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FROM THE SECRETARIAT...

This edition of ASA News goes to press simultaneously with the program for the 1992 annual meeting. Because such a large proportion of ASA members reside east of the Mississippi River, west coast conferences are typically smaller and, some would argue, refreshingly more relaxed than east coast meetings. Certainly Seattle provides laid-back charms that rival San Francisco, along with a unique passion for exotic coffee concoctions.

Signs so far, however, suggest that Seattle will be as large and certainly as intellectually intense an experience as any ASA conference in recent memory. The program is full and rich. Relatively large numbers of overseas participants are expected, including Africans, Europeans and a relatively large delegation of Japanese.

The Westin Hotel reports reservations mounting at a faster than usual pace. If you have not yet reserved a room, call immediately at 206-728-1000. Should the hotel be full, your reservation request will be referred to one of two overflow hotels, both within a block of the convention facility: the Mayflower or the Warwick.

Meanwhile, watch for the latest edition of the ASA Membership Directory. Completed in September, the Directory is being mailed to all 1992 individual members in October. Not only does it include names and addresses, but it lists members' disciplinary backgrounds and African regional interests. A short piece drawn from the personal, disciplinary and regional data provided by members is included in this newsletter on page 5. However, a warning is perhaps in order. Individual members are welcome to mine the Directory's resources to locate and contact colleagues. However, please remember that the Association forbids the use of the Directory for compiling mailing lists for any purpose.
WE WELCOME NEW ASA MEMBERS
(who joined between June 1 and September 1)

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ENDOWMENT CONTINUES TO BUILD

On August 1, the Association began the third year of its Challenge Grant Campaign. Designed to establish the ASA endowment, the Campaign is built around a Challenge Grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Under the terms of the challenge, the NEH will provide one dollar for every three dollars raised from private sources up to a maximum of $125,000 in NEH funds.

Fund-raising goals for the first two years of the campaign have been met. Individual and corporate gifts of more than $50,000 have been received. The Ford Foundation in February announced a gift of $150,000. Income from the Ford gift will ensure continuation of the ASA’s international visitors program.

The ASA Board’s Development Committee is working to raise several additional major gifts. One such gift will be announced on the occasion of the ASA Annual Meeting in Seattle. Organizations allied to the ASA are taking part, too. The Southeast Regional Seminar in African Studies (SERSAS) recently voted to raise funds for the endowment in the memory of Gerald Hartwig.

We still need the help of individual members and friends of the ASA. Outside organizations believe in us only if we show that we too are committed to enhancing the Association with our own donations. Please give and give generously to support the African Studies Association.
OBITUARY

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden death from a heart attack, on Thursday 16 July, of Richard Bjornson. Professor of French and Comparative Literature at the Ohio State University, “Dick” (as he was known to his extensive circle of friends) was a commanding figure in African literary studies.

Richard Bjornson was born January 16, 1938, in Oak Park, Illinois. He was educated at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin, where he obtained his B.A. (magna cum laude) in 1959, and at Northwestern University which awarded him the M.A. degree two years later. He spent the next few years in Europe doing odd jobs and studying languages, acquiring in the process a command of French, German, and Spanish. In 1968, he received his doctorate (troisième cycle) from the University of Paris.

On his return to the United States later that year, he took a position as Assistant Professor of Comparative Literature at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He moved to the Ohio State University at Columbus in 1974 as Assistant Professor of Comparative Studies, and was promoted to Associate Professor the following year. He spent the 1976-77 academic year at the University of Yaounde, Cameroon, as a Fulbright Professor. He became Professor of Comparative Studies at Ohio State at 1979; in 1981, his position was redesignated to that of Professor of French and Comparative Literature.

The broad scope of Bjornson’s first major publication, The Picaresque Hero in European Fiction (Wisconsin, 1977), reflected his profound immersion in the Western literary tradition, to which his acquisition of the major European languages gave him direct access over a wide range of its linguistic/national manifestations. The meticulous scholarship displayed in the work established his reputation as a comparatist of the first rank. The authority he acquired through the work and his essays on Spanish literature led to his being invited by the Modern Language Association to edit Approaches to the Teaching of Don Quixote which appeared in 1984. Bjornson had in the meantime encountered African literature, appropriately enough through Chinua Achebe’s Things Fall Apart. The interest that was kindled in him by his reading of a major founding text of modern African literature was deepened by his direct experience of the realities of contemporary Africa during the year he spent teaching in Yaounde. The intensity of the intellectual atmosphere that prevailed at the university there in the seventies made a lasting impression on him, a fact which accounts for the African orientation in his subsequent work and its specific focus on Cameroonian literature.

Bjornson began his contribution to the field of African literature with translations of the work of Cameroonian writers. His English version of René Philombe’s Lettres de ma cambuse, translated as Tales from my Hut, was published in Yaounde in 1977; it was later expanded and reissued in 1984 under the title Tales from Cameroon: Collected Short Stories of René Philombe. This was followed by Mongo Beti’s Lament for an African Pol (1985) and Ferdinand Oyono’s Road to Europe (1989). In 1990 appeared perhaps his most important translation, that of the monumental novel, Doguicimi, by the Dahomean Paul Hazoume.

Bjornson was all the while producing a stream of critical and theoretical essays, much of this output devoted to African literature. The publication in 1991 of The African Quest for Freedom and Identity can be said not only to mark the culmination of these efforts but also to represent a landmark in African literary studies, for the work provides the most comprehensive account to date of a national movement in modern African literature.

Bjornson’s other publications include his edition, with Isaac Mowoe, of Africa and the West (1986), the proceedings of a Humanities conference held at the Ohio State University two years earlier, and, with Marilyn Waldman, of various other collections in Comparative Studies, notably, “The Future of the University” (1989) and “Rethinking Patterns of Knowledge” (1990). Well-known for his prodigious energy, Bjornson was not only active in several professional organizations but also acquired a reputation as a dedicated teacher and student adviser, a role for which he received a University Alumni Teaching Award in 1982.

The work he leaves behind represents a considerable legacy for all of us engaged in the study of African literature, and his death comes as a grievous loss for the field. But Richard Bjornson will long be remembered—as much for his work as for his generous disposition and engaging personality. While we mourn his loss, we are conscious of the force of his example and of the need to sustain the momentum he generated, both as a scholar and a teacher, in the development of African literature as an area of serious academic discourse and intellectual endeavour. We can only hope that our resolve will be up to the challenge.

Abiola Irele
Ohio State University

This is an abbreviated version of a larger tribute printed in Research in African Literatures. We appreciate receiving permission to republish this material. - Ed.
ABOUT US

The ASA has collected disciplinary and regional data from its members for years. In the recent past, we have asked also for information on gender, date of birth and nationality. We anticipate that over the years we will be able to develop useful longitudinal data on ourselves and, by extension, on the relative health and strengths of African studies, particularly in the US.

Our data collection led in 1991 to the publication of a study undertaken jointly with the other major area studies associations in the US, "Prospects for Faculty in Area Studies." Based on statistics drawn from 1989 and 1990 membership records, the study reviews the history of area studies in the US and compares faculty in various disciplines in African, Asian, Latin American, Middle Eastern and Slavic studies. US-based members may order a free copy by sending a self-addressed 9" x 12" envelope affixed with $1.05 in postage to ASA, Credit Union Building, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322. Members based outside the US are asked to send $3 for postage and handling for surface mail, or $10 for postage and handling for airmail service.

We recently carried out a brief analysis of 1991-92 membership data, drawing on a total of 2753 individual members, of whom 2407 or 87 percent are based in the US. Gender information was given by 2621 members, of whom 38 percent were women and 62 percent men.

A mere 1576 ASA members were willing to let us know the year of their birth. Interestingly, women were more reluctant to divulge birthdate; only 35 percent of those giving age data were women. Nevertheless, the data confirmed the trend toward larger numbers of women moving into the field of African studies. As in our 1991 study, we noted increases in the proportion of women members in age cohorts below the mid 40s, with women tending to comprise from 40 to 60 percent of the younger membership in those age groups, but only 28-33 percent of the members in cohorts over 45 years of age.

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Disciplinary and regional interests are perhaps less personal though equally interesting. ASA, it might be argued, is an organization predominantly of West Africanists. Fully 38 percent of the 2125 members who indicated a regional specialization short of the continent as a whole claimed that area. The lowest regional specialization was North Africa with only 3 percent, evidence of the reality that North Africanist loyalties are divided between the ASA and the Middle East Studies Association.

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<td>Central Africa</td>
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<td>West Africa</td>
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<td>Africa as a Whole</td>
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History and political science (including international relations, government and politics) continue to be the two largest disciplines represented within the Association, with anthropology remaining a strong third. The numbers of economists who are members has increased somewhat since 1989-90 as has our cohort of sociologists.

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<td>Religion and philosophy</td>
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<td>Sociology</td>
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Membership renewals will be mailed, as usual, in December. Please complete the statistical information asked on the renewal form. The more we know about you, the more we know about African studies.
HUMAN RIGHTS IN SUDAN

The Board of the ASA voted during the summer of 1992 to adopt the following resolution on human rights in Sudan.

The Board of Directors of the African Studies Association views with deep concern the continuing erosion of human rights in Sudan, and in particular abridgments of academic freedom and human rights at the country's schools and institutions of higher learning. Firings of university faculty members and rustication of university students have been deliberately used to intimidate others and force them to comply with government policies, many of which are aimed at forcing segments of the Sudanese population to learn Arabic and take Islamic subjects against their will. We are also concerned that government policies continue to exacerbate already deteriorating human rights conditions, as documented in analyses by well-informed international human rights monitoring bodies, and that nothing concrete appears to be done to address these complaints.

The Board of Directors calls upon the government of Lt-General Omer al-Bahir to revise those policies that deny faculty and students their human rights and academic freedom at Sudan's schools and universities. It also urges ASA members in their personal capacity to press for changes in the country's discriminatory policies.

FUTURE MEETINGS, CALLS FOR PAPERS AND AUTHORS

■ The Third Annual Conference on African Policy Issues and the Distinguished Lecture on African Development will take place on 24-26 February 1993 in Washington, DC. The focus will be "Public Health in Africa: Problems, Policies, and Direction."

The Annual Conference on African Policy Issues is an integrated forum of the Institute on African Affairs designed to call the attention of the policy world to options available for dealing with Africa's problems. The objective of the program is to enlist, examine and advance meaningful alternative ideas and choices towards a resolution of these problems. In the past two years, the program has attracted more than 500 participants, mainly scholars, policy analysts, journalists, and African/US policy makers, and has become one of the principal forums concerned with African policy issues.

Those interested in attending may obtain registration materials and information by contacting the Institute on African Affairs, 15th Street NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20005.

■ A major international conference titled "Ethnicity, Identity and Nationalism in South Africa: Comparative Perspectives" will be held in Grahamstown, South Africa, 20-24 April 1993. The conference will focus on identity and ethnicity in South Africa in terms of its past and current manifestations, but with a particular emphasis on its possible future role and form. The conference will be organized jointly by the Institute of Social and Economic Research, Rhodes University, and the Centre for Social and Development Studies, University of Natal.

Political strife in South Africa is often conceived of in ethnic terms, and political ideologies are usually prefaced on a presumed "identity" of some kind. Yet our understanding of these issues is not yet well developed. We need to look at the recent changes that have taken place and at what the implications of this are for the future.

A comparative perspective is essential if the conference is to be successful. Ethnicity and nationalism are worldwide phenomena, and there is an obvious need to draw on the lessons and experiences of other countries. The general call for papers will thus be augmented by invitations to speakers of high academic standing from other parts of Africa and from abroad, to contribute towards the aims of the conference.

While the conference structure will be finalized at a later date, we anticipate that papers providing comparative and theoretical perspectives will be built into each of the conference sessions, along with papers dealing with specifically South African issues. Round table discussions and a final evaluation session are also being planned.

For more information contact Ethnicity Conference Secretary, Institute of Social and Economic Research, Rhodes University, P.O. Box 94, Grahamstown 6140, South Africa.

■ The International Institute for Human Factor Development (IIHFD) is organizing the First International Conference on Human Factor Engineering. This conference will be held in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, 7-10 July 1993. The main objective of this conference is to bring scholars together to discuss the importance and the role of the Human Factor in Political Development, Industrialization, Economic Development and Growth in Developing Countries. This conference is aimed at providing some answers to Human Factor Problems in Developing Countries.

All abstracts must be received in the Institute by 31
October 1992. Full papers of accepted abstracts are due by 31 December 1992. Final (revised) papers are due by 31 March 1993 (in time for the publication of a Refereed Book of Conference Proceedings). For review, a proposal must consist of 1) a cover sheet containing the title of paper, name and titles of the author(s), complete institutional address(es), phone and fax numbers, and 2) a second page that contains the title of the paper and the abstract which must be no more than three hundred and fifty (350) words.

Send original abstracts with two (2) additional copies or requests for further information to, Dr. Senyo B-S.K. Adjibolosoo, Director, IIHFD, Faculty of Business and Economics, Trinity Western University, 7600 Glover Road, Langley, BC, V3A 6H4, Canada.

- Current World Leaders, published for 35 years, is accepting proposals for publication in 1993. Each of three Biography & News/Speeches & Reports issues will focus on a specific topic: "The Media and Politics" for April, "National Intelligence Organizations" for August, and "World Population Issues" for December. We intend to cover at least two, and preferably several, perspectives on each topic. For example, the issue on "National Intelligence Organizations" might have one article supporting and one criticizing the role of the Central Intelligence Agency in US foreign policy. It might also contain an article discussing the role of national intelligence agencies in the post-Cold War world. We are calling for previously unpublished papers that present a particular point-of-view on the topics described above. Articles should be between 4,500 and 10,000 words long.

We also welcome suggestions for other topics.

For more information including deadlines and a style-guide write to Thomas S. Garrison, Editorial Director, Current World Leaders, 800 Garden Street, Suite D, Santa Barbara, CA 93101, (805) 965-5010, fax (805) 965-6071.

- Africanist scholars are invited to submit essays for a collection surveying the burgeoning yet under-examined pedagogical category of a general "non-Western", "Third World," or "post-colonial" literature. The editor seeks papers engaging the artistic, cultural, disciplinary, or political status of courses in these areas, and their fast-settling canons. Suggested topics include the recent institutional expansion; teaching in "First World," "Third World," or "mixed World" US or other classrooms; teaching as a "First," "Third," or other-World scholar; teaching gender across cultures; privilege given to the novel form; post-colonial versus American-marginal courses; student response; text availability. Pedagogical focus, please: no just-literary analyses. An appendix proposing syllabi may be included. Send abstracts, proposals, papers by 15 December 1992 to David Chioni Moore, Program in Literature and Theory, Duke University, Durham, NC 27706.

- The African Institution plans to publish a book to be entitled Sierra Leone: An Agenda for the 21st Century. Suggested chapters should focus on analyses and prescriptions of various issues within the following public policy areas: Economic Policy, Social Policy, Science and Technology Policy, Political Policy, and Environmental and Health Policy. A potential author should send a one-page abstract that outlines the content of the proposed chapter, and states the date by which the chapter will be completed.

The editor will reply to all proposals stating whether they are appropriate for the book, and, if so, suggesting a schedule for submissions, revisions, and publications. All chapters should be typed double spaced. Internal footnotes should be used. All references should be placed at the end.

Please send all correspondence to Dr. Abdul Karim Bangura, The African Institution, 7532 Eighth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20012.

- Harold Marcus is interested in hearing from those who are writing or researching biographies of Africans; or studying, analyzing, or criticizing the existing biographies of Africans. Please provide a paragraph or two about the project. Contact Harold Marcus, Department of History, Michigan State University, E. Lansing, MI 48824-1036.

AFRICANA LIBRARIANS COUNCIL

Summary of Minutes, 24 April 1992

The meeting of 28 ASA members was chaired by Onuoma Ezera (Michigan State University).

The name of the group was changed from Archives-Libraries Committee to Africana Librarians Council of ASA, because the use of the word "committee" is now restricted to those named by the ASA Board. The new name reflects the nature of the current membership, which continues to be interested in both archives and libraries. There were also other minor changes in the bylaws. The Cataloging Committee reported on its recommendations to the Library of Congress concerning language codes and other matters. The Bibliography Committee discussed reference books that need updates, a survey of Africana library expenditures, and various other cooperative projects.

Other business included a lengthy report from the Library of Congress, and discussion of involvement in an ARL (Association of Research Libraries) project. (Africana Libraries Newsletter, no. 71, has the full minutes.)
The Rockefeller Foundation is offering Fellowships in Population Sciences for 1993/1994. Fellowships are awarded in demography/sociology, emphasizing policy studies, contraceptive technology, and reproductive health. Selections are based on the recommendations of distinguished scholars in the field of population. Selection criteria stress academic excellence and potential contributions to the population field in developing countries. Preference is given to persons from developing countries who are affiliated with an institution in their home countries and are firmly committed to returning to their own countries after finishing their training. Fellowship training undertaken in the US must be done with a J-1 student exchange visa.

Selections are contingent upon admission by a training or research institution with a strong graduate or research program in population studies, regardless of geographic location. It is the applicant's responsibility to obtain admission to the institution or university of his or her choice. Awards are made for approximately one year. Renewals for up to one additional year may be considered but are not automatically approved.

Awards consist of a monthly stipend, tuition payments, transportation expenses, and health insurance. A family allowance may be granted to appointees who have dependents in their immediate families—limited to spouse and children—for whom they are financially responsible.

Inquiries should be addressed to Fellowships in Population Science, The Rockefeller Foundation, 1133 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036 USA. Deadline for submission is 15 November 1992.

The Social Science Research Council Committee on International Peace and Security announces dissertation and postdoctoral fellowships for training and research on peace and security in a changing world. This program is funded by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. The Council expects to award approximately eight dissertation and eight postdoctoral Fellowships. These Fellowships will support innovative and interdisciplinary research on the relationships among security issues and worldwide cultural, military, social, economic, environmental, and political changes, and of these changes on issues of international peace and security.

There are no citizenship, residency, or nationality requirements. The competition is open to researchers in the social and behavioral sciences (including history and area studies), the humanities, and the physical and biological sciences. Researchers in non-academic settings are welcome to apply. An academic appointment is not a requirement, nor is an academic affiliation during the term of the Fellowship.

Dissertation Fellowships These Fellowships are open to researchers who are finishing course work, examinations, or similar requirements for the Ph.D. or its equivalent. Applicants must complete all requirements for the doctoral degree except the dissertation by the Spring of 1993.

Postdoctoral Fellowships In most cases, successful applicants will hold the Ph.D or its equivalent. However, possession of that degree is not a requirement for lawyers, public servants, journalists, or others who can demonstrate comparable research experience and an ability to contribute to the research literature. This competition is designed for researchers in the first ten years of their postdoctoral careers; senior researchers are discouraged from applying.


The Conference Group on Women's History and the Berkshire Conference of Women Historians announce the third annual competition for a $500 Graduate Student Award. Applicants must be female graduate student historians in US institutions who have passed to ABD status by the time of application. Deadline for submissions is 1 December 1992. For applications and information contact Elizabeth Colwill, Department of History, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA 92182-0380, (619) 594-2715.

The United States Institute of Peace announces the 1993 cycle of its Solicited Grant competition, this year on Africa, The Middle East, and Conflict Resolution Training.

Solicitation A invites proposals addressing the relationship between democratization and peacebuilding in Africa; the role of African regional institutions in maintaining peace; and the future course of civil-military relations on the continent.

Solicitation B invites proposals on the regional impact of Kurdish political and political-military activities within and between Iraq, Turkey, Syria, and Iran, including the effects upon Iraq and its neighbors of growing Kurdish political autonomy; Iranian and Turkish involvement in the Armenia-Azerbaijan confrontation, and their competition for influence in Central Asia, particularly when viewed from
the perspective of their relations with other powers (e.g., Russia, the United States, the European Community); and the effect of Iranian-Syrian relationships upon Israel-Arab relationships and the peace process particularly upon the government of Lebanon and militant groups in Lebanon, but also upon the attitudes of Palestinian organizations both inside the Occupied Territories and outside Israel, etc.

Solicitation C invites proposals for training programs to enhance the ability of local actors, whether in Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union, or parts of Africa, Asia and Latin America, both to reduce the potential for conflict and to sharpen peacemaking and peacebuilding skill. Project objectives should include the development of new training materials and innovative models or the modification of existing training materials and models to new contexts. Project activity may include how to use Track II and similar efforts in informal diplomacy and dispute resolution; the training of individuals in conflict management and resolution techniques; and the development of indigenous institutional capabilities to carry out such skills training.

Most solicited grants are one to two years in duration. In this cycle of competition, the Institute expects to award several grants in the range of $40,000 to $60,000 for research projects on Africa or the Middle East. Several grants of up to $100,000 each will be made in support of conflict resolution training projects. It is the Institute's strong preference that grants be made to institutions rather than to individuals. For further information and application forms, please write or call Solicited Grants, US Institute of Peace, 1550 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005-1708, (202) 429-3844. The closing date for receipt of solicited grant applications in the current review cycle is 2 January 1993.

The Centros de Estudios Puertorriquenos, Hunter College, CUNY, will award two full-time postdoctoral Rockefeller Fellowships to academic and independent scholars each year from 1993/1994 to 1995/1996. The Program is designed to advance comparative critical analysis of the following questions: How do demands for equity, historically and at the present moment, challenge or otherwise engage hegemonic cultural theories, discourses, and national policies?

In the 1993-1994 year, projects will focus on how differ-
ent "cultural communities" experience citizenship and construct their claims for cultural rights and equity. Central to these issues are the ways in which changing constructions of identity and vernacular conceptions of rights and entitlements are embodied in collective discourses and actions. We also seek to examine the cultural resources and "devalued" funds of knowledge that communities bring to bear on the advocacy process. Subsequent themes are: Histories and Discourses of Group Poverty (1994-1995); and The Cultural Politics of Education (1995-1996).

All fellows must be in full-time residence at the Centro from September through June. Full stipend is $34,000 and up to $3,000 for extra costs of relocation, health benefits, housing, etc. Fellowships may be combined with a sabbatical. We especially encourage proposals from scholars concerned with cultural diversity and equity in North American, Latin American, Caribbean, and Western European contexts.

Deadline for applications is 15 January for each year. For information or application materials write Program codirectors: Dr. Rina Benmayor and Dr. Antonio Lauria, Centro de Estudios Puertorriquenos, Hunter College, 695 Park Avenue, Box 548, New York, NY 10021. Or call Ms. Ana Juarbe at (212) 772-5687, fax (212) 772-4348.

The American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship/Grant-in-Aid Program supports postdoctoral research in the humanities. College Faculty Fellowships in Humanities Curriculum Development are available for participation in a year-long seminar to develop elementary and secondary school humanities teaching materials. Available to tenured humanities faculty members at four-year colleges in four geographic areas to be specified early in the fall of 1992. Tenure: one year, beginning 1993 August. Maximum award: $45,000. The deadline is 15 January 1993. For information and an application form write to Office of Fellowships and Grants, American Council of Learned Societies, 228 east 45th St., New York, NY 10017-3398.

The Center for Latin American Studies and the Center for American Studies invite junior and senior scholars to participate in an interdisciplinary program on Afro-American identity and cultural diversity in Americas, including the Caribbean, Brazil, and the US, as well as the sending areas of Africa. Funded by the Rockefeller Foundation, the program will enable visiting scholars in the area of the humanities to spend a year or a semester at the University of Florida to do research in this area.

The program will focus on three-interrelated issues, each of which will be emphasized in a different year, in the following sequence: 1) (1993-94) the intersection of race, class and gender as seen in research on women and the family, slavery and race relations, social movements, and migration; 2) (1994-95) studies in literature, religion and popular culture which reveal the ways in which Afro-American culture has transcended national boundaries and brought together people living in different regions; 3) (1995-96) studies on historical processes of adaptation to the physical environment through research on material culture, ecological systems and the built environment.

Since the intent is to support the best proposals, this yearly framework will be broadly interpreted.

Each fellow will receive a maximum stipend of $35,000 for the academic year, or half that for the semester. By 3 February 1993, candidates should submit a 100 word abstract, an essay of approximately 1500 words detailing the proposed research, a full curriculum vita, and two letters of recommendation.

Inquiries and completed applications should be addressed to Helen I. Safa, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611-2037, (904) 392-0375, fax (904) 392-7682. Fellows will be announced about 1 April, and will be expected to take up residence for the fall semester by the end of the following August.

The Re-entry Grants for African Scholars Pursuing Education Research program is designed to assist in the professional re-establishment of talented African scholars who are returning from doctoral studies abroad and have a research interest in issues related to the revitalization and development of education in sub-Saharan Africa. All proposed projects must include an explicit and substantial focus on female school participation as part of the set of educational issues to be examined.

Applicants may submit research proposals prior to or within one year of returning to their Africa-based institutions. Grants are made to the scholar, but the proposal must be endorsed by the African institution where the applicant will be a full-time staff member. Also required are two letters of recommendation from academic supervisors at the institution where the candidate carried out doctoral study, postgraduate transcripts, and a resume.

There are no deadlines for submission of proposals. For a full description of the program, write to Scholars on Education Re-Entry Program, The Rockefeller Foundation, 1133 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036 or Scholars on Education Re-Entry Program, The Rockefeller Foundation, P.O. Box 47543, Nairobi, Kenya.
ASA JOINS THE NATIONAL HUMANITIES ALLIANCE

The ASA Board resolved at its last meeting that ASA become an associate member of the National Humanities Alliance, an independent coalition of more than 75 scholarly and professional associations, museums, libraries, historical societies and centers for scholarship.

Created in 1981, the major work of the Alliance is to closely monitor federal activities that may affect work in the humanities — from guidelines and rule-making in the executive branch to legislative initiatives in Congress. The NHA plays active roles with both Congress and federal agencies ranging from providing information and advice on issues to offering witnesses for hearings to coordinating written responses to proposed regulations. As an organization, it is strictly non-partisan.

The NHA’s successes are impressive. Between 1981 and 1990, Congress appropriated higher budgets each year for the NEH than requested by the Reagan and Bush administrations, due at least in part to Alliance witnesses, Alliance information and other activities.

Members of the ASA have already benefitted from the work of the NHA. Associate membership will permit the Association to participate in decision-making at the Alliance, and to assist it in the continuance of its work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Eritrea Update** is a monthly newsletter intended to keep readers informed of current political and economic developments in Eritrea. The subscription rate is $20.00 for one year (12 issues). For more information, contact Vicky Rentmeesters, Provisional Government of Eritrea, Mission to the U.S. and Canada, P.O. Box 65685, Washington, D.C. 20035, (202) 265-3070.


  In awarding the prize to *A comme Algériennes* the Jury noted that this wasa "major statement on the social condition of the Algerian woman...an excellent work which combines a fine sociological intelligence with a warmth of personal feeling...a testimony whose relevance extends well beyond the particular local situation which it examines. An original scholarly analysis which illuminates the dichtomy between the role of women in a developing society, and the demands of traditional Islam."

  The Jury described *One Day, Long Ago. More Stories from a Shona Childhood* as "four stories from the Shona oral tradition, beautifully told and vividly illustrated, with an imaginative use of language, an element of mystery and magic, the occassional sting in the tail, and a gentle, controlled sense of humor. Charles Mungoshi is at the height of his power as a story-teller and has added significantly to the canon of African legends."

  Established in 1979, the Noma Award is open to Africa writers and scholars whose work is published in Africa. It is given annually for an outstanding new book in any of these three categories, scholarly or academic, books for children, and literature and creative writing.


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"Opportunities in Africa," a resource guide for students and professionals interested in studying, teaching, working, visiting or doing business in Africa, is available for $5.00 per copy, or $3.00 per copy for orders of 5 copies or more. To purchase this guide, send your check or money order to Interbook, 131 Varick St., New York, NY 10013.

The Journal of Asian and African Affairs is an independent, refereed and semiannual publication, intended to promote critical studies on varying problems and prospects of the Afro-Asian world. The JAAA reflects contemporary and non-contemporary research and analyses on a broad range of complex national, regional, inter-continental and international issues facing African and Asian societies.

For further information contact Editor, Journal of Asian and African Affairs, P.O. Box 44843, Washington, DC 20026-4843.

Ethiopian Children Pen Parenting Association, Inc. is a nonprofit, non-sectarian, non-political organization that is committed to the welfare of orphaned children. The organization is international in scope and is the first organization formally established in the United States that will support underfunded institutions such as the Ethiopian Orthodox Church Council for Child Care. Its chartered mission is to provide economic assistance to the orphaned children of Ethiopia, eventually extending the same services to other African countries.

For more information write to ECPPA, City and County Employee Credit Union, Account No. 458437, P.O. Box 4057, Hayward, CA 94540-4057.

The NEH Overview of Endowment Programs describes all of the funding opportunities at NEH (more than 30 different programs) and is free. In addition, the Overview provides information on how to get application forms, when to apply for grants, tips on applying, and addresses and phone numbers of state humanities councils. To order contact NEH Overview, Room 406, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20506, (202) 606-6438.

The Dingila Health Foundation (a non-profit organization) was recently established by Zairen Abdul Rahman Okitukunda to provide medical relief to the community of Dingila, Zaire and its hospital. Mr. Okitukunda reports that this community of 125,000 does not have even the most basic medical care.

The Dingila Health Foundation provides medications and medical supplies directly to the Dingila Hospital. In July 1992, the Foundation sent its first shipment of medications and supplies.

ASA members who wish to assist may contact Abdul-Rahman Okitukunda, P.O. Box 9487, Stanford, CA 94309, (415) 723-4651.

WorldTeach Inc., a non-profit organization based at Harvard University which sends volunteers to teach in developing countries, is rapidly expanding into Southern Africa. Since 1986, WorldTeach has placed more than 700 volunteers in Africa, Asia, Central America, and Eastern Europe. WorldTeach offers three unique opportunities for American volunteers to teach in Southern Africa. There are currently 35 WorldTeach volunteers working in Namibia. WorldTeach/Namibia volunteers make a one year teaching commitment.

WorldTeach volunteers pay a program fee of $3950 for the teaching program in Namibia and $4350 for Score and the teaching program in South Africa. This fee covers the cost of travel, housing, a monthly salary to cover day to day living expenses, health insurance, placement, training, and support. Limited financial aid and fundraising support are available.

WorldTeach is currently engaging in an aggressive recruiting campaign to attract talented and energetic Americans to volunteer their time at a grassroots level in Southern Africa. To learn more about WorldTeach's programs in Africa, or to receive an application, please write or call WorldTeach, Harvard Institute for International Development, One Eliot Street, Cambridge, MA 02138, (617) 495-5527.

The Africana Librarians Council (formerly Archives Libraries Committee) of the African Studies Association fall meeting will take place at the Westin Hotel in Seattle on Friday, November 20. The meeting agenda will appear in the Africana Libraries Newsletter. For further information contact Onuma Ezera, Chair, Africana Librarians Council, Africana Libraries, East Lansing, MI 48824, (517) 355-2366 or Nancy Schmidt, Chair-elect, African Studies Area Specialist, Library E660, Indiana University Library, Bloomington, IN 47405, (812) 855-1481.
The Greater Washington Friends of Sierra Leone is a membership organization for those interested in Sierra Leone, its people, culture, and development. Membership is open to the general public. Basic membership is $20 per year payable to GWFOSL, 810 Langley Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20901.

Members receive a newsletter (the most recent dealt with the April coup in great detail.) Also, the group funds several projects in Sierra Leone from funding refugee camps to restocking secondary school science labs.

This is a North American (soon to be international) list of black-run or black-oriented bulletin board systems, listing name, number and baud network. Send updates or corrections to Arthur McGee via email on the BDPA Bay Area BBS or via email on compuserve (72377,1351), genie (A.MCGEE) or internet (72377.1351@COMPUSERVE.COM). You may also call at (213)735-4879. This list is up to date as of September 16, 1992.

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For access to the BDPA Washington, DC BBS, send email to SANYAK-HU AMARE on the BDPA Detroit BBS or the Baobab.

COMPUTER NEWS

The African Studies Computer Technology Committee is organizing an electronic mailing list of members and associates interested in reading and writing Kiswahili via the computer. The Swahili-L is designed for new and old students of Kiswahili at the university and secondary levels in the United States and Africa. This idea was developed for Africanists whose reading and writing proficiency requires improvement. It also is designed for first language readers/writers who are willing to correspond with news users. Finally, the mailing list is created for those Africanists interested in the history and society of those countries in Africa and Asia where Kiswahili is spoken.

Users must have access to internet/bitnet addresses or gateways to these networks. Contact: Richard Chowning = chowning@acuvax.acu.edu or Patricia Kuntz = kuntz@macc.wisc.edu or Internet: kuntz@macc.wisc.edu.

Ibolink Software Systems has developed a PC program designed to be a first step in the study of Africa for students and adults. It consists of three sections: Learn about Africa, which contains reference information about the economic, social and political structure of individual African countries; Name that Country, which tests students' ability to identify countries in Africa; and Famous Africans, which presents brief biographies on famous Africans in history.

The program runs on IBM or compatibles and requires a color monitor, 3.5 or 5.25 disk drive and 640K memory. It is updated on a yearly basis. $13.50. Contact Ibolink Software Systems, P.O. Box 831984, Stone Mountain, GA 30083, phone: 404-294-0391.
AFRICA-L, a listserv discussion of African issues, is compiling a list of internet connections to Africa. The "connections" list will be stored as a retrievable document on the listserv as well as being available via anonymous ftp transfer from several ftp servers. Look for availability announcements.

Many of us have short lists of contacts which we have discovered. The goal is to pool our collective knowledge of how to establish email links with our colleagues in Africa.

The list is not intended to be a complete list of individual email addresses, but a list of host computers, their addressing protocols, and contact people for each of the hosts. Contributions of your short (or long) lists to the effort are welcome. Send them to Jackie Ammerman libja@emoryu1.cc.emory.edu.

Lists in paper form are also accepted. Send to Jackie Ammerman, Pitts Theology Library, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Bowdoin College
African History

Assistant Professor, two year non-renewable appointment, beginning fall of 1993, in Sub-Saharan African history, sub-fields or adjunct fields open. Ph.D. preferred, but A.B.D.s also considered. The successful candidate will have demonstrated a potential for excellence in teaching and scholarship. We will be interviewing at the African Studies Association meeting in Seattle in November. Applications should be sent to Daniel Levine, Chair, Department of History, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine, 04011, and received by November 15, 1992. Women and members of minority groups are urged to apply and are invited to identify themselves as such.

Emory University
Distinguished NEH Chair/Director of the ILA

The Graduate Institute of the Liberal Arts (ILA) invites applications and nominations for a scholar-teacher of national reputation to fill a Distinguished NEH Chair and to serve as Director of the Institute. This is a tenured position at the level of Associate Professor or Professor. We seek someone with a substantial record of publications whose work is comparative and interdisciplinary. The position is open with regard to field and period, but preference will be given to candidates whose research includes the study of non-Western cultures. Areas of special interest include the history of medicine, science, technology, post-colonial studies; gender studies; arts and religion; and cultural geography.

The ILA is an interdisciplinary graduate program with over 90 graduate students, twelve regular faculty members and a large number of adjunct and associated faculty. It provides the central institutional context at Emory for study and research in areas that transcend the boundaries of traditional academic fields. Its major components include programs in 1. Culture, History, and Theory; 2. American Studies and African-American Studies. It is also closely affiliated with programs in Comparative Literature, Women's Studies, and Film Studies, and it administers an undergraduate program in Liberal Studies.

The review of applications will begin December 1. Applications and names of references should be sent to: Professor Robert Paul, ILA, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322. Emory is an equal opportunity, affirmative-action employer.

University of South Florida
African & Afro-American Studies Program

The African and Afro-American Studies Program invites applications for a new tenure-track Assistant Professor position beginning August 1993 contingent upon funding. Requirements for the position include Ph.D. preferred, ABD considered in History with specialization in African-American History or in African-American Studies, Sociology, Anthropology, or English with specialization in the African-American experience. Salary negotiable. Application deadline is 1 December 1992. Send letter of application, vita, and three letters of reference to: Dr. Navita Cummings James, Director, African & Afro-American Studies Program, University of South Florida, 4202 E. Fowler Avenue (SOC 107), Tampa, FL 33620-8100. By Florida law, applications and meetings are open to the public upon request. USF is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer.

Swarthmore College
African History

Anticipated opening. Assistant professor, tenure-track position to begin Fall 1993. Preference for principal field in tropical Africa, and secondary field in northern Africa, southern Africa, or the Middle East. Comparative and interdisciplinary interests, as well as teaching experience are highly desirable. Ph.D, or nearly completed Ph.D, is required. Send letter and dossier to Professor Lillian M. Li, Chair, Department of History, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA 19081-1397. EOE. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Application deadline 30 November 1992. We intend to hold interviews at the American Historical Association annual convention.

Barnard College
Department of Anthropology

Barnard College invites applications and nominations for the Luce Professorship of Migration and Social Order. The appointee will also be the director of the newly established Pan African Studies Program and a member of the Anthropology Department. The appointment is expected to be made with tenure. Candidates should be specialists in African-American Studies, and/or the African Diaspora and should have substantial records of scholarly achievement. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Applications including three letters of recommendation should be sent to Paula Rubel, Department of Anthropolo-
Case Western Reserve University
History Department
Case Western Reserve University seeks a modern (post 1800) historian interested in debates over social science methods, including theories of historical analysis and innovative teaching technologies. Candidate will teach a graduate methods course, a modern world history survey, and undergraduate courses in field of research. Preference for fields other than U.S. or Europe; minimum qualifications include proven teaching ability, research promise, and PhD by August 1993. Applications from women and minorities are especially welcome; AA/EOE. Applications received by 15 December will be considered for interviews at AHA. Send letter, vita, and three letters of reference by 4 January to Professor Alan Rocke, Chair, Search Committee, History Department, CWRU, Cleveland, OH 44106-7107.

Dartmouth College
Department of History
The Department of History of Dartmouth College invites nominations and applications for a tenured-track position at the assistant professor level in modern West African history to begin in the fall term of the 1993 academic year. A demonstrated interest in the history of women in Africa and/or the African diaspora in the Caribbean is desirable. The appointment will begin in September 1993, and candidates who will have completed their PhD requirements by that time are welcome to apply. Minority applicants are especially encouraged to apply. Applications, including letter of interest, vita and at least three references should be sent by 1 December 1992 to Bruce Nelson, Chair, Search Committee, Department of History, 6107 Reed Hall, Hanover NH 03755-3506. Dartmouth College is an AA/EOE.

University of Florida
Department of Political Science
Temporary teaching position in Comparative Politics/African Politics for the spring semester of 1993. Teaching consists of a graduate seminar and an introductory undergraduate course in African Politics. Starting date is 4 January. Possible extension of contract to December 1994. Letter of application and resume to Goran Hyden, Dept. of Political Science, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611, (904) 392-6539 or (904) 392-0262.

1993 ASA ANNUAL MEETING

The 1993 Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association will be held December 4-7, 1993 at the Westin Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts.

The theme for this meeting will be "Ecology and Environmental Issues in Africa." Understood in its broadest dimensions, such a theme goes beyond political disputes—both north-south debates in the international arena and internal struggles over national policies—to include issues of development, public health, demography and the effects of changing disease environments, urbanization, population mobility, and agrarian and pastoralist strategies (for the precolonial as well as the colonial and post-colonial periods). The theme is understood also to embrace artistic representations of the physical world, in material culture, ritual, and oral genres—wherever human activities are seen in relation to the natural world.

Paper proposals and panel topics will be welcomed on any theme. But we hope that those individuals and organizations with a particular interest in this theme will submit ideas and proposals to the Panels Committee. In addition, plenary sessions, roundtable discussions, and opportunities for individual presentations will also be organized. The Committee will seek to assure as broad a representation as possible among the different disciplines and affiliated organizations which comprise the ASA. We hope to encourage a wide regional representation of Africa in the presentations. We will seek broad participation from organizations outside academia whose interests reflect the theme of the conference. Finally, as is customary, the Committee will seek active involvement of participants from outside the US, particularly those from Africa.

We encourage those who wish to suggest panel or paper topics, or those who wish to see roundtable discussions organized on particular subjects, to attend the open discussion planned for the Seattle meeting on Sunday, November 22, at 7:30 am. Ideas on intellectual themes or organizational issues will be warmly welcomed. Alternatively, suggestions can be submitted to the Panels Chair: David Newbury, Department of History, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3195; or to one of the following members of the Panels Committee:

Elisabeth Boyi (Duke University)
Jane Parpart (Dalhousie University)
Merrick Posnansky (UCLA)
Meredith Turshen (Rutgers University)
Allen Roberts (University of Iowa)
Jane Guyer (Boston University)

This year the Panels Committee will vet all individual paper proposals, whether independent or part of an orga-
nized panel, without knowledge of the identity of the person submitting the proposal. Titles and abstracts for presentations need to be as carefully constructed and as complete as possible. Panels chairs need to submit a proposal for the entire panel and to ensure that each individual participant on the panel has submitted a paper proposal and abstract separately.

PROPOSING A PANEL OR A ROUNDTABLE

Proposers of panels, roundtables or papers are asked to use the forms included in ASA News.

Proposals may be mailed to the ASA, Credit Union Building, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 30322, between January 1 and March 15, 1993.

Any proposals mailed after March 15 will receive consideration only after the initial program is created and only if adequate space remains for their inclusion on the program. Please note: proposals received by fax will not be acknowledged or considered.

Persons who propose papers or organize panels and roundtables for the program must be 1993 members of the African Studies Association with dues paid by the time of submission.

Scholars who are not resident in North America or whose major area of expertise is not Africa may request exceptions from the membership requirement. Such persons must submit their non-member preregistration fees with their paper proposals. International scholars unable because of currency exchange problems to submit funds from overseas in advance should indicate so in their correspondence with the Association. The regular fee for non-member preregistration is $60; non-members currently teaching in African universities pay a special preregistration fee of $35.

Individuals will be accepted to make only one presentation: as a paper presenter, a roundtable participant, or a discussant. However, individuals may chair one panel in addition to making one presentation.

Panels and roundtables normally will be comprised of no more than four presenters and one discussant, plus the panel chair. We encourage organizers to be innovative in structuring their sessions to permit more time for interaction among panelists and dialogue with audiences.

Individuals who are not part of organized panels are also invited to submit abstracts to the Panels Committee, which will evaluate them in the same manner as those included in panel proposals. If such abstracts are deemed acceptable and if they fit thematically or topically within an approved panel, the Panels Committee will ask the chair of that panel to include it in his or her set of presentations. In addition, panels will be created by the Panels Committee from individual submissions with common themes.

PANELS SPONSORED BY ASSOCIATE AND AFFILIATE ORGANIZATIONS

ASA associate and affiliate organizations may submit panel proposals which, if accepted, will be listed in the program as sponsored panels. As in the past, such panels may be subject to alteration as deemed necessary by the Panels Committee.

No panels submitted after March 15, 1993 will be considered sponsored for the purposes of listing in the program.

PROPOSALS SENT BY EMAIL

Proposals may be submitted through email, provided that 1993 membership dues have been paid in advance by the proposers. Proposals sent by email should include the following:

1. Address proposal to AFRICEGB@EMUV1.BITNET.
2. At the top of the message space, put the following information in precisely this form:
   Panel Title
   Chair: Name of Panel Chair, Affiliation of Panel Chair
   Name of First Presenter, Affiliation of First Presenter,
   Title of First Paper
   Name of Second Presenter, Affiliation of Second Presenter,
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   Name of Third Presenter, Affiliation of Third Presenter,
   Title of Third Paper
   Name of Fourth Presenter, Affiliation of Fourth Presenter,
   Title of Fourth Paper
   Discussant: Name of Discussant, Affiliation of Discussant
3. In the order of presentation, list the title of each paper, followed by the abstract for each paper.

An acknowledgment will be sent through email.

SCHEDULING BUSINESS MEETINGS CONCURRENT WITH THE ASA ANNUAL MEETING

Organizations that wish to schedule business meetings during the course of the ASA Annual Meeting are asked to request space between January 1 and March 15, 1993. Please indicated in your request the length of time necessary for your meeting and provide an estimate of attendance. A $50 service charge will be assessed organizations requesting space after March 15, 1993.

CORRECTION

ASA News, volume XXV, no. 3 (July/September 1992) incorrectly identified the disciplinary affiliation of Duke University Professor V. Y. Mudimbe as anthropology. Mudimbe holds a joint appointment in the departments of Romance Studies and Comparative Literature, and also serves in the Department of Anthropology. We regret any misunderstandings caused by our mis-attribution.
Send two copies of this form to: 1993 Annual Meeting, African Studies Association, Emory University, Credit Union Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30322. Proposals may be submitted between January 1 and March 15, 1993. Materials submitted after that period will be considered only after the initial program is created and only if adequate space remains in the conference program.

Persons submitting panel, roundtable, or paper proposals must be 1993 members with dues paid by the time of submission. Persons who are non-resident international scholars or whose major area of expertise is not Africa may request exemptions from the membership requirement. Such persons must submit their non-member preregistration fees with their paper proposals ($60 regular; $35 for persons currently teaching in African universities). Persons unable to submit fees in advance because of currency difficulties must notify the ASA and may pay their fees upon arrival in Boston.

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