NOTES AND NEWS

Contributions, and books for review, are invited and should be addressed to the Editor, *Azania*, P.O. Box 7680, Nairobi. Texts should preferably be in English, but contributions in French, German, and Italian will also be considered; in the case of these last a draft summary in English should be appended.

'American Anthropologist': special issues

THE American Anthropologist has recently published three special issues: Transcultural Studies in Cognition, ed. by A. Kimball Romney and Roy Goodwin d'Andrade (June 1964); New Guinea: The Central Highlands, ed. by James B. Watson (August 1964); and The Ethnography of Communication, ed. by John J. Gumperez and Dell Hymes (December 1964).

Each special issue is a volume separate from the regular issues of the American Anthropologist and brings to readers concepts, methods, and data in a frontier area to the anthropological discipline. The papers are all written specially for the volume in which they appear and are edited by experts. Several more volumes similar in character to those already published will appear in the near future.

African Studies in Japan

THE following organizations have recently been established: Kyoto University Africa Research Association (Chairman, Professor Kinji Imanishi); Japan African Studies Society, c/o Department of Geography, Faculty of Science, Tokyo University (Chairman, Professor Hideji Hasegawa); the African Studies Association, Sakaei-Kotohira Building, 30 Shiba-Kotohira-machi, Minato-ku, Tokyo (Representative, Mr. Eiji Fukunaga; publication, *Africa*, monthly).

East African Studies Program, Syracuse University, U.S.A.

THE East African Studies Program was established at Syracuse University in 1962 with Dr. Fred G. Burke as Director. It is interdisciplinary, with a particular interest in the social sciences, since it was established through the Maxwell Graduate School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. The graduate courses lead to a diploma in East African Studies, and language courses are also offered. In June 1964 a Swahili House was established where students lived and learnt the language, Swahili only being spoken. The Program acts as a centre for information about East Africa, and arranges conferences, special seminars and guest lectures; extensive acquisitions of Africana have been made. Two main research projects are being undertaken: one, supported by the Ford Foundation, on Tanzania's village development, and the other on the administrative problems of emerging African States. In addition, the East African Studies Program, operating under an A.I.D. contract, has recruited American scholars for temporary appointment at the Kenya Institute of Administration in audio-visual training, comparative government and public administration, economic development, and library development. Assistance is also given with the specialized training necessary for Peace Corps trainees and A.I.D. officers, and short courses have been arranged for administrative officers of the East African governments.

The Scandinavian Institute of African Studies, Uppsala

AFTER two years' work on a provisional basis, the Scandinavian Institute of African Studies became a permanent Government organization from 1 July 1964, under the Swedish Ministry of Education, with a separate board of governors which includes representatives of various Swedish authorities and organizations, and of the governments of the other Scandinavian countries. Dr. Carl Gösta Widstrand has been appointed Director of the Institute; the Librarian is Mr. Fokle Rudberg; and the Secretary for seminars and courses,