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Final Program and Session Schedule for 1985 meetings, general news and bibliographic notes, ASAO Monograph bargain.

II. FROM THE EDITOR

Response to the editor's rather sarcastically worded plea for additional contributions to the Newsletter was encouraging. Among the more perceptive comments received was that of Katherine Luomala who suggested that the editor might get a greater supply of letters if he weren't too shy to include his name and address in the issue. For those who are anxiously awaiting this information and who have items just ready to send, please forward them to me, Jim Flanagan, ASAO Newsletter Editor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Southern Mississippi, Southern Station Box 5074, Hattiesburg, MS 39406. All items for inclusion in the Spring 1985 Newsletter should be in my hands by April 15, 1985.

Change of address information and all membership and subscription matters should be addressed to: Jim Boutilier, Royal Roads Military College, FMO Victoria, B.C., Canada VOS 1B0.

III. FINAL PROGRAM AND SESSION SCHEDULE

The 1985 Annual Meeting of ASAO will be held at the Hawthorne Inn, Salem, Mass., with sessions beginning on Wednesday March 6 at 8:00 pm (Plenary Session) and running through Sunday morning, March 10. Registration begins at 9:00 am on Wednesday March 6. General information and hotel reservation forms can be found in your Summer and Fall 1984 issues of the Newsletter. Dorothy Counts, once more, has labored long and hard to produce an excellent program. This year's meeting includes 14 regular sessions plus a film series. The address of His Excellency Ambassador Renagi Lohia of Papua New Guinea should prove to be one of the highlights of the meeting. The title of Ambassador Lohia's address is "Intellectual Colonization of Pacific Peoples and the Need for its Eradication."
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Note: The times listed are approximate and subject to change.
LIST OF SESSIONS AND PARTICIPANTS

This year’s two Symposia are listed first, followed by the five Working Sessions, and finally the seven Informal Sessions.

SYMPOSIUM I: Emerging Legal Systems in Pacific Societies

Organizers: Dan Hughes (Ohio State) and Stanley Laughlin (Ohio State)
Participants:

David Akin "Codifying 'Kastom' in East Kwaio, Malaita."
James Boutilier "The Law of England has come: the application of British and custom law in the British Solomon Islands Protectorate."
James Flanagan "Lo Bilong Gavman, Lo Bilong Misin, na Lo Bilong Tumbuna: restructuring the domain of law on the Highlands' fringe."
Daniel Hughes and Stanley Laughlin, Jr. "Custom and Law in the Federated States of Micronesia."
Sherwood Lingenfelter "In the Court or in the Village? Settling disputes in Yap."
Jerry Loveland "Political Legitimacy in Western Samoa."
Karen Nero "Who has the Say? Emerging Political and Legal Institutions in the Republic of Palau."
Glenn Petersen "What were the Ponapeans voting against? Ponape-FSM relations and the vote for independence in the 1983 plebiscite."

William Rodman "'A Law Unto Themselves': Legal Innovations in Ambae, Vanuatu."
George Westermarck "Fighting the Queen's men: Legal change in the Papua New Guinea Highlands."

Paper titles for Anne Tietjen, DeVerne Smith, and Sharon Tiffany who are listed as participants were not available at the time of writing.

Discussants: Peter Lawrence and Morris Freilich

SYMPOSIUM II: Formulations of Cultural Identity in the Pacific

Organizers: Lin Poyer (Michigan) and Jocelyn Linnekin (Hawaii)
Participants:

Jocelyn Armstrong "Maori identity in the South Island of New Zealand: ethnic identity development in a migration context."
Michele Dominy "'To Forge a Distinctive New Zealand Identity from a Maori Point of View': feminist expression of Maoritanga."
Juliana Flinn "'We Still have our Customs': being Pulapese in contemporary Truk."
John Kirkpatrick "Ethnicity in Marquesan Ideology and Social Practice."
Joan Larcom "Custom by Decree: Legitimation crisis in Vanuatu."
Larry W. Mayo "The Politics of Ethnicity in Urban Guam."
Ali Pomponio  "Seagulls don't fly into the Bush: cultural identity and the negation of development on Mandok Island, Papua New Guinea."

Jocelyn Linnekin  "The Politics of Culture in Oceania."

Lin Poyer  "Being Ngatikese: maintenance of a cultural identity."

Karen Sinclair  "Tangi: Maori funeral rituals and the maintenance of identity."

William Tagupa  "Negotiating Hawaiian Cultural Identity: transactions in changing resources and shifting boundaries."

James B. Watson  "Other People do other Things."

Mike Lieber  "Lamarckian Definitions of Ethnicity of Kapingamarangi and Ponape."

also participating: Myrna Tonkinson

WORKING SESSION I: Forms of Anger in Oceania

Organizers: Catherine Lutz (SUNY/Binghamton) and Fitz John Poole (UCSD)

Participants:

Suzanne Falgout  "The quiet of the fierce barracuda: anger in Ponape."

John Kirkpatrick  "Anger and social control in the Marquesas Islands."

Catherine Lutz  " 'Justifiable anger' as morality and ideology on Ifaluk."

Susan Montague  "Anger and control: Trobriand manipulations of desire."

Fred Myers  "Anger among the Pitupi."

Fitz John Porter Poole  "Anger and suicide in Truk."

Geoffrey White  "Images of violence and anger in a gentle society."

Discussant: Renato Rosaldo

WORKING SESSION II: Gambling in Oceania

Organizers: Jane Goodale (Bryn Mawr) and Laura Zimmer (Bryn Mawr)

Participants:

Jane Goodale  "Gambling is hard work."

David Hayano  "Awa card gambling and the urbanization of returning labor migrants."

Mac Marshall  "Bingo! Gambling and the new economic order on Namoluk Atoll."

Mary McCutcheon  "Musing clubs in Palau."

Robert L. Rubenstein  "The last of 'last card'?: will it last?"

Lorraine Sexton  "Any (?) number can play: gambling, financial strategy and social disapproval."

Jerome Smith  "Gambling on world views: Rotanese cock fighting as cultural drama."

Robert L. Welsch  "Why don't Ningerum gamble?"

Laura Zimmer  "Pig feasts and card games: systems of reciprocity among the Gende people in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea."
WORKING SESSION III: The World System and Pacific People

Organizer: Matthew Cooper (McMaster)
Participants:

Jill Grant, Hisafumi Saito and Marty Zelenietz "Development and business in a Papua New Guinea Community."
David Counts "Penetrating the periphery: world system expansion in West New Britain."
Dan Jorgensen "Labor migration and village life in Telefomin."
Angela Gillian "Ethnographic film versus cinematic literature in Papua New Guinea."
Margaret Rodman "From a coconut OPEC to kopro man."
Richard Feinberg "Custom and development on Nukumanu Atoll."
Victoria Joralemon "The growth of social stratification during welfare and equity-oriented agricultural development: Tubuai."

Also Participating: Jim Boutilier and Tim O'Meara

WORKING SESSION IV: The Fresh and the Tinned: Food Choices and Pacific Development

Organizers: Lorraine Sexton (Phila. Health Management Corp.) and Mimi Kahn (Bryn Mawr)
Participants:

Lorraine Sexton "Eat, drink, and spend money in the Daulo, PNG."
Miriam Kahn "Taro or rice: political aspects of food choices in Wamira, PNG."
James Peoples "Wage labor and food choices in a Micronesian village."
David L. Pelletier "Socioeconomic correlates of Western food use by Western Samoan households."
Nancy Pollock "The role of the market in the sale of foodstuffs: a comparison between Tonga and Papeete."
Christine O'Meara "The network behind Guam's fiesta."
Mary McCutcheon "Fresh fruits and vegetables in Palau: trends in agricultural decisions."
Laurence Carucci and Mary H. Maiefeld "Food categories and nutrition in the outer Marshallese Islands."
Jonathan Friedlaender, Lot Page, John Rhoads, and Karen Curtis, "Nutrition, health and development in eight Solomon Islands Communities."

Also participating: Paul Dahlquist

WORKING SESSION V: The Pacific Theatre: Island Representations of World War II

Organizers: Geoffrey White (East-West Center) and Monty Lindstrom
Participants:

Laurence Carucci "The source of 'The Force' in Marshallese cosmology."
Chuck de Burlo "Tourism and rememberance of the War in changing perceptions of international relations and in the quality of tourism in Melanesia."
Judith FitzPatrick  "Torres Straits Islanders in the Pacific War."
Wari Iamo  "The Trauma of World War II and the Impact it had on
the observers and the Participants: The experience of
World War II among the people of the Keakapo society of
Central Province.
David Gego and Karen Watson-Gego  "Malaita accounts of the War."
Maria Lepowsky  "War recollections on Vanatinai, PNG."
Monty Lindstrom  "Working the War: oral histories of World War II from
Tanna, Vanuatu."
Goeffrey White  "Wartime encounters: perspectives on World War II in
Santa Isabel, Solomon Islands."
Marty Zelenietz and Hisafumi Saito  "Both sides now: Kilenge perspectives
on the Second World War."
Also Participating: Jim Boutiliar, and Linette Poyer

INFORMAL SESSION I: Suicide in Oceania

Organizers: Geoffrey White (East-West Center) and Donald Rubenstein (East-West Center)

Participants:

David Akin  Kwaio, Malaita
Dorothy Counts  Kaliai, New Britain
David Gego and Karen Watson-Gego  Kwara'ae, Malaita
William McKellin  Managalase
Fitz John Poole  Bimin Kuskusmin
Donald Rubenstein  Truk
Goeffrey White  Discussant

No paper titles supplied

INFORMAL SESSION II: France in the Pacific

Organizer: Vickie Joralemon (Smith)

Participants:

Charles Forman  "The impact of French colonial policy on the churches of
Tahiti and New Caledonia."
Paula Levin  "Localizing education: does it make a difference?
(Tubuai French Polynesia)."
Lamont Lindstrom  "John Frum à la Francaise (Tanna, Vanuatu)."
Angela Gillian  "New Caledonia: Immigration and apartheid in the Pacific."
Victoria Joralemon  "Neo-colonial development strategies and their impact
on rural economies in French Polynesia (Tubuai)."
Ambassador Renagi Lohia  "Decolonization of French territories in the Pacific
(New Caledonia)."

INFORMAL SESSION III: Beyond the Village

Organizer: Anton Ploeg (Utrecht)

No list of participants supplied.
INFORMAL SESSION IV: Openers of the Womb: The Concept of Primogeniture in the Pacific

Organizer: Naomi Scaletta (McMaster)
Participants:

Naomi Scaletta  "Issues and ideas: primogeniture in Bariai, West New Britain."
Jane Fajans  "The Baining: the creation of parenthood and the family through either the birth or adoption of a first child."
Ali Pomponio  "Children of value: the Mandok (Siassi Island) emphasis on primogeniture as a major feature of a social system."
Kathleen Barlow  "The dynamics of siblingship and the first born in Murik, Sepik River."
David Lipset  "The symbolism of the first born in jural life in Murik, Sepik River."
Patricia Townsend  "The Saniyo-Hiyewe, East Sepik Province system of birth order terms that structures myths, lineage organization, kin terms and personal names."
Jennifer Blythe  "The Bali-Vitu Islands, West New Britain: firstborns and ceremony/decline of ceremony."
Jill Nash  "The Nagovisi and other groups of Bougainville, North Solomons Province: firstborn introductory rites and relation of firstborn to emergent social hierarchies based on relative age, sex and rank."

INFORMAL SESSION VI: New Ireland and Environs: History and Ethnography

Organizer: Dorothy Billings (Wichita State)

No list of participants supplied

INFORMAL SESSION VII: Socio-Cultural Dimensions of Literacy in Oceania

Organizer: Niko Besnier (USC)

No list of participants supplied.

Informal session organizers are still actively soliciting contributors in most cases. Information on the organizers and session outlines can be found in the Summer and Fall 1984 issues of the Newsletter. Please contact the session organizers at the addresses given in those issues.

OTHER ITEMS ON THE 1985 MEETING AGENDA

ASSOCIATION ADDRESS: His Excellency Renagi Lohia, Papua New Guinea Ambassador to the United States, will address the association on Thursday, March 7, at 5:00 pm. The title of Ambassador Lohia's talk is: "Intellectual Colonization of Pacific Peoples and the Need for its Eradication."
A BUFFET DINNER has been arranged for 6:00 pm on Wednesday, March 6, at Food For Thought. The cost is $13.00 per person. A cocktail bar and wine is being provided by the Peabody Museum. The proposed menu (below) should provide food for thought through the cold month of February.

**ENTREE**

Choice of:

- Chicken Breast with Fresh Mushrooms in a Dijon Mustard/Sour Cream Sauce over a bed of Rice
- OR
- Beef Bourguignon - Prime Sirloin Tips in a Sauce of Red Wine and Seasonings with Pearl Onions and Small White Potatoes

PLUS

- Fresh Carrots dressed with a Dill Butter,
- Fresh Green Salad with an Herb Vinaigrette
- Rolls and Butter
- Mocha Almond Cake

**ETHNOGRAPHIC DRESS CONTEST:** The annual ethnographic dress contest will be held on Saturday Night, March 9.

The Program Chair and the Series Editor are delighted to announce that anonymous but generous sugar daddies (or mommies, as the case may be) have donated two valuable prizes for the winners of this year’s contest. The prizes will go to the two persons whom the judges (as yet unnamed but guaranteed to be highly corrupt) select as being most authentically dressed in the costume of the people they work with. The contest will be conducted in the same serious and dignified manner instituted last year in our laplap contest.

****Potential participants please note: neither of the two winners of last year's Laplap Contest were wearing laplaps. Prepare accordingly.

**IV. GENERAL NEWS AND BIBLIOGRAPHIC NOTES**

A. As part of a larger project on World War II ethnohistory, Geoffrey White and Lamont Lindstrom are preparing a collection of Pacific islander songs about their war experiences. They plan to publish with commentary from 50 to 100 of these songs from all parts of the Pacific. The songs they have collected to date serve as small texts which provide an excellent record and interpretation of events, cross-cultural relations, and emotions generated during the War. They are also documenting, where possible background information on the composition and performance and collection of each song. If anyone has songs recorded in fieldnotes or on tape (in a vernacular, Pidgin, Japanese, French, or English) please contact Geoff and Lamont at the Institute of Culture and Communication, East-West Center, 1777 East-West road, Honolulu, Hawaii 96848. Both Lamont and Geoff will be at the Salem meetings; those with songs, comments and/or questions can get in touch with them there.
Vol. 6
Mission, Church and Sect in Oceania
James A. Boutilier, Sharon Tiffany and Daniel T. Hughes, eds.
500 pp.

Paper at Members’ discount price $15.60

Highlighting the complexity and variability of missionization in Oceania, this volume unites contributors from various backgrounds, including anthropologists, historians and missionaries, in a truly interdisciplinary endeavour.

The book “is a nicely integrated anthology where the themes clearly emerge. The overall quality of contributions is notably high.” Journal of the Polynesian Society

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B. Raymond Firth has completed work on his Tikopia-English Dictionary. The camera-ready copy is in the hands of Auckland University Press and the dictionary will be available in early 1985. The dictionary has not only a substantial work-list, with English glosses, but also copious examples of Tikopia usage, from everyday speech as well as from formal ritual utterances, songs and explanations of practice and belief. Professor Firth writes: "I have prepared it as an anthropologist, not as a linguist, so the weight of analysis is on the social significance of the linguistic material."

Professor Firth is now turning his attention to a study of Tikopia songs, of which he has over 300 texts and is hoping to prepare about 200 of these, both dance songs and laments, for possible publication complete with translation and commentary. The work should take a couple of years. Dr. Firth expresses his regret that he is no longer able to attend the meetings.

I believe the members of the association join with me in wishing Dr. Firth every success with his new undertaking and in acknowledging that it is we who suffer the loss by his absence from our meetings.

C. NSF has recently approved a grant application for Mac Marshall to return to Truk to do follow-up research on alcohol. He and Leslie will return to Truk this summer and remain there until mid-August when they will return to Hawaii for the Pacific Mental Health Conference and some library work.

D. Thinking of adding another Society Membership? Antony Hooper writes to remind us that, now that the New Zealand dollar has been devalued, membership in the Polynesian Society has become a real bargain. Membership costs $N.Z. 28.00 per year - or approximately $U. S. 14.00 at the current exchange rate. Do not be put off by the rather forbidding notes about "Admission to Membership" which appear on the back cover of the Journal. All you need to do is write to the Secretary, enclose your personal check, and the Council will welcome you with open arms. Membership in the Society gives you four issues of the Journal per year and 20% member discount on all Society publications. You will be able to obtain Society publications directly from Auckland. Back issues of the Journal of the Polynesian Society (1967-1976) are available to members at $N.Z 2.00; issues from 1977 onwards cost $N.Z. 6.50.

Some examples of bargains in the Memoir series (available post-free from Auckland) include:

George Marcus' The Nobility and the Chiefly Tradition in the Modern Kingdom of Tonga. ($N.Z. 13.45)
Elizabeth Bott's Tongan Society at the Time of Captain Cook's Visits. ($N.Z. 12.25)
Antony Hooper and Judith Huntsman (editors) Transformations of Polynesian Culture (available 1985, price not yet set but expected at about $N.Z. 30.00)

Included in this volume are essays by Hooper and Huntsman as well as Edmund Leach, Marshall Sahlins, Valerio Valeri and others.

The address of the Society is c/o Department of Anthropology, University of Auckland, Private Bag, Auckland, New Zealand.

E. A New Series: The University of California Press has created a new series to "present distinguished studies of culture, society, and the individual in Melanesia." The series is being edited by Gilbert Herdt,
Fitz John Poole, and Donald Tuzin. "Book length manuscripts are invited which address ethnographic topics, regional or comparative problems, or contain collected essays that are coordinated around central ethnological or theoretical issues that pertain to Melanesian studies." Manuscripts may be forwarded directly to the editors. The inaugural titles in the series are:

- Michael Young, Magicians of Manuamanu (now available)
- Gilbert E. Herdt (ed.) Ritualized Homosexuality in Melanesia (now available)
- Bruce M. Knauff, Good Company and Violence (forthcoming)

Prospective authors are assured a "speedy editorial response" to all manuscripts submitted.

F. Some Bibliographic Items:

1. More Anthropology from the Inside from the University of the South Pacific: (see Newsletter LII)
   - Our Crowded Islands by Epeli Hau'ofa (36 page pamphlet)
   - Rotuma: Split Island by Anselmo Fatiaki (216 pages)
   - Pacific Protest: Maasina Rule in Solomon Islands. edited by Hugh Laracy (262 pages)
   - Politics in Melanesia. by A. Ali et al., (170 pages)
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   - Politics in Micronesia. by R. Teiwaki et al., (180 pages)
   - Foreign Forces in Pacific Politics. by Y. Ghai et al., (325 pages)
   - The Melanesian Way. by Bernard Narakobi (187 pages)
   - Samoan Proverbial Expressions. A JPS Reprint
   - Tradition and Change in the Fijian Village. by R. R. Nayacakalou (170 pages)

2. Rethinking Women's Roles: Perspectives from the Pacific
   The book explores the relationship between Western images of women and the impact of these images on research in the Pacific. The various contributions range geographically across Oceania with an emphasis on Melanesia.

   An analysis of dynamic structures in New Zealand Maori culture in the late 18th and early 19th centuries (early contact period).

   Contains some 6500 mostly annotated entries on the visual arts of Micronesia, Polynesia, Melanesia (including the entire island of New Guinea) and Australia. Included are monographs, catalogues, periodical literature, theses, and dissertations.

**Louise and Allan are the designated editors of the forthcoming Proceedings of the Third International Symposium on the Arts of the Pacific which was held at the Metropolitan Museum of Arts in New York in September 1984.**
5. Mobility and Identity in the Island Pacific. Murray Chapman Wellington, New Zealand: The Department of Geography in Association with Victoria University Press, the East-West Center, and University of the South Pacific.

Revised versions of 14 papers presented at the 15th Pacific Science Congress held in Dunedin, New Zealand in February 1983. Papers by local scholars and outside academics explore issues of mobility and identity in Guam, Irian Jaya, Marshall Islands, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu and Western Samoa and contrast them with similar but different experiences in the Eastern Caribbean, eastern Indonesia, and northern Europe.

6. A further item for the ASAO Bibliography:

With the airfare war in full swing, Boston begins to look more and more affordable. I look forward to seeing many of you in Salem. You can avoid spiralling mailing costs by hand-delivering items for inclusion in the Spring issue of the Newsletter to me there.

'Tis now the very witching time of night,
When churchyards yawn, and hell itself breathes out
Contagion to the World.

(Have you made your reservation?)