

Notes and News

Le Futur Musée Historique de l'A. O. F. à Gorée

UNE exposition consacrée à l'histoire de l'A.O.F. s'est ouverte dans une des salles de l'IFAN. La majorité des pièces qui y sont exposées sont destinées au futur Musée historique de l'A.O.F. dont les travaux sont actuellement en cours, à l'angle des rues Saint-Germain et Malavois.

A part les objets qui sont fournis par l'IFAN (gravures, cartes anciennes, manuscrits, faïences, objets préhistoriques et archéologiques, etc.), plusieurs dons ont été reçus, et plusieurs hautes personnalités et organismes dakarois et métropolitains ont été sollicités.

Les directeurs de l'exposition désirent entrer en contact avec les descendants des hommes illustres de ce pays, tant africains qu'européens (vieilles familles princières du Sénégal, du Soudan et d'ailleurs; militaires, marins et explorateurs tels que Faidherbe, Binger, Monteil, de Sanderval, etc.), afin qu'ils leur confient, soit à titre définitif, comme don, soit comme prêt, pour reproduction photographique ou autre, certains des documents qu'ils possèdent.

Higher Education in the British Colonies

THE Inter-University Council for Higher Education in the Colonies is the central body concerned with the development of university education in the British Colonies. It was set up in 1946, at the invitation of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, as a representative organ of all the home universities and the existing Colonial universities. Its principal purpose is to make available to the developing and new university institutions in the Colonies the experience and assistance of the home universities. It arranges for visits by its members and other specialists to the Colonial institutions, advises on the establishment of new institutions, and assists in the recruitment of academic staff.

An allocation of £6 million for Colonial university education has been made from the funds available under the 1945 Colonial Development and Welfare Act. In 1946 there was established the Colonial University Grants Advisory Committee, the principal function of which is to advise the Secretary of State on the use of these funds. Except for a very small reserve, the £6 million has now been committed in support of approved schemes chiefly for capital expenditure. Recurrent expenditure is for the most part contributed by Colonial Governments, which have also made substantial capital gifts, including sites. Among notable benefactions from other sources are those of nearly £2 million to the University College of the Gold Coast from the Gold Coast Cocoa Marketing Board and of over £1 million to University College, Ibadan, from the Nigerian Cocoa Marketing Board.

The new university colleges in the Gold Coast, Nigeria, East Africa, and the Sudan have entered into a special relationship with the University of London whereby they provide courses leading to the degrees of that University. This is an interim arrangement until the colleges have become sufficiently established to assume full university status and award their own degrees. All the university colleges are autonomous institutions.

Educational Review in British African Territories

A STUDY of educational policy and practice in British Tropical African Territories, sponsored by the Colonial Office and the Nuffield Foundation, is to be carried out during the latter part of 1951 by two small groups of independent experts, one visiting West Africa, the