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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

The annual meeting of the African Studies Association in San Francisco was special in many ways. The climate and vistas are always a welcome break for those from "back East;" the Local Arrangements Committee and others made us feel welcome; and the meetings were interesting. Details on the last fill most of the following pages. Helene Baumann, Ruby Bell-Gam, Phyllis Bischof, Joseph Caruso, Moore Crossey, Karen Fung, John Howell, Nancy Schmidt, Mette Shayne, Andrea Stamm, Joanne Zellers and others have contributed to this issue.

This issue resumes the quarterly schedule, and a survey questionnaire is attached. This is the first survey in over ten years, and some changes are overdue.

The next issue will have some short reviews about publishing in Africa and a note about the relative comprehensiveness of different lists of these.

ACRONYMS

ACRL - Association of College & Research Libraries (ALA)

ALA - American Library Association (Chicago)

ALC - Africana Librarians Council (formerly Archives-Libraries Committee) of ASA

ASA - African Studies Association (U.S.)

CAMP - Cooperative Africana Microform Project (CRL)

CRL - Center for Research Libraries (Chicago)

IFLA - International Federation of Library Associations

LC - Library of Congress

MELA - Middle East Librarians Association

MSU - Michigan State University

SCOLMA - Standing Conf. on Library Materials on Africa

U. - University

UCLA - University of California, Los Angeles

AFRICANA LIBRARIANS COUNCIL / CAMP NEWS

CALENDAR OF FUTURE MEETINGS

May 15-17, 1997, Syracuse, NY - ALC/CAMP Spring Meeting
 Nov. 11, 1997, Columbus - ALC 40th Anniversary Conference
 Nov. 12-15, 1997, Columbus - 40th ASA Annual Meeting
 Apr. 3-4, 1998, Gainesville - ALC/CAMP Spring Mtg.
 Oct. 28-Nov. 4, 1998, Chicago - ASA Annual Meeting
 Spring 1999, Washington, D.C. - ALC/CAMP Spring Meeting
 Fall 1999, Philadelphia - ASA Annual Meeting
 Spring 2000, Los Angeles - ALC/CAMP Spring Meeting
 Fall 2000, ?Nashville - ASA Annual Meeting

AFRICANA LIBRARIANS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

Hyatt Embarcadero Center, San Francisco,
 Friday, Nov. 22, 1996, 2-4:30 p.m.

Present: Musa Abdul Hakim (SUNY Buffalo), Helene Baumann (Duke U), Julianne Beall (LC), Ruby Bell-Gam (UCLA), Phyllis Bischof (UC Berkeley), Simon Bockie (UC Berkeley), Dan Britz (Northwestern U.), Joe Caruso (Columbia U.), Henrietta Dax (Clarke's Bookshop), David Easterbrook (Northwestern U.), Greg Finnegan (Harvard), Elisa Forgey (U. of Pennsylvania), Karen Fung (Stanford), Miki Goral (UCLA), David Henige (Wisconsin), John Howell (U. of Iowa), Mary Jay (African Books Collective), Al Kagan (U. of Illinois, Urbana-Champagne), Deborah LaFond (SUNY Albany), Joe Lauer (Michigan State U.), Liz Levey (AAAS), Margaret Ling (Zimbabwe International Book Fair), Ken Lohrentz (U. of Kansas), Cecile Lomer (African Book Publishing Record), Valerie Mwalilino (LC), Wonki Nam (Central State U.), Razia Nanji (U. of Florida), Patricia Ogedengbe (Northwestern U.), Corinne Nyquist (SUNY New Paltz), Hans Panofsky (Northwestern U.), Nancy Schmidt (Indiana U.), Mette Shayne (Northwestern U.), Ros Sherwin (African Books Collective), Elisabeth Sinnott (NYU), Cheryl Spence (Clarke's Bookshop), Andrea Stamm (Northwestern U.), Janet Stanley (Smithsonian), Rose Mary Stevenson (U. of Illinois, Urbana-Champagne), Gretchen Walsh (Boston U.), Meseratch Zecharias (Syracuse U.), Joanne Zellers (LC).

1. Introductions.

Tribute to **Dorothy Niekamp**, Africana Cataloger at Indiana University, who died July 12, 1996. Schmidt told of a dedicated librarian who had accepted the challenge of cataloging Africana and African language materials at a time when no one else at Indiana U. would do it. See *ALN*, Jan. 1986, for more details on her career.

2. Approval of **minutes** from Spring meeting, as distributed via email.

3. **Election** of New Officers: Shayne and Finnegan conducted the vote by secret ballot. Easterbrook was elected vice-chair/chair elect; Nanji, member-at-large; and Forgey, secretary.

4. **40th Anniversary Conference**: Walsh reported on prospects for funding from the Rockefeller Foundation. The \$25,000 awarded should cover travel and other conferences expenses for African invitees. Funding to publish the proceedings and for

European visitors is being sought. Schmidt briefly reviewed the planned schedule and reminded members of 8pm Task Force meeting.

5. **Spring meetings**: After some discussion, it was agreed that Syracuse will host 1997 meeting on May 16-17; U. of Florida will plan the 1998 meeting for April 3-4; and LC will host the 1999 meeting. UCLA interest in 2000 referred to Executive.

6. **ALN report** (Lauer): Editing and production will continue, with a return to the quarterly schedule. No longer committed to full minutes, since these are also distributed electronically. Update of mailing list is planned, and a draft of the survey had been emailed to members. There is no need for ALC members to respond.

During the discussion, the chair reminded members that the full minutes will be distributed through Finnegan's email list. A summary of action items was recommended for *ALN*.

7. **ALC website** (Zellers): LC proposed to maintain a website, with quarterly updates. Contents (or pointers) would include announcements, minutes, *ALN*. Once the site is set up, documents for posting could be submitted electronically by FTP or email, or on diskette in HTML or WordPerfect. Archiving will probably be at an FTP site to be developed later. Concern about infrequency of updates was expressed. Suggestions on structuring were sought. The proposal was accepted.

8. **ARL Global Resources Project** (Baumann): ARL is looking to ALC to propose an African project that would increase access without substantial new resources. The results of a straw ballot distributed during the Bibliography Committee meeting showed the highest ALC interest in: 1) Collecting newspapers, in collaboration with CAMP; 2) Cooperative indexing, similar to HAPI, working with Codesria and LC-Nairobi; 3) Collecting African theses, in collaboration with CAMP; and 4) Promoting linkages with African libraries.

Other projects on the ballot: Union list, with US holdings, of African serials; Continued indexing of *Weekly Review*; cooperative collection of NGO materials; Virtual reference desk for African librarians; Filming archival materials.

Members noted that the correspondence from the Association of Research Libraries seemed to favor digitization projects. Action was deferred to the Executive.

9. **MSU/WARA proposal** to provide Internet training (Lauer): Michigan State University and the West African Research Association have submitted a proposal to USIA for summer programs in 1997 and 1998 to provide Internet training for scholars and librarians from Senegal, Cote d'Ivoire and Ghana. About 20 scholars and professionals from African higher education and research institutions will be selected to participate in 3-week intensive workshops at MSU, in addition to arranged visits and short-term residence at selected institutions and agencies in the United States.

10. **ALC handbook**: Nanji (co-chair of the Strategic Planning Committee) requested comments on the draft she had circulated by email. Discussion focused on the amount of detail and duplication that was desirable.

11. Institutional reports:

LC-Nairobi (Zellers for Ruth Thomas): 10 acquisitions trips in FY96; Serial Supplement is now biennial, with 1995/96 to appear in 1997; 33 participants in buying program; cataloging staff increased, and over 800 Amharic/Tigrinya titles being input in Minaret by LC-Nairobi.

LC Africa Section (Zellers): Preparing for move in April to Jefferson Bldg. Seeking volunteers for special projects. Country studies from Federal Research Section: Rwanda/Burundi done; South Africa planned for next year; Cameroon on hold.

LC Overseas Acquisitions (Mwalilino): LC has 13 suppliers, plus Hogarth. LC-West Africa Office no longer being planned, as savings were used elsewhere and supplemental funds are not sufficient. Staff reduced by two.

U. of Florida (Nanji): Malanchuk working on a home-page for African refugee studies during his sabbatical. Malanchuk and Nanji are updating the Africa section of Magazines for Libraries.

Northwestern Univ.: distributed brochure.

International African Institute (Panofsky): Carol Priestley working on 13 projects.

12. **Trip report:** Bell-Gam plans written report on West Africa trip.

13. **ALA** (Kagan): Regional Sub-Committee on Africa of the American Library Association's International Relations Committee is planning to organize an international conference on Africa in the near future. [See also *ALN*, J1/Oct 1996, p. 7]

14. Announcements:

Zimbabwe International Book Fair (Ling): Government of Zimbabwe again banned the Gays and Lesbians Association of Zimbabwe from displaying. The Zimbabwe Supreme Court upheld the Association's appeal, and it was consequently allowed to display. However, the issue has not yet reached a final resolution.

Clarke's Bookshop offering blanket order arrangements & is using Leishman as a collector.

University of Jos requests book donations.

15. **Zell letter** in *ALN*, July/Oct. 1996, p. 10: There was some discussion, with librarians expressing support for the work of LC. Jay (speaking in the absence of Zell) pointed out that the concerns she and Zell are expressing about LC operations do not apply to newspapers, but rather to commercially available journals and monographs.

—Editor's report, using draft minutes by Bell-Gam (Secr.)

PRE-BUSINESS MEETING EXECUTIVE MEETING

San Francisco, Nov. 22, 1996. 8:30-9:30 a.m.
[Shortened by editor.]

Present: Baumann (chair), Caruso, Finnegan, Goral, Howell, Lauer, Lohrentz, Shayne (meeting secretary), Zecharias, Zellers.

1. Business Meeting Agenda was discussed and amending. During discussion of the ballot Baumann had prepared to gauge the interest in potential ARL projects, Zellers pointed out that Ruth Thomas did the *Weekly Review* indexing on a private basis.

2. Conover-Porter announcements: Decided to announce winners at end of business meeting. Short list was already published in *ASA News*.

3. Style Notes for Minutes in *ALN*: Lauer distributed (via Finnegan's List) a memo in advance of the meeting, outlining his wishes with respect to deadlines, arrangement, style and fullness of minutes. The only objections were to the two week after the end of the meeting deadline.

4. ALC website at LC: Zellers outlined the LC proposal. In the proposal within LC, she had estimated 3-4 hours for the initial set-up and 10 hours annually for maintenance. There was much discussion, that continued at the business meeting.

POST-BUSINESS MEETING EXECUTIVE MEETING

San Francisco, Nov. 22, 1996, 4:30-5:30 p.m.
[Shortened by editor.]

Present: Baumann (chair), Bell-Gam (secretary), Caruso, Easterbrook, Finnegan, Goral, Howell, Lauer, Lohrentz, Nanji, Shayne, Zecharias, Zellers.

1. ALC Website: Caruso, incoming Chair, will follow up and communicate with Zellers on the categories for ALC website to be developed at LC.

2. ARL Global Resources project: Decided to discuss at CAMP business meeting, and follow-up at CAMP Executive meeting. Baumann will coordinate.

3. Spring meeting: Time for irregular meetings, such as Title VI cooperative projects, was to be scheduled during the Spring meeting. It was clarified that the vice-chair coordinates the Fall meeting while the current chair is responsible for the Spring meeting.

4. Hans Zell's letter: LC's position is to let the foreign acquisitions program participants decide what they want to do. Caruso will schedule a discussion on the issue at the Spring 1997 meeting.

5. Fall 1997. Since there will be no time for the regular meetings, due to the 40th Anniversary conference, Easterbrook and Howell will schedule a half day, possibly 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM, for brief ALC and CAMP business and executive meetings.

6. Spring 2000 meeting: UCLA was accepted as host.

7. Chair's Report to ASA Business Meeting was briefly reviewed.

8. Conover-Porter Award: Finnegan reported on ASA's new proposal to announce winners before the awards ceremony. This is inconsistent with established guidelines.

CATALOGING COMMITTEE MINUTES

San Francisco, Nov. 22, 1996, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

[Shortened by editor.]

Present: Beall, Bell-Gam, Martha Bergmann (Oakland Public Library), Britz, Caruso, Easterbrook, Forgey, Fung, Goral, Howell, LaFond, Lauer, Lohrentz, Nam, Nanji, Panofsky, Schmidt, Virginia Shih (Berkeley), Sinnott, Spence, Stamm, Stanley, Walsh, Marcelle Weiner (Brenthurst Library, Johannesburg), Zellers.

The meeting was called to order by Stamm who chaired this meeting, as Elizabeth Plantz was unable to attend.

1. Introduction and Announcements: Stamm announced that Sinnott was the secretary for this meeting and asked for a volunteer as permanent secretary. Lauer volunteered for the Spring meeting.

2. Minutes of Boston meeting: approved with two minor corrections.

3. **Dewey Decimal Discussion Paper** on Approaches to the Revision of the Area Table for South Africa: Beall reviewed the stages through which this had passed. Stamm concluded that since the substance of the discussion paper has not changed since before the Spring meeting, no revision of the recommendations expressed in Elizabeth Plantz's letter of May 24, 1996, to Winton Matthews (Decimal Classification Division, LC), was planned.

4. **DT Revision:** Caruso reported that the Indian Ocean islands (in the DT schedule) will be called Islands (East African coast). In its comments concerning the Fall 1995 draft, LC pointed out the need to establish new subject headings to justify the historical time periods. Caruso has made changes in the 1995 draft. He asked for help with establishing new subject headings, particularly new subdivisions concerning the historical time periods for the Comoros, Mauritius, and Reunion. Lauer volunteered; catalogers at Boston and Northwestern will be queried.

5. Proposal to Request that African Publishers Provide Translations of Title Page Information in **African Language Publications:** Plantz requested help in collecting samples of title pages for her response to the March letter from Victor U. Nwankwo, Chair of APNET. Other changes in the draft response to Nwankwo were discussed. It was agreed that the Committee was not volunteering to produce a retrospective catalogue of local language publications.

The Committee agreed that the following is desirable for the title page verso: title translation, language, author's name, and genre.

6. Update on Impact of **Core Cataloging:** Columbia, UCLA, and Northwestern have implemented; the University of Michigan is planning to do so. So far, only a few core cataloging records have been seen.

7. **Africana Subject Funnel:**

A. Recent Activity: According to Plantz's report there are not too many regular contributors to the project. So far, the project largely depends on submissions from Northwestern, Michigan State and Boston University. Part-time catalogers are encouraged to contribute to the project.

B. Discussion: Problems limiting participation were discussed and suggestions were offered. Stanley reported that Smithsonian Institution Libraries had submitted many African subject headings (new terms, new pattern headings, as well as subject term revisions) directly to LC, with the new head of cataloging, Sherry Kelley, doing the paperwork based on Stanley's research. The large in-house file of local (LC style) subject headings at UCLA was mentioned.

Finally, Lauer distributed the following memo: "Issues relating to upgrading/adding African language names to LCSH." In addition to recommendations concerning choice of name, the listing of variants, the choice of qualifying terms (dialect/language/languages), and the choice of broader terms, it raised the issue of how to use reference sources. Lauer proposed the use of literary warrant (i.e., use the name found in English-language publications about the language in question) rather than relying on one or more reference sources which (like LCSH) must build upon the primary literature of monographs and refereed articles. He also urged caution in using *Ethnologue*, because it designed more for Bible translators than for linguists and it often lists more languages than most linguists recognize. Stamm recommended that participants in the Africana Subject Funnel project should decide which sources to use for establishing African language subject headings, because according to Plantz's contact at LC, we are supposed to be the experts. This topic will be discussed again at the Spring ALC meeting.

8. **LC Cataloging Report** (Zellers): to be posted on the ALC listserv.

9. **CC:AAM Report** (posted by Sinnott on the ALC listserv): At July meeting of ALA in New York, Dewey revisions were discussed, members agreed to one Sunday 8:30am-12:30 meeting at future conferences, and James Gentner was named the new chair.

BIBLIOGRAPHY COMMITTEE MEETING

San Francisco, Nov. 22, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

[Shortened by editor.]

The meeting was called to order by Mette Shayne, chair; with Deborah LaFond, secretary.

Present (in addition to those at Business Meeting): Christine Ayonude (Centre for the Study of African Economics, Oxford, UK), Martha Bergmann (Oakland Public Library), Mathokoza Nhlapo (World University Service-South Africa, Cape Town), Virginia Shih (U.C. Berkeley), Marcelle Weiner (Brenthurst Library, Johannesburg).

1. **Introduction** and announcements: Minutes from the spring meeting in Boston were approved. Baumann announced that ballots to decide priorities for discussion at the business meeting would be distributed at the end of the meeting.

2. **JALA** (Easterbrook) The Joint Acquisitions List of Africana is being discontinued at the end of 1996. The University of Michigan will keep the database available through the end of 1997. They report 450 queries per month, but they have not responded to suggestions concerning the introductory screens.

3. **Internet documents:** Bischof brought up the issue of bibliographic control and archival storage of Africana on the Internet.

Many listservs archive their material, but there is no way of knowing for how long.

4. Indexing African journals: Shayne suggested a possible cooperation with CODESRIA to enhance the database from which their periodical index has been published. CODESRIA would be very interested in such cooperation and a new project with the Program of African Studies at Northwestern and CODESRIA funded by the Ford Foundation was seen as a possible first step to such cooperation. Zellers said that LC is very interested in cooperation. Schmidt felt that the most important index to support is *International African Bibliography*, which might cease at the end of 1997. (The delay in the appearance of the 1995 *Africa Bibliography* was also noted.) Lauer worried about duplication with other bibliographies. Nam was more interested in full text databases. Problems merging data from different databases and identifying journals not indexed were also discussed. Kagan suggested we work on getting more journals indexed in EXAC (Expanded Academic Index), and more full text articles. This index is however not sufficient for a scholarly multilingual audience.

At this point it was suggested that the ALC priorities ballot list be distributed so that the level of interest could be determined. It was also proposed that a task force or working group be formed to encourage the continuation, expansion and electronic conversion of various indexes, especially IAB. Volunteers included Caruso (who will chair), Bell-Gam, Kagan, LaFond and Walsh.

5. Newspaperlist (Shayne): *African Newspapers Currently Received by American Libraries* is available in paper and on CRL website.

6. Electronic Journal of African Bibliography (Howell): The bibliography is being published by the University of Wisconsin. Not all bibliographies appearing will also be published in print.

7. Encyclopedia Africana Project: Aline Irwine gave a short presentation of the present state of the *Dictionary of African Biography*. They have hopes for Nigeria as the next volume.

8. Bad bibliographies: This issue was raised by the chair. It was decided that the chair would draft a letter to Scarecrow Press complaining about several recent bibliographies with less than acceptable standards.

9. Institutional reports:

Library of Congress (Zellers): LC Nairobi offers a bibliographic search service. Requests can be sent to serials@loc.sasa.unep.no and response will be with 24 hours.

Univ. of Kansas (Lohrentz): As part of the exchange program between KU and the Université de Saint Louis, he will be going to Senegal. He is also working on a bibliographic essay about CAMP (Cooperative Africana Microform Project) holdings which will be published by CRL (Center for Research Libraries) in their pamphlet series.

Indiana University (Schmidt): the Lee Nichols collection of recordings and manuscript material on African literature have come to Indiana. The material includes interviews with over 80 authors from his Voice of America broadcasts. Leo Sarkisian is discussing depositing his recordings of African music at Indiana.

Northwestern University (Easterbrook): As part of a CIC cooperative preservation project, 550 Africana monographs are being filmed. (Michigan State University is also filming Africana

monographs under this grant.) Children's books (about 800) are being catalogued for the first time. A preservation project has digitized 150 posters, which will eventually be catalogued and available on the web.

Columbia University (Caruso): In addition to Title VI project to film Senegalese archives, he reported on the "Women Writing Africa" project [see note in Reference Sources], which is seeking ALC help in gathering references to archival resources and in suggesting organizational strategies.

COOPERATIVE AFRICANA MICROFORM PROJECT (CAMP) BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

San Francisco, Saturday, November 23, 1996, 9:00-11:00am

The meeting was convened by John Howell as Chair, with Joseph Lauer as Acting Secretary.

Member institutions (and their representatives) present: Boston Univ. (Walsh), Center for Research Libraries (Marlys Rudeen), Columbia Univ. (Caruso), Duke Univ. (Baumann), Library of Congress (Beall, Mwalilino, Zellers), Michigan State Univ. (Lauer), New York Univ. (Sinnott), Northwestern Univ. (Britz, Easterbrook, Ogedengbe, Shayne), Stanford Univ. (Fung), Syracuse Univ. (Zecharias), Univ. of California, Berkeley (Bischof, Bockie, William Drake), Univ. of California, Los Angeles (Bell-Gam, Goral), Univ. of Florida (Nanji), Univ. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Kagan), Univ. of Iowa (Howell), Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison (Henige), and Yale Univ. (Crossey).

Guests present: Martha Bergmann, Robin Fryde, Milton Krieger, Ken Lohrentz, Wonki Nam, Mathokoza Nhlapo, and Cheryl Spence,

CAMP members not represented: Cornell Univ., Dartmouth College, Emory Univ., Harvard Univ., Indiana Univ., New York Public Library-Schomburg Center, Nordiska Afrikainstitutet, Ohio State Univ., Ohio Univ., Princeton Univ., Queen's Univ. at Kingston (Ontario), South African Library, State Univ. of New York at Buffalo, Temple Univ., Univ. of Cambridge-African Studies Centre, Univ. of Chicago, Univ. of Minnesota, Univ. of Pennsylvania, Univ. of Rochester, Univ. of Western Australia, Wayne State Univ.

1-3. Introductions:

4. Minutes of the Boston Meeting as issued by Marlys Rudeen, Microfilm Projects and Preservation Coordinator, Center for Research Libraries, were approved, with stylistic amendments from Schmidt.

5. Fall 1996 election to CAMP Executive Committee: Ruby Bell-Gam and John Howell were elected members-at-large; Don Ohadike (Cornell Univ.) was elected as faculty representative. Continuing members for 1995-97: Bischof, Jill Coelho, and Christopher Ehret.

6. CRL Report (Rudeen):

Discussed information in handouts, including the Financial Statement, CAMP Commitments, materials on order and recent receipts [which are attached to minutes].

Spending on IEN/MSU preservation microfilm was questioned, given other needs. Members approved, 9-1, continued expenditures on this item.

7. Library of Congress Report (Zellers):

Filming plans: A collection of University of Nairobi miscellaneous publications has been sent for filming. It consists of 460 items, arranged by broad subject, then department and author. Future projects might include materials from the University of Dar es Salaam, Makerere University, and the University of East Africa. AF Pressclips and About Liberia are also under consideration for preservation filming.

Recent purchases of large microfilm collections: Abyssinian scrapbooks; C.B.M.S. archives (London), Africa Committee; India Office archives; Royal Commonwealth Society Photographic Collection. A 341-page annotated *Guide to the microform collections in the Humanities and Social Sciences Division of the Library of Congress*, compiled by the staff of the Division and edited by Patrick Frazier, was issued in 1996. (SuDOC no. LC 1.6/4:m 58/7; Shipping list no. 97-0029-P)

Photocopies of "African newspapers on negative microfilm at the Library of Congress Photoduplication Service" is available from Florin Moody, Photodup. Serv., LC 20540-4574.

In the Newspaper Service, Robert Moody has replaced Frank Carroll.

8. New and Prospective Members (Easterbrook): New York Univ. has joined. CAMP currently has 38 dues-paying members.

9. Social Science Research Council (Howell report on correspondence with Ron Kasimir, SSRC):

SSRC will not fund any "re-grants" at this time, although they are interested in new projects. In regard to dissertations, he suggested that CAMP work out a relationship with University Microfilms International (UMI).

UMI reports agreements with the University of Lagos, the University of Maiduguri, the University of the Witwatersrand, and the University of Zambia, but individuals must use their own funds to cover processing. [And very few actually send their dissertations.]

Kasimir also advises linkages with more African institutions when applying for grants with Ford or SSRC.

OLD BUSINESS

10. CAMP brochure in French: CRL has in hand and will publish.

11. **Iowa's Health/Medical Grant** with the Medical Research Centre, South Africa, and the State Library, Pretoria, is coming to an end. A list of acquisitions will be available from John Howell.

12. Filming of the **Judges' Notebooks** of the Civil and Criminal Cases of the Colonial Lagos Supreme Court (1876-1915): The chair was directed to continue efforts with the USIS librarian to acquire microfilms from our vendor in Lagos.

13. Status of **Offipubs**: Cape of Good Hope Official Publications of the Cape Colony ("Bluebooks"), 1854?-1920: purchased by CRL.

14. Recent purchases:

14a. La politique coloniale (Belgium), 1892-1919, will be purchased when the publisher is identified.

14b. Microfilming of 52 theses from the School of Health in Niger purchased by the University of Iowa. The CAMP Execu-

tive had approved the microfilming of these theses for approx. \$600. Actual expenditures are now estimated at \$1325. The added expenditure was approved by the membership.

15. Proposed future Title-6 project (Walsh): After a listserv discussion, the Title-6 librarians agree to propose the following for the second 3-year cycle: continued filming of Senegalese archives; plus begin acquiring paper or microform copies of African theses.

16. Status report on current Title-6/CAMP filming in the Senegalese Archives (Caruso): test film is available; inventory of collection has been published and will be deposited in CAMP; another trip to Dakar is planned; there will be funds from 1st cycle to film additional materials.

17. Lists of African Newspapers on the World-Wide Web:

a) URL for Shayne list: [<http://www.crl.uchicago.edu/paper/Afcurr1.html>]; new editor sought after Shayne retires.

b) The URL for the CAMP List arranged by title was [changed to: <http://www.crl.uchicago.edu/paper/webcamp1.html>].

c) The list arranged by place was [changed to: <http://www.crl.uchicago.edu/paper/webcamp2.html>].

d) For an example of division by geography, languages, and regions, see Electronic Journal of Africana Bibliography: <http://www.lib.uiowa.edu/proj/ejab/>

e) Malawi newspapers: The previously approved \$3000 covered only about 1/3 of the collection of 1989-93 newspapers which had been sent to CRL from LC-Nairobi. Rudeen would collate and prepare a new estimate for the Spring meeting.

f) Discussion of a comprehensive list of newspapers followed. Rudeen distributed a revised form for submitting purchase proposal, with estimated costs for filming.

NEW BUSINESS (or potential future purchases)

18. Bamenda Project (Milton Krieger): requested support for the filming of a collection of newspapers held by the Social Democratic Front library in Bamenda (Cameroon). There were 800 issues of 7-8 major newspapers since 1990, plus another 200 issues from another 90 titles.

19. Mondlane Archives - At her request, Janet Mondlane received 6 reels of microfilm which had been closed to non-family. She was also interested in having filmed or digitized the remaining materials of her mother and father.

20. Government Publications Relating to Nyasaland, 1891-1964: 57 reels; \$4389. Discussed and deferred to a mail ballot.

21. Early Years of Apartheid: South African Press Digests, 1949-1972. <140 (98-frame) microfiche> + printed finding list \$1,320.

22. African Biographical Archive (AfBA) Munchen: Saur (113,000 biographical entries referring to 75,000 Africans) Ca. 450 microfiche in 12 installments. No index until after all fiche are published. Silver \$14,850; Diazo \$13,465. Value was questioned because of difficulty of loaning and because it had little new material.

CAMP PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENT (NOV. 23, 1996)

	June 96 FY 96	Sept. 96 Qtr.	Oct. 96
FUND BALANCE	\$ 6,902.16	\$18,970.16	\$18,970.16
REVENUES			
Grant Income	\$19,550.00	—	—
Membership Fees (2)	\$24,700.00	\$21,205.00	\$21,205.00
Income from Sales	\$ 7,454.00	\$ 4,170.00	\$ 4,170.00
TOTAL GEN. REVENUES (1)	\$32,154.00	\$25,375.00	\$25,375.00
EXPENSES			
Grant Expenses	\$ 40.00	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00
Cost of Sales	\$ 1,261.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 1,669.00
Acquisitions	\$10,354.00	\$ 3,947.00	\$ 3,947.00
Business Expenses	\$ 3,686.00	\$ 3,482.00	\$ 3,482.00
Publications			
Travel	\$ 1,145.00	—	\$ 418.00
Personnel (Cataloging)	\$ 3,640.00	—	—
TOTAL GEN. EXPENSES (1)	\$20,086.00	\$ 7,455.00	\$ 9,516.00
REVENUE LESS EXPENSES	\$12,068.00	\$17,920.00	\$15,859.00
COMMITMENTS			
Materials on Order (3)			\$11,476.00
Materials Approved (3)			\$ 9,478.24
Non-Material Expenses (4)			\$ 5,625.00
TOTAL COMMITMENTS			\$26,579.24
AVAILABLE FUNDS (5)			\$ 8,249.92

Notes:

1. Figures do not include Grant Revenue or Grant Expenses lines.
2. CRL's contribution of \$4000 comes in the 4th quarter.
3. Commitments and On Order items are listed above.
4. Non-material expenses: Cataloging: \$4845; Travel: \$780.
5. Available Funds = (Fund Balance and Revenues) minus (Expenses and Commitments).

23. **Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. Board of Foreign Missions**, Correspondence and Reports, Africa Mission, 1835-1910 <32 reels of microfilm>+ 1 calendar roll. \$2,805: Deferred for possible CRL purchase of all parts.

24. **South Africa**: A Weekly Journal for All-Interested in South African Affairs, 1889-1970. London: Filmed by Edward P. Mathers, journalist. Covers southern Africa including Mozambique. By Sept 1995 the filming had reached 1917; with 1787 fiche to run to 4000 fiche, \$8,000. Includes maps, diagrams, photographs, and information on economics, trade, biographies.

New Democrat Weekly. Monrovia, Liberia. [v. 1, no. 1-v. 2, no. 8] (Dec. 2/8, 1993-Dec. 27, 1994/Jan. 3, 1995). \$328.70
Northwestern University Library Africana. 114 reels, ca\$2150.
The Post. Lusaka. Apr.-Dec. 1994. \$347.54
Le Republicain. Bamako. Nos. 121-172 (Jan. 4-Dec. 27, 1995). \$135.10
Ruud, Jorgen, 1901- *Society And Religion Among The Forest Tribes Of Madagascar*. Ms. translation.
Tribune. Antananarivo, Madagascar. [October 13, 1993-June 6, 1995]. \$1,275.22
Rioux, Emmanuelle. *Les Zazous: Un Phenomene Socio-Culturel Pendant L'occupation De La Guerre*. Master's Thesis—Universite de Paris-X Nanterre, 1987. \$72.54

TITLES RECEIVED SINCE APRIL 1996

African Studies Association. *Annual Meeting Papers, 1993-1994*. \$750.00.
Codka Macallinka = Teacher's Voice = Sawt Al-Muallim. Mogadishu, Somalia \$192.34
Les Echos. Bamako. \$152.
Human Rights Review. Monrovia. June 25, 1993-Nov. 23/Dec. 7, 1994. \$57.80
The Inquirer. Monrovia. [v. 1, no. 1-42; v. 2, no. 17-v. 4, no. 240] \$1,007.62
The Isoko Mss: A Lungu View Of Their Own History, edited by William Watson. \$47.93
Mfanyakazi. Dar es Salaam Jan.26,1994-Jan.7,1995: LACKS: Mar. 2, 12, May 1, May 28-July 6, July 17, Oct. 16-19, Nov. 19-Dec. 27, 1994. \$237.58
Michigan State University Africana (MSU reel no. 291-415). \$2550.

TITLES ON ORDER, NOV. 1996

General Orders
Drum (East African Ed.). [Nairobi, Kenya: Drum Publications (East Africa). [Sept. 1957-Dec. 1959; Aug. 1963-Dec. 1991]. e\$1,700.00.
Judges' Notebooks Of Civil And Criminal Cases Of The Colonial Lagos Supreme Court 1876-1915. e\$10,920.00.
The Natal Chronicle And South East African Advertiser. Sept. 1855-July 1856
Natal Star And Journal Of Commerce And Agriculture / Natal Mercantile Advertiser And Agricultural Gazette. Aug. 1855-Dec. 1863.
Somalia Newspapers, Post-Barre Period. Part 1. Washington, D.C.: Library of Congress. 287 microfiches. \$900.00.
Somalia Reports, Post-Barre Period. Part 1. Washington, D.C.: Library of Congress. 544 microfiches. \$1,670.00.

Newspapers from LC-Nairobi

- Imvaho*. Kigali: Impr. scolaire, [no. 557-1074] (Nov. 12/18, 1984-Apr. 24/30, 1995). \$810.00.
Mfanyakazi. Dar es Salaam: [s.n., [no. 11194-11656] (Dec. 5, 1987-Dec. 29, 1993). \$1,580.00.

Newspapers from Malawi

- The Chronicle*. Lilongwe. [v. 1, no. 1-30] (Dec. 7, 1993-June 20/21, 1994). \$120.00.
City Star. Blantyre, Malawi. v. 1, no. 3 (Apr. 16/23, 1993).
Dawn. Blantyre: [s.n., 1995-] v. 1, no. 1-15 (July 27, 1995-Apr. 29, 1996). \$77.00.
The Democrat. Lilongwe. [v. 1, no. 1-v. 2, no. 29] (July 20/27, 1994-Aug. 2, 1996). \$485.00.
The Enquirer. Blantyre. (Aug. 2/8, 1993-July 19/25, 1996). \$405.00.
The Focus. Blantyre. (Dec. 16, 1994-Apr. 29/May 5, 1996). \$160.00.
Guardian Today. [Apr. 7/13, 1993-May 13/19, 1994]. \$145.00.
The Herald. Blantyre. (Feb. 16-July 14, 1994). \$125.00.
The Malawi Democrat. no. 33-4, 15, 19 (May 22/June 4-June 15/18, Dec. 4/16, 1992, Jan. 15/21, 1993); [v. 2, no. 2-v. 3, no. 20] (Apr. 16/29, 1993-July 15, 1994). \$245.00.
The Malawian. Lilongwe. [v. 1, no. 3-v. 2, no. 9] (July 2/4, 1994-June 23, 1995). \$100.00.
Michiru Sun. Blantyre. Aug. 1993-July 25/30, 1996. \$285.00.
The Mirror. [Blantyre. [v. 1, no. 1-v. 3, no. 21] (Oct. 4, 1993-July 13, 1996). \$455.00.
The New City Star. Blantyre. [v. 1, no. 1-15] (May 21/28-Aug. 23/30, 1993; Apr. 11/17-May 2/8, 1995). Filmed with preceding title: City star. \$65.00.
New Standard. Lilongwe. [no. 1-16] (July 30-Dec. 2/8, 1994). \$92.00.
The New Voice. Mzuzu. [Apr. 17, 1993-Sept. 14/20, 1994]; v. 1, no. 2-9 (Sept. 18/24-Nov. 8/14, 1995). \$175.00.
The News. Monrovia. [v. 3, no. 124-v. 5, no. 154] (June 9, 1992-Dec. 30, 1994). \$360.00.
News Today. Blantyre. [v. 1, no. 1-28] (Mar. 25-May 13, 1994). \$112.00.
The Newsday. [Lilongwe]. [v. 1, no. 1-40] (Sept. 21/27, 1995-July 17/24, 1996). \$200.00.
Saturday Nation. [Blantyre]. v. 1, no. 1-52 (Aug. 5/11, 1995-July 27/Aug. 2, 1996). \$285.00.
Statesman. Kanengo, Lilongwe. [May 15-July 19/25, 1995]; [v. 2, no. 1-10] (May 16/21-July 18/24, 1996). \$132.00.
The Tribute. Limbe. [v. 1, no. 7-v. 2, no. 5] (Jan. 18, 1995-July 19, 1996). \$180.00.
Udf News: Voice Of The United Democratic Front. (Jan. 15, 1993- July 26/31, 1996). \$790.00.
The Weekend Chronicle. Lilongwe. [v. 1, no. 1-13, 33?] (Mar. 19/25-July 1/6, 1994). \$90.00.
Weekly Mail. Limbe. [v. 2, no. 14-44] (Apr. 12, 1994-Apr. 28, 1995). \$100.00.

CAMP EXECUTIVE MEETING

San Francisco, Nov. 23, 1996, 12:00-12:15pm

Present: Baumann, Bell-Gam, Bischof, Caruso, Howell, Lauer, Rudeen, & Zellers.

1. Discussed comprehensive list of newspapers as an ARL pilot project. Caruso, Baumann and Howell volunteered to work with ARL on this idea.
2. Howell re-elected to 1-year term as chair.

CONOVER-PORTER AWARD

Black African Literature in English, 1987-1991, by Bernth Lindfors, and *Sub-Saharan African Films and Filmmakers, 1987-1992: An Annotated Bibliography*, by Nancy J. Schmidt, were named co-winners of the 1996 Conover-Porter Award. The African Studies Association established this prestigious award in 1980 to honor outstanding achievement in Africana bibliography and reference works. The Association presented the \$300 prize at its annual meeting in San Francisco on November 24, 1996. Three other titles received honorable mention.

The co-winners of this year's prize are both published by Hans Zell Books. Of the thirteen books that won or shared the award since 1980, eight were either compiled (two) or published by Hans Zell. The frequency with which books under the Zell imprint have been judged outstanding deserves recognition.

The Conover-Porter Award, selected by the Association's Africana Librarians Council, is named for two pioneers in the field of African studies librarianship: Helen F. Conover and Dorothy B. Porter, who enjoyed long careers at the Library of Congress, and Howard University, respectively.

AWARD WINNERS

Bernth Lindfors, *Black African Literature in English, 1987-1991*. London: Hans Zell, 1995.

This is the fourth volume in an ongoing work that has collected and indexed the critical literature concerning African literature in English. The volume continues the value and virtues of the previous three; the collective work is more than respected, it is essential for study of its topic. The work is outstanding in both organization and execution. The thorough coverage of critical works published in African periodicals and newspapers brings both the critics and their subjects to readers and scholars worldwide. Lindfors clearly conceives, and explains, the scope of the work; the explanation of organization, format, and individual form of entry is equally well done. Periodicals cited are listed. Cross-references are numerous and subjects are appropriate. Various indexes serve various scholarly needs. Some entries are annotated. By itself, this would be an award-winning reference book and a model for those compiling such tools. Its authority derives both from its exemplary organization and coverage, and from Bernth Lindfors' great stature as a scholar as well as indexer of African literature and literary criticism.

Nancy J. Schmidt, *Sub-Saharan African Films and Filmmakers, 1987-1992*. London: Hans Zell, 1995.

This book continues the path breaking work begun by Dr. Schmidt's *Sub-Saharan African Films and Filmmakers: An Annotated Bibliography*, 1988. The volume adds a half-decade to the 27 years spanned in the first volume; it is a tribute to the growth of scholarship in the field that the quinquennial supplement is longer than the notably-thorough first volume. The growth of that field is certainly a reflection of the growth of African film industries, but it is also likely that Schmidt's original work has greatly facilitated the additional scholarship recorded here. Schmidt has not only listed periodicals cited and the large number of acronyms associated with the Francophone-dominated African film world, she has included her important essay "Visualizing Africa: The Bibliography of Films by Sub-Saharan African Filmmakers," which goes beyond introduction to be a significant intellectual work in its own right. There are indexes to co-authors, actors and actresses, film festivals, film titles, filmmakers, other film personnel, countries, and 'general

subjects.' The book merits recognition equally for its structure and execution as a reference tool, and for the comprehensive coverage it contains. Both works together are not merely an important source for the study of African cinema, they are utterly essential.

HONORABLE MENTION BOOKS

Kenya Rural Enterprise Programme, *Jua Kali Literature: An Annotated Bibliography*. Nairobi: The Programme, 1993.

497 annotated and 176 unannotated entries to books, articles, reports, and government documents about the informal and small-business sectors of the Kenyan economy. Kimanthi Mutesa, Aleke Dondo, and Henry Oloo Oketch are named in the introduction as the compilers. Arranged in a dozen categories, with an author-title index.

Mbulawa Mugabe and K. Moahi, *Health in Botswana: An Annotated Bibliography*. Gaborone, Botswana: National Institute of Development Research and Documentation, University of Botswana, 1994.

837 entries arranged under 39 topics. Includes subject and author indexes. Location in Botswana noted.

Ruth A. Thomas, Editor, *The Weekly Review Index, 1975-1989*. Nairobi: Stellagraphics Ltd., 1993.

Covers the leading Kenyan news magazine of record. Main index of names and subjects is supplemented with indexes for book reviews, cover photos and captions, and political constituencies.

ALC-SPONSORED PANELS

Report by Joe Caruso

On Sunday morning, November 24, the room was packed for "African Studies Research on the World Wide Web," co-chaired by Joe Caruso (Columbia) and Ali Dinar (Electronic Technology Group/University of Pennsylvania). The panel included canned demonstrations of on-going CD-ROM and Web projects. The energizing topics included: Yale University's

Swahili Internet Dictionary project (Prof. Ann Biersteker); the University of Iowa's "Art and Life in Africa" CD-ROM and WWW project (Prof. Christopher Roy and Linda McIntyre); the University of Minnesota's Human Rights Web site (Marci Hoffman, International Law Librarian); and, Tunneling and African Access to the WWW (Corrine Nyquist, Librarian of Sojourner Truth Library at SUNY-New Paltz).

On Monday morning, November 25, "African Studies Research in South African Libraries, Archives, and Electronic Services" provoked much discussion. The participants included three librarian specialists and two research scholars. The focus of the roundtable centered on the problems of African access and collection policies set against the background of racial oppression and its historical legacies. The panelists and topics in detail were as follows: (1) Mathokoza Nhlapo (World University Service-South Africa; formerly of U. of the Western Cape Library; and, former Univ. Librarian, U. of Swaziland), whose participation was made possible through the ASA International Visitor Program and support from Columbia, Illinois/Urbana-Champaign, and Stanford, spoke directly to the issue of Africana collection development. She emphasized a re-examination of policies to encompass the needs of the African majority and researchers of the African past, including the collection of African language materials, multi-media formats, and the promotion of "oral librarianship". (2) Peter Limb (Librarian, U. of Western Australia) presented a paper (contact Joe Caruso, Columbia, for copies) on "Black Access to Electronic Research Services in South Africa." (3) Marcelle Weiner (Brenthurst Library) spoke about her idea of "education" and access to libraries, as well as general information about her library, the private archives of Harry Oppenheimer. (4) Prof. Horace Campbell (Syracuse Univ.) shared his experiences and frustrations researching the South African military, including his visit to the War archives in the Pretoria Zoo. And, (5) Prof. Nancy Clark (California Polytechnic Univ.) reflected on her difficulties in researching controversies surrounding the South African parastatal sector and those concerning Afrikaner and African political movements in the 1940s. The roundtable was chaired by Joe Caruso(Columbia).

OTHER LIBRARY NEWS

NEWS FROM OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

CALENDAR

ALA:

Feb. 14-20, 1997, Washington - Midwinter Meeting
 Apr. 11-14, 1997, Nashville - ACRL National Conf.
 June 26-July 3, 1997, San Francisco - ALA Annual Conf.
 Jan. 9-15, 1998, New Orleans - Midwinter Meeting
 June 25-July 2, 1998, Washington, D.C. - ALA Annual Conf.
 1999, Philadelphia - Midwinter Meeting
 Apr. 9-12, 1995, Detroit - ACRL National Conf.
 1999, New Orleans - ALA Annual Conf.
 2000, San Antonio - Midwinter Meeting
 2000, Chicago - ALA Annual Conf.

IFLA Annual Conferences:

Aug. 31-Sept. 5, 1997, Copenhagen
 Aug. 1998, Amsterdam

Aug. 1999, Bangkok
 2001, Boston

PEOPLE

Ms. Brigitte Lau, Head of National Archives Namibia, tragically died in a car accident near Karibib, on November 2, 1996. An innovative and productive historian and archivist, who laid a new and sound basis for precolonial Namibian historiography, she is mourned world-wide by colleagues and friends.

RESEARCH ON LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

BOOKS

Proceedings of the Pan-African Conference on the Preservation and Conservation of Library and Archival Materials, Nairobi, Kenya, 21-25 June 1993, edited by Jean-Marie Arnoult, Virginie Kremp and Musila Musembi under the auspices of the IFLA Core Programme for the Advancement of Librarianship in the Third World (IFLA/ALP), the IFLA Core Programme for Preservation and Conservation (IFLA/PAC) and the Regional Standing Committee for Africa (RSCA). The Hague: IFLA Headquarters, 1995. 220p. IFLA Professional Reports, no. 43.

JOURNALS & ARTICLES

African Research and Documentation:
no. 70 (1996):

- J. Geber, Southern African sources in the Oriental & India Office Collections (OIOC) of the British Library;
- R. Musiker, South African Bibliography in the mid-1990s;
- J.H. McIlwaine, Writings on African archives, pt. 6 [North Africa];
- P. Limb, An A-Z of Africa Studies on the Internet.
no. 71 (1996):

- K.J. Orosz, Colonial archives in Cameroon;
- London International Book Fair, 1996: [report by Julie Evans on Southern African Book Scene];
- Bibliophilia Africana VII (Cape Town, 8-10 May 1996): [comments by John McIlwaine].

Gupta, Sushma. "Structure of African Psychological Literature, 1827-1987," *International information & Library Review*, v. 27 (1995): 203-223. A bibliometric study analyzing a database of 2297 items compiled from *Psychological Abstracts*. Africa's share of all titles in source expanded from about 0.1% in 1960s to 0.3% in 1970s and 0.5% in 1980s. Half the periodical literature appeared in only 31 (of a total of 433) periodicals, and most of the 1950 authors produced only 1 article. Other topics discussed, with tables: productivity, co-authorship, language, and geographic distribution trends. Those interested in the full version of this very large study should contact the author at: 28525 Franklin Road #201, Southfield, MI 48034.

Ryan, Kristine. "Portrait of an Eritrean Lady and her Library: the Origins of the Research and Documentation Centre in Asmara," *African Studies Association of Australia and the Pacific, Review and Newsletter*, Vol. 18, No. 2 (Dec. 1996), p. 10-12.

REFERENCE SOURCES

NOTES

Women Writing Africa is a publishing project of the Feminist Press, funded by the Ford Foundation. The project's co-directors are Tuzyline Jita Allan (Baruch College) and Abena P.A. Busia (Rutgers). The goal is to collect and preserve the whole range of

women's cultural production, with individual volumes on each of six regions (Northern, Eastern, Southern, Central, Western, and the Sahel) plus a 7th volume being an annotated bibliography of sources and resources. Contact: Rona Peligal, Assistant administrator, Feminist Press at City University of New York, 311 East 94th St., New York, NY 10128.

LETTERS & OPINIONS

In this section, the editor hopes to publish letters and essays that challenge prevailing practices or beliefs. In all cases, the opinions expressed are those of the writer. No endorsement by the editor or ALC or MSU is intended.

Response by **Mette Shayne** (Northwestern Univ.)
to Hans Zell letter of Sept.9, 1996

My very first reaction to Hans Zell's letter in the July/Oct. 1996 issue of *ALN* was that of course Hans Zell knows that the last thing Africana librarians want to do is hurt African publishers. We dedicate our careers to obtain African publications and have great compassion and admiration for the publishers and their accomplishments in spite of economic and material difficulties. However, when one looks at the statistics of how many scholarly journal subscriptions are obtained through the Library of Con-

gress Nairobi office subscription service, the numbers are so small, that it is hard to believe that so few subscriptions could make much difference in the lives of these scholarly journals. With the limitation of funds in our libraries, it is quite clear that if these subscribing libraries would have to double the subscription price, they would have to cut down the number of subscriptions correspondingly.

I would also hope that cooperation would be possible between the Library of Congress Nairobi Office and the African Book Collective rather than confrontation since both institutions are essential for Africana librarians in the US as well as for the African publishers.

NOTES ON MATERIALS AND VENDORS

VENDOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

ABC (African Books Collective, The Jam Factory, 27 Park End St., Oxford OX1 1HU, UK) distributed its 13th Catalogue and the 18th batch of cards, with 32 new titles.

Africa Book Centre (38 King St., London WC2E 8JT) has issued its *Book Review* no. 4 (July 1996) and no. 5 (Oct 1996). In addition to notes on new books, there is an exchange between the editor (A. W. Zurbrugg) and Hans Zell regarding Zell and Lomer's bibliography on African publishing.

Africa World Press, Inc. & The Red Sea Press, Inc. (11-D Princess Rd., Lawrenceville, NJ 08648-2319; & POB 48, Asmara, Eritrea) have issued an annotated catalog of new and recent releases.

African Imprint Library Services has moved. Its new address: P.O. Box 350, West Falmouth, MA 02574 USA (street address is 55 Ridgeview Drive, West Falmouth for UPS).

BFI Publishing (21 Stephen Street, London, W1P 1LN, UK) issued *African Experiences of Cinema*, edited by Imruh Bakari and Mbye Cham. Film-makers, scholars and critics detail their responses to, and experiences of, the challenges of cinema. Price: £15.99.

Entreprise Nationale du Livre (51 Larbi Ben M'Hidi, Alger, Algeria 16000) has distributed a list of its publications.

Heinemann (361 Hanover St., Portsmouth, NH 03801-3912) issued its number of catalogs during 1996, including "World Literature," which includes annotated entries for the works in its famous African Writers Series.

IDC has opened a new North American office, headed by Todd P. Bludeau, at 3265 Johnson Ave., Riverdale, NY 10463. Tel. 800-757-7441; Fax: 718-432-0020; email <idc-us@mindspring.com>

Hans Zell (11 Richmond Rd., PO Box 56, Oxford OX1 2SJ, England) seeks offers (of roughly \$10,000) for a large collection of African literature, which will be sold complete. The collection of about 720 books includes a number of first editions of works by prominent writers.

BOOK AWARDS

Herskovits Award winner:

- Jonathon Glassman, *Feasts and Riot: Revelry, Rebellion, and Popular Consciousness on the Swahili Coast, 1856-1888* (Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann, 1995)

Other finalists:

- Vivian Bickford-Smith, *Ethnic Pride and Racial Prejudice in Victorian Cape Town* (NY: Cambridge UP, 1995)
- Paul Landau, *The Realm of the Word: Language, Gender, and Christianity in a Southern African Kingdom* (Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann, 1995)

- Liisa H. Malkki, *Purity and Exile: Violence, memory, and national Cosmology among Hutu Refugees in Tanzania* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1995)
- James C. McCann, *People of the Plow: An Agricultural History of Ethiopia, 1800-1990* (Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Press, 1995)
- Jean-Marie Penvenne, *African Workers and Colonial Racism: Mozambican Strategies and Struggles in Lourenco Marques, 1877-1962* (Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann, 1995)
- Elisha P. Renne, *Cloth That Does not Die: The Meaning of Cloth in Bunu Social Life* (Seattle: University of Washington Press, 1995)
- Claude E. Welch, Jr., *Protecting Human Rights in Africa: Strategies and Roles of Non-Governmental Organizations* (Philadelphia, PA: University of Pennsylvania Press, 1995)

EVENTS

ZIBF97 (Zimbabwe International Book Fair) will be held 2-9 August, on the theme of 'Libraries'. For further information contact: Margaret Ling, 25 Endymion Road, London N4 1EE, UK; margaret.ling@geo2.poptel.org.uk; or ZIBF, PO Box CY 1179, Causeway, Harare, Zimbabwe; zibf@mango.zw

ALA is sending an official delegation, led by the ALA President-elect Barbara J Ford, who has chosen the theme of 'Opening Doors Internationally' for her Presidential year.

LITERATURE ON THE BOOK TRADE

African Publishers Networking Directory. 2nd, rev. and expanded ed. Oxford: Published for the African book communities by African Books Collective, 1997. 52p. ISBN: 0952129615 £18/\$30; gratis to publishers, booksellers, libraries and writers in Africa. Address: The Jam Factory, 27 Park End St., Oxford OX1 1HU, UK.

Arranged by country. Includes details on the major publishers (50 ABC members, plus 314 others). Brief sections on book trade organizations and journals, reference sources, and an index. Previous ed.: 1993/94. Updated editions planned for every other year.

African Publishing Review, v. 5, no. 6 (Nov/Dec 1996) included a review of children's literature, notes on ZIBF96 and other trade news.

Bellagio Publishing Network Newsletter, no. 18 (Nov. 1996) includes "Self-censorship and African scholarship: Implications for scholarly publishing," by Jacob Jaygbay. There are also notes by Margaret Ling, Carol Priestley, Carew Treffgarne, Damtew Tefferia, Mary Bugembe and others.

SERIAL CHANGES

African Sociological Review was established as part of a cooperative effort by the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA), with headquarters in

Dakar, Senegal, and personnel of the *South African Sociological Review* which is hereby incorporated into this new continent-wide journal sponsored and published by CODESRIA.

Subscriptions are \$40 (institutions) or \$20 (individuals) in Europe & North America; less in Africa.

CSIS Africa Notes briefing paper series terminated following publication of the December 1996 issue. A total of 191 briefing papers were published, starting in July 1982. Helen Kitchen, the editor, drew attention to a Nov. 28, 1996 article in the *New York Times*, which discusses the demise of small general Africa magazines such as *Africa Report*.

VIDEOS

Resolution Inc./California Newsreel (149 9th St., San Francisco, CA 94103) is distributing six new films from Africa and the Caribbean:

- Gumba the tyrant;
- Frantz Fanon: black skin, white mask;
- Rouch in Reverse;
- Le grand blanc de Lambaréné;
- Aimé Césaire;
- Le bouillon d'Awara/Awara soup.

SELECTED NEW BOOKS

This section is generally limited to titles outside the regular book trade, or titles received by the editor. Many more titles and/or details on publisher addresses can be found in The African Book Publishing Record (Hans Zell Publishers), American Book Publishing Record (Bowker), Accessions List: Eastern and Southern Africa (LC Office, Nairobi), or in one of the current national bibliographies.

Jama, Ahmed Dualeh. *The Origins and Development of Mogadishu AD 1000 to 1850: A study of the urban growth along the Benadir coast of southern Somalia*. Uppsala, Sweden: Dept. of Archaeology, Uppsala University, 1996. 139p. (Studies in African Archaeology; 12)

Scheub, Harold. *The Tongue is Fire: South African Storytellers and Apartheid*. Madison, Wis.: University of Wisconsin Press, c1996. 448 p. \$55; \$24.95 (paper).

Collection of stories, histories, and poems collecting between 1968 and the mid-1970s among the rural Xhosa, Zulu, Swati and Ndebele. The reactions to apartheid can be organized into three categories: the pre-apartheid ideal, as reflected in the ancient traditions and stories; the threats to that tradition, with apartheid being one virulent form; and the responses to the threats.

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