

## The Dr NP Jewell 'On Call in Africa' Collection hosted at Mary Evans Picture Library

### Photographs by Dr Norman Parsons Jewell 1910 to 1932

#### SUMMARY

This unique collection of black and white photographs were taken by **Dr Norman Parsons Jewell** pre-war from 1910 in the Seychelles, during the First World War in German East Africa and post-war in British East Africa (subsequently Kenya) to 1932. Norman Jewell was a government doctor, administrator and keen photographer who documented the people, places and major events that he witnessed. His account of the WW1 campaign in East Africa against the German General Paul Von Lettow-Vorbeck, seen from a medical perspective, has added significantly to knowledge about this "forgotten corner of the Great War". A fourth short section of photographs from the family album round off the collection.

The photographs in the **Dr NP Jewell 'On Call in Africa' Collection** are hosted by Mary Evans and are described in the book *On Call in Africa in War and Peace 1910-1932* (Gillyflower Publishing, 2016). Norman Jewell's personal diary, official war diary, extensive notes and memoirs on which the book is based provide the detailed background and context to the photographs. The collection at Mary Evans includes some additional images not published in the book.

The direct link between the official war diaries lodged by Dr Jewell during the East Africa Campaign (available in The National Archives, Kew) and his personal diary and observation of events adds significant value. The WW1 photographs have been precisely located, dated and directly linked with specific events during the campaign. This new documentary material, both written and photographed, is previously unpublished. More detail is provided at [www.oncallinafrica.com](http://www.oncallinafrica.com).

The collection is organized in four Parts:

Part 1: **Seychelles 1910 to 1918**

Part 2: **WW1 in East Africa 1914 to 1918**

Part 3: **East Africa 1918 to 1932**

Part 4: **Miscellaneous including Ireland.**

All images in the collection are tabulated in the attached Annexes with details of people, place and date. While the thumbnail images give an overall impression of each photograph, the originals may be viewed online at [www.maryevans.com](http://www.maryevans.com). A high resolution original of each image is available.

Norman Jewell shared and developed his interest and photographic skills through a notable friendship with **Cherry Kearton**. One of Norman's official duties in the Seychelles and Kenya was to welcome visiting dignitaries, such as the Prince and Princess of Wales on official visit to Kenya in 1928. Many of these people and events were captured by Norman's camera and photographic eye.

A few photographs in the collection were taken by others, such as some group photos with Norman included. Such images are clearly noted in the data records for the collection at Mary Evans. These few images are included to provide supplementary context to Norman's photographs and story.

## Part 1

### Seychelles 1910 to 1918

Norman Jewell served as doctor and Justice of the Peace on Praslin Island and his photographs record local scenes from both Praslin and Mahé.

Some photographs of Norman's family are included to reflect life at this time. Three of his children were born in the Seychelles. Norman's eldest son, **John Hugh Auchinleck Jewell**, became a surgeon who worked in Kenya from 1956 to 1985, based in Mombasa, and author of several books including *Dhows of Mombasa*. His second son, **Norman Limbury Auchinleck Jewell**, was a submarine captain during the Second World War. His feats aboard *HMS Seraph* included the famous subterfuge of "The Man who Never Was" described again recently in the book *Operation Mincemeat*.

Norman's daughter Norah was born in the Seychelles and his youngest daughter Daphne was born in Kenya.

There are several photographs of Norman's wife, **Sydney Elizabeth Auchinleck**, who was a remarkable woman in her own right. One of the first women to gain entry to Trinity College Dublin in 1904, she published a book of poetry at the age of 16 and was the first woman to graduate in Chemistry. Sydney always engaged directly and positively with the different communities served by Norman and continued writing and publishing poetry throughout her life.

## Part 2

### WW1 in East Africa 1914 to 1918

Norman Jewell served as a medical officer throughout the WW1 campaign in East Africa.

His photographs record details from several of the main battles and encounters in British and German East Africa.

Norman photographed the everyday operation of the medical services during the campaign and provides images of some people and equipment not previously recorded during this period. Norman photographed many people of note both individually and in groups, including those serving directly in the war effort.

Norman Jewell was awarded the Military Cross for "conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He worked continuously for 62 hours and single handed attended to over 100 wounded men. He has on many previous occasions done fine work."

Many of the photographs of people and places provide valuable links with existing accounts of the war. Details on several of these associated books or texts are given on the dedicated website [www.oncallinafrica.com](http://www.oncallinafrica.com). Norman's private and official diaries and recollections of such events are the focus of the book **On Call in Africa**.

### **Part 3**

#### **Kenya and East Africa 1918 to 1932**

Norman Jewell's medical career in Kenya included postings to Kisumu, Mombasa, Nakuru and Nairobi. His photographs record local scenes, street scenes, buildings and much else besides that caught his photographer's eye.

During this period he photographed many people of note either individually or in groups including the Duke and Duchess of Kent during their visit to Kenya in 1928.

Dr. Norman Parsons Jewell was awarded the OBE in 1929.

### **Part 4**

#### **Miscellaneous and Ireland**

There are interesting photographs dating from the period when Norman Jewell studied medicine at Trinity College Dublin and met his future wife Sydney Elizabeth Auchinleck, one of the first women to enter and graduate from TCD.

The events described in the book **On Call in Africa** include Norman's fortunate escape from the Bloody Sunday massacres, the event that caused him to leave Ireland and return to service in Kenya.

On leaving Kenya in 1932, Norman settled in Pinner, London and pursued his active medical practice locally and in Harley Street.

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#### **Annexes Attached**

**Part 1: Seychelles 1910 to 1918** [3 pages]

**Part 2: WW1 in East Africa 1914 to 1918** [10 pages]

**Part 3: East Africa 1918 to 1932** [7 pages]










**Part 4: Miscellaneous and Ireland** [1 page]












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# ANNEXE FOR ON CALL IN AFRICA 1910-1932 PHOTO COLLECTION

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## PART 1: Seychelles Islands 1910 to 1918

Victoria Harbour, Mahé, Seychelles	1912	
Anse Royale, Mahé, Seychelles	1912	
Baie St Anne, Praslin Island, Seychelles	1912	
St Anne, Moyenne, Longue, Cerfs, Round Islands	1912	
Round Island, Seychelles	1911	
Felicité Island, Seychelles	1911	
Street in Mahé, Seychelles	1911	
Road making, Praslin Island part of Dr NP Jewell's remit in the Seychelles	1912-1914	
Catholic and Anglican priests chat amiably in Mahé, Seychelles	1912	

Entertainments at Government House, Mahé, Seychelles often included fancy dress parties.	1913	
Entertainment at Government House, Mahé, Seychelles	1912	
From Left, Foster, Dr Bradley, Sydney Jewell	1913	
Red Cross Fete in Mahé, Seychelle	1914	
Local marine transport in the Seychelles islands.	1912	
Botanical Gardens on Mahé island, Seychelles	1917	
Sydney Auchinleck Jewell, 4th from Left front row, Dr NP Jewell, 2nd left back row, standing	1913	
Regatta off Praslin Island	1912	
Office of the Justice of the Peace, Praslin Island	1910	
Government House, Mahé Island, Seychelles	1914	
Walk near Government Cottage where Dr NP Jewell stayed during convalescence from WW1	1917	








Governor O'Brien outside Government House, Mahé	1914	
Hospital building works, Mahe. Reverend Pickwood and Dr NP Jewell		
Victoria, Mahé, Seychelles taken from Bel Air	1914	
John and Norman Jewell Mahe island, Seychelles	1915	
Photo of Jewell children, Mahé	1915	
Sydney Jewell with first born son, John	1912	
Left, de Boulay, Dr Bradley, Bishop, Petrides, Logan, Fiennes, Ms Halkett, Mrs Fiennes, Mrs Logan	1912	












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## PART 2: WW1 in East Africa 1914 to 1918












Full Caption	Date	Image
Medical Officer's sleeping quarters, Tembo Camp	1915	
View of the Tsavo river from nearby Tembo Camp, Kenya	1915	
Africans fishing in the Tsavo river near Tembo camp	1915	
WW1 Blockhouse at Tembo Camp	1915	
Field Ambulance drill at Tembo Camp	1916	
Ambulance drill at Tembo camp	1915	
Break time at Bura camp	1916	












Calcutta Volunteer battery, 12 pounder gun	1916	
Inspecting African carriers, Bura, 1916	1916	
Motorised transport used here rather than oxen or mules	1916	
Lt Browning, Major Kinloch (Calcutta Volunteer Battery) & Dr Francis Brett Young	c1916	
Kavirondo Porters at Bura camp	1916	
Indian toops preparing to leave Bura camp	1916	
South African troops arriving at Bura camp by rail	Dec-15	
Cooking facilities at Bura camp	Dec-15	
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Carriage on Uganda railway for patient transport	Dec-15	
Field hospital at Bura camp	Dec-15	



















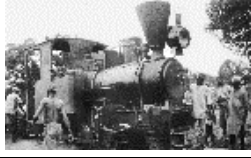


Indian road makers at Bura camp	1916	
Ambulance team being drilled at Bura camp	1916	
Personnel gather round to share meat ration at Bura	1915	
Staff take time off for relaxation	1916	
Ambulance team muster at Bura camp	1916	
First plane seen by Dr Jewell, used for observation of enemy	1916	
Possibly Caudron G111, no:3880	1916	
Tented hangar at Maktau for keeping aeroplanes	1916	
Rare image of a dog equipped with First Aid belt. Pets not allowed in camp.	1916	
Sanitation team task to clear refuse in camp	1916	
Sanitation team remit was to keep camp clean and hygienic	1916	












Mules used for carrying troops and supplies	1916	
Motor repair lorries at Maktau	1916	
Motor transport for troops and supplies gather to leave Maktau	1916	
One of the supply dumps at Maktau camp	1916	
Troops preparing to leave Maktau with artillery	1916	
Ambulance team were never far from the fighting men	1916	
Team on patrol with General Jan Smuts, near Salaita	1916	
Some of the combine ambulance team near Salaita	1916	
Covering fire near Salaita, Mar 1916	1916	
DC's House nr Kilimanjaro en route to Taveta	1916	
First ambulance man wounded at Latema Reata		




Latema Reata hills where fierce fighting took place	1916	
Team of oxen used to transport supplies	1916	
Steep banks of the Lumi river caused problems for ox transport	Mar-16	
Watering horses at the Lumi river	Mar-16	
Camping at the Lumi river en route to Taveta	1916	
Stretcher bearers waiting to receive the wounded	1916	
Boring for water near Taveta	1916	
Wa-Taveta people	1916	
Lumi river	1916	
New Moshi station, the end of the Tanga Moshi railway line	1916	
Tracks on new Moshi railway line	1916	

Guarding German prisoners near Korogwe	Jun-16	
German PoWs near Korogwe	Jun-16	
Sniper in tree en route to Morogoro		
Euphorbia Candelabra on outskirts of Morogoro	1916	
Difficulties with transporting medical supplies. En route to Handeni		
Armoured cars (Rhinos) en route to Handeni		
Morogoro	1916	
Uluguru mountains	1916	
Wounded and sick being marched to Mkessa under Red Cross flag	1916	
Porters carry disassembled gun parts		
Swiss House used as hospital near Mkessa	1916	

General Dyke's temporary HQ	Nov-16	
Crossing the Ruwu river, Nov 1916	Nov-16	
The Koernig sunk in Dar es Salaam harbour	Nov-16	
Embarcation point, Dar es Salaam	Nov-16	
Lighter used to transport men, animals and supplies to waiting ships		
Wa-Toto in Dar es Salaam in WW1		
Gold Coast regiment arriving in Kibata		
Hospital in Dar es Salaam	Jan 1917	
Train halt for convalescents en route to Lady Colvile home	Jan 1917	
Officers on convalescent leave in Nairobi	1917	
Poor state of uniforms during campaigns		

Monitor used for covering fire for General O'Grady's force in Lindi Bay		
Prow of monitor in Lindi Bay		
Bombarding Lukaledi from Lindi Bay	July 1917	
Schaedel's Farm, August	1917	
Constructing bandas at Schaedel's Farm, Lindi	Aug 1917	
Lowlands Casualty clearing station, Lindi area	Aug 1917	
Sorting supplies for dressing station at Schaedel's Farm	1917	
Engine on mini railway at Schaedel's Farm, Lindi	1917	
Transporting supplies on mini railway at Schaedel's Farm, Lindi	1917	
Use of manpower on mini railway at Schaedel's Farm	1917	
Loading sick and wounded onto mini railway at Schaedel's Farm	1917	

Completed bandas at Schaedel's Farm	1917	
Temporary operating theatre, Lindi area	1917	
Dresser attending to minor injuries	1917	
Indian troops on the move, Lindi theatre	1917	
Captain Alexander (140 IFA) on left (Lindi area)	1917	
Lt Col P W O'Gorman (R), Senior Medical Officer	1917	
Field hospital, Lindi theatre	1917	
Water collection, Masasi	1917	
Masasi church used as a hospital	1917	
Last Konigsberg gun to be destroyed, Masasi	1917	
Preparing trench mortars for push into Portuguese East Africa	1917	

Belgian Askaris, Lindi area	1917	
Belgian Askaris preparing a meal, Lindi area	1917	
From left front row Herring, Dr Jewell and Major Sweeny, MC winners	1917	









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## PART 3: East Africa 1918 to 1932












Full Caption	Date	Image
Captains Marsh and Marshall at Bismarck memorial	1919	
Kismayu circa 1922	1922	
Kisumu Hospital offices	1918	
Staff at Kisumu Native Hospital	1918	
Kisumu market, 1918	1918	
Bukoba nr Lake Victoria	1919	
Bukoba residents	1919	
Harcourt Hill	1919	

MO's House, Nakuru	1919	
Nakuru Club	1919	
Nakuru Club	1919	
Settler with cheetah cub, Nakuru	1919	
Settler with tame waterbuck, 1919	1919	
Suez canal in Dec 1919	1919	
SMO's house, Mombasa, 1923	1923	
Fort Jesus, Mombasa	1921	
Fort Jesus, Mombasa, side view	1921	
The Round Tower, Mombasa, 1921	1921	
Building Kilindini harbour by Paulings and Co	1922	

The main road to Malindi c1922	1922	
A deserted Malindi, 1922	1922	
Kismayu c1922	1922	
People of Kismayu c1922	1922	
Kismayu girl	1922	
Kismayu mother and son	1922	
Kismayu camel transport	1922	
Mombasa Cathedral, 1923	1923	
Law Courts, Mombasa 1923	1923	
Golf Links, Mombasa seafront	1923	
Seafront, Mombasa, 1923	1923	

African warrior at an Ngoma, Mombasa	1924	
African dancer decorated with WW1 artefacts	1924	
"Scotch" Ngoma in kilts	1924	
Themed Dancers at an Ngoma, Mombasa	1924	
Rare "Mtepe" dhow off Mombasa	1923	
Dhows leaving Mombasa on change of monsoon winds	1923	
Duke of York opening the Wavell memorial, Mombasa	1924	
Duke and Duchess of York take tea at Mombasa Sports Club	1924	
Child with Yaws, Mombasa	1923	
Leprosy case from Dr NP Jewell casebook, Mombasa	1924	
Sarcoma case from DR NP Jewell casebook	1924	

Exterior of European Hospital, Nairobi, 1925	1925	
Interior of European Hospital, Nairobi	1925	
Preparing for Prince of Wales visit to Nairobi	1928	
Prince of Wales in Nairobi, 1928	1928	
Safari repairs	1929	
Crossing Sand river on safari	1929	
Safari trials with vehicle	1929	
Government House, Nairobi c1930	1930	
Askaris on parade, Nairobi	1930	
Smith Mackenzie Offices, Nairobi	1930	
Opening of the Nile source section of the Uganda Railway	1930	

Northrup Macmillan Library, Nairobi, 1930	1930	
Standard Bank, Nairobi 1931	1931	
Railway Buildings, Nairobi 1931	1931	
Bacteriology laboratory, Nairobi	1931	
Locust Invasion, Nairobi	1931	
Opening of St Peter' Claver's Catholic Mission church, Nairobi	1930s	
Nondescripts Rugby Club, Nairobi, President Dr NP Jewell	1931-1932	
Nondescripts Rugby Club, Nairobi, President Dr NP Jewell	1930-32	
Askari War memorial, Nairobi	1930	
Roman Catholic Church, Nairobi	1930	
Sir J Byrne inspecting Nairobi Defence Force		

Daphne Jewell and Rafiki (friend), Mombasa

1924







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### Photographs from Dr Norman Parsons Jewell Album

#### PART 4: Miscellaneous including Ireland

Full Caption	Date	Image
Dr NP Jewell aged 3yrs, Ulster 1888	1888	
Boys' Brigade camping trip, Dublin	c1898	
Sydney Jewell, debutante, Dublin	1902	
Mrs S Jewell, 2nd R, front row, Leader of Middlesex branch of WRVS	1940	

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