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African Film Unit.  
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DOPE SHEET.

ADLAI STEVENSON VISITS KIKUYU LAND.  
Cameraman: E. White.

Roll No. 1.

L.S. of Kamirithu Kikuyu Guard Post.

Various shots of the draw-bridge being lowered and the guard running out of post.

Mr. Stevenson's arrival - enters guard post - inspects guard of honour - talking to District Officer Symes-Thompson.

Roll No. 2.

Various shots of Mr. Stevenson and party with Mr. Symes-Thompson in Kikuyu guard post - end shot of convey leaving guard post.

Roll No. 3.

Mr. Stevenson and party in Kikuyu Market.

PRESS HAND-OUT.

MR. ADLAI STEVENSON IN NAIROBI.

Following luncheon with the Governor, Sir Evelyn Baring, yesterday (Saturday, April 25), Mr. Stevenson drove with a party of friends and American Consular officials to view the Rift Valley from the Escarpment. There they were met by the District Officer, Limuru, Mr. R.H. Symes-Thompson, who conducted them around two Kikuyu villages and guard posts and a market.

The first stop was Kamirithu guard post where Mr. Stevenson inspected a guard of honour of Kikuyu Guards and chatted with Chief Nderu and village elders, but declined an invitation by District Officer, Kikuyu Guard, Mr. J. Lloyd Davies to climb Kamirithu's lofty, bamboo look-out tower.

At the nearby market, Mr. Stevenson judged the male and female Kikuyu vendors "pretty cheerful". He passed half-an-hour on the grassy slopes, inspecting snuff, dyes, beads, foodstuffs; especially attractive he found some of the ladies' elaborate ear-ornamentation which he closely examined and handled. He introduced himself genially to many of the kiddies slung on their mothers' backs.

The party looked into an African mud and wattle rondavel at the new village of Kihingo and asked Mr. Symes-Thompson and Headman Richard searching questions on the way of village life.

Mr. Stevenson showed particular interest in the tree on the boundary of Kihingo village under which Jomo Kenyatta held his first influential mass meetings of Mau Mau devotees.

Mr. Stevenson's crowded two-day schedule had already included a tour through Nairobi's Royal National Park, where he filmed lions; a get-together with the American community; and a look around the City itself.

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