Public Works Department

The Public Works Department operated as a standalone Department under the Uganda Protectorate Government and later became the Ministry of Public Works following Ugandan Independence. The majority of this collection contains documents and correspondence originating from the Director of African Housing, the House Accommodation Committee, and the Industrial Committee. While this collection contains documents from 1905-1970, the bulk of the collection originates from the 1920s to the 1950s. Most of the Housing related files contain documents regarding the building and maintenance of various government housing infrastructures, and the Industrial Committee and General category files contain documents related to railways, roads, and various industrial development projects, including the development of chemical, textile, and energy industries. Most documents in this collection retain their original reference numbers, though a small number have been assigned a new reference number to aid in the location of files without legible file numbers. Though this collection is relatively small, given wide range of tasks handled by the Public Works Department, additional files relating to Public Works can be found in the Provincial, Secretariat, and Office of the President Collections.

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CATEGORY	BOX	REF	YEAR	FILE NAME	START	CLOSING	CONTENTS AND NOTES
	NO.	NO.			DATE	DATE	
General	1	1	1929	Miscellaneous: Cotton	8-Feb-1929	No Date	Original title on folder does not
							correspond to current contents.
							Crossed out and wrote, "Misc: Cotton"
General	1	2	1927	Uganda Cotton Buying and Ginning Co.	1-Jan-1927	4-Apr-1929	
General	1	3	1927	Railway Transport [?]	No Date	No Date	Two pages (same report?) recording cost of transporting cotton from Uganda to the Indian Ocean. Title difficult to read.
General	1	4	1930	Kampala Cyratory Traffic in the	1-Feb-1930	1-Feb-1930	Мар
				Vicinity of the Imperial Hotel			
General	1	5	1939	C.E. Spencer's Memo and Formula	6-Mar-1939	No Date	
House	1	H.A.C.	1921	Haddon, E.C.	4-Mar-1921	20-May-1931	
Accommodation		25					
Committee							
House	1	H.A.C.	1921	Ruck, E.A.	27-Jul-1921	13-Jun-1927	
Accommodation		66					
Committee							
General	1	N. 161	1922	Public Works Department: Road	17-Jan-1922	3-Aug-1922	
				Construction: Cotton Tax		_	
General	1	N.S. 046	1969	Anaka National Training Camp:	7-Jul-1969	6-Sep-1969	
				Electricity Supply			
General	1	N.S. K/U	1970	Fuel and Power	31-Jul-1970	26-Feb-1971	Number hard to read on folder - may be incorrectly listed here

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House Accommodation Committee	NO. 1	No. 001	1939	Ellis, A.G.	29-Sep-1939	DATE 27-0ct-1939	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 002	1932	Biggs, C.E.J. (Agriculture)	15-Dec-1932	6-Nov-1936	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 009	1927	James, Mr. E.T.	10-Mar-1927	28-Nov-1929	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 014	1933	Durlacher, B.R. (Capt., Police)	21-Apr-1933	27-Apr-1942	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 023	1940	Nye, G.W.	13-Apr-1940	20-May-1940	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 031	1933	Keun, P.C.	4-Dec-1933	29-May-1942	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 036	1934	Mr. Legge	22-Feb-1934	12-Aug-1935	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 037	1940	Bell, H.J.	22-Jul-1940	20-Nov-1940	

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House	1	No. 047	1934	Kerr, A.J. (Agricultural Officer)	14-Jun-1934	24-Aug-1940	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 053	1934	Bell, L.C.	25-Jul-1934	4-0ct-1940	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 061	1934	Martin, E.F. (Agricultural Officer)	20-Dec-1934	24-Feb-1942	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 063	1934	Burns, M.L. (Miss)	21-Dec-1934	19-Aug-1940	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 070	1935	J.R. McD. Elliot	16-Feb-1935	7-0ct-1936	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 078	1941	Ewart, F.K.	6-Jun-1941	5-Jun-1942	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 080	1941	Barbour, I.H. (Mrs.)	20-Jun-1941	23-0ct-1941	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 089	1935	Allen, H.	31-May-1935	4-Nov-1941	
Accommodation							
Committee							

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House	1	No. 091	1935	Roper, J.L.	4-Jun-1935	29-Jan-1936	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 097	1935	Caldwell, F.G.	10-Jul-1935	31-Jan-1936	
Accommodation						,	
Committee							
House	1	No. 101	1941	Martin, W.S.	25-Sep-1941	14-0ct-1941	
Accommodation					-		
Committee							
House	1	No. 112	1942	Bell, F.R.	5-Jan-1942	N/A	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 119	1923	R. Gawler	26-Jan-1923	21-Mar-1923	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 121	1942	Lester, A.R.	11-Feb-1942	16-Jul-1943	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	1	No. 139	1942	Hayes, T.R.	6-Apr-1942	23-0ct-1942	
Accommodation					-		
Committee							
House	1	No. 154	1937	Gayer, C.M.A.	8-Jan-1937	27-Jan-1937	
Accommodation				-	-	-	
Committee							

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House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 169	1942	Mrs. Hellsten	2-0ct-1942	18-Feb-1943	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 181	1937	Rainsford, H.F.	31-May-1937	8-Feb-1941	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 190	1937	Weaver, F.E. (Sanitary Inspector)	30-Nov-1937	12-Mar-1938	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 194	1937	Barlow, G.E.	8-Dec-1937	29-Jun-1940	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 209	1933	Burbrook, Police Officer	9-Feb-1933	23-Aug-1939	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 216	1937	King, B.C.	25-Nov-1937	19-Dec-1942	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 230	1938	Roberts, R.O.	19-Jul-1938	1-Jul-1943	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 235	1926	Gibbins, E.G. (Medical Laboratory Assistant)	5-Jan-1926	11-Jun-1942	

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House Accommodation	NO. 1	NO. No. 238	1938	Hewlett-Parker, J.L.	3-Jun-1938	DATE 15-Jun-1938	
Committee House	1	No. 243	1934	Temple Perkins, E.A.	15-Feb-1934	10-Dec-1934	
Accommodation Committee							
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 249	1926	Came, F.H.R. (Assistant Engineer)	3-May-1926	21-Jun-1930	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 256	1938	Walker, E.	6-0ct-1938	8-Jul-1943	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 258	1939	Gregg, J.R.	6-Jan-1939	19-Mar-1941	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 282	1939	Laird, E.O.	13-Mar-1939	No Date	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 304	1939	Lester, L.H.	11-Jul-1939	5-Jan-1942	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 316	1939	Henderson, T.N.	14-Sep-1939	6-Mar-1942	

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House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 319	1929	Lee, Dr. S.W.T.	30-Apr-1929	2-0ct-1934	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 340	1929	Hennessey, R.S.F.	3-Dec-1929	7-Dec-1929	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 354	1930	Capt. LeGeyt P.C. (O.C. Police)	7-May-1930	15-May-1930	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 369	1930	St. Earl, Dr. J.C. (Medical Officer)	26-Nov-1930	3-Mar-1943	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 378	1931	Robertson, D.W. (Administration)	9-Mar-1931	11-Mar-1931	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 383	1942	Eggeling, W.J.	26-0ct-1942	6-Nov-1942	
House Accommodation Committee	1	No. 393	1932	Lunn, G.P.	15-Apr-1932	9-Jul-1943	
General	1	PWE/C OOP	1948	Public Works Extraordinary: Departmental Proposals: Cooperative Societies	7-Dec-1948	13-Dec-1948	

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General	1	PWE/M	1944	Public Works Extraordinary:	18-Apr-1944	2-Jul-1945	
		ET		Departmental Proposals: British East			
				African Meteorological Service			
General	1	PWE/S	1948	Public Works Extraordinary:	11-Dec-1948	11-Dec-1948	
		EC		Departmental Proposals: Secretariat			
Industrial	2	R.	1943	Glass Manufacture	1-Mar-1943	31-Jan-1944	
Committee		02/01					
Industrial	2	R. 03	1942	Spinning and Weaving: Textiles	6-Jul-1942	9-Nov-1942	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R.	1942	Spinning and Weaving: Fishing Nets	17-Jul-1942	19-Dec-1945	
Committee		03/01					
Industrial	2	R.	1942	Spinning and Weaving: Camouflage	28-Jul-1942	26-May-1944	
Committee		03/02		Nets			
Industrial	2	R.	1942	Containers and Baling Substitutes	17-Aug-1942	31-Dec-1944	
Committee		03/03					
Industrial	2	R.	1942	Textile Manufacture: Textile Plant	1-Jun-1942	16-Mar-1944	
Committee		03/04					
Industrial	2	R.	1942	String and Rope	25-Sep-1942	11-Jan-1945	
Committee		03/06					
Industrial	2	R.	1942	Chemicals Acetic Acid	30-Jul-1942	30-Dec-1942	
Committee		19/01					
Industrial	2	R. 20	1942	Mechanical Plant	20-Aug-1942	24-Jun-1943	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 22	1942	Vegetable Oils	6-0ct-1942	23-0ct-1945	
Committee							

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Industrial	2	R. 23	1942	Register of Pamphlets Received	8-Sep-1942	8-Sep-1942	
Committee		D 05	10.10		00 1 1 10 10	5.14 4040	
Industrial	2	R. 25	1942	Typewritten Articles: Communiques,	29-Jul-1942	7-May-1943	
Committee				etc.			
Industrial	2	R. 26	1943	Ghee Butter, Etc.	17-Feb-1943	19-May-1943	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 27	1942	In Circulation to Committee	7-Sep-1942	26-0ct-1942	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R.	1943	Parolees: Rates of Pay and Conditions	22-Nov-1943	24-Nov-1944	
Committee		29/02		of Employment			
Industrial	2	R. 34	1942	Cement	7-Sep-1942	1-Mar-1943	
Committee					-		
Industrial	2	R. 36	1944	Supplies for Government Departments	9-Feb-1944	12-Nov-1942	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R.	1944	Soap Analyses	16-Sep-1944	2-Dec-1944	
Committee		42/01			_		
Industrial	2	R. 43	1943	Magnetic Separator	12-Aug-1943	3-Jul-1944	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 44	1945	Correspondence: Indents Committee	5-Jan-1945	5-Jan-1945	
Committee				Order Forms		·	
Industrial	2	R. 46	1943	Lime Kiln	1-Nov-1943	13-Nov-1943	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 52	1942	Chief Secretary's Circulars	18-Aug-1942	23-Jan-1945	
Committee				-	J	-	

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Industrial	2	R.	1944	Food Stuffs	12-Sep-1944	15-0ct-1945	
Committee		53/01					
Industrial	2	R. 54	1944	Civil Case: Nasanairi Sempa v. U.I.C.	14-Dec-1944	30-May-1945	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 55	1945	Audit and Accountant General	31-Dec-1944	25-Jan-1946	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 56	1945	Training in Making of Tiles	3-May-1945	24-Apr-1946	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 57	1945	Clay	19-Sep-1945	9-Feb-1946	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 68	1944	Clothing Issued to Parolees	26-Jun-1944	13-Jan-1945	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 70	1942	Delivery Notes	1-Nov-1942	31-Dec-1943	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 74	1944	Indents and Tender Board Sanction	22-Apr-1944	16-0ct-1944	
Committee							
Industrial	2	R. 76	1943	Internee Workshop: Muster Roll	1-Apr-1943	30-Apr-1943	
Committee							
Industrial	2	S.W. 02	1943	Spinning and Weaving Committee:	13-Jan-1943	29-Sep-1944	
Committee				Agenda and Meetings		-	
Director African	3	1	1922	(Housing Accommodation Committee	7-Apr-1922	16-Aug-1943	
Housing				Minutes)			
General	3	2	1956	Gowers Park Hostel For November 1957	11-Jan-1946	3-Nov-1957	

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Public Works Department	3	3	1927	Messrs Besson [?] Tororo	No Date	No Date	
Public Works Department	3	4	1905	Japan Cotton Trading Coy: Jinja	10-Mar-1905	No Date	Contains correspondence regarding Jinja steamers from 1905/6 and "Statement of 4179 Bales ginned & baled in 3 Ginneries with 3 silent Ginneries & 11 stores in Busoga of J.C.T. Co. Ltd. in 1927-28" with no date
House Accommodation Committee	3	17	1933	Wright, A.J.	26-Apr-1933	21-Feb-1939	
House Accommodation Committee	3	18	1939	Whiting, D.E.	15-Dec-1939	8-Feb-1941	
House Accommodation Committee	3	74	1941	Ritchie, M.	8-May-1941	1-Sep-1941	
House Accommodation Committee	3	86	1940	Workman, H.F.	20-Jan-1940	27-Apr-1942	
General	3	110	1947	Housing - British Quarters and matter relating to:	9-Dec-1947	13-Dec-1947	Documents stamped "Polish Refugee Settlement Koja"
House Accommodation Committee	3	171	1943	Roe, F.W.	1-Mar-1943	13-Mar-1943	

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House	3	192	1913	Telegraph Ladies	2-May-1913	17-Aug-1928	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	3	222	1938	Whittle, W.V.	13-Mar-1938	31-May-1938	
Accommodation						•	
Committee							
House	3	266	1927	Whitehouse, G.C.	21-Jan-1927	8-0ct-1928	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	3	281	1913	F.H. Rogers (D.S.)	27-Aug-1913	29-Apr-1927	
Accommodation					_		
Committee							
General	3	469	1910	P.W.D.: Theolodite: Transfer from	23-Feb-1910	13-Apr-1910	
				Survey Dept			
Director African	3	ACC/00	1959	Kamuli Grade II Housing Area:	4-Feb-1959	18-Jun-1959	
Housing		6/0		Returns of Revenue Collected			
Director African	3	ACC/00	1958	Entebbe Returns of Revenue Collected	No Date	No Date	
Housing		6/C					
Director African	3	ACC/00	1957	Kiswa Returns of Revenue	No Date	No Date	Empty folder
Housing		6/K					
Director African	3	ACC/01	1956	Tororo Estates Accounts	2-Jul-1956	4-May-1957	
Housing		9					
Director African	3	ACC/02	1957	Accounts: Grade II Housing Areas	7-Jan-1957	7-Jan-1957	
Housing		2					

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Director African	3	ACC/03	1959	Accounts: Banks	22-May-1959	30-Nov-1959	
Housing		2					
General	3	E. 2743	1962	Register of Pool Houses	17-Apr-1962	9-Feb-1967	
House	3	HAC.	1927	Hockey, C.A. (Land Officer)	5-Jan-1927	26-Jun-1940	
Accommodation		265					
Committee							
House	3	IND. 04	1943	Minutes of Control of Industries	10-Feb-1943	12-0ct-1945	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2
Accommodation				Committee			files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 07
Committee							
House	3	IND. 05	1943	Particulars of Milling Capacity of	5-Apr-1943	19-Jun-1943	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2
Accommodation				Firms under Licence for: - Maize,	_		files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 08
Committee				Wheat + Rice Flour			
House	3	IND. 06	1943	Particulars of Oil Seeds Crushing Plant	28-Apr-1943	24-May-1943	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2
Accommodation				in Uganda			files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 09
Committee							
House	3	IND. 07	1943	Licenses for Vegetable Oils:	20-May-1943	2-Jun-1943	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2
Accommodation				Particulars of Output for Quarter	-		files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 10
Committee				ending 31st March 1943			
House	3	IND. 08	1943	Licenses for Soap: Particulars of	24-May-1943	12-Jul-1944	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2
Accommodation				Output for quarter ending 31st March			files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 11
Committee				1943			
House	3	IND. 09	1943	Licenses for milled Grain: Particulars	21-May-1943	20-Jun-1943	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2
Accommodation				of Output for quarter ending 31st			files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 12
Committee				March 1943			

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House Accommodation Committee	3	IND. 11	1942	Defence Regulation Order	18-Nov-1942	1-Jun-1943	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2 files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 14
House Accommodation Committee	3	IND. 12	1944	Monthly Referee of License Issued	1-Jul-1944	7-Mar-1945	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2 files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 15
House Accommodation Committee	3	IND. 13	1944	Trades and Factories operating in Uganda	2-0ct-1944	25-0ct-1944	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2 files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 16
House Accommodation Committee	3	IND. 14	1944	Industrial Survey Returns (Correspondence)	30-0ct-1944	9-Mar-1945	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2 files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 17
House Accommodation Committee	3	IND. 15	1944	Register of Industrial Survey Returns	7-Nov-1944	15-Dec-1944	Tied together with all other IND. / H. 2 files. Altern File No. H. 2 - 20
Director African Housing	3	JOB No. 544/01	1956	JOB No. 544/01	27-Feb-1956	20-Mar-1956	internal requisition on holding stores receipts
Director African Housing	3	JOB No. 550/12	1956	JOB No. 550/12	12-Jan-1956	7-Mar-1956	internal requisition on holding stores receipts
Director African Housing	3	JOB No. 550/15	1956	JOB No. 550/15	1-Feb-1956	20-Jun-1956	internal requisition on holding stores receipts

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Director African	3	JOB No.	1956	JOB No. 550/17	15-Feb-1956	8-Mar-1956	internal requisition on holding stores
Housing		550/17					receipts
Director African	3	JOB No.	1956	JOB No. 550/25	14-Mar-1956	5-Jun-1956	internal requisition on holding stores
Housing		550/25		,		,	receipts
General	3	JOB No.	1956	JOB No. 552	2-Nov-1956	1-Jan-1957	internal requisition on holding stores
		552					receipts
Director African	3	JOB No.	1956	JOB No. 575	17-Apr-1956	22-Jun-1956	internal requisition on holding stores
Housing		575			_		receipts
General	3	JOB No.	1956	JOB No. 622	25-Jul-1956	22-Feb-1957	internal requisition on holding stores
		622					receipts
General	3	JOB No. 631/1	1956	Kiwafu Estate - Entebbe	30-0ct-1956	6-Jun-1957	internal requisition on holding stores receipts
General	3	JOB No.	1957	Nakawa	7-Jun-1957	25-Jul-1957	internal requisition on holding stores
		659/15			, , , , , ,	,	receipts
General	3	JOB No.	1956	JOB No. 660/01	24-Sep-1956	24-Sep-1956	Departmental Warrant
		660/01				•	
Director African	3	JOB No.	1956	JOB No. 660/05	4-Sep-1956	3-Jan-1957	internal requisition on holding stores
Housing		660/05					receipts

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Director African	3	JOB No.	1957	JOB No. 660/08	21-Jan-1957	21-Jun-1957	internal requisition on holding stores
Housing		660/08					receipts
General	3	JOB No. 660/13	1957	JOB No. 660/13	12-Feb-1957	30-Mar-1957	internal requisition on holding stores receipts
General	3	JOB No. 660/18		Experimental House - Ntinda	25-Jun-1957	25-Jun-1957	receipt
Director African	3	JOB No.	1956	IOB No. 666	4-May-1956	5-Feb-1957	internal requisition on holding stores
Housing		666					receipts
General	3	JOB No. 671	1956	JOB No. 671	9-Aug-1956	24-Nov-1956	
P.W.D. Artisans	3	PF/135	1950	R.V. Devani	30-Sep-1950	16-0ct-1950	copies of memos back to 16th July,
Training Centres		,					1948
Director African	3	PUR 11	1956	Purchase: Colonial Development	23-Apr-1956	8-May-1956	
Housing				Fund: Loans for Building Houses		-	
House	3	R. 35	1942	Wax Substitutes	29-Jul-1942	3-Nov-1942	
Accommodation							
Committee							
House	3	S.W. 04	1942	Spinning + Weaving Refugees	20-0ct-1942	12-Jan-1945	Altern File No. H. 3 - 51 242
Accommodation							
Committee							