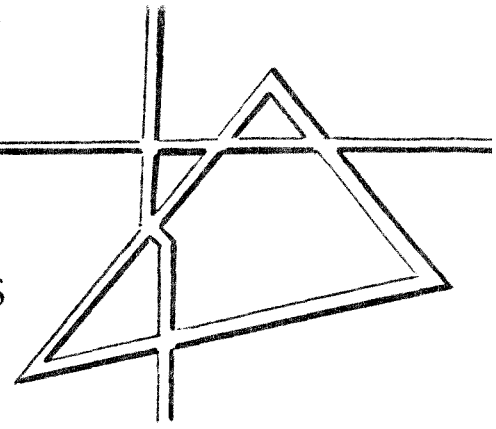


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PISP WELCOMES NEW FACULTY MEMBER

We wish to extend a welcome to Mr. TERENCE WESLEY-SMITH, Instructor in Political Science who recently joined the PISP faculty.

Terence obtained his undergraduate and graduate training in Political Science and International Politics at Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, where he was a faculty member in the Department of Political Science and Public Administration. In 1981 he came to Hawaii as an East-West Center grantee to pursue a doctorate in Political Science at the University of Hawaii. Since that time he has furthered his interest in Pacific Islands politics and development through involvement in several research projects in the Pacific Islands Development Program at East-West Center and some of his work has been published. In 1984 he conducted field research in North Solomons Province, Papua New Guinea, and his dissertation concerns the political economy of mining in PNG.

PISP GRADUATES

The editor has been slack about reporting recent graduates lately, so going back to summer, 1984, we have seen four ladies complete their M.A.s in Pacific Islands Studies:

BETTY WOLFRAM - Plan B, Summer, 1984. Ms. Wolfram completed her degree requirements with a paper about literature in the Pacific. Betty lives in Honolulu and her interest in the region is kept current by attending PISP Occasional Seminars and doing volunteer work at the Bishop Museum.

DEACON RITTERBUSH - Plan B, Spring, 1985. Ms. Ritterbush did a paper on development trends in Tonga. She is also a Ph.D. candidate in the department of Political Science.

MARGO VITARELLI - Plan B, Summer, 1985. Ms. Vitarelli did a delightful paper entitled "Art of the Bai: Motifs and Meanings in the Architectural Decoration of the Palau Islands." Last summer she spent time in Truk and Palau teaching workshops.

CHRISTINA LOTHIAN - Plan B, Summer, 1985. Ms. Lothian's Plan B paper is entitled "An Index of the Articles on Hawaii in the New England Newspaper Collection 1806-1900 In the Lyman House Memorial Museum, Hilo, Hawaii." Ms. Lothian is employed by the Lyman House Museum.

The total number of M.A.s awarded in Pacific Islands Studies now stands at sixty-eight.

USP/UH EXCHANGE PROGRAM NEWS

The most recent participant in the USP/UH Exchange Program has been Dr. CRAIG SEVERANCE of the Anthropology Department, UH-Hilo. Dr. Severance spent approximately the month of June, 1985 at the USP Extension Centre in Kiribati working with local authors who had drafted chapters for the forthcoming IPS/FAO volume on atoll land tenure. Severance returned to Suva on June 26 to participate in the Pacific History Conference which ran from June 27 through

July 2. He drafted and presented a preliminary paper entitled "Responses to Democratization in the U.S. Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands."

Concerning his experiences in the Exchange Program, we quote Dr. Severance:

"The benefits to me from my participation the Exchange Program are substantial and relate primarily to the enhancement of my teaching ability since I carry two of the three Pacific courses on our undergraduate campus. All of my previous field experience has been in Truk and Ponape so the exchange allowed me to observe some aspects of contemporary life in three new countries. I was able to establish valuable contacts in Kiribati and Fiji. Participation in the Pacific History Conference was stimulating and useful."

AIR MICRONESIA PILOTS' SCHOLARSHIP

The first recipient of the Air Micronesia Pilots' Scholarship, Mr. PATRICK TELLEI of Kolonia, Ponape, began a two year course of study at UH in September. Originally from Palau, Mr. Tellei is a former Principal of Pats High School in Ponape. After finishing at UH he plans to return to service at the Vocational Institute in Micronesia.

The Air Micronesia Pilots' Scholarship Fund was organized and is funded by the pilots of Air Mike. Citizens of the old U.S. Trust Territory are eligible to apply for graduate or undergraduate studies at UH. The scholarship is administered by Pacific Islands Studies.

LIBRARY PRIZES FOR PACIFIC ISLANDS RESEARCH

Two \$50.00 awards for papers written on the Pacific Islands area are offered each year by the University of Hawaii Library in cooperation with the University of Hawaii Foundation. One prize is given to a graduate student and one to an undergraduate student. Faculty members may wish to advise students that papers are now being accepted for the May 1986 prizes.

Any student registered at the University of Hawaii may submit a paper, and any original research on the Hawaiian and/or other Pacific Islands may be submitted with the exception of graduate theses and dissertations in synopsis or completed form, and published materials. The deadline for submission of papers is April 25, 1986 at the Hawaiian and Pacific Collections, 5th floor, Hamilton Library before 5:00 p.m.

Papers will be judged by an anonymous committee of Pacific experts, and the prizes will be awarded in May 1986. The winners' names will be printed in the 1986 Spring Commencement Program. Full details of competition rules and form of entry are available at the Hawaiian and Pacific Collections, 5th floor, Hamilton Library.

PACIFIC COURSE AT KAPIOLANI COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Dr. ROBERT FRANCO, Instructor in Anthropology, Kapiolani Community College, will be offering Anthropology 235, "Introduction to Pacific Island Peoples,"

in the spring semester, 1986. The course will be offered Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30-9:20 at Kapiolani's Diamond Head campus. Building 933-201.

SUMMER SCHOOL IN PACIFIC HISTORY: RAROTONGA, COOK ISLANDS

December 1985 - January 1986

The Course: Pacific History (SE 183). This is a regular first year USP degree course which is being offered by Summer School method. USP offers identical courses by 3 methods: on campus, by extension using correspondence and satellite communication; by summer schools in which the course is concentrated over a shorter time but only one course is taken so that the same amount of time is given by the students to the course.

Dates: The course will begin on Monday, December 16 and stop for Xmas on Tuesday, December 24, 1985. It will resume on Friday, January 3, 1986 and conclude with a final examination on Wednesday, January 29.

Lecturer: The course will be taught by Professor Ron Crocombe, Professor of Pacific Studies.

Course Outline and Aim: The course examined major themes in Pacific history from pre-contact times to independence and after, with particular reference to case studies. For the 1985-86 summer school in the Cook Islands there will be one case study from each of Polynesia, Micronesia, and Melanesia. These will be the Cook Islands, Kiribati, and Fiji. In addition there will be an overview of the extent to which the patterns revealed in the case studies apply more widely to the Pacific Islands as a whole.

The course aims to give students the opportunity to acquire a broad perspective on the major processes in Pacific History. It will look first at some general trends, follow with the three case studies and conclude by drawing together principles that have emerged and looking at major differences that apply in other Pacific countries.

Texts: Gilson, R.P., The Cook Islands 1820-1950; Talu, et.al., Kiribati: Aspects of History; Routledge, David, Matanitu: The Struggle for Power in Early Fiji; Crocombe, R.G., The South Pacific: An Introduction.

Fees: The fee for the course is F\$100, payable to the USP Extension Centre, Avarua, Rarotonga, Cook Islands. The texts will be available through the USP at wholesale rates for the class. This will come to about \$25 in total for the four books.

Registration: The Director, University of the South Pacific Extension Centre, Avarua, Rarotonga, Cook Islands (Phone 29-415, Rarotonga).

Eligibility: Any interested person who is eligible to undertake University studies may enroll.

Attendance: Persons from outside Rarotonga can probably obtain economical accommodation at the Atiu Hostel which is right next door to the USP Centre and which charges NZ\$6 per night for accommodation (2 beds per room). Cooking facilities are available at no extra charge. Various other accommodation arrangements could be made.

Those who cannot arrive before January 3 can be accepted provided they have enrolled and paid their fees before December 16, and provided they undertake the readings and first assignment for the first part of the course in their own time during December. They will undertake the first short test, concerned with the readings for the early part of the course on January 3.

Further Information: Further information about the course can be obtained from the USP Centre or from Professor Ron Crocombe, Institute of Pacific Studies, University of the South Pacific, Box 1168, Suva, Fiji (Phone 313900 or 27212, Suva).

MEHNERT GIFT TO UH LIBRARY

The following was submitted by JOHN HAAK, University Librarian:

In August the estate of the late Klaus Mehnert sent the Russian Collection of Hamilton Library at the University of Hawaii a check for \$5,000.

In 1937 Dr. Mehnert came to the UH History Department from the University of California at Berkeley. He had studied there under Robert J. Kerner, a proponent of the study of Russia in Asia and the Pacific. Mehnert was the first to investigate the Russian presence in Hawaii in his work The Russians in Hawaii, 1804-1819 (Honolulu, 1939).

Born in Moscow of German parents, Mehnert was the author of many books on the Soviet Union, China and geopolitical questions, as well as an adviser to the German Government on Sino-Soviet relations. He was frequently in Moscow, Beijing, Washington D.C., and often times in Hawaii.

A special fund has been created for the bequest, the interest of which will be used each year for purchases in Russian dealing with Asia, the Pacific, or Siberia. The Russian Collection at the University of Hawaii Hamilton Library has about 40,000 volumes with special strengths in Siberia, Russia in Asia and the Pacific, and the Russian Revolution.

NOTE FROM THE BISHOP MUSEUM

The following was submitted by MARGUERITE K. ASHFORD, Associate Librarian at the Bishop Museum.

Bishop Museum Library announces the completion of "Index to Pacific Island articles in the Deutsche Kolonialzeitung 1886-1915" prepared by Hans Ballin and Patricia Lehua Tanaka, volunteers at the Library. The twenty-five page index provides access to the hundreds of news and topical articles relating to the Pacific, many of which concern German colonial possessions in Papua New Guinea, Micronesia, and the Samoan Islands, which were published in this scarce and fragile newspaper.

A copy of the index will be shared with the Hawaiian and Pacific Collection at the University of Hawaii, which also has a partial run of Deutsche Kolonialzeitung.

NEW DIRECTOR FOR IPS

It was announced recently by Dr. Ron CROCOMBE, Director of the Institute of Pacific Studies at the University of the South Pacific, that he would be stepping down from the directorship in June, 1986. In a letter to PISP Director Robert Kiste, Dr. Crocombe introduces the new IPS Director, Mr. ASESELA RAVUVU, as very appropriately qualified for the post, bringing to it a range of relevant skills and experiences. Mr. Ravuvu has been with IPS for eight years and is the author of two books, The Fijian Way of Life and Fijians at War. He is currently working on a third major work.

PISP HISTORIE

Ms. AGNES QUIGG, M.A. candidate in Pacific Islands Studies recently ran across some old PISP newsletters in the course of her thesis research. It was rather interesting to read through that "old news"; for example, the following which appeared in the November 7, 1974 issue under Director Norman Meller:

New Names for Old Bodies

The South Pacific Conference has directed the SPC secretariate to organize a competition to find a new name for the South Pacific Commission which will more realistically reflect the geographical scope of the area serviced. The change is designed to "make the brothers in the north feel more welcome."

Reflecting its enlarged membership, which now includes a number of Pacific polities, the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE) has taken a new name: Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP). (Ed. note: This is coming perilously close to "escape.")

HA'A

The Hawaiian Anthropological Association, which was founded in the late 1970's, serves to provide a forum for the communication of anthropological ideas and data through oral presentation and critical discussion. It also functions as a clearing house for news of interest to members of the anthropological community of Hawaii. The Association is interested in all aspects of human behavior and the science of man, and therefore welcomes contributions from individuals and organizations outside of the discipline of anthropology.

The HA'A membership is represented by various sectors of the local community and abroad, including the University of Hawaii, the East-West Center, and the Bishop Museum. Membership in the Association is open to any individual or organization with an interest in anthropology.

The Association produces and distributes a monthly newsletter to members, and holds monthly meetings with scholarly presentations and discussions.

For further information, contact:

Hawaii Anthropological Association
c/o Department of Anthropology
University of Hawaii
Porteus Hall
Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

CONFERENCE REPORT ON ASIA-PACIFIC IMMIGRATION

A conference report entitled "Asia-Pacific Immigration to the United States" has been published by the East-West Center Population Institute. It reports on some twenty-seven papers presented at the conference, a goodly number of which relate to the Pacific. For a conference report, contact:

Publications Office
East-West Center
John A. Burns Hall
Honolulu, Hawaii 96848
USA

The EWC Publications Office notes that information about the contents and publication date for a book derived from the conference will be available from them soon.

PTC '86

The following is taken from a letter from RICHARD BARBER, Executive Director, Pacific Telecommunications Council.

The Pacific Telecommunications Council is pleased to announce that international telecommunications experts Richard Butler of the International Telecommunication Union, Brian Pemberton of Cable and Wireless PLC, and Toru Uehara of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone will be among the featured speakers at PTC '86, January 12-15 at the Hawaiian Regent Hotel in Honolulu.

This eighth annual conference, entitled "Evolution of the Digital Pacific," will focus on the new technology and subsequent human resource needs in the telecommunications field.

PTC conferences provide a rich environment for information—an unequalled opportunity for policy-makers, engineers, carriers, users, suppliers, academicians and other professionals to interact in helping to shape the future of telecommunications in the Pacific region.

The conference is structured to provide high-level overviews, in-depth information, open debate and small group discussions. Receptions and luncheons are held daily, providing an opportunity to meet informally with fellow professionals. Additionally, many internationally known companies will display their products and services in the exhibition area.

For further information, contact:

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NEW BOOKS

Solomon Islands Bibliography to 1980, Compiled by SALLY Edridge.

This bibliography sets out to cover all the significant literature on this group of islands from the first voyage of the Spanish explorer Alvaro de Mendana in 1567 to the end of 1980. It contains over 400 pages and more than 12,300 entries, and represents the fruits of ten years' work.

Price is quoted at F\$16 or NZ\$30. Please direct inquiries from Australia and Pacific Islands (excluding Hawaii and New Zealand) to:

Institute of Pacific Studies
University of the South Pacific
P.O. Box 1168
Suva, Fiji

Europe, Asia, the Americas, New Zealand address orders to:

Alexander Turnbull Library
P.O. Box 12349
Wellington, New Zealand

Atoll Economy: Social Change in Kiribati and Tuvalu

This series of six monographs is of interest because it provides a detailed account of the society and economy of five atolls in the remotest part of the central Pacific. The studies were undertaken by five scholars under the leadership of Professor Ray Watters of the Victoria University of Wellington. Among them these scholars spent the best part of seven man-years in field work on the atolls. Titles and authors of the individual volumes are:

Islands on the Line: Team Report, W.H. Geddes et al., 1980. A\$12.00.

Tabiteuea North, W.H. Geddes, 1983. A\$12.00

Butaritari, Betsy Sewell, 1983. A\$12.00.

Tamana, Roger Lawrence, 1983. A\$12.00.

Abemama, Ray Watters and Kabiritaake Banibati, 1984. A\$12.00.

Nanumea, Anne Chambers, 1984. A\$12.00.

Please direct inquiries to:

Bibliotech
ANUTECH Pty. Ltd.,
GPO Box 4
Canberra, ACT 2601
Australia

RECENT PUBLICATIONS FROM IPS

If you are interested in any of the following publications, please contact:

Dr. Ron Crocombe, Director
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Kiribati: A Changing Atoll Culture. This fascinating study of the culture of Kiribati by 14 I-Kiribati, was assisted by Len Mason, Bwere Eretaia, the Atoll Research Unit and the Institute of Pacific Studies. Of 204 pages, it is available for F\$6 in soft cover and \$8 in hard cover.

Growing Up in Fiji. Joseph Veramo, now a teacher in Bua, has written and published general pieces. In this book he describes the process of growing up in Raiwaqa, a low income suburb of Suva, from his own experience, and also in the rural community of Nakasaleka from his close observation. Of 56 pages, copies are available from IPS at F\$2.

Kanaka Boy. This is the autobiography of Sir Frederick Osifelo, a Solomon Islander who was the first Speaker of its parliament and now Chairman of the Public Service Commission. He chose to title his book after a joke in which he said that his knighthood (KB) stood for Kanaka Boy. Of 72 pages it is available for F\$2.

A Taste of the Tropics. This book by Fiji nutritionist Susan Parkinson and former director of the Fiji Hotel and Catering School Adrian Mattinson, is designed to promote the local use and the export of Pacific fruits and vegetables. Of 96 pages, illustrated, it was published jointly by Institute of Pacific Studies and the Asia Pacific Research Unit and is available from IPS for F\$4.

The Confession. A book of short stories by Solomon Islands writer Julian Maka'a. Fifty-three pages at F\$2.

Return to Havaiki. A 72 page book of poems by Cook Islands poet Kauraka Kauraka and written in the Manihiki language and English. Edited and published by IPS in association with the South Pacific Creative Arts Society. F\$2.

OUTREACH REPORT

The following report was submitted by KAREN KNUDSEN, PISP Outreach Coordinator.

Beginning January, 1986, PISP will sponsor a monthly Pacific Islands film and documentary series. Area specialists will give introductions to the films and a discussion will follow. The series will be held the first Monday of the month from 7-9 p.m. in the Korean Studies Center Auditorium. A complete list of the films and dates to be shown will be mailed out in December.

Special thanks to the Honolulu Australian Consulate General for loaning PISP many of the films to be shown.

PISP and the UH Department of Education will again co-sponsor a 3-day Comprehensive Pacific Islands Teachers' Workshop during the 1986 spring break. Teachers will receive 1 hour of credit from the university upon completion of the workshop. Eighty teachers attended last year's workshop.

"New Directions in Pacific and Hawaiian Archeology" is the theme of the 11th Annual Pacific Islands Studies Conference to be held March 22, 1986. Archeologists from La Trobe University, Australian National University, University of Auckland, University of Washington, the Smithsonian Institution and University of Hawaii will participate in the conference which is jointly sponsored by PISP, and the Anthropology Department, UH.

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