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I. IN THIS ISSUE

Session reports of the 10th Annual ASAO Meetings held in San Diego, from February 25th through March 1st; proposed sessions for the 1982 meetings; statement from the 1982 Program Chair; tentative location of the 1982 meetings; annual dues form; and addresses of the new ASAO Secretary and Newsletter editor.

II. NOTE FROM THE NEW EDITOR

I assumed the position of editor for the ASAO Newsletter at the San Diego meetings. Following in the footsteps of Roger and Martha Ward will not be easy, but please bear with me as I get accustomed to this new role. Those of you who attended the meetings in San Diego realize that a great deal of discussion took place regarding the proposed location for next year's meetings. The Newsletter could not be completed and mailed until the actual site was chosen. With this matter now behind us, I hope you receive your future Newsletters in a timely fashion. To facilitate the completion of the Newsletter on schedule, I have devised the below "time table". Please ensure that information for the Newsletter is received in time for publication. Chairpersons of sessions should plan well in advance since they first must send their materials to the Program Chair for review and consideration. Many Thanks. Rick Marksbury, University College, Room 125 Gibson Hall, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA 70118

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III. NEW ASAO SECRETARY

Don Mitchell (SUNY C, Buffalo) will assume the position of ASAO Secretary in July. Though Gene Ogan will remain in office for a few more weeks, it might prove beneficial to send Don a carbon copy of all correspondence to Gene. However, those of you wishing to pay your dues should send them to Don Mitchell, Dept. of Anthropology, SUNY C Buffalo, Buffalo, NY 14222.

IV. SESSION REPORTS: SAN DIEGO, 1981

One formal symposium, six working sessions and four informal sessions were held at the 10th Annual ASAO Meeting in San Diego, California. Summaries of these sessions and plans for future sessions are given in the following report:

A. FORMAL SYMPOSIUM: "Personal Names and naming Practices"

Organizer: Bradd Shore, Dept. of Anthropology, Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY 10708

A total of 17 papers had been precirculated for this session. Many of the participants had sent comments to others on their particular contributions. Summaries of the papers were distributed at the session itself so that no formal presentations by participants would be necessary. The organizer of the session had solicited from participants suggestions for general discussion topics and distributed a proposed and tentative agenda for the sessions, which were to run like a seminar rather than a formal set of talks.

The first session was spent going over and refining the agenda. Discussion of the papers began to emerge from this organizational session at which about 30 people in all were present. Shelly Errington (University of California at Santa Cruz) was the discussant for the sessions and took an active role as a co-chair as well.

By the second session, it had become apparent that a somewhat tighter format was necessary to bring together, in a fruitful way, the divergent and complex strains of ethnographic patterns evident in the papers. On the second day, it was decided to approach the naming problem as an extended set of reflections on the implications of naming forms and processes for differentiating hierarchical and institutional complex societies found throughout Oceania. The issue of names and the evolution of "titles" seemed important. After splitting into two discussion groups based upon this distinction, the symposium reconvened for a final general discussion on this issue.

It was on the whole a fruitful way of discussing the importance of naming in the Pacific region, and pointed the way to a
Participants and papers:

Laurence M. Carucci (U. of South Carolina)
"Continuity and disaffinity in Marshallese personal names"

Shelly Errington (U. of California at Santa Cruz)
"What's in a name? Personal identity and naming on Anuta"
Discussant

Richard Feinberg (Kent State)
"Cultural reflections in personal names"

Jill Grant (Nova Scotia College of Art & Design) and Marty Zelenietz (Mt. Saint Vincent)
"Naming practices in Kilenge"

Julia A. Hecht (U. of Hawaii)
"The character of a nation: an exploration of personal names in Pukapuka"

Peter Huber (Princeton U.)
"A man called Fart: the philosophy of relations in Wamu"

Rolf Kuschel (Kobenhavn)
"Personal and impersonal names on Tanna"

Monty Lindstrom (U. of California at Berkeley)
"Teasing, gossip and local names on Rapanui"

Grant McCall (New South Wales)
"Contact, demographic change and change in personal naming on Kosrae Island"

Bambi Schieffelin (U. of Pennsylvania)
"Sociolinguistic dimensions of Kaluli relationship terms"

Bradd Shore (Sarah Lawrence)
"Personal names and political titles in Samoa: Historical and bibliographical transformations"

B. WORKING SESSION: "Social Stratification in Oceania"

Organizer: Michael C. Howard, Department of Anthropology
University of Houston, Houston, TX 77004

The purpose of the working session was to examine the evolution of patterns of social stratification in Pacific societies in relation to their incorporation into the modern world-system.

The morning was devoted to Papua New Guinea. Deborah Gewertz's presentation dealt with an attempt by the Chambri and Iatmul to reinstate egalitarian interaction during the Second World War when they were able to escape temporarily from colonial control. Bill McKellin examined how local government employees in the Mangalese manipulate knowledge to secure their elite status as brokers. Eugene Ogan presented Larry Grossman's paper which dealt with the effects of the introduction of smallholder cattle projects on economic differentiation in a village in the Eastern Highlands.
Province. Don Mitchell analysed how the introduction of the cash-crop cacao into Nagovisi led to inequality in land holding and wealth. Dawn Ryan discussed the role of education in the creation of a whitecollar elite.

In the afternoon, the remainder of the Pacific was considered. Michael Howard discussed class basis of Australian Aboriginal political ideology and the struggle for ideological hegemony by the working and ruling classes in the context of Aboriginal affairs. Stanley Laughlin's paper focused on the United States policy in American Samoa aimed at preserving the matai system and how this policy influenced patterns of social stratification. Dan Hughes sought to demonstrate the continued vitality of the indigenous Ponapean hierarchical structure and to explain why it has survived. Rick Marksbury looked at how high ranking Yapese have been able to maintain elite status and wealth under the American administration.

Perhaps the primary point to emerge from the papers and the discussion is that we are looking at an incomplete transformation. Pacific societies are being drawn into the class-based world of the industrial colonial powers, but they have yet to succumb totally to pressures toward social class formation. Egalitarian structures have been undermined and hierarchical structures altered, indigenous ideologies have been replaced or co-opted, relations of production and exchange have changed, until today the societies of the Pacific stand on the verge of being divided primarily on the basis of social class.

Plans are to return next year for a formal symposium, expanding and refining the work done this year while looking more closely at the implications for Pacific islanders of the transformation taking place in the manner in which their societies are stratified.

Participants and papers:

Deborah Gewertz (Amherst)
"The restoration of History: World War II in the Middle Sepik"

Larry Grossman (Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State U.)
"Rural Differentiation in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea"

Michael Howard (University of Houston)
"Ideology and Social Class among Australian Aborigines"

Daniel Hughes (Ohio State U.)
"Continuity of Indigenous Ponapean Social Structure and Stratification"

Stanley Laughlin, Jr. (School of Law, Ohio State U.)
"The United States Government and Social Stratification in American Samoa"

Richard Marksbury (Tulane U.)
"Caste, Class and Land in a Changing Yapese Society"
Despite the broad topic, the papers and presentations had much in common. Most dealt with the concept of the person as culturally formulated in a particular society. Close attention was paid to the problems of linking linguistic forms—syntactic and lexical categories, metaphors and discourse—with social interaction and experience in order to derive accounts of the person as a meaningful and meaning-producing agent in society. Major themes of the discussion included the problems of locating personhood and emotions; various ways that selfhood can be organized and expressed; and the importance of social structure and contexts of ethnophysical talk in shaping person-concepts.

It was decided to continue work in a formal symposium for the 1982 meetings. Information about shared themes, descriptive bases and the timetable for the planned symposium will soon be available from the organizers.

Participants and papers:

Peter Black (George Mason U.)
"Explaining Self-destruction on Tobi"

Jane Fajans (Stanford U.)
"Persons and Selves in Baining Ethnopsychology"

Allan Hanson (Kansas U.)
"Cartesian Dualism in New Zealand"

John Kirkpatrick (Brown U.)
"Marquesan Understanding of Action and Identity"

Cathy Lutz (Harvard U.)
"Talking about 'our ideas'—Ifalukian Conceptions of the Self"

Susan Montague (Northern Illinois U.)
"Images of the Dead in Trobriand Psychiatry"

Michelle Z. Rosaldo (Stanford U.)
Discussant
Edward Schieffelin (U. of Pennsylvania)
"Anger Happens to Us: Perception of the Emotions and Self among the Papua New Guinea"
Theodore Schwartz (U. of San Diego)
"Manus Conceptions of Self: Institutionalized Dissociation"

Martin Silverman (U. of British Columbia)
"Person as Possession"

William Thurston (Western Ontario U.)
"Some Initial thoughts on Anem Reality"

Geoffrey White (East West-Center)
"'Person' and 'Emotion' in A'ara Ethnopsychology"

D. WORKING SESSION: "Suicide and Self-Destructive Behavior"

Organizer: Don Rubenstein, Dept. of Anthropology,
University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

The working session of Suicide and Self-Destructive included two presentations. Pat Johnson (University of Michigan) discussed female suicide among the Gainj, a fringe-highland population in Madang Province, Papua New Guinea. The aim of the presentation was to explain female suicide in terms of Gainj gender ideology and the key concept of "strength". Don Rubenstein (University of Hawaii) discussed adolescent male suicide in Micronesia. The postwar epidemic rates in Micronesia appear related to shifting intergeneration dynamics between prewar parents and their postwar adolescent sons.

Several themes developed out of the two presentations and the discussions which followed. The general aim in both presentations was to explain suicide in terms of the local cultural context. More particularly, the question was raised in both presentations of the relations of suicide to recent shifts in structural relationships. Examples were cited such as the Gainj gender relations brought on by the Pax Australiana and the consequent loss of mail warfare as an ideal testing ground for "strength" and changes in Micronesian generational relationships brought on by rapid Americanization of the postwar generation and the consequent collapse of village-level economic roles and clubhouse organizations for young males. Noted were the contrasts between Melanesian and Micronesian notions of "personhood" in the context of suicide. The Melanesian theme of "revenge suicide" implies both victimization and vindication while Micronesian suicides, by contrast, are not perceived as the effect of, or as a protest against, some other person. Such behavior raises some interesting questions on cultural notions about personal autonomy and responsibility, and legal concepts of "guilt" in relation to another's suicide.

No plans were made to organize another session for next year's meeting.

E. WORKING SESSION: "Kava and Betel in the Pacific"

Organizer: Monty Lindstrom, Dept. of Anthropology,
Univ. of California, Berkeley, CA 94720
Participants in the kava/betel working session offered a number of very interesting presentations ranging from betel on Manam, Sudset (Vanatinai), and the West Sepik to kava in New Guinea, Ponape, Fiji, and Tanna. Participants were fortunate to have the assistance of Bale Momoivalu from Fiji who also prepared several tanoa of kava for session participants. Participants expressed an interest in preparing papers around the following two integrating themes to be presented in a formal session at the 1982 meetings:

1. The relationship (social, symbolic, etc.) between kava, betel and alcohol use and interpretation.
2. Insight into various cultural definitions of person or self which might be gleaned from people's use and interpretation of these drugs.

Those wishing to contribute a paper on the above themes are asked to contact Monty as soon as possible.

F. WORKING SESSION: "Ceremonial Exchange and its meanings in matrilineal and patrilineal societies in Oceania"

Organizers: Abraham Rosman and Paula G. Rubel, Dept. of Anthropology, Barnard College, New York, NY 10027

The main emphasis was on exchange in relation to social structure. There was a useful comparison made between societies in New Guinea, Island Melanesia, and Micronesia and the various cultural contexts where exchanges took place. Several authors emphasized male-female relations and female participation in exchange.

Participants and papers:

Dorothy Billings (Wichita State U.)
Informal presentation
Deborah Gewertz (Amherst U.)
Informal presentation on Chambri
Nancy McDowell (Franklin & Marshall)
"Complimentarity: the relationships between female and male in the East Sepik village Bun, Papua New Guinea"
Glen Peterson (Baruch College)
Informal presentation on Ponape
Abraham Rosman & Paula G. Rubel (Barnard)
"A comparative examination of ceremonial exchange in matrilineal island Melanesia and patrilineal New Guinea"

G. WORKING SESSION: "Social Structure and Narrative Structure"

Organizers: John L. Fischer, Dept. of Anthropology, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA 70118 and Vern Carroll, Dept. of Anthropology, U. of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109
No formal papers were presented at this session. However, a number of papers were precirculated by individuals unable to make it to San Diego. The interests expressed were diverse and mostly different from the systematic comparison of cognate tales and social structure which the organizers had in mind. There is, perhaps, sufficient interest to organize another session, sometime in the future, on the relation of tales to social structure dealing with societies individually. On the other hand, individuals interested in participating in a working session for next year's meetings dealing with controlled comparisons of cognate tales and social structure should contact Jack Fischer. Jack will be in Paris from June 1 through August 15. His summer address is: John L. Fischer, 150 rue Ordener, 75108, Paris, France.

H. INFORMAL SESSION: "Slide Tape Session"
Organizer: Karl G. Heider, Department of Anthropology
U. of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208

Heider discussed the possibility of developing slide-tape packages to accompany articles, chapters, and books, which could be distributed in journal-like form to such organizations as the American Anthropological Association. Adoption of such a policy would allow those of us with color slides stashed away to have them used as visual enhancements for many publications. Use of photographs in this manner would certainly be useful in teaching, and perhaps even add to the scholarly value. A prototype slide-tape on The Dani Pig Feast was shown - 70 slides with a ten-minute narration by Heider. If other members of the Association are willing to develop similar packages, please contact Karl so that a time can be set aside for presentation at next year's meeting.

I. INFORMAL SESSION: "The Rashomon Effect: Agreement and disagreement when different anthropologists look at the same things"
Organizer: Karl G. Heider, Department of Anthropology
U. of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208

The original model for this session was the film, Rashomon, in which different participants in the same event give varying accounts of it, with the whole being brought together by the one who can look at different interpretations of the same events by different ethnographers. During the ensuing discussion, it was agreed that the original model was too constricting since there were insufficient cases where more than one anthropologist reported on the same event. On the other hand, participants seemed to agree that it would be useful to examine studies of the same culture by ethnographers during the course of their intellectual development or studies of the same culture by
different ethnographers at different moments in time. Also, while it might be ideal to have an "unbiased" outsider do the Rasomon analysis, not many people would be able to invest so much time in this sort of project, and so we should try having principals do it.

The important intellectual question is not who won, but how the game was played. That is, not who was right, but why there were differences reported. Was it something about the anthropologists themselves or, even more intriguing, can there be certain points of great ambiguity in a culture which seem to produce different readings?

It was agreed to propose this as a working session for the 1982 meeting. If you are interested in participating in next year's session, please contact Karl as soon as possible.

J. INFORMAL SESSION: Cultural and social factors affecting changes in Melanesian populations

Organizer: Bill Heaney, Dept. of Anthropology, U. of Papua New Guinea, P.O. Box 4820, Port Moresby, PNG

Bill Heaney was unable to attend the meeting. However, names were solicited from individuals who might state an interest in presenting papers at next year's meetings.

K. INFORMAL SESSION: "Aging Gender and Dying"

Organizers: David and Dorothy Counts, Dept. of Anthropology, McMaster Univ., Hamilton, Ontario, Canada L8S 4L9

During the informal session, nineteen participants expressed an interest in reconvening as a working session for the 1982 meetings. Those wishing to participate in the planned working session and/or desiring a partial bibliography should contact the Counts at McMaster University through mid-May and from September through the Institute for Oriental and Pacific Studies, University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. The Counts will be in the field from mid-May until early fall, so please do not despair about summer delays.

Those expecting to participate in next year's working session are asked to prepare their papers with a view toward examining one of the below two foci that emerged as fruitful lines of inquiry during the informal session:

1. The relationship between aging and gender: There are indications that in Oceania and elsewhere, gender identity and gender-related behaviour may best be understood when viewed as process rather than as fixed changeless category and further, that these two aspects of life considered as processes may be related to one another. Anna Meig's work among the Hua is a particularly interesting case in point.
2. The relationship between aging and dying: There is now a great deal of evidence that people in Melanesia perceive the transition from life to death as a lengthy process rather than a sharp point of transformation. Examination of the way in which aging and the apprehension of death are recognized and communicated is only one of a number of fruitful avenues of inquiry that were explored.

V. LOCATION OF 11TH ANNUAL ASAO MEETINGS

The location for the 1982 meetings has been finalized. We will be going to the SEA PALMS GOLF AND RACQUET CLUB, ST. SIMON'S ISLAND, GEORGIA. Details on room rates, food, meeting facilities, and transportation will be printed in the summer Newsletter. The local arrangements will be handled by Ivan Brady (SUNY C Oswego). The dates for the meetings will be from Wednesday March 3, 1982 to Sunday, March 7, 1982.

VI. PROPOSED SESSIONS FOR 1982

Only newly proposed sessions are listed in detail. Sessions which met in San Diego with continuation plans for the 1982 meetings are listed only by name and organizer. For more information on these sessions, please refer to the section IV SESSION REPORTS.

A. "Social Stratification in Oceania" - Michael Howard, (U. of Houston), Organizer

B. "Folk Psychology in Pacific cultures" - John Kirkpatrick, (Brown) and Geoffrey White, (East West Center), Organizers

C. "Kava and betel in the Pacific" - Monty Lindstrom, (UCB), Organizer

D. "Ceremonial exchange and its meaning in matrilineal and patrilineal societies in Oceania" - Paula Rubel & Abraham Rosman, (Barnard), Organizers

E. "Social structure and folk narrative" - John L. Fischer, (Tulane) and Vern Carroll (Michigan), Organizers

F. "The Rashomon effect: agreement and disagreement when different anthropologists look at the same things" - Karl Heider, (South Carolina), Organizer

G. "Aging and dying in Oceania" - Dorothy and David Counts, (McMaster), Organizers

H. "Clearing house for slide and tape media presentation" - Karl Heider, (South Carolina), Organizer
I. PROPOSED WORKING SESSION: "Infant Care and Feeding in the Pacific"

Organizer: Leslie Marshall, College of Nursing
University of Iowa, Iowa City 52242

This particular topic has received a great deal of attention in the medical and social science literature for many parts of the world. Most of the detailed reports on infant feeding in the Pacific have been made by nutritionists and focus on the nutritive composition of different diets. How the act of feeding or caring for an infant relates to social structure and to the definition of women's roles has been neglected, in spite of the great importance attached to both infants and food in pacific cultures. Systematic data on infant feeding practices would provide a fine complement to other regional surveys of infant feeding currently in progress. If you are interested in participating in this working session, please contact Leslie Marshall at the Institute of Applied Social and Economic Research, P.O. Box 5854, Boroko, Papua New Guinea. Leslie will remain at IASER until late October and then return to Iowa City in early January, 1982.

J. PROPOSED WORKING SESSION: "The Significance of Laughter in Oceania"

Organizer: Richard Feinberg, Dept. of Anthropology,
Kent State Univ., Kent, Ohio 44242

While working in Anuta, Richard was struck by the frequency of uproarious laughter in situations where Americans would deem laughter to be highly inappropriate (e.g., as when someone falls and twists his ankle, trips over a root, or bumps his head on a rafter or a branch). Moreover, in such instances, the victim had a tendency to react in a manner which would be most atypical in the Western world. Richard made similar observations and heard similar comments in other Oceanic societies. All of this suggests that laughter has a very different significance in Oceania than in Western Europe and the United States. Anyone interested in participating in a working session for the 1982 meetings exploring the "significance of laughter in Oceania", please contact Richard as soon as possible.

K. PROPOSED INFORMAL SESSION: "Conception Theory in Oceania"

Organizers: Dan Jorgensen, Dept. of Anthropology,
U.of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada N6A 5C2

Peter Lovell, Dept. of Anthropology, Univ. of New Brunswick, Fredericton, N.B. Canada E3B 5A3

Dan Jorgensen and Peter Lovell are interested in testing the waters to see if anyone is favorably disposed to participating in an informal session for the 1982 meetings on the topic of "conception theory in Oceania". Conception theory can be expected
to articulate with a number of other topical interests, e.g.,

male/female definitions and their symbolic formulation, the

structure of kinship and meanings of exchange, theories of

life/death, definition of person, and ritual (particularly but not

exclusively initiatory rites). If anyone is interested in

pursuing this, please contact either Dan or Pete.

VII. NOTE FROM THE 1982 PROGRAM CHAIR

To: All session chair for the 1982 meetings

From: Donald Brenneis, Program Chair
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Next year's program has a potential embarrassment of riches as far

as symposia go; four have been proposed. To maintain the intense

but leisurely program characteristics of the ASAO, only two (2)
can take place at the 1982 meetings. Symposia organizers should

consider carefully whether their sessions are indeed going

propositions, e.g., if there are sufficient participants with a
reasonable certainty of getting to the meetings with papers, and

if the proposed papers fit well together. I would far prefer

self-selection to editing in limiting symposia, but I will
certainly use my judgement in keeping the number to two if it

proves necessary. It is particularly important to meet the
deadlines below. Five Working Sessions have been proposed, which

is the limit for the 1982 meetings. I will welcome suggestions

for Informal Sessions.

Proposed Symposia: (see page 10 for organizers)

1. Social Stratification in Oceania
2. Folk Psychology in Pacific cultures
3. Kava and betel in the Pacific
4. Ceremonial exchange and its meaning in matrilineal and
   patrilineal societies in Oceania

Proposed Working Sessions:

1. Social structure and folk narrative
2. The Rashomon effect...
3. Aging and dying in Oceania
4. Infant care and feeding in the Pacific
5. The significance of laughter in Oceania

Please contact me with questions, suggestions, and most important,
detailed information on proposed sessions. JUNE 15 is the
deadline for Symposium proposals including lists of participants.
Final Symposium information and Working Session proposals must be
sent to me by SEPTEMBER 15. Please feel feel to write or call.
VIII. ASAO SPECIAL PUBLICATION #1

At long last, the first publication in our ASAO Special Publication Series is available. The first edition is an expanded and revised version of the Distinguished Lecture which Marshall Sahlins presented at the Clearwater meetings in 1979. The work is entitled: Historical Metaphors and Mythical Realities: Structure in the Early History of the Sandwich Islands Kingdom. It is available from the University of Michigan Press for $5.95 (approximately 96 pages long).

IX. BIBLIOGRAPHIC AND RESEARCH NOTES

A. Through the Center for Field Research located in Belmont MA, the following individuals recently had their research projects approved for EARTHWATCH support: George Gill (U. of Wyoming) for the excavation and analysis of prehistoric human skeletal remains in Easter Island; and Rebecca Stephenson (U. of Guam) for an anthropological study of stability and change in Umatac village, Guam. For application guidelines from the center, and a listing of world-wide projects currently receiving support, write: Nancy B. Scott, Center for Field Research, Box 127-AW, 10 Juniper Rd., Belmont, MA 02178.

B. Mac Marshall reports from PNG that the IASER "Conference on Alcohol Use and Abuse in Papua New Guinea" (March 23-27) was quite successful. Twenty-nine formal papers were presented and five active workshops were held. IASER will produce two publications based on the conference papers. One will be a Discussion Paper containing the background to the conference including one-page summaries of the papers presented and the other will be a book published in early 1982 in the IASER Monograph Series. Mac states that this conference trebled at least, the amount of information available on alcohol and culture in Oceania.

C. The Hawaii Geographic Society has published a map of the Pacific called The New Pacific which illustrates all of the new political boundaries. Anyone interested in obtaining a copy should write to, Hawaii Geographic Society, Post office Box 1698, Honolulu, Hawaii 96806.

D. Members who wish to get on the mailing list of Pacificana, a publication listing new, used, and out-of-print books on the Pacific, should write to, Pacificana, P.O. Box 398, Jamestown, NC 27282.

E. The Compact of Free Association, initialed in October/November 1980 by Micronesian and American negotiators, is available from the Micronesian Support Committee. They also have available the three subsidiary agreements for Belau dealing with 1) military use; 2) harmful substances; and 3) law of the sea. For the Federated States of Micronesia the two subsidiary agreements dealing with 1) law of the sea; and 2) harmful substances are...
available. Copying and postage costs for the Compact are $3.50; for the Belau agreements $1.50; and for the FSM agreements $.75. For copies write to, Micronesian Support Committee, 1212 University Ave., Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

X. P.S. TO WORKING SESSION ON FOLKTALES AND SOCIAL STRUCTURE

At the San Diego meetings, Mike Lieber circulated a useful position statement on the kind of controlled comparison which seems to the organizers (see page 7) desirable for a more sharply defined working session in 1982.
ANNUAL DUES

Annual Dues for Fellows and members of ASAO were established by the Board of Directors in February 1978 at the rate of $15.00 US, and $10.00 US per annum for students. In addition, it was established that MARCH would be the month in which annual dues for individuals became payable.

Many individuals who have not paid their dues continue to receive the Newsletter. This practice will cease once the records are updated. To prevent cancellation of your membership, please pay your dues immediately.

Please use the tear-off section below so that we may correct any errors in our mailing list. Foreign members are urged to remit dues in U.S. funds or their exchange equivalent. Your cancelled check will serve as a receipt.

Since Don Mitchell will be assuming the office of Secretary in July, it is best to mail your dues directly to him at the below address: