Kitale R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 4747 items, 1939) – Civil Cases.

Kitui R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 8226 items 1941-1964) – Civil Cases.

Makadara R.M.C. – (see Nairobi R.M.C.).

Mathira/Karatina R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 3577 items, 1956-1960) – Civil Cases.

Molo R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 3577 items, 1956-1960) – Civil Cases.

Nairobi R.M.C. – (Including Makadara, Kibera) (Dep. 1, 14962 items, 1907-1967) – Civil Cases.

Naivasha R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 713 items, 1950-1954) – Civil Cases.

Nakuru R.M.C. – (Dep. 1 and 4, 37255 items, 1930-1973) – Civil Cases.

Nanyuki R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 339 items, 1957-1963) – Civil Cases.

Nkubu R.M.C. – Court Registers.

Nyeri R.M.C. – (Dep. 1, 7864 items, 1946-1960) – Civil Cases.

Nziu African Court – (Dep. 1, 112 items, 1940-1963) – Civil and Criminal Court

Registers and Poll Tax case ledgers

Othaya African Court – (Dep. 1, 6305 items, 1949-1967) – Civil Cases.

Chief Secretary

(8 deps., 5416 items, 1915/1916)

Administration; agriculture; civil service; boards; education; commerce and industry; libraries and publications; finance; immigration; land; law and order; legislation; local government; military; public health and public works; power and communications; personal files; circulars; conferences.

(See also Office of the President).

Secretariat (Chief Secretary)

(2 deps., 2793 items 1916-1962)

Agriculture; Chief Native Commissioner's correspondence; civil aviation; commerce and industry; committee and boards minutes; education; labour and land; mining; N.F.D. affairs; public health; research, visits; registrar general; reports; statistics; circulars; 222 prints depicting journey of Abyssinian refugees between Karsa and Isiolo Refugee Camp.

(See also Office of the President and Chief Secretary).

Establishment Division (Chief Secretary's Department)

(Dep., 1, 4650 items, 1908-1955)

Land; mines and survey; provincial administration; Central Commodity Distribution Board; import control; agriculture; education; price control; staff; public works labour.

Commerce and Industry, Ministry of

(11 deps., 4863 items, 1935-1967)

History of economic policy in Kenya; personal files; industries; regional planning; legislation; correspondence; minutes; boards and committees; reports; publications; exports and import control; African traders courses; geological surveys; weights and measures; cash crops; circulars; fairs and exhibitions.

Central Chamber of Commerce – Nairobi (in Microfilm)

(6 reels, 1940-1966)

Agenda and minutes; subscription records; monthly reports; legislation; rules and regulations of the Chamber.

Trade and Supply Department

(1 dep., 237 items, 1938-1947)

Price control regulations; import and export licensing; rationing; currency control; correspondence; minutes; international trade.

Community Development, Ministry of

(8 deps., 1454 items, 1939-1975)

Co-operative marketing; co-operative society and credit unions; minutes of meetings; conference papers; bulletins and other publications; annual reports; Kenya National Federation of Co-operatives (K.N.F.C.); Co-operative Insurance; laws, ordinances and rules; Kenatco; general correspondence; safari reports; confidential memos; circulars; liquidation; personal and staff general files; co-operative movement in Tanzania; technical assistance; adult education in Kenya; National School Feeding Olympic Games; United Nations Development Programme; terms and conditions of service; official gazette; Nordic governments; Co-operative Bank of Kenya; visits and tours; National Assembly; questions; O.A.U.; vocational rehabilitation; Nairobi University College; Dept. of Co-operative Development – policy; organization of Government; paper on African Socialism and its application in planning; East African Community; shows and exhibitions; speeches; Kenya National Chamber of Commerce; imports and exports; Pan-African Co-operative Alliance; regional matters; public relations; National Freedom from Hunger Committee; celebrations (National days); agreements; commercial co-operation.

Defence, Ministry of

(17 deps., 2307 items, 1926-1965)

Recruitment policy; compulsory labour; personal files; military units; ordinance and other legislation; manpower; minutes; immigration; detention orders.

(See also Ministry of Internal Security and Defence).

War Council Papers and Council of Ministers (in Microfilm)

(13 Reels, 1954-1963)

Memoranda, agenda and minutes held to discuss the state of emergency in Kenya; punishment and detention camps; recruitment and training; casualties; legislation and amendments thereof; associations and societies.

East African Common Service Organization

(1 dep., 164 items, 1958-1972)

Correspondence; committee minutes; trade and revenue reports; budget; publications; construction of Uganda Railways.

East African Land Forces Organization

(3 deps., 4852 items, 1940-1964)

Internal Security and Defence Scheme; legal advice and damage claims; K.A.R. ordinances; conditions of services; policy meetings; Flemming Commission Report and other annual reports; personal files; Whitley Council.

East African Military Pensions Branch (Ministry of Finance)

(1 dep., 1271 items, 1940-1953)

Military personnel; pensions and gratuities for Asians; Europeans and Africans.

Economic Planning and Development, Ministry of

(2 deps., 1159 items, 1959-1966)

Checklists for non-African agricultural census; labour enumeration; correspondence.

Education, Ministry of

(2 deps., 10699 items, 1912-1975)

Missions; schools and colleges (admissions, school boards and committees); personnel files; circulars and letters; provincial planning and development; native social (community) welfare; minutes of meetings; confidential and annual reports; education ordinance; grants-in-aid; salaries commission; internal audit and queries; conferences; policy and methods of education; languages; examinations and standard Swahili; discipline; boy scouts association; Central Trade Board; loans from revenue, motor vehicle census; Kenya Civil Servants Union and K.N.U.T.; curriculum development and research centre; E.A. Widows and Orphans Pensions Scheme; Flemming report; Ford Foundation; N.P., provincial and district education offices; schools broadcasting (V.O.K.)

Kisumu Education Office

(1 dep., 143 items, 1953-1965)

Appointments; black lists; management supervisors; teachers and staff; case reports; probation cases; teachers promotion; examinations; handing over reports; professional standards; discipline; estimates; claims; schools registration; minutes of meetings; African education and certificates.

Education Department – Wundanyi

(1 dep., 143 items, 1953-1965)

Annual reports; minutes; schools; development plans; circular letters; staffing.

Finance and Development, and Financial Secretary, Ministry of

(1 dep., 4928 items, 1901-1957)

Personal files for Europeans.

Finance, Development and Planning, Ministry of

Staff personal files; subject correspondence files; development funds and programmes/plans; circulars; employment policy; demographic research in Africa; colonial development and welfare schemes; Kenya agricultural census and tabulations; land registration advices; European Common Market; annual and quarterly reports; I.B.R.D./I.D.A., loans and grants; World Bank economic survey; technical assistance; U.O.O.; visits; seminars; conferences; agenda and minutes; Swynnerton plan; settlement schemes; defence and internal security; committees; boards commissions; land tenure policy; compensation schemes; emergency expenditure; building societies; case studies of economic development; immigration policy; taxation; trade; training; Nairobi Airport; water supply; health; administration; prisons and police departments; Kenya Broadcasting Corporation; East African Land Forces; local authorities; registration of births and deaths; the affiliation ordinance and other legislation; licensing; University of East Africa; lectures; Nutrition Advisory Committees; Legal Protection for Medical Practitioners; distress relief; Mogandishu crisis; detainees property and allowance; Law Society of Kenya; Association of Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Eastern Africa; dairy industry; Nyeri electricity; royalties; Land and Agricultural Bank of Kenya; K.M.C. – finance and policy; International Coffee Agreement; Irrigation Schemes; cess and export duty; Galana River Game Management; development of tea growing and tea factories in African areas; co-operative movement; Nairobi Extra Provincial District Housing and Office Accommodation; East African Fisheries Research Organization; A.F. Corporation; Olympic games; Forest Resident Labour Welfare Fund; East African Common Services Organization reports; technical co-operation in Africa south of the Sahara; budget criticism; E.A. Central Legislative Assembly; allowances earned by civil servants; independence celebrations; forest department; publication on trees and shrubs of Kenya; Game and Fisheries Department Headquarters; Land Titles Act; anti-poaching campaign; The Kenya Indian Congress; International Telecommunication Union; Universal Postal Union; Kenya Bureau of Standards; Civil Aviation; Makerere College; weights and measures; enumeration of employees and self employed persons; foreign and public companies; native lands; unemployment; African courts; finance relief; trade and revenue reports; Government Bank accounts; Assurance and Insurance Companies.

Exchequer and Audit Department

(3 deps., 1746 items, 1911-1967)

Audit matters; correspondence; annual reports; pensions and gratuities; estate duty; loans personal files; frauds and irregularities; circulars; customs duties.

Treasury

(2 deps., 6207 items, 1937-1962)

Loans; E.A. High Commission; customs duties; overseas assistance; visits; African District Councils local government; compensation; pensions and gratuities; research; development plans; community development; revenue; government and non-government buildings; minutes; correspondence; personnel records; training.

Foreign Affairs, Ministry of

(1 dep., 13 items, 1949-1966)

Signed agreements between Kenya and foreign countries. These records are closed for public use.

Health, Ministry of

(3 deps., 1936 items, 1892-1957)

Correspondence; registration of medics; staff files; child welfare in Kenya; minutes; importation of drugs; reports; health institutions and organizations.

Home Affairs (Accounts Office), Ministry of

(1 dep., 250 items, 1954-1963)

Cashbooks; community development; immigration; African affairs.

Prisons Department

(1 dep., 19 items, 1920-1954)

Legislation; escapes; reports and returns; staff; approved schools; correspondence; 369 prints of European offenders.

Housing and Social Services, Ministry of

(2 deps., 404 items, 1956-1974)

Personal files and census records of the physically disabled in Kenya.

Information and Broadcasting (including Kenya Broadcasting Corporation), Ministry of

(5 deps., 4104 items, 1940-1974)

Instructional courses; circulars; conferences and committees; broadcasting service programmes and monitored news including T.V. schedules; publications (Kenya News Agency); visits and safaris; correspondence; personal files; minutes; reports; transmitter stations and equipment; audit; film censorship board matters; daily files.

Information Service Department

(21 prints, 1950's)

Photographs – Coast dancers; military officials; tour of (unknown) development project; soil erosion; agriculture development in various districts; portraits of Kenyan Chiefs.

Internal Security and Defence, Ministry of

(1 dep., 623 items, 1925-1955)

Prisons; police; publications; legislation; defence matters; lunatics; external affairs; reports and returns.

(See also Ministry of Defence).

Labour, Ministry of

(11 deps., 5705 items, 1918-1968)

Labour publications; legislation; labour supply; reports and returns; international labour conditions; disputes and strikes; ceremonies; personal files; general correspondence; independence celebrations of Kenya and other countries; population statistics; unions; labour migration; conferences; labour and wages policy; international agreements; agenda and minutes; training and technical assistance by foreign countries; research; circulars; squatters; social security; electoral rolls.

Kenya Institute of Administration, Review Committee

(1 dep., 150 items, c. 1978-1979)

Transcripts of the taped interviews between the Kenya Institute of Administration (K.I.A.) review committee and across section of Managers and Administrators.

Labour Department, Nanyuki

(1 dep., 902 items, 1914-1968)

Information circulars and circular letters; Workmen's Compensation Policy and rulings; prosecutions; minutes; correspondence; monthly bulletins and reports; staff files; price control

ordinance.

Labour Department, Nyeri

(1 dep., 1152 items, 1946-1968)

District associations and local government bodies; circulars; minutes; agenda and memorandum; strikes and other trade disputes; elections; training; reports and returns; personal files; general correspondence; bulletins; commercial establishment; accidents.

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Labour Department, Thika

(1 dep., 1803 items, 1946-1967)

Confidential labour reports; personal files; industrial accidents; registration of factories; desertion; Agriculture and Manpower Committee; monthly returns; secretariat circular letters; African, Asia and European employers; Workmen's Compensation; registration of persons; correspondence; repatriations; trade unions policy; strikes and disputes; daily files; unemployment relief.

National Social Security Fund (N.S.S.F.)

(1 dep., 347 items, 1953-1970)

Social security records from ministries; field stations and departments; agenda and minutes of committee on African advancement; private secretary's handing over notes; index of files from Government House (State House).

Lands and Settlement, Ministry of

(1 dep., 93 items, 1931-1962)

Land development and ordinances; alienation and acquisitions; sites; claims and complaints; land board; housing and settlement; leases; native land; forests; game and fisheries; survey and maps; committee of enquiry and its reports; forests and land policy; correspondence and applications for plots.

(See also Ministry of Education/Labour and Lands).

Local Government, Ministry of

(4 deps., 7280 items 1940-1973)

Municipal elections; loans and grants; reports; correspondence; infrastructure and other social services; agenda and minutes of boards and committees; population census; personal files; visits complaints; circulars; estimates; Kenya Land Commission; legislation; upgrading; industrial concerns.

(See also Ministry of Local Government, Health and Housing).

Local Government, Health and Housing, Ministry of

(1 dep., 92 items, 1933-1957)

Municipalities and local government; public health services; reports and returns; minutes; research; legislation; health organizations.

(See also Ministry of Local Government).

Commissioner for Local Government

(1 dep., 908 items, 1927-1954)

Local Native Councils; District Councils and Municipalities; boards and committees minutes; by-laws; reports and returns; personal files.

(See also Ministry of Local Government and Ministry of Local Government, Health and Housing).

Isiolo County Council

(1 dep., 35 items, 1962-1968)

Minutes; licensing; taxation; appointments; N.S.S.F.; daily files.

Local Councils (MISC.) (in Microfilm)

(102 Reels, 1921-1970)

Minutes and reports of various local councils and committees.

Mombasa Municipal Council

(2 deps., 1672 items, 1958-1980)

Committee meetings and minutes; annual reports; accounts; education and daily letter files.

Nairobi City Council

(2 deps., 99 items, 1955-1956)

Records of proceedings of Nairobi Commission of Inquiry; lists of exhibits and witnesses; correspondence and contracts.

Nairobi County Council

(1 dep., 200 items, 1919-1972)

By-laws; minutes books; annual reports; amalgamation of local authorities; administration; visits; seals; investments.

Nakuru Municipal Council

(91 deps., 1627 items, 1940-1973)

Correspondence; building plans and inspection; sale of plots; personal files; agenda and minutes; public health committee and other committees; investments; circulars; federation of social services.

Taita Taveta County Council

(1 dep., 118 items, 1932-1964)

General correspondence; minutes; schemes; reports; administration; Local Native Council; circulars; staff.

Town Planning Development

(2 deps., 719 items, 1946-1972)

Town planning policy and legislation; boards and committees; township development plans; reports; staff; circulars; correspondence; minutes; housing systems.

Natural Resources, Ministry of

(7 deps., 2170 items, 1919-1974)

Personal files; correspondence; agenda and minutes; afforestation schemes; research; conferences and congresses; circulars; solar eclipse.

Forest Department

(1 dep., 407 items, 1903-1961)

Weekly and monthly reports on forests; weekly diaries on forestry annual reports; forest stations; quarterly returns; gratuity to forest guards; correspondence and circulars on tropical forests; terms of service; forest code; orders; licences of contracts; marketing of timber; offences and prosecutions; gazetting; periodicals; experiments and research; prices; estimates; appointments and personal files of Foresters and Conservators.

Office of the President

(4 deps., 4136 items, 1940-1966)

Societies; associations and federations; minutes of D.C. and P.C. meetings; agenda and memoranda; conferences; complaints and petitions; emergency expenditure and famine; U.N. and other foreign aids; ordinances; publications; history of the Provinces; annual and handing over reports; financial orders; population; sociological surveys and research; visits; elections; education; international trade; immigration; unrest; personal files; social welfare schemes; detainees and rehabilitation policy; correspondence; Kenya Independence celebrations; photographs and autographs of Jomo Kenyatta; circulars; constitutional proposals and discussions; Legco questions; dual nationality and nationality status of aliens.

(See also – War Council papers and Council of Ministers (in microfilm only).

- Governor's House (Governors office/State House)

- Chief Secretary
- Secretariat

Directorate of Personnel Management

(3 depts., 2213 items, 1934-1971)

European Civil Service Advisory Board; personal files; establishment; correspondence; courses of instructions; discipline; examinations; confidential reports and returns; circulars; publications; agenda.

Kenya Police Headquarters

(7 depts., 5692 items, 1921-1973)

Frequency allocations; traffic returns; equipment; enlistment; boards of survey; losses and inquiries thereof; policy; G.S.U. formation; correspondence; complaints courses and examinations; minutes; circulars; sports committee; legislation; reports; boys brigade.

State House (Formerly Governor's House)

(4 depts., 1486 items, 1916-1964)

Constitutional affairs including reports of conferences; constitutional development in the commonwealth; regional boundaries commission; agenda and minutes; security and land; publications; visits; staff; speeches; correspondence and newspaper cuttings; Legco; historical survey of the origins and growth of Mau Mau; foreign missions; establishment and correspondence – office of the Minister for state, chief secretary and council of state.

(See also Office of the President)

Central Province

(2 depts., 310 items, 1895-1956)

Notes on Kamba customary law; political record books for Central Province; Kitui, Machakos, Kikuyu, Embu, Chuka, Fort Hall, Nairobi and Meru Districts; Nyeri safari hand-books; annual reports for Kenya Province, Ulu (Machakos) District; handing over reports for South Nyeri District; minutes of South Nyeri, Embu, Meru, Kiambu and Fort Hall District Council meetings; general correspondence relating to land and boundaries; agriculture; African affairs; female circumcision; census; political unrest; local associations; land settlement for ex-soldier, land consolidation; land commission; Central Land Board.

Fort Hall/Murang'a District

(3 depts., 409 items, 1888-1962)

Fort Hall (Murang'a) historical notes; minutes of the District Team; Chiefs and Headmen record books; sociological reports and memoranda; handing over and annual reports; post-war development plan; correspondence regarding unauthorized and Muthirigu songs; Watu wa

Mungu; Indian Association; special African census; land problems in Murang'a, social welfare; registration of births; Kenya African Union; trading companies.

Kiambu District

(2 deps., 129 items, c.1894-1962)

Annual and handing over reports; political records books; general secretariat circulars; D.C.'s correspondence registers; D.C.'s and P.C.'s minute books; registers; cash registers; history notes; general correspondence relating to land, education, economic survey of Kikuyu, Christian Council of Kenya (Miss Sluiters), African Customs; correspondence between the Kikuyu Central Association and the Colonial Office (1929); forest reserves; Government experimental farms; exchange of land between Kikuyu and Maasai; land compensation; salt lick sites; immigration and emigration; military affairs; births; marriages; succession; law and order.

Nyeri District

(2 deps., 178 items, 1903-c, 19955)

District annual and handing over reports; political record books; safari reports; chiefs registers; agriculture; provincial reorganization; athletics and football associations; African Life Insurance; African religion; social surveys; population census; agriculture churches; conservation of forests; wild rubber; access to Njenga Salt Lick; post-war economic policy; squatters on European farms; Lumbwa political deportees; criminal cases; local native councils; European refugees.

Thika District

(2 deps., 131 items, c.1939-1963)

District annual and handing over reports; staff files; press hand-outs; "Kenya News" – Makuyu; collection of taxes; trade licences; K.E.M. (Kikuyu-Embu-Meru) emergency situation; agriculture; pass book policy; outstanding lists of freedom fighters (1956); D.O. Ruiru; circulars; minutes of the Nairobi Western Rural District Council.

Coast Province

(2 deps., 3355 items, 1883-1959)

P.C.'s general correspondence; quarterly, half-yearly and annual reports of the Province and District; reports from other Provinces; P.C.'s and D.C.'s minutes of meetings; proclamations; public notices and secretariat circulars; letter books; in-ward and outward registers; census records; records on Giriama rising of 1913; German book, 1895-1913; political record books; registration of births and deaths; handing over reports; political deportees; boundary changes; minutes of the municipal board of Mombasa, 1946-1948; cash and subsistence crops; registration of Mohammedan marriages; African marriages, dance and other affairs; forestry; game; labour; law and order; local government records; prisons; posts and telegraph; trade and commerce; education; ceremonies; legislation; military; veterinary; marriage and divorce; staff personal files.

(See also Jubaland Province).

Kwale District

(1 dep., 45 items, 1900-1959)

Political record books; annual and handing over reports; district gazetteers; district letter books; diaries; general correspondence on communications; population and economic problems of the Digo people.

Lamu District

(2 deps., 629 items, 1910-1968)

Lamu District annual reports; Tana River District annual reports, 1921-1961; handing over reports; political record books, 1918-1961 elections; population; social affairs; agriculture; official ceremonies; education; finance; forests; game; labour; land and boundaries; administration of justice; military affairs; public health; communication; public works; police; veterinary; trade and commerce; prisons; African District Councils; marriages; discrimination in clubs; regional organization; internal movements; minutes of the security committee; Mombasa African Advisory Council and welfare sub-committee of Malindi.

Malindi District Officer

(2 deps., 104 items, 1906-1967)

Giriama District Council resolutions and minutes; orders and instructions to chiefs; internal movements; minutes of agricultural and veterinary sub-committee; United Nations appeal for children; general agriculture; education; conservation and mangrove swamps; land and boundaries; secretariat circulars; blue books; registration of births and deaths ordinance; Malindi District annual reports and political record books.

Mombasa District

(2 deps., 923 items, 1900-1971)

Annual and handing over reports; political record books; minute books of the Provincial Commissioners meetings; safari reports; station diaries; memoranda; general administration; social and welfare organizations; official ceremonies; education; forests; immigration; labour; land; law and order; marriage; divorce and succession; ports and shipping; posts and telegraphs; public health; public works; veterinary; births; housing; liquor; police matters; military affairs; trade and commerce; correspondence registers; staff files; minutes of other departments meetings and committees in the Coast Province.

Taita District

(1 dep., 14 items, 1894-1962)

Coffee growing by Africans; Local Native Councils; list of administrative staff of the District, 1944-1962; a pamphlet on constitutional problems in Kenya, 1933; Wataita history and social life; political books and annual reports, 1910-1959; handing over reports, 1946-1959.

(See also Taita-Taveta District)

Taita-Taveta

(1 dep., 837 items, 1902-1964)

Agriculture, District and locational boundaries; crown lands; township plots; African land tenure; Taveta Africa Settlement; land grants and concessions; mission plots; transport and traveling; police; registration of persons; official holidays and ceremonies; detention camps; public health; military affairs; game and game policy; trade and commerce policy and regulations; County Council resolutions and minutes; veterinary; African policy files; African land unit; minutes of the Provincial and District development committee; Taita District agricultural committee; the regional assembly land committee; the District Commissioners' meetings; the Chiefs' and District Officers Meetings; the Regional Assembly Education Committee; Europeans, Asians and general legislation; Executive Councils; 1962 population census 1932-1956; Taita-Taveta Union; African law and customs; medicine men; associations; Kenya African Study Union; British legion; Mombasa African Advisory Council 1957-1958; Taveta divisional location council; chiefs and sub-chiefs standing orders, 1959-1968; Taveta sub-district intelligence reports; colonial annual reports, 1950; Coast Province District annual reports; annual reports of other Districts; agriculture department annual reports 1954-1960; veterinary and probation annual reports; handing over reports; African and Christian marriage and divorce; staff matters; supreme court civil cases; general civil case matters; customary laws; soil conservation reports.

(See also Taita District; Taveta District).

Tana River District

(2 deps., 345 items, 1912-1965)

Annual and handing over reports; political records books; intelligence reports; Tana river district, Coast Province and Malindi sub-district; general administration of justice; education; agriculture; prisons; military affairs; posts and telegraphs; land problems; public works; labour; ceremonies; shipping; public health; marriages and divorce; internal security; historical notes.

Taveta District

(1 dep., 4 items, 1898-1939)

The "Taveta Chronicle" 1895-1899; notes on history and customs of the Taveta people; sayings and proverbs of the Taveta; Taveta enigmas.

(See also Taita-Taveta District).

Taveta District Officer's Office

(1 deep., 1257 items, 1931-1970)

Minutes and meetings of chiefs, liaison tribes, African Affairs Committee, Provincial Commissioners, District Commissioners, Community Development, Taita District Team, Taita Agricultural Committee, Coast Regional Assembly; population census 1950-1963; regional authorities; local authorities bi-laws, regulations and rules; minute of the Local Native Councils, Ukamba Union; Kenya Association of Youth Clubs; Taita Fighi Union; Coast Land Advisory Committee; social researchers; minutes of the Mombasa African Advisory Council; safari reports; Mbare Wataveta Association; minutes of the African District Council and annual reports; minutes of the Taita/Taveta County Council, by-laws and resolutions; agricultural crops; locusts; education; forests; game; labour; law and order; marriages and divorces; land usage; rainfall; noxious weeds; land settlement; African courts; parliamentary elections; veterinary; finance; public health; trade and commerce; irrigation schemes; Taita/Taveta and Coast Province annual reports; intelligence reports; secretariat circulars; staff personal files.

Voi District (D.C.)

(1 dep., 44 items, 1951-1964)

Minutes of the Vocational Council, the Agrarian Committees, the Coast Regional Assembly; a handbook of statutory laws for African courts; sports rules; education; notices on animal diseases; registration of personal ordinance.

Voi District (D.O.)

(1 dep., 154 items, 1950-1968)

Monthly intelligence reports from locations; Sagalla chief reports; District Officers' minutes of meetings; African District Council land usage resolutions; land concessions in African reserves; administration of justice; annual musketry course; constitution and rules; prisons standing orders 1961-1964; code of regulations (sixth edition) 1957-1962; Taita, Taveta and Voi district monthly and annual reports; chiefs monthly reports; special diseases (Poliomyelitis), rinderpest – 1958-1964; staff matters.

Eastern Province

(No records from Provincial Headquarters)

Embu District

(2 deps., 94 items, 1908-1965)

Annual reports – Embu District and Kerugoya sub-district; handing over reports; political record books; factual publications on European overseas colonies; social relations in Kenya; Kikuyu independent schools; colonial regulations; life and duties of an administrative office in Kenya (1929); code of regulations; African labour commissions, 1912-1913; soil erosion and land utilization in Embu; Chief Native Commissioner; Secretariat circulars; minutes of the Embu District team meetings; minutes of the District Education Board; African customs-female circumcisions; staff matters; activities of missions and churches in Embu; defence matters on the eve and during second World War; education; labour; law and order; public works; taxation and prisons.

Isiolo District

(2 deps., 117 items, 1918-1962)

District annual and handing-over reports; District political record books; anthropological records safari reports and baraza books; military affairs; land and boundaries; general District administration; cipher codes; Kenya-Ethiopia boundary; N.F.D. hydrographical survey; National security; diseases – Malaria, Syphilis, Tick Typhus.

Kitui District

(4 deps., 80 items, c. 1904-1965)

District and Ukamba Province annual and handing over reports; safari diaries; gazettees; unpublished memoranda on water supplies and Kitui Kamba; political record books; Provincial Commissioner's inspection reports; Native Council minutes; publications on soil erosion; staff files; state ceremonies; Public works; agriculture; education; land and survey; police; prisons; maize control; veterinary; secretariat and Supreme Court circulars.

Machakos District

(2 deps., 357 items, 1903-1964)

Staff files; education; water development; public works; local authorities; law and order; community development; social welfare; public health; police; game; general administration; military; land; finance; trade and customs; registration of persons; forests; agriculture; annual and handing over reports, Machakos district; annual reports, Central Province, Kitui District (1909-1931) and Nairobi District (1910-1911); Ukamba Province quarterly reports (1909-1912); Ukamba Province annual reports (1911-1924); Kikuyu District quarterly and annual reports (1910-1914); Machakos annual medical reports; Police Department annual report (1925); African Land Development annual report (1953) Agricultural Department-Meteorological annual reports (1907-1928); Machakos District political record books; minutes of the Local Native and African District Council; minutes of Machakos Local Native Council; Kiambu station official diary (1906), Kitui station official diary (1906); Nairobi Collector's diary (1906); Machakos Station safari diary (1925-1926).

Marsabit District

(1 dep., 50 items, 1888-1961)

District annual, handing over and intelligence reports; medical reports; safari records; diaries; political record books and the personal file of Harry Thuku.

Meru District

(1 dep., 49 items, 1911-1916)

District annual and handing over reports; safari reports; political record books; revenue books; townships and trading centers; land consolidation; agriculture; African laws.

Jubaland Province

(1 dep., 130 items, 1895-1923)

Agriculture; arms; accounts; law and order; trade; revenue; military affairs; naval affairs; prisons; public works; townships; communication and travel; monthly health report of Alexandra District (1919-1920); Alexandra District inspection report (1916-1924); Jubaland Province annual report (1924); staff matters.

(See also Coast Province).

Gosha District

(1 dep., 36 items, 1914-1923)

Annual, handing over, intelligence and baraza reports; safari diaries.

Kismayu District

(1 dep., 50 items, 1911-1924)

Annual, intelligence and handing over reports; District political record books; administration of justice; traditional customs; land problems; agriculture; game; education; medical; transport; circulars on African clothing and slavery marriages.

Nairobi Province

No records from Provincial Headquarters.

Nairobi District

(1 dep., 2 items, 1911-1940)

A political record book and a file containing a report of the settlement officer on the removal of right holders from the Nairobi District.

Northern Frontier District/North Eastern Province

(4 deps., 501 items, c. 1902-1979)

Annual reports for N.F.D., Marsabit, Mandera, Isiolo, Moyale, Garissa, Turkana and Samburu Districts; handing over reports, - N.F.D., Marsabit, Mandera, Isiolo, Wajir, Moyale, Garissa and Turkana Districts; intelligence reports, - Kenya colony, Wajir, Moyale, Garissa and Turkana Districts; political record books, - N.F.D.; Economic development reports; water supply; geology; forest; African land development; diaries and handbooks; minutes of D.C.'s meetings; Government house meetings; administration policies; inter-territorial claims, 1902-1960; minutes of the Land, Agriculture, Forest, Education and Communication committees; Minute of the Western, Coast, Eastern, Rift Valley Regional Assemblies; minutes of the Eastern province finance and establishment committee and of the Education and works, Communication, Power and Water Supplies Committees; draft rules of procedure of North Eastern Regional Assembly; agriculture; minutes of the Central Agricultural Board; locust monthly and weekly reports; minutes of the board; reports on tribal distribution and former boundaries; soil and rainfall statistics; state ceremonies; public holidays; tribal police; schools; taxation; African Land Utilization Board; Provincial budgets and estimates; community development; registration of persons; tribal and international boundaries; Yeomen settlement scheme; minutes of the African Land Trust Board; land adjudication; Geological Department annual reports; 1962-1964; minutes and annual reports of the Wajir County Council; Kenya Police; Mandera County Council and Tana River District 1970-1971; pamphlets from South Africa; a digest of current affairs on African local government, land tenure and African laws; minutes of the Provincial Water Advisory Committees; minutes of the Wajir County Council; Harambee Co-operative Savings and Credit Society loans policy; Senior Housing Committee minutes.

Mandera District

(1 dep., 48 items, 1902-1963)

Annual reports of Mandera and Moyale Districts; handing over reports; Provincial and District intelligence report; District record books; District Commissioners circulars; register of personalities; frontier affairs and raids; tribal migrations; social organization of the Boran; post-war development plan; Italian-Abyssinian activities.

Moyale District

(2 deps., 269 items, c. 1902-1968)

Eastern Province annual reports (1964-1967); District annual reports; personal files; political record books; handing over and intelligence reports; minutes of African Trust Fund; District boundary ordinances; A.D.C. annual reports; minutes of Aldev meetings; minutes of the Land Development Board (1955-1960); District Administration; registration of marriages, divorces and deaths; military affairs; cattle rustling; public health; animal diseases; National Youth Service; border affairs; defence; political murder cases.

Wajir District

(2 deps., 52 items, 1913-1964)

Annual reports; handing over reports; political record books; intelligence reports; defence; boundary changes between Kenya and Ethiopia, 1957 and maps; education; administration of the District; wild game; land survey; ownership of plots; administration of justice; prison's affairs; survey of Uaso Nyiro; rabies.

Garissa District

(2 deps., 239 items, 1909-1963)

Mainly Garissa district annual reports; Garissa district handing over reports; Garissa district political record books; correspondence files relating to financial matters, prisons, land, transport and traveling, public works, law and order, agriculture, education, forests, veterinary services, aviation, food supply, marriage, divorce and succession, labour, water supply, stock thefts, radio broadcasts, district boundaries, township sanitary, immigrant Somalis, public ceremonies, district administration, stock trade, hides and skins trade, Society of Prevention of cruelty to animals, St. Johns Ambulance, medical facilities.

Nyanza Province

(5 deps., 5737 items, 1899-1963)

Annual reports of co-operative societies, government departments, East Africa High Commission, North and South Kavirondo District, Kisumu-Londian District, Central Kavirondo District, North Nyanza District, Central Nyanza District, Central Province, Nairobi extra-provincial District, Elgon Nyanza District, Coast Province; Ainsworth map book; political records, Nyanza and Western Province; intelligence reports, South Kavirondo District; handing over reports, Kericho, Nandi, Kisumu and North Kavirondo Districts; central government circulars; Kenya news and information bulletins; colonial regulations and ordinances; publications on General Smuts, Bemba marriages, British indirect rule; building of Uganda Railways; Local Native Authorities; native administration of justice; natural resources; cattle rustling; education development; veterinary; agriculture; boundary changes; aviation; population census; forestry; game; land tenure; mining; missionary activities; public health; roads, construction and maintenance; K.A.R.; transport; water supply; military affairs; fishing; police; prisons and detention camps; public ceremonies; ports and shipping; minutes of the Nyanza Regional Assembly; Nyanza leaders' conference; municipal council of Kisumu; Central Education Board; South Nyanza Education Board; District Commissioners' meetings.

Central Nyanza

(1 dep., 52 items, 1902-1959)

Annual reports, Central Nyanza, Central Kavirondo, Kisumu-Londiani, Kisumu and Kavirondo Districts; Central Nyanza handing over reports; Central Nyanza political record books; Central Nyanza monthly intelligence reports; safari diaries; publications; Kavirondo Tax Payers Welfare Association; African affairs; photographs, "Dini ya Msambwa".

Kisii District

(1 dep., 44 items, 1907-1961)

Annual reports, South Kavirondo District; South Nyanza District handing over reports; political record book, Kisii District; safari diaries; South Nyanza gazetteer; publication, "Life and duties of an administrative office in Kenya"; social surveys amount the Gusii; adult education; agriculture reports; border disturbances; Local Native Councils.

Kisumu District

(1 dep., 3092 items, c. 1913-1965)

Kisumu District annual reports; annual reports, Central Kavirondo, Central Nyanza District and departments of the Central government; chief's monthly reports; central government circulars; general administration; local authorities; Muhoroni settlement; public ceremonies; education; forestry; game; labour; land; marriages; divorce; succession; military; birth registration; ports and shipping; posts and telegraphs; prisons; public works; public health; veterinary; trade and commerce; police; African religion; annual reports and minutes of Kisumu Municipal Council.

South Nyanza/Homa Bay District

(2 deps., 837 items, c. 1928-c. 1965)

South Nyanza District Annual reports; South Nyanza District political book on Lumbwa laibon; agriculture; land; boundary changes; community development; public ceremonies; District administration; education; forests; game; local authorities; administration of justice; labour; marriages; divorces; succession; military; police; prisons; public health; trade; commerce; veterinary; taxation; transportation; meetings; organization of the central government; District Commissioners meetings – minutes; African District Association; South Nyanza parents association; Kenya National Farmers Union; District sports association; locational councils; county councils; settlement schemes; annual reports from other Districts, Provincial Commissioner's Office (Nyanza) and central government department.

Rift Valley Province

(1 dep., 1961 items, 1894-c.1968)

Provincial annual and handing over reports; monthly intelligence reports; registers of agreements; register of huts by locations; Suk-Kamasia reserve, Kerio Province, West Suk, Elgeyo-Marakwet, Nandi District, Eldama Ravine and Baringo (Kabarnet), Uasin Gishu (Eldoret) (Kitale), Trans-Nzoia, Laikipia, Samburu, Nakuru, Turkana Province and Maasai Southern Reserve annual reports; station diaries for Eldama Ravine; minutes of the Provincial Commissioners; notes on political history of Baringo notes on Suk, Nandi and Pokot customs; a ten year livestock development plan in African reserves; local authorities; staff matters; Rift Valley people – Kikuyu, Somalis and others; public celebrations; public health; forestry; agriculture; trade and customs; land; general administration; marriages; game; Police and military; veterinary; labour; meteorology; sports; aviation; boundaries; labour; education; law and order; Maasai move of 1911; minerals survey; native (African) policy; Olenguroune settlement scheme (1964-1950); District Commissioners minutes of meetings.

(See also P.C. Nakuru)

Baringo District

(1 dep., ES items, 1902-1962)

Baringo District annual reports, 1914-1962; handing over reports 1948-1961; political record books, 1910-1927; intelligence reports, 1902; land and boundaries; law and order; definition of the Suk-Kumasia boundary; safari reports; hut tax and tribal police.

(See also Kabarnet Districts; Eldama Ravine District).

Eldama Ravine District

(2 deps., 169 items, 1902-1965)

District annual and handing over reports; outward registers and cash registers; intelligences reports; minutes of Baringo District Agricultural Committee meetings; minutes of Elgeyo-Marakwet County Council; Lembus Forest Committee; torch bearers association; Ngabereti Scheme Committee; Aldev Board; District Commissioners; District Officers, Baringo African District Council; export of agricultural products; animal diseases; controlled grazing scheme; public health monthly and annual reports; Nakuru County Council; Ravine Rural District Council; Eldama Ravine township committee; geological survey of Baringo District; game control; parliamentary elections; 4-k clubs; school committees; secretariat circulars; Treasury circulars; moving people from Kamora glades.

(See also Baringo District; Kabarnet District)

Elgeyo-Marakwet District

(1 dep., 15 items, 1911-1960)

District annual and handing over reports; political record books; land tenure; anti-Christian propaganda; missions in Africa; reserves; wild life shooting.

Kajiado District

(4 deps., 724 items, 1890-1963)

Political record books of Southern Maasai District, Ngong and Kajiado Districts; annual reports, Kajiado, Loitokitok, Narok, Maasai/Maasai extra-Provincial District/Southern Province, Aldev, agriculture and African affairs departments; handing over reports; regulations for H.M. Colonial service; Colonial Office list; Foreign Office and Diplomatic and Consular year book; the Kenya Police standing orders (1938); Legislative Council official report; locust report (1931); cereal crops diseases; tse-tse flies; land conditions in Kenya (1922); economic development committee report (1935); East African census (1948); Indian Railways Act, 1890; Staff Lists 1929-1934; African labour commission, 1912/1913; report on higher education in East Africa (1937); The Kenya Manual, 1930; University of California – Sudan and Kenya expedition; Kajiado Local Native Council minutes; colonial office digest (1947/1948); a bibliography of Maasai age-system; Maasai Dictionary; the problem of marketing of African stock; Maasai unrest; Maasai customs; agreement with the Magadi Soda Company; survey of mineralized water; demarcation of Maasai African Reserve; minutes of Local Land Board; survey of Chyulu and Rombo areas; nanyattanization; parliamentary elections; social and community development; education; labour; registration of marriages, divorces, births and deaths; military; prisons; communication; staff; commerce; agriculture; veterinary; liquor licensing.

(See also Ngong District).

Kapenguria (West Pokot) District

(2 deps., 63 items, 1936-1971)

District administration; agriculture; state ceremonies; education; forests; labour; local authorities; land; public health; sports; social welfare; trade and customs; veterinary; minutes of Mwino Location Council; monthly and annual reports of Kapenguria hospital; Kapenguria division, monthly reports; District Commissioner's annual reports; minutes of Lake Victoria regional water board.

(See also West Pokot District).

Kapsabet District

(2 deps., 1273 items, 1924-1947)

Provincial and District handing over reports; District monthly and annual reports of Nandi, Turkana, Nakuru, Kericho, Elgeyo-Marakwet, Nanyuki, West Pokot, Trans-Nzoia and Kajiado Districts; medical annual reports; agriculture; social welfare; agriculture; co-operative societies; sports; police; education; taxation; forests; labour; settlement scheme (Sarova); local authorities boundaries; adjudication of lands; District boundaries; law and order; local authorities; marriages and divorces; registration of births and deaths; military; prisons; communications public health.

Kericho District

(1 dep., 60 items, 1910-1960)

Annual reports; handing over reports; political record books; gazettes; Kipsigis customary law and customs; notes on chiefs and headmen.

Kitale• (Trans-Nzoia) District

(1 dep., 35 items, 1924-1963)

Trans-Nzoia District annual and monthly intelligence reports; pilgrimage to Mecca; royal visits; minutes of the Trans-Nzoia district Education Board; reports of labour officers; boundaries proclamation No. 54 of 1924; minutes of the town planning authority; minutes of the township committee; Indian Muslims Legislative Council elections; African Legislative Council elections; Arab register of voters; minutes of Kitale Municipal Board Finance and general purposes committee; entry of Kikuyu into Trans-Nzoia; monthly reports from the department of veterinary services.

(See also Trans-Nzoia District; Uasin Gishu District).

Laikipia District

(1 dep., 20 items, 1906-1960)

Annual reports; handing over reports; publications on Samburu, agricultural and meteorological matters.

Lodwar◆ (Turkana) District

(1 dep., 527 items, 1913-1966)

D.C.'s meetings – minutes; security along the Frontier cattle rustling; Suk-Turkana border committee meetings; Uganda Suk-Turkana-Karamonjong border crossings; Turkana and neighboring tribe affairs; Somali deportees; land development board meetings; chiefs and elders meetings; District monthly intelligence reports; minutes of Wajir African District Council, meetings; agriculture around Lake Turkana; agrarian policy; soil erosion; locusts campaigns; lakes and rivers; famine reliefs; irrigation; desert control; air communication; education; game and forests; fishing in Lake Turkana; labour; Turkana-Samburu boundary; Kenya-Uganda boundary; Kenya-Sudan boundary; Suk-Turkana-Karamonjong boundaries; law and order; Merille-Turkana vocabulary; Lake Victoria District Water Board – minutes; standardization of geographical names; notes on history of the war in Turkana 1914-2946; Kenya information service; Turkana extra provincial annual report, (1937); Moyale, Isiolo and Wajir Districts annual

reports 1962 and 1960.

(See also Turkana District)

Lokitaung Sub-District

(1 dep., 34 items, 1920-1962)

District annual reports; handing over reports; intelligence reports; official safari reports; the El Moro tribe, Merille or Geluba tribe; North-Western Kenya Frontier reports.

Maralal(Samburu) District

(1 dep., 45 items, 1934-1962)

General administration; education; land and boundaries; law and order; military; ports and shipping; public health; staff; handing over reports; Kawop detention camp; emergency; District Commissioner's meetings – minutes.

Naivasha District

(1 dep., 15 items, 1904-1960)

District annual and handing over reports; land register of plots rented in Naivasha, Kijabe and Gilgil; chronological index of orders-in-council; proclamations; notices and regulations, - 1876-1910; memorandum by Mr. E. Battiscombe with reference to the economic management and exploitation of the protectorate (1917); early history of East Africa (1919); administration report for 1919-1920; notes by medical research laboratory medical services in Kenya (1926); Kikuyu history of employment; Italian prisoners of 1939-1945 world war.

Nakuru District

(3 deps., 737 items, c. 1910-c. 1964)

Annual reports; handing over reports; registers of names and addresses; land; labour; law and order; African courts; registration of births; public ceremonies; education; European housing; forestry; local authorities; marriages; military; Nakuru County Council; Naivasha District Council; prisons; public health; trade and customs; Uasin Gishu District Council; veterinary; copies of K.I.O. fort-nightly; intelligence reports; personal staff files.

Nandi District

(1 dep., 25 items, 1904-1961)

Annual and handing over reports; political record books; register of voters – Nandi District; laibon deportees; minutes of over-stocking investigation committee; resident labour problems; 1959; Nandi unrest, 1927-1957; notes on African administration; appointment of chiefs; memorandum of P.C.'s and D.C.'s on African administration policy.

Nanyuki District

(4 deps., 651 items, 1906-c. 1968)

District intelligence reports (Nyeri); District annual and handing over reports; political record books; agenda and minutes of North Kenya Settlers' Association; Mount Kenya Association; minutes of Aberdare District Council and County Council; minutes of the township committee and

Thompson Falls road board; emergency orders; general administration; agriculture; education; forestry; game; labour; law and order; land and boundary; white settlement schemes; local authorities; public health; police affairs; veterinary; trade and commerce; Nanyuki guards; taxation; fishing; Mukogodo; land tenure; "Kenya Calling" newspaper (1963/1964); staff personal files.

(See also D.C. Laikipia).

Tambach◆ (Elgeyo-Marakwet) District

(3 depts., 489 items, 1911-1968)

Elgeyo-Marakwet annual and intelligence reports; annual reports for other districts; minutes of the D.C.'s meetings; minutes of the Nandi District team; minutes of D.E.B.; minutes of the Irongo Location Council; Uasin Gishu County Council; minutes of Elgeyo-Marakwet Joint Highways Committee meetings; agriculture; education; game; land; law and order; military; public works; prisons; registration of motor vehicles; trade and commerce; veterinary; public health; forests; secretariat circulars; chiefs personal files.

(See also elgeyo-Marakwet District).

Kapenguria is the district headquarters for West Pokot District

Kitale is the District Administration Headquarters

Lodwar is the D.C.'s Headquarters

Maralal is the D.C.'s Headquarters.

See also Samburu District.

Tambach was formerly the District Administration Headquarters for Elgeyo-Marakwet. The Headquarters has now been transferred to Iten.

Back

Trans-Nzoia District

(1 dep., 3 items, 1951-1963)

District annual and handing over reports; notes on "Dini ya Msambwa".

(See also Kitale D.C.'s Headquarters).

Turkana District

(1 dep., 40 items, 1917-1961)

Turkana district annual and handing over reports; political record books; monthly intelligence reports; war diaries (1940); Native African Affairs diaries; memorandum on Turkana Frontier affairs; reports of labour patrol; reports of boats on Lake Turkana (formerly Rudolf).

(See also Lodwar D.C.'s Headquarters).

Uasin Gishu political record books; Uasin Gishu District annual reports; Uasin Gishu and Elgeyo-Marakwet and Nandi district intelligence reports; Uasin Gishu District Council; Uasin Gishu County Council; rural district councils; Eldoret Municipal Council, district water board; Lake Victoria District Water board; African Advisory Council – Eldoret; Kenya European Hospital Association; Nandi district gazette; minutes of the Plateau Liquor Licensing Court; monthly labour reports; Abaluhya Association; Abagishu Association; Kanu constitution; female circumcision.

(See also Eldoret D.C.'s Headquarters; Kitale D.C.'s Headquarters; Trans-Nzoia district)

West Pokot District

(1 dep., 243 items, c. 1912-c. 1960)

District annual and handing over reports; political record books; monthly intelligence reports; safari diaries; development plans; local native council minute books; newspapers "Habari ya Leo"; "American News Review"; copies of KIO fortnightly; law and order; land and boundaries; agriculture; education; public works; prisons; game; military; public ceremonies; forests; parliamentary elections; labour; rainfall; court civil and criminal files.

(See also Kapenguria D.C.'s Headquarters).

Southern Province

(1 dep., 50 items, 1910-1961)

Annual reports of the Southern Province, Maasai Province, Machakos, Kitui, Kajiado and Narok Districts; handing over reports of Maasai and Southern Provinces, Narok and Kajiado Districts; intelligence reports of the Maasai extra provincial District; unpublished memoranda on administration; social and anthropological problems; natural history; committees reports on game policy; Somalis unrest; moran affairs at Mau forest.

Ngong District

(1 dep., 368 items, 1911-1970)

Narok district intelligence reports; Maasai District annual reports; Rift Valley, Coast and Nyanza Provinces annual reports, 1947-1970; minutes of Olooaiser Local Council meetings, the DC's meetings, Kitui soil conservation scheme, Njoro settlers association, PC's meetings, Kitui Local Native (African) Council, African district Council, Kisames (Kekonyoikie) section council, ALDEV Executive Committee, ALUS; Narok betterment scheme – minutes of the provincial agricultural committee; KIO Fortnightly; minutes of the Machakos Reconditional Committee; minutes and correspondence, Kitui District Education Board; Nairobi Regional Educational Committee; Maasai Education Board; Nairobi County Council Education Board; Maasai District Council minutes; Judicial annual report (1943-1944); Prisoners of War Convention; Money Lenders Ordinance; applications by Watende Mines Ltd.; Maasai Reserve boundaries; Kenya Land Commission-report and maps; minute of the South Nyanza Border Committee; Kipsigis – Maasai inter-tribal relations; Kikuyu, Embu and Meru pass book regulations; Turkana deportees at Kajiado; minutes of Machakos African District Council; minutes of the African District Council, Kajiado, Kitui, Ngong and Kekonyoikie; Ol-sinet Water furrow; Mlindi-Kitui road; Matapatu water supply; Tala-Ruiru road; DC's and DO's field reports; Veterinary Department annual report (1954); ALDEV financial year report (1954/55); Southern Province agricultural officer annual report (1955); Government Chemist annual report (1955); Kitui District annual report (1956); Treasury circulars; animal diseases; Maasai Government school annual report (1955).

(See also Kajjado District).

Western Province

Kakamega District

(2 depts., 2709 items, 1929-1969)

Administration; agriculture; public ceremonies; community development; land; labour; law and order; local government; military; mines; public works; sports; police; posts and telegraphs; prisons; public health; taxation; trade and customs; veterinary; Kenya official gazettes; staff files; secretariat circulars; minutes of the Nandi-Isukha border committee; minutes of the Idakho Location Advisory Council; applications and appointments of chiefs; minutes of the Provincial Commissioners meetings; general parliamentary and by-elections; J. Kenyatta's visit to North Nyanza; female circumcision; African Holy Zionist Church; Bulafu Welfare Association; Kenya African Workers; Native Association policy; Abasyubi Brotherhood Society; Bukusu Union; Tiriki Teachers Union; Logavo Welfare Association; Abaluhya Association; (EA); Native Association (Idakho); Tachani Union; Vihiga Social Club; Maragoli Nyangori Society; societies policies; Young Farmers' Club; Senior Servants Association; Boy Scouts; witchcraft and quacks; brothels and prostitution; races policy; naturalization policy; change of African names; Indian Association; Kenya Local Government Workers Union; Isukha Society; Kenya Central Association; Nabakholo betterment scheme; Lusuyi betterment scheme; Kenya Calling; minutes and diaries of Western Kenya Departmental Head; annual reports from district and departments in the Western Province.

Elgon Nyanza

(1 dep., 22 items, 1911-1962)

Annual and handing over reports; political record books; study of Gorrilla in SW Uganda; death of Bishop Hannington; the story of Kimera; ancient site of Ankole capital; Buganda Lukiko; Kagera salient; the Eastern boundary of Uganda, 1902; rock paintings in Teso; an atlas of African history; growth of the Church in Uganda; repatriation of Bukisu to West Suk; Bukusu initiation.

North Nyanza

Annual reports for North Kavirondo, 1917-1948; North Nyanza, 1948-1961; handing over reports, 1950-1958; political record books, 1916-1950; general administrative instructions; general chiefs character books; unpublished papers on customary laws, land tenure; chiefs photographs; political association; Mumias divisional reports, 1956-1958.

Waruhiu Commission

(35 items, 1979-1980)

Minutes of the Civil Service Review Committee; interviews and Committee discussions; memoranda from ministries, associations, unions and individuals.

The Kenya Land Commission – (in microfilm)

(14 reels, 1932)

Administrative Units in Kenya and details relating to boundaries – Land Enquiries and Evidence.

Tourism and Wildlife, Ministry of

(Dep., 1-5, 1,136 items, 1949-1978)

Promotion of tourism; tourist international organizations and regional offices; Tourist Industry Licensing Act; Tourism publications; annual and monthly reports; training courses; development of lodges and hotels; official gazette; game scouts; expenditure; projects and plans; conference; fishing; films and speeches on wildlife; game control; correspondence; minutes; agenda and memoranda of the Communication Council; parliamentary business; tours and visits; national parks and game reserves; press cuttings; compensation; circulars; exports and imports of wild animals; research; wildlife societies; poaching; historical sites and monuments; radio messages.

Power and Communications, Ministry of (Road Transport Department)

(Dep., 1-2 38,177 items, c. 1954-1966)

Vehicle registration files.

Water Development, Ministry of

(Dep., 1,236 items, 1929-1970)

African settlement in the Provinces; dams; land development board – minutes; game policy committee; personal files; agricultural census; EA Royal Commission; Kenya Land Commission evidence; irrigation projects; cash crops policy; geographical and tribal studies; legislation; development and reconstruction authority; annual reports; soil analysis results and land utilization survey in Kenya.

Works, Ministry of

(Dep., 1,236 items, 1929-1970)

Contract Documents and Plans.

Kenya National Museums

(1 dep., 1,032 items, 1912-1967)

(Also available in microfilm)

Board of Trustees minutes, Miscellaneous records relating to prehistoric sites of the Royal National Parks, reptiles and amphibia, snake park, paleontology and geology, African Museums, biology and inland fisheries, general archaeology, Miocene, mammal, butterflies, Kenya wildlife, apes, minerals, ethnology, entomology, carbon 14, birds, botany, marine life, archaeological expeditions, herbarium, prehistoric art, Olduvai, blood groupings, kariandusi, Kenya/Ethiopia commission, Kenya fossils at Rusinga Island, Tumbian culture, proconsul, stone age, Mzima springs, Olorgesaille, Maboko Island fossils; The records of East African Natural History Society; writings about the Kikuyu; lists of specimen sent out of the country, lexicon of African pre-history; Museum circulars; Pan African Congress documents; financial assistance to the Museums; accession lists; Kenya Wildlife Society minutes; speech from the Throne at the opening of the Kenya Parliament (1963).

National Housing Corporation

(1 dep., 383 items 1940-1965)

Rent restrictions ordinances and related correspondence; housing policy for Africans; central Housing Board housing schemes at satellite towns; Bernard Estate; rural housing policy; minutes of housing boards; committees and councils; papers of International Housing conferences; rules and legislation relating to housing; tenant purchase schemes; development loans; housing reports including that of Vasey; housing quarterly and annual returns; documents relating to building research and experiments; Rent Control Board annual reports (1951-1959), including those of Coast Rent Control Board.

Public Records Retrieved from the United Kingdom Colonial Office (E.A.O.L.)

(375 items, c. 1979)

Correspondence; press-cuttings; press releases; addresses and speeches; agenda and minutes of the annual general meeting of members of the East African House; minutes of the Board of Governors, 1962/1963; draft of Flame Trees of Thika; Kenya prospects by B.R. Mackenzie; formation of Kenya Government; press conferences by O. Odinga (1918-1958); minutes of the meeting on formation of Commonwealth Advisory Group (1963); miscellaneous telegrams; Kenya economic problems; report on the origins and growth of Mau Mau (1960); copies of Colony and Protectorate Agreement; Kenyatta press-cuttings (1978); miscellaneous photographs; letter from Prime Minister (1963/64); Bill of Rights Papers; Coastal Strip conference report (1962); constitutional conference reports, Vol. II; minutes of the Sub-Committee on structure of the Government.

The East Africa Office and Office of the Kenya Agent, London

(1 dep., 378 items, c. 1949-c. 1963)

Annual reports; press releases; newspaper clippings, photographs, informative articles and correspondence between the Public Relations Officer and the Office of the Chief Secretary (Nairobi); the Department of Information and Broadcasting; individuals and organizations seeking information on Kenya; declaration ending emergency in Kenya; minutes of meetings of the committee on Bill of Rights; Kenya constitutional talks; minutes of the meetings of the committee on the structure of the Government; minutes of the Kenya Constitutional Conference; minutes of the coastal strip conference; comments on the Corfield report; reports on emergency detention camps.

East Africa Office, London

(2 Deposits-Publications, 1,388 items, EAR&H, 80 Photographs c, 1912-1972)

Publications and reports on Establishment; Colonial Office; African and Asian Affairs; political and Constitutional journals; medicine; education; labour; Meteorology; finance statistical and data record; social services; Broadcasting corporation; Press release; The McMillan Memorial Library; electrification; Kenya Power Company Ltd.; East African Power and Lighting Co. Ltd.; Economic Development; local government; Court of arms; salary revision; Nairobi city; mines and minerals; Geological survey; Transport, communication and harbours; Agriculture and livestock industries; Forestry; Fisheries; land Bank of Kenya; land survey and policy; water supply and irrigation; Tourism and Wildlife; Museum; printing; Registrar General; Commerce and Industry; Immigration;

Police; Detention; Armed Forces; Maps; Mombasa oil refinery; press cuttings; Egypt and Middle East.

Kenya Tourist Office (London)

(129 reels, n.d.)

Copies of films showing Uganda railway, Kenya geographical and historical sites, economic progress, game hunting, Embakasi Airport, poaching, National parks, Kenya Tourist Pavillion at Brighton Trade, birds of Kenya, Kenya traditional dancers, EA Airways, Freedom from Hunger in Turkana, Independence Day Celebrations, Lake Victoria and the surrounding area, Lake Magadi and the surrounding area, fishing methods, Port Mombasa Service, Technical Training, KANU and KADU elections, wasps, dhows and tea picking, Ofafa housing estate, growing and processing, road transport, life in Turkana, River Congo and Nile, Scotland dogs, adult literacy.

C.O. 533-Correspondence Between Governors of Colonial Kenya and Secretaries in London

(129 reels, n.d.)

Records pertaining to communications between the Governors of Kenya and the Colonial Office in London. This class contains a very comprehensive documentation on all subjects, which the Governor's Office dealt with.

C.O 510-East Africa and Uganda Protectorate

Original correspondence, July-December 1904, mainly on land grants to Indians.

C.O. 544-Sessional Papers

Microfilm copies of Sessional papers, mainly administrative reports, and 1903-1913.

C.O. 879- Confidential Print Africa

(31 microfilms, 1879-1961)

Microfilm copies mainly report on East Africa, 1879-1961.

C.O. 963-Civil Service Report

A photocopy of the Colonial Office report on the Civil Service of Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda, 1947-1948 under the Chairmanship of Sir Maurice Holmes.

F.O. 2-General correspondence Africa

(64 Microfilms, 1856-1905)

Microfilm copies of general correspondence on Africa, 1856-1905

F.O. 403-Confidential Print

(16 Microfilms)

Selected correspondence; minutes for circulation to representatives abroad.

Private Records

Amani Institute

(in Microfilm)

(7 reels, 1902-1947)

Correspondence; annual reports; Amani Research Institute files; botanical surveys.

Appleby, L.L.

(1 dep., 24 items, c. 1918-c. 1964)

Articles by catalyst on Africa general; publications on Bisukha, Luhya literature, Luyia folk-tales, Luyia orthography, Abasungu, Abaranjira, Okhwitsa Mu, Kavirondo, structure of Lulanga; Appleby's personal correspondence; correspondence and minutes of the Luyia language committee; minutes of the meetings of the Nyanza Literature Committee; minutes of the South Wanga Locational Council meetings; minutes of the Lubukusu School Literature Committee.

Bible Society in East Africa, The

(1 dep., 8 items (1914) (1930's-1960)

Minutes of the United Kikuyu Language Committee; minutes of the British Foreign Bible Society meetings; circular letters to UKLC members; letters to and from L. Beacher, Barlow and others on Kikuyu Orthography; religious publications in Kikuyu.

Glady's S.B. Beecher

(2 deps., 5 reels and 422 Photographs c. 1775-1966)

5 reels on – Administrative history of Beechers family; Bafett family tree; James Leakys family tree; map showing Mombasa and Frere town and diaries of Gibbhe (nel Bafett) Burns; 422 photographs on Beecher's loose collections.

Sir Ernest Vasey

(Dep., 1, 252 items, c. 1945-1978)

Letters, Draft notes, Reports, Memoranda, Publications, press cuttings, Financial estimates, lectures, speeches, proposals-Constitutional; Resolutions; meetings; Extracts.

Binks, Herbert Kay

(ca. 500 items, 1887-1950)

Letters; account books; diaries; prints; negatives and contact prints re: Binks business activities, Binks family, Book of Paul, indigenous people, astronomy, aviation, Mombasa, Nairobi and Lake

Magadi aerial prints, KAR and RAF unlit, industry, James Beuttah, Fort Smith, Kiambu Local Council, German East Africa and Uganda, Cape Road Race.

Binns, Rev. H.K.

(9 items, 1876-c. 1920)

Diaries and reminiscences, photo albums, loose photographs and negatives of mission work in Mombasa, East Africa Coast, Freretown, Mombasa, Binn's family, Zanzibar scenes.

Mr. E.E. Biss

(29 items, 1927-1946)

Photographs of a Kikuyu; Chania Falls; Maua women; H.M.S. Effinghar's visit to Kilindini harbour; Spargwoe House of Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Biss on Hospital Hill in Nairobi; Nairobi Primary School Junior Boarders; Kavirondo House Servant; Mau Mau; Maasai Moran; Children's' church at Kabete; Meru Women dance; Arab dhows off Mombasa; Kikuyu women; Lake Albert; A Nairobi Girls Secondary School Hockey Team; Education Department; lord Delamere the Mayor of Nairobi Municipal council; Blue Posts Hotel; P.C. Stone and Fitarari; Customs House Tororo; Nairobi Municipal Council; Nairobi at night from sixth avenue; children camp at Likoni; Imperial Education Conference; Memorial service; European School; press cuttings.

Boedeker, H.A

(4 items, 1890-1906 (1963))

Photographs of Forth Smith, Fort Naivasha, Sir Cook's Missionary Party camped at Harvey Hill on the way to Uganda, Mrs. Boedeker at the Nairobi races, cuttings re: Boedeker.

Chadwick, Elizabeth

(38 letters, 1917-1924 (1954))

Letters from Miss Chadwick as CMS Missionary, Butere, to her friend Ethel Majorian relating to missionary work in the Kisumu area.

Champion, A.C.

(24 photographs, 12 drawings, 1912-1914)

Giriama people, houses, crafts.

Coffee Board of Kenya

(1 album, 1936)

35 prints on Coffee.

Cooke, S.V.

(1 dep., 72 items, c. 1920-c. 1965)

Illustrating the Royal Nairobi Show, 1950's.

S.V. Cooke private letters, recorded LegCo. Speeches, memoranda, agreements, press-cuttings and letters to the press; elections manifesto; policy statements; LegCo. Debates; sessional papers; photographs; maps; minutes of United Kenya Club; colonial economic and political policies; Kenya's struggle for independence; constitutional changes; Kenya Government re-organization; closer union in East Africa; history of the civil service; industrial disputes; super-powers interest in Africa.

Church Missionary Society

(Dep., 1-4, 1070 items, 1899-1970)

Christian Council of Kenya; correspondence; education committee – minutes; diocesan Constitutional; annual reports; community centers; personal files; letters.

East African Railways and Harbours

(8 prints, 1950's)

Illustrating the Royal Nairobi Show, 1950's.

East Africa Yearly Meeting of Friends

(1 dep., 326 items, c. 1902-c. 1916)

Annual field reports; minutes of the meetings of Friends Africa Mission; annual reports of the Friends Hospital; records of schools in Western Kenya; statistical reports for North Nyanza, Central Nyanza, Trans-Nzoia, and Elgon Nyanza; CCK Education Committee; Christian Churches Education Association; CCK Hospitals; Home and Family Christian Service Committee; Friends World Committee for Consultation; Friends Service Council (London); Care and Friends Organizations; Teacher Training; Friends International Work Camp Management Committee; correspondence on mission activities; Mission schools developments; official minutes of Kaimosi Mission.

East Africa Women's League

(1 dep., 11 items, 1975-1980)

A collection of "Women in Kenya" journal (1975-1980).

Edward Rodwell

(483 items c. 1527-1969)

Press cuttings, letters and books.

East Africa European Pioneers' Society, The

(1 dep., 98 items, c. 1952-c. 1965)

Minutes of the public meetings of the European Pioneer Society; minutes of the Benevolent Fund meetings; minutes of the meetings of the Kenya Advisory Council on Social Services; general office correspondence.

Edgley, WNE

(1 dep., 68 items, C. 1922-c. 1939)

Correspondence files; press-cuttings; memoranda; financial documents; minutes of East African Breweries Ltd. (1938); sketch map of Mombasa; medical road map of Kenya; political map of Kenya; Negoti/Ikoma and Nyanza gold mines; Edgley's business affairs; Edgley plots in Mombasa and Nairobi.

Estate and Investment Ltd. (Kitale)

(1 dep.)

Sunflower growing; maize growing; fertilizer scheme; soil tests reports; rainfall records; confidential information for farm managers.

Havelock, Wilfred B.

(1 dep., 26 items, c. 1948-c. 1963)

Minutes of meetings of the Association of specially elected members; the constitution committee; East African Trade Mission; United country party; Kenya African Democratic Union; The Kenya New Group; Constitutional Conference discussions; Mau Mau detention camps.

Hopf, K.A.

(1 dep., 24 items, 1914-c. 1963)

Books on African chiefs, Mau Mau, Chagga political trends; Bulletin on archaeological survey; copies of the journal of the East Africa Natural History Society; report of the East Africa Royal Commission; land developments, fishing in Kenya, farm schools; colonial regulations.

Hughes, E.D

(1 dep. 78 items, c. 1920-1962)

The League of Women; the National Council of Women; the Nairobi Business and Professional Women Club; economic development in East Africa; Overseas Development Institute; East African European Pioneers Society; Kenya Constitutional changes; Ford Foundation International; Catholic Women's League in Uganda and U.S.A.; land consolidation; booklets and Rhodesian Magazines; Kenya official gazettes; press-cuttings; U.S.A. Information and News Review; speeches by T. Mboya in U.S.A.

Hyslop, Graham H.

(1 dep., 80 items, c. 1943-c. 1977)

G.H. Hyslop's personal correspondence to and from relatives, friends, members of parliament, private institutions and Government establishment; scripts of play by G.H. Hyslop; photographs, news clippings and publications.

Indian Merchants Chamber – Mombasa, The

(in Microfilm)

(3 reels, 1944-1966)

Minutes and notices of meetings of the Management Committee and the Chamber; the Chamber's Constitution and Regulations, circulars; transport licensing; correspondence.

Indian (Asian) Records, The

(in Microfilm)

(54 reels, 1885-1969)

The E.A. Indian National Congress; the Indian Associations of Mombasa and Kisumu – minutes of meetings, conferences, rules and regulations, memoranda, reports, correspondence, publications, Indian settlement and legislation.

Karen Estate Ltd.

(1 dep., 3 items, 1934)

Titles of land in Nairobi, Kiambu and Ngong Townships.

Kenya African National Union (KANU)

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel, 1960-1963)

Hand-outs on Kanu elections and press releases through Kenya News Agency; documents on manifesto for social democracy and stability, economic development and social change.

Kenya Co-operative Creameries

(1 dep., 15 items, c. 1958-c. 1978)

Kenya Co-operative Creameries annual reports (1958-1978); publications of the Co-operative Creameries.

Kenya Church Review, The

(in Microfilm)

(3 reels, 1912-1958)

Church matters; Christian organizations and the C.M.C.

Kenya Daily Mail

(in Microfilm)

(69 reels, 1927-1960)

Kenya National Council of Women, The

(1 Dep., 48 items, 1959-1979)

Minutes of the Executive Council; general correspondence; minutes of the Women and Employment Standing Committee; reports; communiqués; international women conferences and seminars; booklets; circulars; press-cuttings on women activities; women group photographs.

Kenya News Agency – The Leader

(in Microfilm)

(12 reels, 1908-1922)

The originals are in the McMillan Memorial Library.

Kenya Weekly News

(in Microfilm)

(80 reels, 1928-1969)

Kikuyu Central Association papers (K.C.A.)

(11 items, 1928-1947)

Topics on Kikuyus; photographs; newspaper (Muigwithania) memoranda, correspondence; Taita hill and Akamba members Associations; Reports on githaka (land); notes on African Association meeting.

Knight. V.L.

(1 dep., 18 items, C. 1906 –c. 1972)

Books and pamphlets; journals and press cuttings on Kenya; Mau Mau struggle; Nairobi in 1906; shifita; missionary work.

Ken. M. Louis

(63 prints, 1928 – 1956)

Earthquake of 1929; showground; roads; Governor Baring's visit to Nakuru; royal address by Princess Maragerti to the Municipal Council.

Koinange, P. Mbiyu

(1 dep., 4 items, n.d.)

Photographs of the Late President Jomo Kenyatta.

Makuyu District Association.

(1 dep., 15 items, c. 1952 – c. 1966)

Official correspondence on the activities of the Association; Makuyu Dispensary correspondence, minutes of the Makuyu District Association and those of the Area Committees; European Parent Association; the conversation of Associations; the Nairobi County D.E.B. meetings; office circulars; Makuyu Fort map; press-cuttings; pamphlets on Abaluhya folktales; Poliomyelitis; infectious diseases; noxious weeds; tsetse fly control; education.

Master, Alfred James Randall

(16 items, 1933-1960)

Albums and envelopes of prints relating to theatre productions produced by Master in Nairobi and the Empire Theatre, 1933 to c. 1940, Theatre Royal c. 1940 to late 1940's, National Theatre, 1952 to 1960.

Murray, Marjories

(1 dep., 409 items, c. 1920's)

Photographs shot in and around Mombasa about 1920's on structural buildings and social life of the indigenous people.

Murumbi, Joseph

Papers, Books, rare Africana publications, pamphlets and antiques.

Page, (and Rev. Michad, Canon) Mrs. Alan

(1 dep., 41 items, 1914-1954)

A 35 mm of black and white film strip entitled, "Half a Century in Kenya, 1914-1954"; one negative microfilm copy of books, newsletters, newspaper cuttings, notes and diary; reel to reel (5") tape of Gospel music describing the philosophy of Mau Mau; photographs taken between 1953 and 1966 showing Kikuyu emergency villages.

Pearson, George

(1 dep., 7 items, 1959-1960)

King's African Rifles journal; book on KAR and one photograph of KAR Officers.

Pickford, A.J.

(1 dep., 8 items, c. 1912-c. 1963)

Maps and books on Eastern Africa.

Royal Empire Society, The

(2 reels, 1930)

Accounts of voyages and travels in the Arctic and Antarctic regions, Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific, the vanishing tribes of Kenya, the story of South African people.

Royal Society of South Africa, The

(in Microfilm)

(12 reels, 1878-1959)

Minutes of proceedings; scientific matters on researches and observations.

Salter, Cliver

(1 dep., 9 items, 1927-1949)

Articles of agreements and clerkship between H.J. Darby, H. Slade and George Marshall; memorandum and related documents of partnership with Hamilton Harrison and Mathews and other advocates.

Standard Ltd., The

(Dep., 1, 309 reels, 1903-1977)

The East African Standard, •The Standard (Tanzania); Sunday Nation•; Sunday News; The Times; Mombasa Times; Uganda Argus; Tanzania; Sunday Post; Tunuulira; Baraza; Taifa Leo.

St. John's Ambulance

(2 deps., 364 items, c. 1949-1981)

Correspondence from and to St. John Ambulance Association; minutes of meetings of the Management Committee and Council; annual reports; progress reports; general correspondence of the Association.

Sudan Notes and Records

(in Microfilm)

(10 reels, 1200-1968)

Social organization and traditional beliefs and practices of Sudanese ethnic groups; scientific research committee; correspondence; excavation work; historical notes, articles and accounts of journeys; ancient kingdoms; reports; book reviews and Sudan bibliography.

Syracuse University

(1 dep., 21 items, c. 1965-c. 1970)

Publications relating to Eastern Africa.

Tyson, George

(1 dep., 280 items, c. 1940s-c. 1971)

Correspondence files; booklets, pamphlets and reports; minutes of the Nairobi Club; minutes of the Board of Directors of A.H. Wardle and Co. Ltd.; minutes of meetings of the East African Railways and Harbours House Ownership Scheme; minutes of meetings of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors; minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors of T.L. Champion Ltd.; minutes of the probation case committee and reports of the probation case committee and reports of the probation and approved schools; annual reports and balance sheets of the bank of New South Wales; articles of association of Cambridge, Murumbi and Tyson Co. Ltd.; minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors of Craelins E.A. Drilling Co. Ltd.

Walker, James H.

(1 dep., 3 items, 1950)

Extracts from the Kenya Coffee Board bulletin; plan and correspondence relating to Kianzabe Estate, Ol-Donyo Sabuk.

Ward, Robert Edward Kendall

(1 dep., 206 items, c. 1929-1963)

R.E. Kendall Ward's personal correspondence letters, personal travel documents, diaries, articles by R.E. Ward; Kenya development plans, press hand-cuts, sessional papers, hydrographical survey reports; books and semi-official documents, news-letters of the institute of race relations in Southern Africa (1958/59 issues); minutes of meetings of European elected members of the executive council.

Whitehouse, L.E.

(1dep., 78 items, 1878-1960)

Rare books, journals and documents relating to tropical medical care, travel and explorations in Africa; African customs; Kikuyu, Maasai, Nandi and Arabic languages; building of Uganda railway; missionary activities in East Africa; African social styles; African political systems; Hola incidence; Turkana history; second world war; Abyssinia – Italian war; Kenya-Ethiopia boundary.

Williamson, Rev. John

(1 dep., 50 items, c. 1362-c. 1891)

Islamic publications in Swahili and English; short Swahili stories and poems.

Miscellaneous Records

(in Microfilm)

(2 reels, 1830-1959)

Notes on Kenya-Ethiopia and Kenya-Uganda boundary; the Cape to Cairo railway; land settlement scheme for ex-servicemen and women; journal and photo albums of Rev. and Mrs. H.K. Binns; Life and work of Cecil J. Rhodes; mercantile intermediaries in a colonial spatial system; colonial economic history, polity and taxation; the development of production and trade in the reserve areas of Kenya (by I.R.G. Spencer); lists of farms allotted in Londian.

(i). Native tribes and their customs (56 rls); journal of the East African Natural History society (6 rls); Zeitsch rift Ethnologie (19 rls); books and papers relating to East Africa (6 rls); Renias de Nedagesea; Nyanza-land Agricultural quarterly journal (2 rls); transaction of the Royal Society of South Africa (12 rls); Sudan records (10 rls); The agricultural society of British East Africa (2 rls); The Kenya Daily Mail (69 rls); Kenya-Ethiopia boundary (1 rl); The story of the Cape to Cairo by railway and river routes; The East African veld; Kenya School Equipment Scheme (27 rls); The new professional (16 rls); geological research on the Rift Valley; anti-slavery letters (3 rls); Koran and Chief Kadhi (1 rl); Kenya Church Review (3 rls); Journal relating to East Africa (in English and German (11 rls).

(ii). Five photographs (1954 – 1956) showing Dedan Kimathi's captured underground headquarters.

Migrated Archives Project (Miscellaneous)

(42 items, C. 1829-1978)

Various collections from J. D. Von Pischlle (Thesis), Joan Elizabeth Metson (Thesis); Stephen W. Langton (Thesis); Imperial war museum (Transcripts); Barclays Bank International; church of Scotland (Microfilm); Henry Muoria; John George Haggard (Microfilm); M.P. Cowen (Microfilm); E. Damman (Manuscripts); P. J. Rose.

Barlow Paper (University of Edinburg) Private Records Retrieved From Overseas Countries.

(Dep., 1 14 items, C. 1948 – 1955)

Notes on Kenya and the Mau Mau; strife in Kenya; Jomo Kenyatta, Dedan Kimathi and the struggle for Independence; Europeans and Asians; General Kibiiko and the Governor of Kenya; Association of Africans with Whites; Henry Kiama wa Nduhiu; Wanjiku wa Kaguruki; Murage's family; Christianity among the Kikuyu, Photograph records on Kikuyu songs; Newspapers in Kikuyu and Kiswahili.

Africa Confidential Prints

(in Microfilm)

(31 reels, 1877 – 1961)

Portuguese trade arrangement in East and Southern Africa; East Africa concessions; King's African rifles; Uganda Railway; East Africa Protectorate estimates; administration of East Africa; East Africa currency questions; Maasai; botanical and forestry matters; Lake Victoria steamer services; Anglo-Belgian East Africa Traffic Convention; East Africa Federation; Kenya

constitution; Kenya-Ethiopia-Somali frontier affairs; east Africa conference; East Africa communism protests.

Associated Press Ltd.

(50 items, 1952/1953)

Black and white photographs on Mau Mau activities between 1952 and 1953.

Ashton (E.O.)

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

Three albums (fully captioned) of photographs depicting life of E.O. and R.N. Ashton as missionaries in Kenya, 1902-1927; shots of mission student, 1907.

Balfour, J.W.

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

J.W. Balfour diaries; annual reports; miscellaneous papers.

Badger, G.P.

(in Microfilm)

(4 reels)

Correspondence and dispatches relating to Zanzibar, Aden, Muscat; missionary activities in East Africa; reports and other documents relating to French interests in the Red Sea; treaties of friendship between the Queen of England and Sultan of Zanzibar, Emperor of Ethiopia and Persia.

Bell, C.R.U.

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

A collection of Miscellaneous Papers.

Benson, T.G.

Maps, manuscripts, newspaper cuttings and newspaper articles by A.T. Matson; photographs of Jeanes School, Kabete, 1925-1974.

Blundell, Michael

(in Microfilm)

(26 reels, 1926-1974)

Miscellaneous correspondence, articles and texts of speeches.

British Museum

Photographs of Kenya tribal chiefs including that of Chief Mumia, Karuri wa Gakure, Owuor and others.

Brooke-Pophan, Sir Robert

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

A copy of Sir Robert Brooke-Pophan collection, once a Governor of Kenya. The original papers are now deposited in the Rhodes House Library, University of Oxford, United Kingdom.

Caltex Petroleum Corporation (of New York G.B.)

(1 reel)

Reel to reel film showing carving of tools, African smelting of iron ore, cultivation, traditional dances, hunting.

Carvers, H.R.

(8 items)

Personal correspondence; relating Nandi reserves.

Church Missionary Society

Ethnographic documents of Gikuyu medicinemen; Embu wizard bag; list of negatives and photographs of chiefs from Western and Central Kenya.

Mission books, letter-books of original correspondence and précis book for Nyanza, Uganda and Ruanda missions, 1875-1934; South and East Africa missions (South Africa, Kenya and Tanzania), 1836-1934.

Royal Anthropological Institute

(Dep., 1, 106 items, c. 1914-1927)

Reports; Tours; letters; meetings and minutes; memoranda; Administration; land tenure-Kikuyu; witchcraft-Native Customs, Special investigations; Observations and proposals by Governors, political record book.

Church of Scotland

(6 slides, 1911)

A Kikuyu lecture given by J.W. Arthur in 1911 while on a voyage to Mombasa. The original papers preserved in the National Library of Scotland, MSS. Dept.

Church of Scotland (Overseas Council)

(in Microfilm)

(6 reels, 1874-1955)

Nyanzaland and Kikuyu quarterly review Vol. 1-6, 1874-1908; phonetic and tonal structure of Kikuyu language; reports on the Kenya colony; Mission of the Church of Scotland; copies of "Kikuyu News" Vol. 1-25, 107-122, 1908-55; minutes of the Kenya Mission Council; minutes of the Gold Coast Mission Council.

Colonial Office

(Microfilm/Microfiche, 1926-1951)

Kenya original correspondence; Kenya/annual reports (1925) and blue books. The original copies are preserved in the Public Record Office, London.

Daley, F.W.

Papers of the East Africa Royal Commission.

Grieve, G.A.

Papers and correspondence on Education and mission activities in Kenya and Nyasaland (Malawi); documents on Alliance High School in which Mr. G.A. Grieve was once the Principal.

Handerson, Sir Makom

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

Diaries of Sir Makom Henderson with notes by General J. Eralt – Sir Makom Henderson actively took part in the Nandi Expedition.

Hilton Young Commission

Documents on East Africa closer union, (1927-1932).

Hobley, C.W.

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

Hobley diaries, 1880-1892; IBEACO geological diary, 1894-1897.

Howard J.W.

(6 items)

Records and photographs on Kipsigis; English-Nandi dictionary and Tazama-weekly newspaper.

Johnson (Dr.)

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

Interrogation of Captured Mau Mau fighters including Waruhiu Itote.

Jones, Bertha

Documents on Kikuyu language; Methodist Missionary Society in Meru; East Africa Manual 1940-1963.

Library, The School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London

Swahili manuscripts on poems, aphorisms, and mashairi.

Mackinnon, Sir William

(in Microfilm)

(68 reels, c. 1856-c. 1892)

Sir William Mackinnon private correspondence; papers on Imperial British East Africa Company; Emin Pasha relief expedition; British India Navigation Company; City of Elvasgar Bank; commercial files; Balinakill estate papers; Free Church.

Matson, A.T.

See next page for descriptions.

McGeach, (W. Ryder)

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

McGeach diaries as cadet and District Officer in Kenya, 1927-1929, and administration officer in Zanzibar, 1933-1935.

National Bible Society of Scotland

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

Reports on the translation of the Bible.

National Library of Scotland

(4 items, n.d.)

The Church Missionary Society among the Kikuyu, especially Kikuyu and Tumulumu Missions; mission activities at Chogoria and Tumulumu, 1924-1929.

Passfield Papers

Private and personal correspondence of Sir Edward Grigg, 1929-1931; native land trust; taxation; "Closer Union"; Kikuyu Central Association; white paper; land bank; "Scheme of Devolution"; political crises of August 1931; labour party; unemployment; adult education.

Patterson, Bryan

(1 reel)

Mr. Patterson's diary – 1898/1899.

Pritt Papers

(in Microfilm)

(3 reels, 1952)

The Kapenguria trial against Jomo Kenyatta, Fred Kubai, Ochieng Onoko, Bildad Kaggia, Paul Ngei and Kung'u Karumba.

Royal Anthropological Institute, The

(15 photographs, 1910)

Preparation for a circumcision ceremony.

Scot, Rev. C.

Rev. C. Scot personal letters.

Skeene, Ralph

(in Microfilm)

(5 reels)

Skeene's official correspondence as District Officer in Lamu, Kipini and Malindi Districts, 1910-1915.

Swinfield-Wells, Muriel

Photographs on Coast Girls' High School, Dabida and Tana river, 1949-1958.

Society of Friends Library

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel, 1886-1904)

Parliamentary papers on Africa.

Taveta Chronicle, The 1895-1901

(in Microfilm)

(1 reel)

The Taveta Chronicle which first appeared in 1895, was the first periodical published on the African mainland and the second newspaper to be printed in the British and German Colonies. It was printed at Mahoo, Taveta.

Matson, A.T.

(35 reels, c. 1877-1979)

African letter series by A.T. Matson on records about the Nandi history; articles by A.T. Matson published in Kenya Weekly and in other East African journals; files containing minutes of the Nandi Local Native Council; minutes and resolutions of the Nandi District Council; Medical Department and Kapsabet Health Office annual reports; Nandi District Gazetteer; Nandi Law Panel minutes; Nandi District annual reports; records on histories and traditions of the peoples of Rift Valley and Western Kenya; Uganda Railway; Kenya Historical Society, correspondence and minutes; a dictionary of East African biography; IBEA staff lists; colonial and Departmental annual reports; CMS records in Kenya; J.H. Patterson diary and diaries of other prominent early Europeans in Kenya; Nairobi city; maps on exploration and expeditions in East Africa including that of Emin Pasha; Caravan routes – East Africa; Uganda Railway; East African Protectorate boundaries; Equatorial East Africa; German East Africa; Nandi country and others.

Also available in hard copies.

Audio-Visual Materials

Kenya National Archives have a collection of Audio-Visual materials comprising of tapes, films, slides, maps, plans, charts and photographs.

Tapes. - 580 c 1968-1982. Mainly c90 and Reel Recordings cover research projects on provincial basis on subjects like:

Central Province. - 230 tapes on traditional history, traditional education, traditional medicine, traditional religion, agriculture, migration and settlement, European influx, missionary factor, dawn of colonialism, formal education, David Sandgren collection, World War I and II experiences, formation of political and welfare associations, African grievances, Mau Mau insurrection, interview with key personalities, folktales and proverbs in Nyeri District.

Western Province. – 60 tapes on traditional history of the Luhya people, traditional songs and dances, traditional medicine and religion, colonial rule, Nabongo Mumia – Wanga Kingdom, missionary factor and formal education, folktales riddles and proverbs among the Luhya people.

Coast Province. – 30 tapes on the Giriama, Duruma, Pokomo songs and dancers, vave ceremony of Bajun people of Lamu, traditional history of Miji Kenda people.

Rift Valley Province. – 30 tapes on Pokot traditional music dances, Nandi traditional history and resistance to colonial rule, Maasai eunoto, history of Kinangop.

Nyanza Province. – 10 tapes on traditional history, medicine and traditional religion, Kisii sculpture and traditions.

Eastern province and North-Easter. – 25 tapes on traditional history of Embu, Mbere, Meru people, migration and settlement, Mau Mau activities, interviews with K.C.A members, Rendile, Boran traditional songs, dances and history.

Nairobi Province. – 80 tapes on music festival, national holiday celebrations, conferences, interviews with historical personalities and former K.C.A. members, colonial administrators, Mau Mau activities in Nairobi, Uganda railway and growth of Nairobi.

Miscellaneous. - 75 tapes cover miscellaneous subjects like Pope's visit, lecturers by visiting professionals like Vansina, etc.

Films. - 154 fall under silent and sound films. Some important titles include Mau Mau, white man's country, Kenyatta, Eunoto, Independence, African heritage, Kenya in progress, traditional songs and dances, Adult literacy lessons.

A large collection is mainly general depicting scenic beauty of Kenya, wildlife, information storage and retrieval, communication, World War II news in Kenya old Nairobi and arrival of Europeans, African home life, Tom Mboya.

Slides. - 1967 – dating 1977-81. They cover staff activities in the field. Pope's visit, Nairobi agricultural show, Uhuru Park celebrations. Bomas of Kenya. Kisii Sculpture. National music festival, Wildlife, Murumbi African collection, oral tradition project, Western province, Kwale and Kerio Valley.

Maps and Charts. - 784 dating 1946-1982. Mainly on administrative divisions, municipal and township boundaries, vegetation maps, communication maps, geological maps, landscape, rainfall maps, land amendment plans, land registration plans and site development plans.

Photographs. - 11,912 dating c 1954-1981. There are older photographs whose dates have been difficult to identify. Most of these have been created by the department plus donations from individuals and institutions. The photographs are categorized under:

Important Personalities. - President Kenyatta, Moi, Kenyatta with K.C.A. delegates, chiefs Karuri wa Gakure, Kenyanjui wa Gathirimu, Njiri, Waiyaki wa Hinga, Olentutu, Mumias, Wangu wa Makeri, etc. Freedom fighters Kimathi and others, foreign dignitaries like Franklin D. Roosevelt, Kwameh Nkrumah, staff of the department of registrar General 1954.

International Conferences. - International Council on Archives (I.C.A.) 510 copies 1978.

ECARBICA 211 copies 1980, UNCTAD 53 copies 1976 International Women's year 1975.

Local Conferences. -Seminar on Documentation 41 copies 1975, K.S.T.C seminar on Archives 38 copies 1976.Kisumu seminar.

Staff Activities. - Staff meetings, members of staff at work, Kakamega records centre, destroyed archives.

Art Exhibitions. - Kenyatta College, French cultural centre 22 copies, Mumia Auka art 27 copies, play at the national theatre "shelter" music festivals, Likimani's book, Tojong Merikokeli, etc.

General Events. -Pope's visit 156 copies 1970, Graduation ceremonies 15 copies 1977, 94 copies 1978, 130 copies 1979, Lady Baden Powell burial 86 copies 1977, construction of Uganda railway 100 copies.