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EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Most of this issue is taken up with reports on activities during the annual meeting in Orlando. The weather was unseasonably hot, even by Florida standards; and a few of the (non-librarian) panels were too. Contributors for this issue include Sandy Berman, Moore Crossey, David Easterbrook, Onuma Ezera, Karen Fung, Kenneth Lohrentz, Elizabeth Plantz, Nancy Schmidt, Mette Shayne, and Dawn Williams.

The recent arrival of a new pentium computer at my work station has made it possible to advance plans for making available on a MSU home page on the Web. The full minutes, as submitted, will be attached, starting with those for the November 1995 Orlando meeting. Some back issues will also be available.

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

April 25-27, 1996, Boston - ALC/CAMP Spring Meeting
 November 23-26, 1996, San Francisco - ASA Annual Meeting
 Spring 1997, ?Syracuse, NY - ALC/CAMP Spring Meeting
 Fall 1997, Columbus - ASA Annual & ALC 40th Anniversary
 Fall 1998, Chicago - ASA Annual Meeting

AFRICANA LIBRARIANS COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING

Orlando, Nov. 2, 1995, 2-4:30
 Editor's report.

1. Mary Alice **Kraehe**, a past chair and active ALC member [see *ALN*, Oct. 1995], was noted for her contributions.

2. **Elections**: Baumann and Shayne were named by the chair to a Nominations Committee that will prepare a mail ballot.

[November mail ballot elected Joe Caruso (Columbia) as vice-chair/chair-elect; and Miki Goral (UCLA) and Kenneth Lohrentz (Kansas) as members-at-large.]

3. **40th Anniversary**: Schmidt reported on progress, with Indiana, Illinois-Champaign and Florida having committed to funding for an African librarian.

4. **Spring 1996 meeting** at Boston University will start Thursday evening. A block of room has been reserved at the Howard Johnson Kenmore Square Hotel. Special rates of \$89 for a single room (\$98, double) are available by calling direct to 617-267-3100. Meetings will be in the George Sherman Union.

5. **Strategic Planning Committee** (Finnegan for Nanji) is working on Manual and Mission Statement.

6. **Cooperation Committee** (Walsh): discussed options in Evanston, with emphasis on pilot project of newspapers received, with retention policies.

7. **Conover-Porter Award** - Nominations before end of year deadline were urged.

8. Resolution of support for **Harare resolution**, of IFLA Working Group, to fund LC-Nairobi's collecting and depositing one copy of each publication in an African library. Members rejected idea of paying for this, arguing insufficient funds and/or accounting difficulties. Walsh offered a resolution of support, suggesting that the interested parties get grant funds, possibly from UK's Book Aid International. This went out on the mail ballot. [This was approved, 16 to 3, with 1 abstaining, in a subsequent email ballot. See text below.]

9. **ALN report**: Promised to be available on the Net before the next meeting. Idea of abbreviated minutes, with full minutes only online, was referred to Strategic Planning Committee.

10. **LC reports** were presented. Zellers plans a trip to Senegal, Mali and Burkina Faso. Gentner reported on LC-Nairobi activities for Ruth Thomas, with specific details on acquisitions for each of 14 countries. For the 33 participants in the cooperative program, overhead charges are dropping from 73% to 58%.

11. Approved (with two opposed) a **letter** to the Editorial Board of the African politics bibliography.

12. **Area Studies Librarianship Conference** - Schmidt will forward papers and other messages via email.

ALC RESPONSE TO IFLA RESOLUTION

Members of the Africana Librarians Council read with interest the resolutions of the IFLA Anglophone Africa Seminar on Government Information and Official Publications (Harare, 15-18 December 1994) and discussed at our Spring meeting in May and again at our Fall meeting in November the proposal calling for the Library of Congress Field Office in Nairobi to deposit a copy of each publication collected at selected African libraries.

We recognize the need for African libraries to improve access to material published throughout Africa, and support efforts to reach this end. We also recognize the success of the LC Nairobi Office in developing an efficient mechanism for collecting and distributing publications from a number of African countries. The ALC supports exploration of ways in which African libraries can benefit from this successful mechanism, as well as other means of reaching the desired goal.

Members of the Africana Librarians Council expressed willingness to share in the effort to develop a means of ameliorating acquisition of and access to publications from all of Africa in libraries throughout Africa, and applaud the efforts already underway.

POST-MEETING EXECUTIVE MEETING

Discussed procedures for electing new board members; named John Howell as ALC representative to the ASA Publications Committee; selected Meseratch Zecharias (Syracuse) as member-at-large to fill the unexpired term vacated by Bob Lesh.—Notes by *ALN* editor.

CATALOGING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Orlando, Nov. 2, 1995, 9:30-11:00 a.m.
 [Shortened by editor.]

Present: [full names and institutions of those attending Bibliography Committee meeting are not listed here]:

Britz, Caruso, Coelho, Crafts, Crossey, Dax, Dembele, Fung, Gentner, Gray, Howell, Kagan, Lauer, Lohrentz, Nam, Panofsky, Petroff, Elizabeth Plantz (Northwestern), Schmidt, Shayne, Sinnott, Cheryl Spence (Clarke's Bookshop, Cape Town), Stamm, Williams, Zellers.

1. The meeting was called to order by Elizabeth Plantz, Committee chair, who announced she will go on maternity leave in February 1996.

2. **DT classification** schedule expansion: Caruso had distributed a proposed expansion of the schedule for the Indian Ocean islands. Having received detailed comments from LC, he will be preparing a revised version.

3. ALC Africana **Subject Funnel** Project: To date, only 8 proposals (all from Lauer) were submitted. A handout with examples was distributed.

4. **Enhancements** of African language subject headings: Plantz has identified headings needing enhancements, and she will assign five headings to any volunteer.

5. Follow-up to 680 for "**Indigenous peoples**": Comments should go to Lauer, who will develop a proposal to submit through the funnel.

6. Proposal for **translations of titles** in African languages: Andrew deHeer (cataloger at Schomburg Center, New York Public) proposed that publishers of African language materials be urged to include translations of their titles in English, French or other official language in the publications. The Committee discussed how this might be encouraged.

7. **LC report**: Gentner reported that the most recent initiative involving the Nairobi office was full-level serials cataloging. Records added to the database include 1,700 monographs, 460 serials, 65 non-book titles, and 1,780 authority records.

BIBLIOGRAPHY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, November 2, 1995, 11:00-1:00

[Shortened by editor.]

Present: Christine Ayonude (Center for Study of African Economics, Oxford), Helene Baumann (Duke), Ruby Bell-Gam (UCLA), Phyllis Bischof (U.C. Berkeley), Daniel Britz (Northwestern), Joe Caruso (Columbia), Jill Coelho (Widener, Harvard), George Crafts (U. of Virginia), Moore Crossey (Yale), Henrietta Dax (Clarke's Bookshop, Cape Town), Amidou Dembele (Duke), David Easterbrook (Northwestern), Onuma Ezera (Michigan State U.), Greg Finnegan (Tozzer, Harvard), Karen Fung (Stanford), James Gentner (LC), Beverly Gray (LC), John Howell (U. Iowa), Mary Jay (African Books Collective, U.K.), Al Kagan (U. Illinois), Joe Lauer (Michigan State U.), Ken Lohrentz (U. Kansas), Helen MacLam (Choice Magazine), Peter Malanchuk (U. Florida), Wonki Nam (Central State U., Wilberforce, Ohio), Hans Panofsky (Northwestern, Retired), Loumona Petroff (Boston U.), Nancy Schmidt (Indiana U.), Mette Shayne (Northwestern), Elisabeth Sinnott (NYU), Andrea Stamm (Northwestern), Janet Stanley (Smithsonian), Gretchen Walsh (Boston U.), Dawn Williams (Northwestern), and Joanne Zellers (LC).

1. **Conover-Porter Award**, for bibliographies published in 1993-1995: Members were urged to submit nominations accompanied with book reviews to Shayne or to the chair of the Conover Award chair, Finnegan before the end of 1995. [A list of 11 nominated titles was distributed after the meeting.]

2. UPDATES:

Africana Conference Paper Index (AFRC): Stamm distributed a brief final report for the project which ended on September 30. The database is now accessible via telnet, and it contains records for 61,096 papers from 3,272 conferences. Based on discussions at previous meetings, they added help screens and the imprint to the citation in the index record. They were unable to change pagination system or add LCSH terms.

Northwestern Ephemera File: Access to this database of 45-50,000 records will be a future project.

3. **Mentoring** of new members: The idea of a workshop or session on grant-writing was discussed.

Problems with the acquisition of serials were also discussed. It was agreed that a list of recommended vendors could be compiled so long as it does not include dealers which are not recommended. Discussion of Henige's article in the Oct. 1995 *ALN* was put off to the spring meeting.

4. **Dissertation list**: Lauer raised the question of whether the printed list in *ASA News* is still necessary, in view of the availability of the UMICD-ROM product for browsing. Consensus was that the list is extremely useful to track research trends, and it should be continued. Help was sought in scanning print versions for titles missed by computer searches. And the possibility of adding British theses would be explored.

5. INSTITUTIONAL REPORTS:

Northwestern: Easterbrook reported that the Foreign Periodicals Project is in its third and final year. A list of the 227 titles ordered from 37 countries is available.

Easterbrook also asked for time at the Spring meeting to discuss the future of JALA (Joint Acquisitions List of Africana). Northwestern is concerned about costs and need, with many catalogs online. As part of its consultation with ALC, a questionnaire will be distributed in the new few months.

Stamm and Williams are doing the volume on Mali for Clio Press.

Indiana (Schmidt): IU has not been able to maintain all of the subscriptions begun on the Title VI serials grant. With support from Title 2-C, two tools are going up on the world wide web: Somali posters collection with descriptions; and a carto- bibliography of uncataloged maps on the colonial countries and Africa in the geography collection at IU.

Boston Univ. (Walsh): Her book on Africa and the media is due in July 1996. She is also preparing a guide to African materials on the WWW, including the guide to African language materials in the BU collection. She is also hoping that BU's pamphlet collection will be listed on the WWW. Westley continues work on his bibliography on the Mfecane.

LC (Zellers): Information about the African Section is being expanded on Marvel. LC is now doing a list every thirty days of new records added, arranged alphabetically by main entry. This list includes about 300 revised or newly cataloged titles on the WWW. U.S. imprints of Sub-Saharan Africa, v. 9/10, 1993/1994, will appear with 519 entries.

Univ. of Illinois (Kagan): A publisher for his coursebook on Africana bibliography is needed. His e-mail message about helping with Gloria Westfall's guide to official publications got only one response, and someone is still needed to do Somalia, Botswana, and Gambia.

Univ. of California-Berkeley (Bischof): Simon Bockie, a Zairian assistant, is working on a Diaspora bibliography.

Univ. of Iowa: Howell reported on two grants. The first, for health and medical materials, was extended to next spring. The second is for a grey literature collection.

Yale Univ. (Crossey): The date field of Orbis (Yale's online catalog) can be searched to located new Africana titles. The PIER Library for the Center of Area and International Studies will be going online.

Smithsonian (Stanley): A complete retrospective project for analytic records for materials in the Smithsonian collection will be entered into OCLC. This is a three-year project funded by the J. Paul Getty Trust. Book reviews will be entered in the 581 note field rather than having separate records. The Smithsonian is soon to add a home page on www and will probably discontinue the paper copy of its acquisitions list. Vol. 4 of *The arts of Africa* is now published.

Duke Univ. (Baumann): The J. Hope Franklin Center for African and African-American Documentation, which will include Franklin's papers and other material, was launched. The center will be located in the library, and they are recruiting a bibliographer/archivist.

Harvard/Tozzer (Finnegan): Harvard is involved in a multi-year retrospective conversion project, with Tozzer high on the list. The Africana shelflist is a separate project. The future of the printed Tozzer catalog is uncertain.

Univ. of **Florida** (Malanchuk): The papers of Rene Lemarchand, including books, older issues of Zairian newspapers, and manuscripts, have been contributed to the University of Florida Libraries. An extensive collection of interviews received from the estate of Gwendolen Carter are being put on the WWW.

Univ. of **California-Los Angeles** (Bell-Gam): They acquired the manuscript collection of Roland Stevenson. This collection of several thousand pages emphasizes North Eastern African languages and includes field notes, manuscripts, and other unpublished materials.

6. **Letter** concerning *Contemporary African Politics and Development*, a bibliography compiled at UCLA. ALC chair Finnegan distributed the draft of a letter to be sent to the editors of this work. The letter stressed three things: it was not comprehensive, lacking materials for Lusophone Africa; the coverage of journals was incomplete; and there was insufficient explanatory data in the front matter. After further discussion, it was decided that the revised draft would be brought to the business meeting.
—Ken Lohrentz, secretary; Mette Shayne, chair

CAMP BUSINESS MEETING

Orlando, November 3, 1995

Report by ALN editor.

Official minutes are distributed by CRL to members.

Meeting chaired by John Howell was attended by about 30 individuals, representing about 15 institutions.

CAMP Executive: The following were elected to 2-year terms: Jill Coelho (Harvard), as secretary; Phyllis Bischof (Univ. of California, Berkeley), member-at-large; Chris Ehret (UCLA), faculty representative. Continuing for 1994-1996 are John Howell (Iowa), Joe Caruso (Columbia) and Peter Ekeh (SUNY at Buffalo).

CRL REPORT: See attachments at end of this report. Only about \$6000 not committed.

LC reported a new list of African newspapers on microfilm available for sale.

South African Library plans to join CAMP.

OLD BUSINESS

Lagos State Archives - correspondence continues.

Senegal microfilming project - Members approved spending up to \$4000 for equipment needed to film archives. Other non-equipment funding is coming from the Title-VI Africana centers, whose directors have agreed to fund a cooperative acquisitions project. Caruso reported on his trip to Senegal and mentioned a list of CODESRIA-held theses.

African newspapers: Discussed Shayne's revised and improved list of current newspapers. CRL now has a WWW site (<http://crlmail.uchicago.edu/~smets/newspaper.html>) for newspapers. Somali newspapers collected by LC-Nairobi are being microfiched. CAMP is working with LC-Nairobi to film: *Botswana Guardian*, *Al-Watwany* (Comoros), *Mirror* (Lesotho), *Journal de Madagascar*, *Madagascar Tribune*, *New Era* (Namibia), *Imvaho* (Rwanda), *Sunday Mail* (Zambia), and *Manica Post*.

NEW BUSINESS

Sierra Leone newspapers - Schmidt is preparing a list with dates for future filming.

Cost of filming newspaper discards Michigan State received from LC-Nairobi to be reviewed.

Offpubs: Cape of Good Hope (1854?-1910), costing \$4,138, will appear on a CRL ballot.

CAMP has paid \$2000 for microfilm of Guinea material gathered by Robert Harms (Yale). This includes materials from district offices on agricultural history, plus photocopies of materials from the national archives.

Members agreed that chair should select titles to spend its credit with the State Library (Pretoria).

Efforts to acquire theses cited in *Passé de l'Afrique par l'oralité* (1993) continue.

Action on *La politique coloniale, 1892-1919*, was deferred.

TITLES RECEIVED SINCE MAY 1995

Dar es Salaam newspapers.
Zululand Observer, Aug. 14, 1969-Oct. 31, 1975.
Zululand Times, 1907-1911.

TITLES ON ORDER

Afrique et le monde (Bruxelles)
Barisa (Addis Ababa)
Danab (Mogadishu)
Democraties (Dakar)
Drum (East Africa ed.)
Les echos (Bamako)
Nouvelle Republique (Conakry)
Patriote (Conakry)
Patriote (Ndjamena)
Republicain (Bamako)
Unity independent (Freetown)
Waaga cusub (Mogadishu)

CAMP FINANCIAL STATEMENT (NOVEMBER 3, 1995)

	MARCH(1) QUARTER	FY1995(1) CLOSING	SEPTEMBER QUARTER	
FUND BALANCE		\$21,996.99	\$21,996.99	\$6,902.16
REVENUES				
Grant Income (2)		\$19,550.00	\$19,550.00	\$18,055.92
Membership fees (3)		19,400.00	23,400.00	20,000.00
Income from sales		862.00	862.00	236.69
TOTAL GEN. REVENUES		\$39,812.00	\$24,262.00	\$20,236.69
EXPENSES				
Grant Expenses (2)		—	\$1,494.08	\$40.10
Cost of sales		\$721.28	810.00	118.50
Acquisitions		29,875.00	33,165.83	1,044.00
Business Expenses		100.00	100.00	60.00
Publications				
Travel		591.00	591.00	288.50
Personnel:				
Cataloging		4,690.00	4,690.00	—
TOTAL GEN. EXPENSES		\$35,977.00	\$39,356.83	\$1,511.00
REVENUES LESS EXPENSES		\$3,835.00	\$(15,094.83)	\$18,725.69
COMMITMENTS (4)				
Materials on order				\$1,630.00
Materials approved (5)				12,480.00
Grant Expenses Approved				
Non-material expenses (6)				6,045.00
TOTAL COMMITMENTS				20,155.00
AVAILABLE FUNDS (6)				\$6,983.85

NOTES:

1. The FUND BALANCE, REVENUES, and EXPENSES shown under each completed quarter are taken from the Center's accounting office. Figures for FY95 are unaudited.
2. The line for General Revenue or Grant Expense do not include either the Grant Revenue or Grant Expense lines
3. The Center's payment of \$4000 comes in the fourth quarter.
4. The COMMITMENTS are taken from the records of the Coordinator and are intended to reflect projected costs of past decisions by CAMP.
5. Non-material expenses: Cataloging: \$4845; Travel: \$1200.
6. AVAILABLE FUNDS equals the FUND BALANCE plus REVENUES LESS EXPENSES minus TOTAL COMMITMENTS.

STANDING ORDERS

- African Studies Association. *Annual Meeting Papers, 1993-*
- Northwestern University Library Africana [preservation filming].
- Tanzanian newspapers: *Business Times, Baraza, Express, Heko, Mizani, Motomoto, Watu, and Wakati.*

CAMP COMMITMENTS

Newspaper filming (Papers from LC-Nairobi)	\$2000 /yr.
Liberian Newspapers	\$2500
MSU Africana film	\$1880
Somali paper	\$500 /yr.
Tanzanian newspapers	\$1500 /yr.
ASA papers	\$300 /yr.
Northwestern Africana film	\$3800

Total: \$12480



OTHER NEWS

NEWS FROM OTHER ASSOCIATIONS

CALENDAR

ALA:

Jan. 19-25, 1996, San Antonio - Midwinter Meeting
 July 4-10, 1996, New York - ALA Annual Conf.
 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 - ALA Annual Conf.
 1999, Philadelphia - Midwinter Meeting
 1999, New Orleans - ALA Annual Conf.
 2000, San Antonio - Midwinter Meeting
 2000, Chicago - ALA Annual Conf.

IFLA Annual Conferences:

Aug. 25-30, 1996, Beijing
 Aug. 31-Sept. 5, 1997, Copenhagen
 Aug. 1998, Amsterdam
 Aug. 1999, Bangkok

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

ACRL candidates for 1996 elections include:

- Gregory Finnegan (Harvard Univ.), for member-at-large in the Anthropology and Sociology Section;
- Peter Malanchuk (Univ. of Florida), for member-at-large in the Asian, African & Middle Eastern Section.

LIWO (SOUTH AFRICA)

Following a November 1995 meeting of its national co-ordinating committee in Cape Town, the Library and Information Workers Organisation of South Africa (LIWO) constituted itself as a national body. This action was part of a deliberate decision against absorption into a proposed single library and information science organization. LIWO's national spokesperson is Maris Farelo at crimar@protem.uct.ac.za; and its joint national secretaries are Christopher Merrett and Rose Kuhn at (merrett@library.unp.ac.za) and [rRse Kuhn](mailto:rRseKuhn) (kuhn@...).

HENNEPIN COUNTY SUBJECTS

Sandy Berman at Hennepin County Library continues to promote many new subject headings, and "Griots" is among those recently adopted by LCSH.

As a substitute for "Structural adjustment (Economic policy)" (which was added to LCSH in 1991), HCL Cataloging Bulletin #137 lists the following:

Structural adjustment programs (World Bank/IMF).

UF SAPs

World Bank structural adjustment programs
 IMF structural adjustment programs
 International Monetary Fund structural adjustment programs
 ESAPs
 Economic structural adjustment programs (World Bank IMP).

Scope note: Here are entered materials on a series of economic measures imposed on resource-poor countries by the World Bank And International Monetary Fund as a condition for loans. Such measures include reduced government spending for social services, currency devaluation, privatization of state-run enterprises, and incentives to promote production for export.

RESOURCES AT LIBRARIES AND RESEARCH CENTERS

National English Library Museum (Pvt. Bag, 1019, Grahamstown, South Africa) has acquired a considerable number of interesting manuscripts and rare books over the past months. Details in NELM News (Dec. 1995).

South African Library (PO Box 496, Cape Town 8000) is microfiching *South Africa: a weekly journal*. This London news magazine was published from 1889 to 1970. It is expected that the entire run will require 4000 fiche; and will cost \$8000.

GRANTS

Getty Grant Program's list of awards made between July 1993 and June 1995 includes the following:

- Basler Mission (Switzerland). For documentation of the photographic archive.
- International African Institute (London). For the West African Museums Programme.
- Smithsonian Institution (Washington, DC). For an online index and finding guide to the African art and culture collections of the Library of the National Museum of African Art.
- Musée-National de Guinée (Conakry). For training.

PEOPLE

Dorothy Niekamp retired effective January 1, 1996, from the Indiana University Library, where she worked as a cataloger since September 1966. She began as the cataloger for Western European studies and also cataloged dissertations. For many years she has been Indiana's cataloger for African language materials, plus the cataloger for most of the Africana in European languages. She was active in both ALA and ALC, serving on various committees. She was chairperson of ALC's Cataloging Committee in the early 1990s.

Dorothy Porter Wesley, a librarian at Howard University, died on December 17, 1995. She was 91. She was known as Dorothy Porter until 1979, when she married Charles Harris Wesley, a historian who died in 1987. Her first husband, James Amos Porter, had died in 1970.

Dorothy Porter was born in Warrenton, Va., and reared in Montclair, N.J. She received her bachelor's degree in 1928 from Howard and her master's in library science from Columbia in 1932. She began working at Howard in 1928 as a library cataloger and was named, in 1930, librarian of what became the collection of the

Moorland-Spingarn Research Center. By the time of her retirement in 1973, this collection grew from 3000 to 180,000 items. She also compiled numerous significant bibliographies in the fields of African and African-American studies, including *Afro-Braziliana: A Working Bibliography* (G.K.Hall, 1978).

When the African Studies Association was formed in 1957, it established a Library Committee. Dorothy Porter served the

Committee's first secretary and only librarian member, and she remained active in what became ALC. Her contributions to ALC were honored in the late 1970s with the creation of the Conover-Porter Award for outstanding Africa-related reference works. And she has been present at several of the award ceremonies.

RESEARCH ON LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

The following items have come to the attention of the editor.

BOOKS & DOCUMENTS

Olden, Anthony. *Libraries in Africa: Pioneers, Policies, Problems*. Lanham, MD: Scarecrow Press, 1995. 190p. ISBN 0-8108-3093-0 \$37.50.

Political Economy of Information: Development, Democracy and Security in Southern Africa, edited by Maurice C. Lundu. Harare: Sapes Trust, 1995. \$35. ca. 166p.

Proceedings of the Pan-African Conference on the Preservation and Conservation of Library Materials, Nairobi, Kenya, 21-25 June 1993, edited by Jean-Marie Arnoult et al. The Hague: IFLA (IFLA Professional Reports ; no. 43), 1995.

Who's who in Library and Information Science Training Institutions in Africa, ed. by L.O. Aina. 2d ed. Ibadan: Archlib and Information Services Ltd., 1995. 66p. N150; and \$15. 978-31413-1-7 Biographical data on about 170 educators. Includes indexes; and details on programs in English-speaking Africa.

JOURNALS & ARTICLES

Electronic Library, v. 13, no. 4 (August 1995) carried the Proceedings of the Third Southern African Online Information Meeting, including:

- N. Dpivrt, "Guest Editorial," pp. 259-268;
- E. Raitt, "The World to come," pp. 269-278;

- S. Badal, "The Role of online information systems in non-government organisation: MISANET," pp. 279-282;
- E.E. van der Westhuizen & E.S. Miller, "Electronic communication in Africa: The promotion of animal health information dissemination," pp. 299-308.

Akintunde, S.A. "The Status of Broadcasting Libraries in Nigeria: A Study of Bauchi and Plateau states." *International Information & Library Review*, v. 27 (Sept. 1995): 283-

C.M. Kangulu & F.E. Wood, "An evaluation of the Pan-African development information system (PADIS), with particular reference to Zambia." *Journal of Information Science*, v. 21 (1995): 343-358.

J. Kwafo Akoto, "Collecting, publicizing and providing access to socio-economic grey literature in Southern Africa with particular reference to Botswana." *Interlending & Document Supply*, v. 23, no. 3 (1995): 10-16.

Jenni Millward, "Transforming Library Service in the New South Africa," *American Libraries* (Oct. 1995), p. 879-9. Describes the July 20-21 biannual conference of the Library and Information Workers' Organisation (LIWO).

Cephas Odini (Moi Univ.), "Collection development: the experience of Kenya Polytechnic Library," *Collection Building*, v. 14, no. 4 (1995): 24-28. Discussion of problems and proposals for change.

REFERENCE SOURCES

DATA ON DISKETTE

South African Studies (SAS) is a new CD-ROM available from NISC USA. Contact Fred Durr or Angela Myaris, Wyman Towers, 3100 St. Paul St., Baltimore, MD 21218; tel: 410-243-0797; email: fdurr@nisc.com.

SAS includes Index to South African Periodicals (ISAP), South African National Bibliography (SANB), the NELM (National English Literary Museum) and NALN (Nasionale Afrikaanse Letterkunde Museum en navorsingsentrum) databases, the Joint Catalogue of Theses and Dissertations, and management Reports from the University of Witwatersrand. This joint disk will replace the ISAP CD-ROM.

NISC is also preparing an **African Studies (AS)** CD-ROM. This includes databases from various sources.

NOTES

H-Africa (an electronic discussion group; see *ALN*, July 1995) plans an African Studies table of contents (TOC) service. This is planned as a regular, monthly electronic service, covering African history and related disciplines. Preliminary plans are for 3 postings: mainstream African studies; non-mainstream, including African imprints; and non-Africanist journals. Editorial responsibility will be held by Peter Limb, Univ. of Western Australia (plimb@library.uwa.edu.au).

African Biographical Archives (AfBA) is being issued in about 450 fiche in 12 installments. It contains approximately 113,000 entries for 75,000 individuals. A list of 231 sources has been distributed by K.G. Saur, the publisher. The American distributor, University Publications of America, lists 1995 prices as \$16,075 (Silver) and \$14,575 (dialo).



NOTES ON MATERIALS AND VENDORS

VENDOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Africa Book Centre (38 King St., London WC2E 8JT) issued *Book Review*, No. 2 (Dec. 1995), which carries 4 pages of news and reviews, followed by an annotated listing of new books on and from Africa.

ABC is now an agent for some of the publishers previously served by L&T, including David Philip, University of Natal Press, and Camerapix (Nairobi). Trade orders will be supplied through Central Books.

African Academy of Sciences (PO Box 14798, Nairobi; email: aas@arcc.kaact.kenya-net.org) has issued a catalog of available titles. These include conference proceedings and directories. Its quarterly journal, *Discovery and Innovation*, reaches 100,000 readers; and costs (outside Africa) \$80 for individuals, \$90 for institutions.

African Books Collective (The Jam Factory, 27 Park End St., Oxford OX1 1HU, England) has appointed Rosalind Sherwin to the post of trainee manager, to work under the direction of Mary Jay. It is envisaged that this post will eventually lead to appointment as general manager. Ms. Sherwin has a commercial and publishing background, as well as teaching experience in Zimbabwe. She was selected by the African publishers comprising ABC's Council of Management, after reviewing 250 applications.

ABC also issued Catalogue no. 11 (53-pages) and its 13th and 14th batches of cards, covering title nos. 0522-0594. The "ABC Electronic Bookstore" is available at: http://www.sas.upenn.edu/African_Studies/Publications/ABC_Menu.html

African Imprint Library Services (236 Main St., Falmouth, MA 02540; tel: 508-540-5378) has issued numerous lists including "Titles Recently Received" for Algeria, Lesotho, and Zimbabwe.

NEW REFERENCE TITLES

The following items or issues are noted.
For more titles, see the annual "Africana Reference Books" in The African Book Publishing Record, no. 2.

African Research & Documentation, no. 67 (1995) includes:

- James Hargrave, "Sir Roy Welensky and his Archives (Part 1), pp. 1-11;
- J.H. McIlwaine, "Writings on African Archives, Part 5 (Non-Anglophone West Africa), pp. 12-26.

David M. Anderson & Rosemary Seton. "Archives and manuscripts collections relating to Africa held at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London." *History in Africa*, 22 (1995): 45-60.

Dictionary of African Biography, vol. 3: South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland. Available from: Reference Publications, Inc., Dpt. A3, Box 344, Algonac MI. \$75 + shipping. Contains 228 biographies. Previous volumes covered Ethiopia, Ghana, Sierra Leone and Zaire.

Clarke's Bookshop (211 Long St., Cape Town; email: clarkes@iafrica.com) has issued Catalogue 93, with 1104 titles. About half are current titles, mostly from South Africa. They also cover Lesotho and Namibia and now Mozambique, with 2 trips per year. They plan to include Angola, beginning April 1996.

EDICOM-S.A. (16 B.P. 466, Abidjan 16) is a new Ivoirian company created in late 1994 to distribute French books in Côte d'Ivoire and to distribute Ivorian books abroad. Founded by Pascale and Gérard Clayreuil, with assistance from Robert Palmeri, a former USIS officer. Initial list of 8 titles is available from: Edicom's Library Service, 1325 Quincy St., NW, Washington, DC 20011.

Gerald Rilling (720 Colonial Dr., Rockford, IL 61115-3716; tel: 815-654-0389) issued a list of 275 out of print books on Africa, with a focus on East Africa.

Hogarth (1 Birchington Court, Birchington Rd., London N8 8HS) is taking over the non-trade part of Leishman & Taussig.

Larry W. Bowman (458 Middle Turnpike, Storrs, Ct 06268; tel: 203-486-3355; bowman@uconnvm.uconn.edu) has issued Catalogue no. 3: Indian Ocean Books, Maps and Prints. This lists 335 (mostly annotated) antiquarian titles.

LC's Photoduplication Service (101 Independence Ave., SE, Washington, DC 20540-5230; tel: 202-707-5640) announced the availability of two collections of Somali publications:

Somalia newspapers, post-Barre period. Part 1:

Microfiche #94-55211. 287 fiche

Somalia reports, post-Barre period. Part 1:

Microfiche #94-55210. 544 fiche

Regular prices: \$1.75 per fiche for dialo; \$5.00, silver copy. Discounts available for batched orders of entire set.

McBlain Books (P.O. box 5062, Hamden, CT 06518) issued Catalog 132 (North Africa and the Middle East), with an indexed list of 1720 antiquarian books.

Michael Graves-Johnston (PO Box 532, 54, Stockwell Park Rd., London SW9 0DR) issued Catalogue 53 (Africa).

Nordiska Afrikainstitutet (the Nordic Africa Institute, PO Box 1703, S-751 47 Uppsala) issued Books on Africa, a 32-page annotated catalog of its publications. Effective 16 Oct. 1995, its telephone changed to 018-56 22 0/int +46-18-56 22 00.

University of Trondheim's History Dept. (7055 Dragvoll, Norway) has started the "Trondheim Studies in History" series as a means of distributing its theses and other documents. The first African theses to appear in the series are:

- Per Hernaes, *Slaves, Danes, and African Coast Society*. nr. 6, 1995. 418 p. ISBN: 83-7765-005-1. NKR.275.
- Motslatsi Thabane, *Individual Diamond Digging in Lesotho, 1955-1970*. Nr. 8, 1995. 214 p. ISBN: 82-7765-008-6. NKR 200.

University Place Book Shop, which specialized in Africana and African-American OP books, went out of business recently. It had been operated in New York City by the late Walter Goldwater. Bill French, who inherited the business, noted: "Old booksellers always die, but they never retire."

BOOK AWARDS

The Herskovits Award was presented by the African Studies Association for the outstanding original scholarly work on Africa published in English during 1994. The winner was:

Henrietta L. Moore and Megan Vaughn for *Cutting Down Trees: Gender, Nutrition, and Agricultural Change in the Northern Province of Zambia, 1890-1990* (Heinemann; James Currey; University of Zambia).

Other finalists:

- Suzanne Preston Blier, *African Vodun: Art, Psychology, and Power* (Univ. of Chicago);
- Gracia Clark, *Onions are my Husband: Survival and Accumulation by West African Market Women* (Univ. of Chicago);
- Isabel Hofmeyr, *We Spend Our Lives as a Tale that is Told: Oral Narrative in a South African Chiefdom* (Heinemann, James Curry, Witwatersrand Univ.);
- T. Dunbar Moodie with Vivian Ndatshé, *Going for Gold: Men, Mines and Migration* (Univ. of California).

Children's Book Award, which is a project of ASA's Outreach Council, went to:

- Jane Cowen-Fletcher, *It Takes a Village* (Scholastic), for best elementary level book;
- Joyce Hansen, *The Captive* (Scholastic), for best secondary level book.

Text Prize of ASA honors the translator, compiler or editor of the best critical edition or translation into English of primary source material on Africa published in 1993 or 1994. Winner was:

Douglas H. Johnson, for *Governing the Nuer: Documents in Nuer History and Ethnology, 1922-1931*, by Percy Coriat (JASO, 1993);

Other finalists:

- Allen Christelow, for *Thus Ruled Emir Abbas: Selected Cases*

from the Records of the Emir of Kano's Judicial Council (Michigan State Univ. Press, 1994);

- Claude-Hélène Perrot & Albert van Dantzig, for *Marie-Joseph Bonnat et les Ashanti: journal 1869-1874* (Société des Africanistes, 1994);
- Yves Marquerat, for *La naissance du Togo selon les documents de l'époques* (Editions Haho, 1993).

EVENTS

Zimbabwe International Book Fair

ZIPF96 will be held July 26-3 August 1996, with July 26-28 set aside for conferences and seminars. Exhibitors will set up their stands on Monday, 29 July. July 30-31 will be set aside for traders only. The Fair will be open to the public on August 1-3.

LITERATURE ON THE BOOK TRADE

Bellagio Publishing Network Newsletter, no. 15 (Nov. 1995) carried articles by Terence Ranger (on the 1995 Zimbabwe Book Fair), Katherine Salahi (Sept. meeting of Bellagio donors & APNET), Henry Chakava (publishing partnerships), Ansu E. Momoh, Margaret Ling, Diana Rosenberg, Diana Newton, Isaac Phiri, and others.

Brenda Mitchell-Powell, "Booksellers, Librarians Celebrate African Literature at ZIBF'95," *American Libraries* (Oct. 1995), p. 880-1.

Partners in African Publishing, no. 2 (Autumn 1995) carried 8 pages of trade news. Available from: CODE Europe, The Jam Factory, 27 Park End St., Oxford OX1 1HU.

ONLINE FILES

African Publishing Home Page is at <http://wn.apc.org/mediatech/publish/>. It includes selected publishers in Eastern and Southern Africa.

African Studies Association now has a web page on the home page for African Studies at the University of Pennsylvania. Its url is http://www.sas.upenn.edu/African_Studies/AS.html

African Voices, a quarterly newsletter from USAID (U.S. Agency for International Development) for African NGOs and NGOs receiving USAID funding, can be found at gopher.info.usaid.gov in the folder "Documents and Publications", subfiled under "USAID Newsletter" and then "Africa Bureau Newsletters." Contact: John Engels, Africa Bureau Information Center, USAID, SA-18, Room 203-J, Washington, DC 20523-1820; tel: 703-312-7194; jengels@usaid.gov.

SERIAL CHANGES & NOTES

Africa South & East was suspended in February 1994 (no. 38). In 1995, its publishers issued a pilot ed. of *African Agenda*, a monthly for the Third World Network.

Educamus (Pretoria) ceased with vol. 40 (1994), no. 3. There were nine issues in 1989, ten in 1990, nine in 1991, seven in 1992, and four in 1993.

Horn of Africa Bulletin (HAB), which in recent years has appeared

as an insert in *Life & Peace Review* (LPR), is being discontinued after vol. 7, no. 6 (Nov-Dec 1995); v. 9, no. 4 of LPR). The publishers (Life & Peace Institute, S-751 70 UPPSALA, Sweden) plan to replace it with a new quarterly journal, *CrossCurrents* (\$25 for annual sub.), plus other publications.

Leadership magazine (South Africa) has been sold to Daimler-Benz. As it goes international, *Millennium Magazine* has been revived (with the August 1995 issue) for the South Africa market.

South African Review of Books is available on microfiche from: Rob Turrell, Mozartstrasse 25, 89075 Ulm, Germany. Issues 1-31 (1987-1994) available for DM 225. Contact: robert.turrell@humboldt.uni-ulm.de

NEW SERIALS

African Newbreed, "Window to global Africa," is available for \$35 (institutions; \$25, individual) from 4554 N. Broadway, Suite 256, Chicago, IL 60640; 312-784-0470. The August 1995 issues (no. 56) had considerable material on Nigeria.

African Publishing Review is the newsletter of the African Publishers' Network (APNET), published six times a year. Now in its fifth year, it is available outside Africa for \$40 per year (\$50, airmail) from APR, P.O. Box 4209, Harare.

VIDEOS

California Newsreel's Library of African Cinema now has 25 titles from 12 countries, including 10 new releases. For its 1995-96 catalog, contact: California Newsreel, 149 Ninth St./420, San Francisco, CA 94103. 415-621-6196.

Cinema Guild (1697 Broadway, New York, NY 1019-5904; 212-246-5522) has announced discounts for *No East Walk*, a three-part video series on African history.

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 Joint Acquisitions List of Africana (6 issues per year available for \$50 from Northwestern University Library), 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.

Grant, Sandy & Elinah. *Decorated Homes in Botswana*. Mochudi, Botswana: Phuthadikobo Museum (PO Box 367), 1995? 140p. \$34, plus postage.

N'gbanda Nzambo-ko-Atumba. *La transition au Zaïre: le long tunnel*. Kinshasa-Limete: Editions Noraf, 1995. 418p. \$20 from Jean Hunda (31 Forrest Dr., Bloomfield, NJ 07003; tel: 201-748-0321).

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