Guide to the German East Africa photograph album Bernath Mss 475


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Acquisition Information
Library purchase, 2014.

Scope and Content
Photograph album containing 26 original, silver gelatin print photographs and three loose photographs of a political tour of Colonial Director Bernhard Dernburg (Exzellenz Dernburg in Deutsche Ostafrika Dar es Salaam, Tabora, Muanza, Pugu und Victoriasee).

Photographs show various markets and gatherings of indigenous people, including a large community laden with luggage marching from Mwansa inland to Tabora, a group of women dancing around a drummer on a desolate road, a formal festivity, and a very busy market n Dar es Salaam.

In the vicinity of Lake Victoria, Dernburg stands amidst a large gathering of German officials and a perfectly postured row of Schutztruppe men. Received in grand style and attracting notice from many, he is also photographed on the balcony of a train departing for the journey. Along the coast of Dar es Salaam, an African man and a young boy, both in German military issued attire, are seen using a heliograph. A building labeled ‘Pugu’ may be the original rail station, about 12 miles southeast of Dar es Salaam. Deep in the hills of Tanzania a colonial estate is displayed, its expanse comprising a large terrace, a tiered rice paddy, and some straw thatched huts dispersed at a distance. In West Usambarar he photographs a banana plantation which also contains a sizeable German dwelling.

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