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Professor Daniel Jones

WE regret to record the death of Professor Daniel Jones, Professor Emeritus of Phonetics at University College, London, and author of many publications on phonetics and on the Sechuana language. Professor Jones was a member of the Institute's committee formed in 1926 by Professors Westermann and Delafosse, the first Directors, to establish a practical orthography for African languages. Their work resulted in the publication of *A Practical Orthography of African Languages* which has since been extensively adopted. The alphabet proposed consisted of twenty-six roman letters which were given fixed values, corresponding closely to those of the International Phonetic Association and to common practice in Africa, with, however, a bias in favour of the latter, and including letters which up to then had been a matter of controversy. Professor Jones co-operated closely with the Institute on its programmes of research on African languages over many years. He also wrote the Foreword to Westermann and Ward's *Practical Phonetics for Students of African Languages*, first published by the Institute in 1933.

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