

## Notes and News

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### *Secretaryship of the Institute*

MEMBERS of the Institute will be sorry to learn that Mrs. Hardcastle resigned the Secretaryship at the end of April 1972 as she was expecting a child in June. They will join the Officers in wishing her every happiness in the future and in thanking her for her valuable contribution to the work of the Institute over the past four years.

Mr. Basil Wheeler, who has succeeded Mrs. Hardcastle as Secretary, was formerly Assistant Secretary of the British Inter-University Council and served in the Uganda Administrative Service for eleven years.

### *Eleventh International African Seminar on Modern Migrations in Western Africa, Dakar, April 1972*

THE eleventh International African Seminar organized by the International African Institute in collaboration with the African Institute for Economic Planning and Development (IDEP), under the Chairmanship of Professor Samir Amin, Director of IDEP, was attended by over thirty participants and observers. The themes for this seminar on Modern Migrations in Western Africa were worked out jointly by the IAI and IDEP as follows:

1. Demographic studies of migration from census and other data. Further categories of economic data needed for economic and social studies of migratory movements, e.g. occupational categories; age and sex structure.
  2. Variations in scale, distance, duration, etc. of migration of various types (rural-urban, rural-rural, and urban-urban) and their variable combination and significance in relation to specific conditions of development.
  3. Social relations of migrant populations (*a*) with their home areas; conditions and degrees of continued integration; modes of inter-communication and influence, economic and political problems in the home areas; and (*b*) with their host communities; cultural, economic, and political factors influencing relations between migrants and hosts.
  4. Valuations and expectations concerning rural and urban environments on the part of migrants; the modification of attitudes and objectives over the life-cycle.
  5. Inter-relations between levels of migration, labour supply, wage rates, unemployment, etc. in urban centres.
  6. The impact of different types of migration on the national economy and economic planning.
  7. Government measures and conflicting interests of sending and receiving countries.
- Short research papers by participants, prepared for consideration before the meeting, included the following:

*Dr. N. O. Addo* (U. of Ghana): Differential rural migration in Ghana.

*Mr. J. Ademako-Sarfo* (UST, Kumasi): Effects of the expulsion of migrant workers on Ghana's economy.

*Mr. J. A. Adepoju* (U. of Ife): Oshogbo migrants in the Western State of Nigeria.

*M. A. Ahiany-Akakpo* (INRS, Lomé): L'impact des migrations sur la société villageoise (Togo).