

informants. Phonetically, however, I would choose to spell the name *nàḡḡwàrà* (language: *kútúk nà nàḡḡwàrà*), and use *Nyang-gwara* in orthography. The labio-velar *gb* in my own BARI data occurs in *Ku* but not in *Na*. In any case *gb* is not phonemically distinct from *gw*, i.e., the two seem to be in free variation.

Na is spoken by approximately 20,000 people (cf. Tucker & Bryan, loc.cit.). My informants were Mr. Nason L e m i, then 30 years old, and Mr. William Labi Y o e l e, then 25 years old. Both were born and grew up in Gworokorongu. Mr. Lemi is a medical assistant in the service of the Ministry of Health. Mr. Yoele is a first-year student at the University of Juba. Both speak English and Arabic.

7.1.6. *Ngyepu (Ne)*

Ne is the dialect having the smallest number of speakers of all BARI language forms; in Tucker & Bryan (1956:107) it is given as approximately 3,000. To my knowledge, no linguistic data on this language have ever been published.

None of the name variants for *Ne* listed in Tucker & Bryan (loc.cit.) seem to satisfy the phonetic spelling, the language name being *kútúk nà nyépu*.

My informants were Mr. Mike R o b a, then 21 years old, and Mr. Nelson L o k i r i, then 26 years old; both were born in Gaderu and lived in Uganda for some years: Mr. Roba between 1966 and 1973, and Mr. Lokiri 1963-1977. Mr. Roba is now a student at Juba Secondary School; apart from his mother tongue, he speaks English, Swahili, and a little Arabic. Mr. Lokiri is a student of economics at the University of Juba; he has practical knowledge of English, Swahili, and a little Arabic.

7.1.7. *Pōjulu (Pō)*

Pō is spoken by roughly 25,000 people in the Southern Sudan and Zaire. In literature it is mostly given as Pajulu, Fadjulu,

or Fajelu (Tucker & Bryan 1956:107), but according to my informant, the Pöjulu know their own language as kútúk nà pòǰúlù .

A short vocabulary was published in Czekanowski 1924 which I shall refer to occasionally. All other data are my own. My informant was Mr. Alesio W a n i, then 24 years old; he was born and grew up in Berika. Mr. Wani speaks pö, English, (Juba) Arabic, Lingala, and a little Swahili; he works as a senior community development officer for the Ministry of Co-operatives and Rural Development in Juba.

7.1.8. *Karimojong (Km)*

Of all languages compared, *km* is an exception in so far as I was not in a position to carry out my own field work in Uganda due to the political circumstances prevalent at that time. Moreover, apart from few grammatical notes in Tucker & Bryan 1966 and a short vocabulary in Johnston 1904, no reliable sources for this language were available to me. I am therefore indebted to Professor O. Köhler for giving me access to an unpublished 200-item word-list he had collected in 1970. The Karimojong number about 56,000 people; they call their own language a-karimojɔŋ , or a-karamoɔŋ (Tucker & Bryan 1956:110).

7.1.9. *Teso (Te)*

The Teso people whose language name is á-tésò , number about 465,000 speakers in Uganda and approximately 45,000 (c. 86,000 according to Heine 1980:57) in Kenya, i.e., altogether more than half a million (cf. Tucker & Bryan 1956:111).

My own data collected in September 1977 only represent *te* as spoken in Kenya. Information on 'Uganda *te*' is taken from Hilders & Lawrance 1956 and 1958. Otherwise no other sources are used in this study.

My chief informants were the Rev. Festo Barasa O k o n y e n e, then c. 50 years old, and his wife Susa, and Mr. Maurice E t t y a n g a, then 32 years old. Rev. Okonyene was born and grew up in Myanga, Busia District, Kenya. Mr. Ettyanga who is a prima-

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