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I. IN THIS ISSUE

Roster of board members and election results, list of officers, Annual Meeting's (Salem) updates, Meetings' Reservation form, General News, bibliographic notes.

II. FROM THE EDITOR

This is my first issue of the Newsletter. I am in the unenviable position of trying to maintain the high standards of efficiency and clarity established by Terry Hays during his tenure as editor. On behalf of the membership, I would like to express our gratitude to Terry and wish him well on his Australian sojourn. I hope I can count on the help and patience of the membership while I learn how to best perform my editorial role. This is also the only issue which will be produced at Franklin and Marshall College as I leave to take up an appointment at the University of Southern Mississippi. Hopefully, this very mobile newsletter (five addresses in less than two years) will find a home there. All communications for inclusion in the Newsletter should be addressed to me there at: Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Southern Mississippi, Box 5074, Hattiesburg, MS 39406. Urgent enquiries will reach me at (601) 266-4306. All materials for inclusion in the Fall 1984 issue must be in my hands by October 15, 1984, and for inclusion in the Winter 1985 issue by January 15, 1985.

III. ASAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS (RECENT ELECTIONS)

A slate of five candidates was presented to fill two vacancies on the Board. Congratulations on their election are in order for Mac Marshall and Daniel Hughes.

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IV. TRANSFER OF SECRETARY-TREASURERSHIP

Jim Boutilier will take over the reins of the secretary-treasurership from Don Mitchell in August. Change of address information and all subscription and membership matters should be addressed to him at Dept. of History and Political Theory, Royal Roads Military College, FMO Victoria, B.C. Canada. VOS 1BO.

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V. UPDATES ON SESSIONS FOR THE SALEM MEETINGS (1985)

The following is a list of new sessions, and status changes for ongoing sessions. Consult your Spring 1984 Newsletter for reports on the Molokai sessions and for Guidelines for session organizers.

A. PROPOSED INFORMAL SESSION: "France in the Pacific" (Organizers: Victoria Joralemon (Smith), Allan Hanson (Kansas) and Paula Levin (Kamehameha Educational Research Institute).

Victoria Joralemon, Allan Hanson, and Paula Levin propose an informal session at the 1985 annual meetings tentatively titled, "France in the Pacific". The session will focus on the impact of French colonialism and the continuing French presence in the island societies comprising the Territory of French Polynesia (Society Islands, Marquesas, Austral Islands, Tuamotus) and New Caledonia (as well as any other island where French influence has been felt). An underlying assumption of the session will be that processes of social change in these regions of the Pacific, as well as the nature of island societies, can be understood largely in terms of the direct interventionist and social engineering policies of the French government (and its local representatives). It is our aim to examine not only the implications of past and present French influence, but to project the future consequences for island societies. We hope to elicit papers and discussion on a broad range of topics from changes in worldview/cognitive orientation to changes in indigenous economic systems. The organizers, themselves, represent interests including the impact of government-planned, economic development policy in French Polynesia, the implementation of the French educational system in rural island communities, and change in indigenous political institutions. If we have a sufficient breadth of areas and topics, we can potentially consider the differential impact of French colonialism on Melanesian and Polynesian societies.

All interested participants are encouraged to send a brief sketch of interests, topic to be presented, and suggestions to either Victoria Joralemon, Department of Anthropology, Smith College, Northampton, Mass. 01063, or Allan Hanson, Department of Anthropology, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas 66045.
B. PROPOSED INFORMAL SESSION: "Openers of the Womb: The Concept of Primogeniture in Pacific Cultures (Organizer: Naomi Scaletta (McMaster University).

"Sanctify unto me all the firstborn, whatsoever openeth the womb among the children of Israel, both of man and beast: it is mine...thou shalt set apart unto the Lord all that openeth the matrix, and every firstling that cometh of a beast which thou hast; the males shall be the Lord's."
(Exodus 13:2,12)

The uniqueness of the firstborn child, particularly a male firstborn, is a deeply ingrained ideological phenomenon, not only in Western cultures, but also, for example, in Chinese, Hindu, and African cultures. Scattered throughout the literature on Pacific societies are references to firstborns (often no more than brief asides made by the authors) that lead me to believe that the syndrome of primogeniture is a pervasive theme in Pacific cultures, worthy of closer attention on our part.

The informal session on this topic will be oriented to an exchange of information and ideas pertaining to the concept of primogeniture in the Pacific. Interested participants might like to consider such things as: the celebration of firstborns, "first-fruits", and first achievements (e.g. Bateson's Naven); or, the sociocultural implications of the fact that it is the first birth which confers the status of parenthood, and that every filial group must have a firstborn (and a lastborn). The unique status of the firstborn is represented in terms of address, special rights, privileges, and obligations, these latter often distinguish the firstborn legally and politically as rightful heir and successor to various offices and statuses. We might also consider firstborn-ness and notions of cultural and personal identity; firstborns as exemplars, i.e., Firth's "theory of representative status" in Tikopia; notions of cosmology and the human developmental cycle, i.e., the transmission of vital essence from ancestors (grandparents) to present generation (parents) to future progeny (firstborns), and the implications of this metaphysic for concepts of place, identity, notions of immortality, etc. We might also consider the idiom of primogeniture or 'firsts', and the manner in which that idiom finds expression in various sociocultural phenomena. By way of contrast we could explore attitudes and beliefs about the lastborn ("closer of the womb") vis-a-vis the ideology of primogeniture.

Hardly a definitive list, but enough to start us thinking about the topic. I am sure most of us have data pertaining to primogeniture in some guise or another, however, I suspect that this data has been subsumed under such topics as inheritance, succession, initiation rites (male), and so on. Interested participants should send a brief note with intentions and suggestions to me as soon as possible. (Mailing Address: 305-893 Bute St. Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6E 1Y6).
C. PROPOSED WORKING SESSION: "The Fresh and the Tinned: Food Choices in the Pacific: (Organizers: Lorraine Sexton (Phila. Health Management Corp.) and Mimi Kahn (Bryn Mawr)."

Pacific peoples' food habits are being altered drastically. Changes in subsistence patterns, availability of money, and the introduction of imported foods are development-related factors that contribute to this situation. The goal of this session is to examine changing food patterns from a variety of viewpoints. The session is intended to generate discussion among people who analyze food choices from nutritional, ecological, symbolic, and development perspectives. All food-related behaviors will be considered: production, exchange, marketing, purchasing, and consumption.

Please send paper abstracts by September 15 to Miriam Kahn, Anthropology Department, Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 or Lorraine Sexton, Research Division, Philadelphia Health Management Corporation, 841 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107. Completed papers must be circulated to all participants by January 20.

D. PROPOSED WORKING SESSION: "Gambling in Oceania" (Organizers: Jane Goodale (Bryn Mawr) and Laura Zimmer (Bryn Mawr)."

The organizers of this session (described in the Spring Newsletter 1984) are upgrading it from an informal to a proposed working session. Interested or committed participants are asked to submit an abstract or 2 page synopsis, with Title, by October 15. While many participants have data on card-playing, Mac Marshall's paper will focus on Bingo on Namaluk Atoll. The organizers are particularly interested to see proposed papers on dice or darts and on the history of indigenous games of chance. David Hayano has agreed to act as discussant.

All communications should be sent to: Laura Zimmer, Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010.

E. PROPOSED SYMPOSIUM: "Emerging Legal Systems in Pacific Societies: The Blending of Indigenous and Introduced Elements (Organizers: Daniel Hughes (O.S.U.) and Stanley Laughlin (O.S.U.)."

Emerging Legal Systems...which ran as a working session at the 1984 Molokai meetings will reconvene as a symposium in Salem. Laughlin and Hughes have already assembled a list of 26 committed participants and some additional interested parties. A deadline of October 31, has been established for the circulation of papers. Peter Lawrence has agreed to act as discussant and a nationwide search is in progress for at least one other discussant.

The ASAO Guidelines suggest that for formal symposia there be a central, unifying theme which all of the papers should address. The purpose of such a theme is to make the discussions at the symposium more meaningful and also to make any published collection of the papers something more than just an anthology of writings falling loosely under a similar topic. We believe that the ideal theme for the formal symposium contained in the sub-title of the working-session: "The Blending of
Indigenous and Introduced Elements." Every Pacific society discussed at the working session has in some fashion or other had to come to grips with the issue of reconciling introduced legal procedures and in some cases substantive law (necessitated by increasing complexity of their social systems and more extensive involvement with the world community) on the one hand, and the well-justified desires of the people to preserve the essential elements of their traditional cultures, including customary law and dispute-resolution processes, on the other.

While keeping this general theme of blending indigenous and introduced elements, we want to suggest a further focus for the theme. We would like the symposium to focus on the emerging legal systems and to address particularly this question: How do the emerging legal systems of the Pacific nation states establish themselves (or fail to establish themselves) as effective and legitimate institutions in contemporary society? We believe that almost all of the sub-themes that surfaced at the Molokai working session can be addressed from the perspective of the establishment of the legal systems as effective and legitimate institutions in contemporary society. These sub-themes include: (1) the emergence and the relation of national legal systems and of local, indigenous legal systems; (2) the codification of indigenous laws or legal procedures; (3) the incorporation of indigenous elements in the process of the contemporary legal systems rather than in a code of the contemporary legal systems; and (4) the role of indigenous leaders in the contemporary legal systems.

In summary then, we propose that the following question serve as the unifying theme for the formal symposium in Salem. "How do the emerging legal systems of the Pacific nation states establish themselves (or fail to establish themselves) as effective and legitimate institutions in contemporary society as they blend indigenous and introduced elements?"

Interested parties should contact Dan Hughes, Dept. of Anthropology, O.S.U., Rm. 244 Lord Hall, 124 W. 17th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43210-1364 or Stanley Laughlin, Jr., College of Law, O.S.U., Rm. 236 Law Building, 1659 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43210.

VI. IN MEMORIUM

It is with deep personal regret that we note the death of Edwin A. Cook, Professor of Anthropology, Florida State University, Tallahassee, at his home in Florida. Ed was an active member of ASAO and brought his keen mind and his sense of humor to many of our discussions. On behalf of the membership, I would like to extend our sympathies to Susan Pflantz-Cook. We have lost a great colleague and a fine friend.

VII. GENERAL NEWS

A. Christopher Smith has completed an M.A. Thesis in Anthropology at the University of Iowa in May 1984. The thesis is entitled "The Impact of Cultural Expectation on Kava-Induced Behavior."

B. Jeff Siegel of the Linguistics Department, Research School of Pacific Studies, is trying to track down some tape recordings of Solomon Islanders living in Fiji made by Peter Corris in 1968. The tapes contain information in his book Passage, Port and Plantation, but Jeff wants to do a linguistic analysis (he is working on Pidgin English and Pidgin Fijian in Fiji).
Peter Corris says he lent them to "an American scholar" many years ago and lost track of them. If anyone has any clues or is interested in some anthropological sleuthing, they can contact Jeff at the Linguistics Department, RSPS, A.N.U., C.P.O. Box 4, Canberra, A.C.T. 2601, Australia.

To increase your sense of urgency, Jeff informs me, that the last Solomon Islander who actually went to Fiji as an indentured laborer, Joji Abunio, died in December 1982. Jeff has conducted a number of interviews with Abunio but the tapes would add considerably to his data base.

C. A NEW ASSOCIATION! The Pacific Studies Association recently convened its first annual meeting in San Francisco under the aegis of the American Historical Association. Three scholars presented papers on various aspects of missionization: James Boutilier, Royal Roads Military College, presented "We Fear Not the Ultimate Triumph: Factors Effecting the Conversion Phase of 19th Century Missionary Endeavors in the South Pacific;" Char Miller, Trinity University, gave a paper entitled "Domesticity Abroad: Work and Family in the Sandwich Island Mission;" and Charles Forman, Yale University delivered "Playing Catch Up Ball: A History of Financial Dependence in Pacific Island Churches." The three essays will be published by The Edwin Mellen Press (Toronto and New York) in its symposium series (working title: Missions and Missionaries in the Pacific).

The Business meeting which followed the presentations was a successful effort to establish the PSA. An Executive Committee was named, including: Jerry Loveland, Director of the Institute for Polynesian Studies, Professor Charles Forman, Professor James Boutilier and, serving as chair of the Committee, Char Miller. After that, the purposes of the organization were discussed and its goals for the future debated. The object of the PSA is to encourage the interdisciplinary study of the history and culture of the Pacific, a region defined as Polynesia, Melanesia, Micronesia and adjacent areas. The PSA will also encourage research concentrating on the connections between Pacific Rim countries, colonial powers and the insular Pacific Islands. Membership is open to all who share this interest, and, if interested, should contact: Char Miller, History Department, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX 78284, USA.

Finally, the Executive Committee is in the process of setting up next year's meeting and program and will announce them soon, and, in addition, is presently framing the PSA bylaws: these will be brought before the membership for approval in due course.

D. Congratulations are in order to Dr. Jocelyn Linnekin who assumes a position as Assistant Professor of Anthropology at the University of Hawaii.

(Item courtesy of the Hawaiian Anthropological Association.-Ed.)

E. Papua New Guinea Research: On his recent visit to the U.S., Bill Wormsley advised us of the formation in the Madang Province of the Provincial Research Committee. The cooperation of all scholars intending to do research in Madang would be greatly appreciated. The Committee's brief is as follows:
This Committee would control all researchers/researches in the Province regardless of their nature, by people from within and outside the Country. This is to ensure that the researches done correlate with our research priority which is to be developed in the near future and, furthermore, that researches will be relevant to the local communities, the Province and to the nation as a whole both now and in the future.

Persons intending to do research in the Province must submit a copy of their research proposal to the Committee through relevant affiliating Institutions, Government Departments or Statutory Bodies, for consideration and probable approval or rejection by the Provincial Executive Council before, actually coming into the Province.

Our research conditions are still in first draft and, as mentioned previously, our research priority is yet to be developed. Once finalized, copies will be circulated to the appropriate bodies.

E. Pacific History Conference

The Pacific History Conference, organized by the Pacific History Association (PHA) in association with the University of the South Pacific and other institutions, will be held in Suva from 20 to 25 June 1985. The program will include contributions in archaeology, oral history, ethno-history and related subjects. This will be a major meeting with significant numbers of people expected from many countries.

There is a registration fee of U.S. $10 and all interested persons are welcome. The PHA membership fee is $10.00 per year.

The program includes visits to historic centres, with symposia actually taking place at those centres. In Suva, while the main focus will be of the University of South Pacific, some symposia will be held at the Fiji Museum, the Pacific Theological College and other locations.

There are likely to be group discount fares available from Australia and New Zealand, and possibly Papua New Guinea, and if there is sufficient interest from North America, group discount fares could also be arranged from there - at least from Hawaii to Fiji. Cheap accommodations will be arranged for those who want it. Further information can be obtained from members of the convening committee (Mr. Malama Meleisea, Dr. David Routledge or Dr. Robbie Robertson at the School of Social and Economic Development, University of the South Pacific, Box 1168, Suva, Fiji) or from the President of the Pacific History Association (Prof. Ron Crocombe, Director, Institute of Pacific Studies, University of the South Pacific, Box 1168, Suva, Fiji).

F. Deborah Gewertz and Fred Errington will be returning to Amherst College and Keene State College (respectively) in late December from their extended stays in Australia. The ANU Gender Group is reported to have been extremely successful; a first volume of papers, Dealing with Inequality, is being edited by Marilyn Strathern; a second conference and volume are currently being planned, focusing on "re-examining the Significance of Myths of Matriarchy." The session and volume are being organized by Debbie Gewertz.
G. Request from Ambassador Lohia

His Excellency Ambassador Renagi Lohia has recently drawn attention to problems in the image of Papua New Guinea presented by the international press. He has requested that anthropologists take a more active role in countering this image.

The recent coverage of the Pope's visit to P.N.G. is an excellent case in point. Newspaper articles, television flashes, and radio reports, which are aimed at supposedly educated and enlightened people, all portrayed only images of a primitive country overrun by tribal warfare. Most often emphasized, for example, were facts such as the number of bare-breasted women or of feathered and painted men who greeted the Pope. That the people of Papua New Guinea are proud of their traditions, that they certainly distinguish between occasions for wearing traditional dress and those for sporting Western clothing, and that they dressed in traditional style on purpose in order to honor the Pope, were never explained.

Mr. Lohia would like anthropologists to react to these inaccurate, sensation-seeking images of P.N.G. If we are not able to be good spokespeople for the country, who can be? There are many ways in which we can respond to his request. We can practice accurate publicity in our academic writing, in our teaching, by writing to newspapers and television stations which portray faulty images, and by being honest when we converse with people who are not familiar with the country.

VIII. BIBLIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

A. In a continuing effort to chronicle the intellectual history of ASAO, Mac Marshall has forwarded the following complete list of all book reviews of all ASAO Monographs published to date, a list of Special Issues of journals resulting from ASAO Working Sessions or Symposia, and a list of edited volumes published outside the ASAO Monograph Series that saw their origin in ASAO sessions. Please send any additions to these lists to Mac Marshall, Dept. of Anthropology, Univ. of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 52242.

1. REVIEWS OF ASAO MONOGRAPHS

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ASAO No. 7. The Pacification of Melanesia, edited by Margaret C. Rodman and Matthew Cooper.


ASAO No. 9. Middlemen and Brokers in Oceania, edited by William Rodman and Dorothy Counts.


**Combined review of ASAO Nos. 2, 5, and 6.


2. SPECIAL ISSUES OF JOURNALS RESULTING FROM ASAO WORKING SESSIONS AND/OR SYMPOSIA


3. EDITED COLLECTIONS OUTSIDE THE ASAO MONOGRAPH SERIES DERIVED FROM ASAO WORKING SESSIONS AND/OR SYMPOSIA


Recent Publications from the Institute of Pacific Studies. Ron Crocombe writes that the following list of items (with brief descriptions) will be of interest to the members. They are available from the University of the South Pacific, Box 1168, Suva, Fiji. Prices are in Fijian dollars.

1. **Land Tenure in Vanuatu**
   A book of 87 pages containing 12 chapters by ni-Vanuatu and other authors, it gives the most comprehensive coverage to date of land tenure and land policy in that complex nation. It is available from book shops or from IPS for F$4.00.

2. **Pacific Constitutions: Volume I Polynesia**
   The first volume of constitutions (mainly by facsimile reprint) of Polynesia, Melanesia and Micronesia, contains constitutions of all Polynesian nations and territories (American Samoa, Cook Islands, Easter Island, French Polynesia, Hawaii, New Zealand, Niue, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Wallis and Futuna and Western Samoa). Being a very large book (A4, or double the normal book size), and 508 pages, and a very limited print run (500), copies are being supplied only to national libraries. Copies are available from bookshops or from IPS for F$15.00.

3. **Atiu: An Island Community**
   This book of 224 pages is a community study by people of the community concerned in the Cook Islands. Is available from bookshops or from IPS for F$7.00.

4. **Samoa 100 Years Ago and Long Before**
   This is one of the most famous historical books ever written on Samoa, published exactly 100 years ago, long since out of print. It was reprinted by IPS and is now being available from bookshops or from IPS at F$8.00.

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6. **Solomon Islands Politics**
   This book, the first major study of politics of Solomon Islands, contains contributions from a wide range of political leaders including former Prime Minister Sir Peter Kenilorea, the present Finance Minister Bart Ulufa'alu and various other Solomon Islanders both inside and outside political organizations as well as by overseas academics. The book is introduced and recommended by Governor General Sir Baddeley Devesi. It's available from bookshops or from IPS for F$8.00.
7. **Local Government in Fiji**

This study under the title "Divided We Stand" by Ropate Qalo is probably the first publicly available study of the subject. Further copies can be obtained from bookshops or from IPS for F$4.00.

8. **Politics in Micronesia**

This is the last of a series of four. "Politics in Melanesia", "Politics in Polynesia", "Politics in Micronesia" and "Foreign Forces in Pacific Politics" have already been published. This latest volume, of 168 pages, illustrated, is available from bookshops or from IPS for F$8.00.

9. **Bina Bina: A Solomon Island War Canoe**

This beautiful study of a nearly lost art was written by Rev. Robert Pule of his own community at Gela in the central Solomon Islands. It is published by IPS in association with Extension Services and the South Pacific Creative Arts Society. Of 40 pages, it is available from bookshops or IPS for F$5.00 or from the USP Centre, Honiara, Solomon Islands.

10. **The South Pacific: An Introduction**

This book by R.G. Crocombe has been greatly revised, lengthened by 50 per cent, and reprinted. Originally published as "The New South Pacific" by Reed Education in association with USP in 1973, it was revised and reprinted in 1979 and has been out of print for some time. The new book, of 245 pages, is available from bookshops or from IPS for F$9.00.

11. **Food and Nutrition Development in the South Pacific**

This book of 144 pages and generously illustrated, on the vital topic of nutrition, food production and distribution, includes chapters by Sisilia Talagi, Param Sivan, Epeli Hau'ofa, Randi Thaman and others. The book was edited by Randi Thaman and William Clarke who have requested IPS to handle marketing. The book is available from bookshops or from IPS for F$3.00.

C. The recent issue of The Windsor Yearbook of Access to Justice, Volume 3, 1983 contains a number of papers of interest to those working on law in the Pacific: George Westermarck on Agarabi; Donald Brenneis on Fiji; Richard Scaglion on the Abelam, and Carter Bentley on the Philippines.

D. Princeton University Press has announced the impending publication of Peasants, Subsistence Ecology and Development in Papua New Guinea by Larry Gross.


F. Forthcoming Oceania Monograph, The History of New Guinea Oceania Monograph 28, edited by Deborah Gewertz and Edward Schieffelin. (This volume includes the papers from the ASAO Symposium at Hilton Head.)
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IX. 1985 Meetings--Deadlines Reminder

Detailed descriptions of ASAO session criteria may be found in your Spring 1984 (volume L) issue of the Newsletter. For those of us who may still be contemplating organizing a session, the following deadlines reminder may prove useful.

INFORMAL SESSIONS: A brief description of the focus of the session should be in the hands of the Program Chairman and the Newsletter Editor by October 15, 1984.

WORKING SESSIONS: The deadline for new sessions has already passed. Organizers must forward to the Program Chairman the names, paper titles, copies of abstracts/synopses of all papers by December 1, 1984.

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