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S.F. Annual Meeting Schedule

Program and Business Meeting

Sunday, June 28, 9:00am - 12:30pm
Ramada Renaissance, Barcelona Room 2

Executive Committee

Saturday, June 27, 2:00pm - 4:00pm
Sheraton Palace, Bonanza Room

Monday, June 29, 2:00pm - 5:00pm
Ramada Renaissance, Michelangelo Room

Bibliography Committee

Saturday, June 27, 9:00am - 11:00am
Sheraton Palace, State Suite, Room 240

Monday, June 29, 9:00am - 11:00am
S.F. Hilton, Whitney Room

New Orleans Conference Program Planning, 1988

Saturday, June 27, 8:00am - 9:00am
Sheraton Palace, Parlor "C"

Dallas Conference Program Planning, 1989

Saturday, June 27, 8:00am - 9:00am
Sheraton Palace, Parlor "D"

Nominating Committee

Saturday, June 27, 11:30am - 12:30pm
Sheraton Palace, Parlor "C"

Review & Planning

Saturday, June 27, 8:00am - 9:00am
Sheraton Palace, Royal Suite, Room 260

1987 ANSS Program: "The Future of Social Science Research and Libraries: Toward the Year 2000"

ANSS will sponsor a panel discussion, "The Future of Social Science Research and Libraries: Toward the Year 2000" on Sunday, June 28, 9:00am-11:30am in the Ramada Renaissance Hotel, Barcelona Room 2. The program will be devoted to speculation on the future of social science research and education, and how that future will affect both services and collections in academic and research libraries. The program has been designed to parallel the 1987 ACRL President's Program "Academic Colleagues in Concert: Improving the Higher Education Environment Through Closer Cooperation of Librarians, Faculty and Administrators." At the ANSS Program, two prominent social scientists have been invited to discuss their views on where the social sciences may develop as we approach the year 2000. Neil J. Smelser, University Professor of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley will discuss developments in sociology and will speculate on changes in library research. G. William Skinner, Professor of Anthropology, Stanford University will do the same for anthropology. As respondents two librarians will speculate on how academic research libraries will respond to those changes. Barton M. Clark, Director of Departmental Library Services, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Mark Sandler, Coordinator of Collection Development, Hatcher Library, University of Michigan will discuss the changes that academic libraries may have to make in order to accommodate changes in social science research.

The discussion will be followed by questions from the floor and a brief membership meeting.



Committee Reports

Executive Committee. Chair: Gregory A. Finnegan, Baker Library, Dartmouth College, Nanover, NH 03755.

The Executive Committee heard reports on the work of all ANSS committees at the Midwinter Meetings in Chicago. Bob Ridinger presented the Nominating Committee's slate for the 1987 elections as well as the 1988 elections committee: Cheryl Kugler, Jean Adelman and Sharon Smith. It was suggested that the *ANSS currents* distribution list be expanded to include sociological organizations. There will be more discussion at the San Francisco meeting. Greg Finnegan (Chair) would like more ANSS members to become more active in the section. He reported that 119 ANSS members attended ALA-NYC '86 of the total membership of 326. A motion was made and passed establishing that Tozzer Library-Harvard University report to the Executive Committee and that the Tozzer Report be a standard item on the agenda.

Edward Evans (Librarian of the Tozzer Library, Harvard University) reported Tozzer Library has signed a contract with G.K. Hall to produce a microfiche copy of the filmed catalogue. As of July 1986 Tozzer Library is no longer filing cards into the catalogue and has changed to Library of Congress Subject Headings to comply with Harvard University Libraries. A second Tozzer-G.K. Hall contract establishes the production and publication of an annual index of monographs in the field of anthropology, with Library of Congress subject headings. This annual updates the comprehensive microfiche edition perviously discussed. Volume I consists of 2,500-3,000 records cataloged between September 1986 and August 1987. Edward Evans also reported on a possible merger of Tozzer Library's publication *Anthropological Literature* and the Royal Anthropological Institute's *Anthropological Index*. Both have agreed in principle that such a merger would be beneficial yet the outstanding problem is availability of startup funding. The two parties tentatively agreed on a January 1988 target date, an annual subscription of \$90 and the establishment of an advisory committee.

Bob Ridinger reported that the Library Anthropology Resources Group (LARG) has been working on a project to compile a biographical directory of anthropologists. The

project has thus far gathered over 8,000 biographical items. LARG is seeking new ideas for future projects.

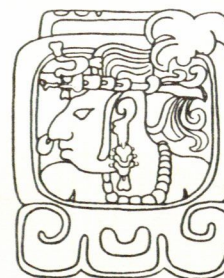
Lynne Schmelz-Keil moved that a list of successful and unsuccessful candidates from previous ANSS elections be listed in the minutes (available upon request).

The *ANSS Manual* will be updated and copies will be available at the San Francisco meeting.

Robert C. Myers (Wichita State University) suggested that ANSS establish formal ties with the Professional Association Liaison Committee. Although no action was taken there will be further discussion at the annual meetings.

The following people were present: Greg Finnegan (Dartmouth), Ann Wood (U. Mass-Amherst), Robert Ridinger (Northern Illinois), John Weeks (Minnesota), Ed Evans (Harvard), Steve MacLeod (UC,Irvine), Deborah Fairbanks (U. of Florida), Hans Panofsky (Northwestern), Jim Williams (Illinois), Lynne Schmelz-Keil (Rutgers), Shari Grove (Boston College), Judy Droessler (U. of Lethbridge-Alberta, Canada), David Horde (U. of Oklahoma), Diane Zabel (Penn State), Virginia Moreland (Nebraska), and Cheryl Kugler (Vanderbilt).

Shari Grove
Sec., ANSS



Bibliography Committee. Chair: James Williams, University Library, University of Illinois, 1408 West Gregory Dr., Urbana, IL 61801.

The committee's review of indexes continued, with analysis and/or letters to the publishers of the following indexes discussed: *Women's Studies Abstracts*, *Population Index*, *Index to Social Sciences and Humanities Proceedings*, *MLA Bibliography* (restricted to the

folklore section), and *Sociological Abstracts*. In conjunction with *Sociological Abstracts*, the newly published *Thesaurus of Sociological Indexing Terms* was reviewed. Inclusion of conference papers in *Sociological Abstracts* was the focus of some discussion. Several committee members were of the opinion that the conference papers themselves are usually very difficult to locate, and the coverage is duplicated by the *Index to Social Sciences and Humanities Proceedings*. The publisher of *Geo Abstracts*, with whom the committee had previously corresponded, reported that *Geo Abstracts* will become available online through DIALOG in 1987.

The indexes for which analyses have been completed but whose publishers have not yet been contacted were reviewed. There are ten such indexes: *Art Index*, *Criminal Justice Abstracts*, *Criminal Justice Periodicals Index*, *Criminology and Penology Abstracts*, *Current Contents: Social and Behavioral Sciences*, *Human Resources Abstracts*, *Humanities Index*, *Social Sciences Index*, *Social Work Research and Abstracts*, and *Urban Affairs Abstracts*. Several of the indexes will be discussed at the 1987 Annual Conference and the remainder at the 1988 Midwinter Meeting.

The need to identify indexes and abstracting sources that have originated since the compilation of the committee's list was discussed. Committee members plan to identify new tools for potential analysis in advance of the 1987 Annual Conference. Included will be indexes issued only in a computerized version, a comparatively new bibliographic phenomena. The committee will also discuss the possibility of analyzing efforts at improving the bibliographic control of machine-readable data files.

The effort to establish liaison with professional groups and major social science publishers is still underway. Copies of correspondence to the American Sociological Association and ISI Press were distributed for the information of committee members. The chairperson had contacted Anne Leinback at ISI Press concerning the projected index to multi-authored books in the social sciences. Ms. Leinback reported that the scope of the project was still undetermined and stated that a minimum of 150 copies would need to be sold to make the publication feasible. The committee decided that no action was appropriate at the present time. If publication has not been

announced prior to the 1988 Midwinter Meeting, the committee will contact ISI Press again.

Copies of the follow-up letters to the American Anthropological Association, the Council on Social Work Education, and the International Committee for Social Science Information and Documentation were also distributed for the information of committee members. A prompt reply had come from the General Secretary of the International Committee for Social Science Information and Documentation. A committee response to this letter will be sent in the spring. Associations earlier identified for possible contact and associations not in the current committee list with which liaison might be beneficial will be reviewed at the 1987 Annual Conference.

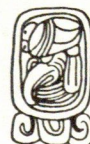
Edward Evans, Tozzer Library, also met with the Committee about several new projects at Tozzer (see Executive Committee report above).

Barton Clark also met with the committee to report on the newly formed Information Resources and Services Development Committee of the Society for Applied Anthropology. The purpose of this committee is to examine the information needs of applied anthropology.

Among several other topics discussed was the possible benefit of liaison with other ALA committees which are also concerned with bibliographic control. Committee members will identify potential ALA committees in advance of the 1987 Annual Conference where this matter will be examined in greater detail.

Current members of the committee are: James W. Williams, Chair (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign); Kathryn Creely (Melanesian Studies Resources Center, UC, San Diego); Jo Kibbee (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign); Stephen MacLeod (UC, Irvine); Robert C. Myers (Wichita State University); Nancy Skipper (Cornell University); and Ann L. Wood (University of Massachusetts)

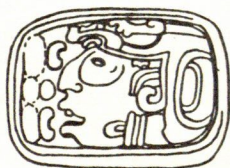
James W. Williams
Chair, Bibliography



Conference Program Planning, San Francisco, 1987. Chair: Stephen MacLeod, Library, University of California, Irvine, PO Box 19557, Irvine, CA 92713.

The committee finalized plans for a program devoted to speculation on the future of social science research and how that research will affect both services and collections in academic and research libraries. A tentative program title will be "The Future of Social Science Research and Libraries: Toward the Year 2000." Professor Neil J. Smelser (University Professor of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley) and possibly Professors James L. Gibbs, Joseph Greenberg or Renato Rosaldo (Anthropology Department, Stanford University) will discuss their views on where the social sciences may develop into the 1990s. As respondents to these speculations two librarians, from the fields of collection development and public service, will speculate on how academic research libraries will respond to those changes. Barton M. Clark (Director of Departmental Library Services, University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign) and Mark Sandler (Coordinator of Collection Development, Hatcher Library, University of Michigan) have agreed to participate in the program. A similar program was presented at the 1982 ARL meetings in Scottsdale, Arizona with representation from the social sciences, humanities and physical sciences. A program addressing issues in the social sciences in a more thorough manner is what the committee has in mind.

Stephen MacLeod
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Tour of Robert H. Lowie Museum of Anthropology

As part of the ALA Annual Meeting, Frank Norick, Principal Museum Anthropologist, will lead a tour for ANSS members and guests of the Lowie Museum of Anthropology on the campus of the University of California, Berkeley. The tour will take place from 1:30pm-3:30pm on

Tuesday, June 30. The special exhibit on display at that time will be "Alaska Commercial Company, Commerce and Curios." Among the other exhibits will be weekly teaching exhibitions and examples of the permanent anthropology collection. The tour will include the library, exhibits, publications, and "back room" collections.

Created in 1901 by the Regents of the University of California, the Museum of Anthropology changed its name to the Robert H. Lowie Museum of Anthropology when it moved to its present quarters in Kroeber Hall in 1959. It is the largest Museum of Anthropology west of the Mississippi.

The Lowie Museum's primary function has always been the promotion of teaching excellence through the use of its collections and exhibitions for undergraduate and graduate students. It encourages support of scholarly research on the collections by qualified students, faculty, staff, and outside scholars.

The anthropological collections contain over 500,000 catalogued specimens subdivided into ethnographic (from living peoples) and archaeological categories. Supplementing these collections are examples of human osteology, and large numbers of documented sound recordings, photographs and color transparencies. The major research and study collections include archaeological material from Egypt, Peru, and the Mediterranean, North America and ethnographical material from California, Africa, Pacific Islands, and Asia. In addition to these more traditional anthropological holdings, the Museum has collections of European, Asian and American fine arts and historical material, especially ceramics, paintings, textiles, and both ancient and modern coins.

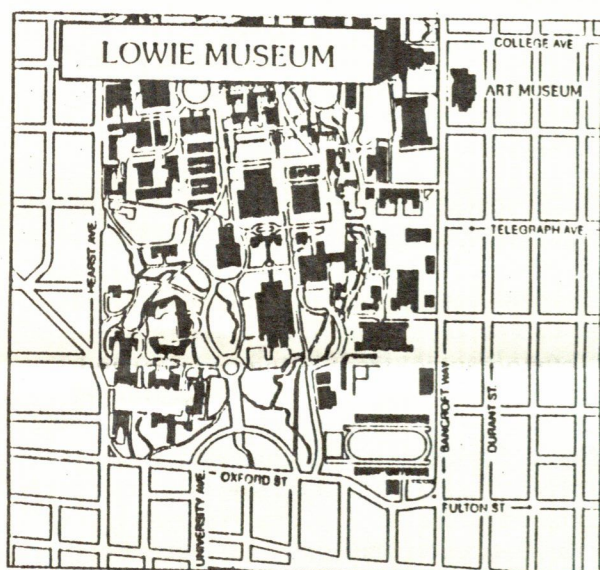
Most of the artifacts made and used by Ishi, the last of the Yahi Indians made famous by the late Mrs. Theodora Kroeber, are preserved as part of the permanent collections.

All of the collections are maintained by a highly trained professional staff and a conservator.

To get to the Lowie Museum -- A chartered bus to the Museum will not be provided because of the ease of access to the Museum through the Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) system. BART trains run from San Francisco to

Berkeley on Tuesdays from 6:00am to midnight. Take BART train to the Berkeley station. From there take Humphrey-GO-BART, a free bus service to the Berkeley campus available Monday through Friday. Those preferring to walk from Berkeley Station to the Lowie Museum (fifteen minutes away) should head east to the corner of Bancroft Way and College Avenue.

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Notes & Queries

The Center for Burma Studies has been established at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb under the direction of Dr. Richard Cooler of the School of Art. A specialist in Burmese art history with extensive travel and research experience in the country, his efforts have resulted in the donation of six artifactual collections to the Center. Among these is the Sarah Bekker collection noteworthy for its specimens of regional Burmese religious art and including provincial, court and folk types of Buddhas. A new section of the Swen Parson Hall, the campus exhibition center, has been designated the Burma Gallery and is planned to house a series of selected thematic presentations. Development of the Center comes at a time when the Donn V. Hart Southeast Asian collection,

also at NIU, has received several federal grants and become the largest collection in the United States of material in the field of Thai studies. Researchers are encouraged to contact: Dr. Richard Cooler, Visual Arts Building 201A, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois 60115-2868.

FREE! Copies of *Among the People: Selected Writings of Milenko S. Filipovic* (295 pages, photographs and maps) edited by E. Hammel, R. Ehrich, R. Fabijanic-Filipovic, J. Halpern, and A. Lord are available free of charge (including postage) from Tozzer Library (21 Divinity Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138). Published by University of Michigan's Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures in its series, "Papers in Slavic Philosophy" (No. 3, 1982), the book is in hard cover. M. Filipovic's major area of interest was Yugoslav ethnography. The editors translated a sample of Filipovic's writings designed to show the scope of his ethnographic interests. If you want a copy, send your name and address to Tozzer Library, attention: E. Evans, with a note requesting *Among the People*.

The Board of the **Human Relations Area Files** would like to receive suggestions for new data banks and other services that HRAF could provide to serve the needs of researchers and teachers. The new products, like the present HRAF ethnographic files, will consist of actual texts and other primary materials that are indexed for rapid retrieval. But unlike the ethnographic files, the new data banks will be computerized. Some possibilities include data banks on primate and other animal behavior, linguistic texts, ethnohistorical materials and graphic arts. HRAF is interested in knowing what users might prefer with respect to format -- online access, floppy disks, video laser disks, tapes, etc. They are also interested in expanding their HRAFlex publications programs for all kinds of descriptive, e.g., organized field notes, coded data. Write to Melvin Ember, Chairman of the Board of HRAF, c/o the Human Relations Area Files, PO Box 2054 Yale Station, New Haven CT 06520.

A bibliography on literature discussing the problems of **anthropological fieldwork** is currently being developed by Robert B. Marks Ridinger and Dr. Pierre B. Gravel of Northern Illinois University. The volume will appear from Garland Press in late 1987 or early 1988.

The Library Anthropology Resources Group (LARG), a group of subject librarians and anthropologists in the Chicago area, has recently completed some four years of research on a biographical directory of persons born in or before 1920 who made contributions to anthropology. Information on some 8,000 individuals has been located with each entry giving a brief summary and indicating where a fuller biographical citation may be found. It should be stressed that the volume represents a first effort and suggestions for inclusion will be solicited on an international scale following its publication. Researchers interested in further information are urged to contact Tom Mann, Bibliographer, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois 60201.

The Gay Task Force of the American Library Association is engaged in the development of a thesaurus for use in creating and indexing collections of gay/lesbian monographs and periodicals. A survey conducted in 1986 of the sixty-two archives/indexes specializing in such materials yielded eleven lists of terms. Nine of these have been combined into a alphabetical listing which is currently being distributed for evaluation and editing. Researchers interested in this area are invited to contact the co-ordinator of the thesaurus working group: R.B. Marks Ridinger, 303 Founders Library, Northern Illinois University Library, DeKalb, Illinois 60115-2868.

A fascinating history of the Tozzer Library has recently been completed by John M. Weeks, Social Science Librarian at the Wilson Library, University of Minnesota (and ANSS Member-at-Large). "**Tozzer Library: A 'National' Library for Anthropology in the United States**" (*Current Anthropology*, Volume 28, Number 1, February 1987, pages 133-137) traces the development of the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology at Harvard University and the parallel developments of the Library's collections and services.



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Call for Indexers

The Society for Applied Anthropology is seeking members of ANSS to help index *Practicing Anthropology* volumes 1 through 10. Each volunteer would be responsible for indexing one year of *Practicing Anthropology*. The final index will be published and will give full credit to all the indexers as co-compilers. If you are interested in this project contact Barton M. Clark, 246A Library, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1408 W. Gregory Drive, Urbana, IL 61820.

Two Foremost Anthropological Indexing Services Plan for Merger

The Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland (RAI) and Harvard University's Tozzer Library have entered into agreement to study the feasibility of merging RAI's *Anthropological Index* and Tozzer's *Anthropological Literature*, the two foremost indexing services in the field of anthropology. The two libraries have discussed the merger formally for the past year, and the formal agreement signifies their commitment to the idea. The discussions were aided and supported by Russell Bernard (Chairman of the Anthropology Department, University of Florida and a member of the Commission on Documentation of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences - IUAES).

Scholars in the field of anthropology have greeted news of the possible merger with great enthusiasm. Preliminary studies show that the unified index would be a significantly greater resource than either single index; it would increase the number of journals indexed in a unified publication to more than 1200; it would provide Harvard call numbers; it would include author and subject listings in each issue; and it would be priced at less than the combined cost of the two indexes. The potential merger would also have particular advantages for the Harvard community, since the unified index would list not only journals held by Tozzer but also many held by other Harvard libraries.

The merger of the two indexing services is made possible by new indexing and electronic

publishing technology. Preliminary plans call for Tozzer to send electronic tapes of page-formatted material to RAI, where the index entries would be output and published. Initially, the index would appear in hard copy, but within a few years it also would be available as an online database. To make the project practical, start-up funding, primarily for computers and software, is essential, and both institutions are seeking financial support for the project.

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Positions Open

Librarian of the Tozzer Library. Reporting to the Librarian of Harvard College, administers a library with a collection of approximately 160,000 volumes and pamphlets in fields of archaeology, biological and cultural anthropology. Qualifications: MLS degree or equivalent; minimum 4 years significant professional library experience in academic setting; including administrative and supervisory experience; academic background in anthropology or related area. Rank and salary dependent on qualifications with minimum of \$25,000. Good benefits package. Available 1 July 1987. Resumes to: Karen N. McFarlan, University Personnel Librarian, Harvard College Library, Cambridge, MA 02138. An equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Museums of Interest in S.F.

Continuing a brief tradition dating from the first issue of *ANSS currents*, what follows is a brief list of some of San Francisco's many museums of interest to anthropologists and sociologists. All addresses are in San Francisco unless otherwise indicated; all telephone numbers are in the 415 area code. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead for hours and admission charges.

American Indian Historical Society Museum of Indian Arts
1451 Masonic at Frederick (94100) 626-5235
Contemporary and traditional American Indian crafts and fine arts

Asian Art Museum of San Francisco/ Avery Brundage Collection
Golden Gate Park (94118) 558-2993
More than 10,000 objects of Asian Art, emphasizing China, Korea, Japan, India, Nepal, Tibet, Southeast Asia and Iran, from the Neolithic period to modern times. Library contains 14,000 volumes.

California Academy of Sciences
Golden Gate Park (94118) 221-5100, 752-8268
Natural history museum includes anthropology within its scope; 85,000 volume library is available for consultation.

California Historical Society
2090 Jackson (94109) 567-1848
Library of 50,000 volumes includes manuscripts, pamphlets, maps, historical photographs, genealogical collection.

Chinese Culture Center of San Francisco
750 Kearny, 3rd floor (94108) 986-1822
Historical photographs on Chinese-Americans; Chinese folk arts; 500 volume library.

Chinese Historical Society of America
17 Adler Place, near Pacifica (94100) 391-1188
Artifacts, art, photographs, documents and memorabilia focus on role of Chinese in Gold Rush era.

Mexican Museum
Fort Mason, Building D, Laguna & Marina (94123) 441-0404
Pre-Hispanic, Colonial, Folk, Mexican and Mexican American fine art; 100 volume library.

Museum of Modern Mythology
693 Mission, Suite 900 (94105) 546-0202
Collections on 20th century American culture emphasize advertising characters from the turn-of-the-century to the present, signs, displays, photographs, print ads, radio, film and video archives, anthropology, pop culture; 200 volume library.

Museum of Russian Culture
2450 Sutter (94115) 921-4082
This ethnic history museum covers Russian history and immigration to the West.

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