1994 ANSS PROGRAM

CULTURES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DIVERSITY AND TRANSFORMATION, RESEARCH AND RESOURCES

Sunday, June 26, 1994
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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Afro-American Studies Librarian Section

MAY MIAMI NOW! This multicultural hot spot is a vortex of change (demographic, social, economic, and political) reflecting forces at work in both Latin America and the United States. Three noted scholars will share their expertise on the history and development of anthropological and sociological research on the Caribbean and the Caribbean populations in the United States. Also, two Caribbean Studies library collections will be profiled, and the ways in which they support research, teaching, and service to the community will be examined.

Speakers:

ALEX STEPIK III (Anthropologist, Florida International University) will speak about Caribbean immigrant groups in the United States.

ANTHONY P. MAINGOT (Sociologist, Florida International University) will speak about current sociological research trends in the Caribbean.

FRED J. HAY (Anthropologist/Librarian, Tozzer Library, Harvard University) will speak on the bibliographic history of anthropology in the Caribbean and its influence on African Diaspora Studies.

RICHARD PHILLIPS (Librarian of the Latin American Collection, University of Florida) will describe UF’s Latin American Collection, especially as it relates to Caribbean Studies.

MARIAN GOSLINGA (Latin American and Caribbean Subject Specialist, Florida International University) will describe the Caribbean Studies resources at F.I.U.

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ANSS Co-Sponsorship

The Executive Committee of ANSS has agreed to co-sponsor the program jointly produced by the Afro-American Studies Librarian Section, Arts Section and Law and Political Science Section.

BINDING TOGETHER A MULTICULTURAL SOCIETY: CHALLENGES FOR THE ACADEMY

Saturday, June 25, 1994, 2pm-4pm.

Dr. Sheldon Hackney, Director of the National Endowment for the Humanities will address the issues informing the multiculturalism debate. A panel of reactors representing different viewpoints will respond.

Committee and Discussion Group Reports

Executive Committee
Kathy Creely, ANSS Chair

Members and visitors of the ANSS Executive Committee braved rainstorms and post-earthquake tremors to attend two meetings during the ALA Midwinter Conference in Los Angeles in February. Those who attended were the first to hear the exciting news: ANSS now has its own listserv! ANSS-L, a discussion forum for information specialists in anthropology, sociology and related fields, is now up and running, thanks to the valiant efforts of its moderator, Steve MacLeod (University of California, Irvine). Thanks were extended to past chair, Maija Lutz, and other members of the Review and Planning Committee, for steering ANSS through another successful ACRL section review. The review was approved at the Feb. 8 meeting of the ACRL Board of Directors. Highlights from the committee reports included an update on the program for the 1994 Miami Conference, which will focus on anthropological and sociological research in the Caribbean and among the Caribbean population in the Miami area. The report of the Bibliography Committee included the exciting news that the CD-ROM version of Anthropological Literature will be shipped in the near future. There was a lively discussion about the online version, ANL, which is already available through Eureka.

Anthropology Librarians' Discussion Group
Cheryl Naslund and J. Christina Smith, Co-Convenors
Reported by J. Christina Smith

The Anthropology Librarians Discussion Group met at Midwinter in Los Angeles on February 5, 1994. The discussion focused on reviewing and review sources for anthropology, and the paucity of timely review sources. Using reviews as a selection tool is difficult in this instance, as one has most likely bought the book in question by the time the review has appeared in print. Nevertheless, reviews can show holes in a standing order or approval plan. In addition, in the absence of timely reviews, one can check online catalogs to see what other works an editor or author has done in order to get some idea of that individual's credentials and to get a sense of the new book's quality. It was noted that Anthropological Literature has begun to include book reviews since the Fall 1993 issue. In other business, ANSS-L, an unmoderated forum for information specialists in anthropology, sociology and related fields was announced. A handout prepared by list moderator Steve MacLeod, on how to log on, was distributed to participants. Twenty-six attended the Midwinter discussion. The suggested topic for the Anthropology Librarians' Discussion Group in Miami is Internet sources in anthropology.

Bibliography Committee
David Carpenter, Chair

The Committee discussed a draft analysis of Bibliography of Native North Americans on Disc (BNNA) and members suggested minor revisions to the text of the review. Since many anthropology librarians might now be deciding whether or not to purchase this title, the Committee recommended that the analysis of BNNA be submitted for inclusion in the next issue of ANSS currents. A draft letter to the publisher of Abstracts in Social Gerontology was distributed to Committee members for comments. The Committee discussed an ongoing Committee analysis of Ethnic Newswatch, and the special problems this particular title presents for an evaluation of content and coverage. The Chair will contact the member working on this analysis, who could not attend Midwinter meeting, to see if other Committee members can assist in resolving questions concerning Ethnic Newswatch's coverage, and in describing its primary strengths and weaknesses. Committee members who had attended the Anthropology Librarians' Discussion Group reported on the content of that meeting, which generated some Committee discussion on sources of reviews for anthropology titles.

The Chair distributed an updated list including all the previous titles studied by the Committee, with notes on when analyses had been published in ANSS currents and letters were sent to publishers. The selection of an index within the subject area of medical anthropology was proposed. Committee members discussed what types of information needed to be included when using the Committee's supplementary essay/update format. This new abbreviated format will be used to point out significant changes and enhancements to familiar indexes and other works that do not merit a full Committee analysis. Committee members identified and
accepted individual assignments for work to be completed before the Annual 1994 meeting. New Committee analyses will include the *Latin American Studies* CD-ROM and *Anthropological Literature on Disc.*

**Conference Program Planning Committee for Miami 1994**
Angela Lee, Chair

The Committee met twice to finalize the details of our 1994 program. Discussion dealt with the order of the program, promotion and publicity, facilities and equipment, funding, and tours. The program is entitled, *The Cultures of the Caribbean: Diversity and Transformation, Research and Resources.* Five panelists will speak on the past and current research in the Caribbean and the library resources available in the region. The panelists are as follows: Marian Goslinga (Florida International University Library), Fred J. Hay (Tozzler Library, Harvard University), Anthony Maingot (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Florida International University), Richard Phillips (University of Florida Libraries), and Alex Stepick III (Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Florida International University).

**Conference Program Planning Committee for Chicago 1995**
Ellen Sutton, Chair

The 1995 Conference Program Planning Committee met twice in Los Angeles to discuss possible topics for our program. In addition, Ellen Sutton and Maggie Dittemore attended the ACRL meeting for conference program planners. By June our committee will submit a proposal for ACRL Board approval; by September we will have submitted a request for any necessary special allocation funding to ALA, if applicable. The committee decided on the theme of scholarly publication in anthropology and sociology for the 1995 program in Chicago. We would like to feature up to four speakers and enlist discussants for each speaker’s topic; if possible one or more speakers will be sought from the Chicago area. Potential topics include: 1) general introduction to inform attendees of the most important publishers of sociological and anthropological monographs and serials; 2) the manuscript selection process by book publishers (particularly university presses, commercial scholarly presses), including trends in publication (selection and editing) and financial and marketing considerations; 3) publication by non-commercial presses, such as institutes, departments, museums, in this country and in other countries; 4) reviewing of anthropology and sociology works (including reviewing sources and the reviewing process); 5) scholarly journal publication (selection of editorial boards, selection and review of manuscripts, financial aspects surrounding journal publication); 6) publishing from the scholar’s viewpoint; 7) the importance of report literature (grey literature), along with issues of bibliographic control of this type of literature; 8) electronic publishing and databases in these subject areas (this does not mean data files such as those distributed by ICPSR). We will offer, in conjunction with our program, a tour of the library of the Field Museum. A tour of this library has not been conducted through ANSS since 1985.

**Professional Liaison Committee**
Fred J. Hay, Chair

Members of the Liaison Committee met on Sunday, February 6. We reviewed the responses from several institutions whom we had selected to receive complementary copies of *ANSS currents.* The response from the Society of Applied Anthropology asked ANSS’s advice on how to index *Human Organization.* We considered their request and decided that the Bibliography Committee would be the appropriate body to respond. With the Executive Committee’s approval, we forwarded a copy of this request to the Bibliography Committee. We were pleased that several other newsletters had adapted material from *currents* for re-publication, including the *History of Anthropology Newsletter* and *Bulletin of the History of Archaeology.* We also discussed work on our current projects including the establishment of a list-serv for social science documentalists and a directory of social science subject specialists working in libraries. We continued our discussion on the implications of discontinuing the section’s newsletter for the Committee’s work. We agreed to meet again, in May at Tufts University, to prepare for the annual meeting in Miami.

**Publications Committee**
James W. Williams, Chair

Discussion focused on *ANSS currents.* The 1993 issues were examined and Fred J. Hay was applauded for the excellence of the design and layout. A revised report form, prepared by Ellie Marsh, was approved. Also approved were minor format changes made to implement certain recommendations of the new *Procedures for Producing ACRL Section Newsletters.* Possible content changes were discussed. Insufficient space has not been a recent problem, however, so no columns will be discontinued. The uncertain future of ACRL funding for section newsletters and the problems with electronic communication as an alternative were discussed.

**Review and Planning Committee**
Maija M. Lutz, Chair

The ACRL Board of Directors accepted the ANSS review and approved the continuation of the section at its second meeting in Los Angeles. In addition, the ACRL Planning
Committee, to whom we submitted the review on September 1, commended us for the thoughtful content of the review.

The purpose of section reviews, which take place every five years, is to reassess existing activities, examine future directions, identify problems or needed changes, and assure that the section’s activities reflect the ACRL Strategic Plan.

Sociology Librarians’ Discussion Group
Gary McMillan, Convener

Twelve sociology collection profiles—of varying scope and style—served to focus discussion. Issues explored included:
(1) Lack of inter-institutional cooperative collection agreements. (2) Intra-institutional coordination among bibliographers and/or main and branch libraries was mentioned with no indication of outcomes, i.e., how multi-disciplinary subject location decisions were resolved to reduce fragmentation. (3) Electronic resources (bibliographic, full-text data or image, and/or emerging document delivery options) present problems for formulating policy statements. Libraries are experiencing the paradox of increased demand for electronic access tools while subscriptions dwindle. The dependability of full-text electronic sources raises archival concerns for permanent and accessible periodical backfiles. How accepting will academic administrators, faculty, students and accrediting bodies be as librarians continue to reconceptualize collections in an electronic environment? (4) Seldom was quantitative data (e.g., size of faculty/student body, number of research grants, etc.) used to support collection policies. This information would better support collection emphases and promote a more rational distribution of resources across disciplines. (5) Declining attention has been given to foreign language and non-U.S. publications because of both limited budgets and an increased emphasis among sociology programs on statistical over foreign language competencies. Sociology bibliographers defer foreign language acquisition to their humanities or area studies colleagues. (6) Interest continues in elaborating the RLG Sociology Conspectus to include LC classifications covering the major subdisciplines as well as to indicate specific standards/sources for assessing sociology collections. This latter area will be pursued as a Group activity.

Ad Hoc Committee on Electronic Resources for Sociologists
Gary McMillan, Chair

The Committee met to review the status of the publication under development. Personnel changes among the six contributors (one retirement and three job changes) stalled progress since the summer meeting where a detailed outline for the publication was finalized. Members have been, however, exchanging information on identified sources via e-mail. Other changes which will effect the guide are the proliferation of commercially available books on the Internet, the publication by the American Sociological Association’s Teaching Resources Center of a monograph on software resources, and the increasing sophistication and elaboration of resources accessible via gophers. To address these latter developments, the Committee’s publication outline was revised to more strongly emphasize strategies for identifying relevant resources (bibliographic, textual, numeric, etc.) in all media (CD-ROM, commercial online, Internet, etc.), including the identification and use of relevant print and online directories to identify electronic resources. Also, given the changing electronic environment any publication which aimed for comprehensiveness is virtually an exercise in planned obsolescence. Draft sections will be exchanged by e-mail for review and comment with a view toward having a penultimate draft of the complete monograph ready for ANSS review this summer.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Maggie Dittemore has been appointed Head of the Anthropology Branch Library at the Smithsonian Institution. Her previous position was Social Science Bibliographer and Coordinator at the University of Pennsylvania. Maggie is currently Vice Chair/Chair elect of ANSS.

Irene W. Hurlbert has retired the Central University Library of the University of California at San Diego. Irene was a former Convener of the Sociology Librarians’ Discussion Group.

Gary A. McMillan has been appointed Head of the Social Work Library and Anthropology/Sociology Bibliographer at Howard University in Washington D.C. He previously worked at the University of Maryland at College Park. Gary is currently Convener of the Sociology Librarians’ Discussion Group.

Janet Steins has been appointed Assistant Director for Reference Services at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City. In this position she will supervise reference, circulation, ILL and special collections (rare books, photographs and archives). Her previous position was Head of the Chemistry Library at SUNY-Stony Brook. Janet is a past Chair of ANSS.

NOTES & QUERIES
Reported by Nancy Skipper

ANSS-Listserv Has Arrived! Librarians and information specialists in anthropology, sociology and related fields finally have their own conduit through cyberspace thanks to Stephen MacLeod at the University of...
California, Irvine. ANSS-L (pronounced Ansel, as in Ansel Adams) is an unmoderated and unedited news and discussion forum for the purpose of communicating about matters related to librarianship and information resources. The list will also provide information about activities of the Anthropology and Sociology Section of ACRL, but there is no direct affiliation with that association. Participation in ANSS-L is open to anyone who wishes to subscribe. The contents are archived. To subscribe to this listserv, send an electronic mail message to LISTSERV@UCI.EDU containing the following single line message: SUBSCRIBE ANSS-L Your Name, (for example: SUBSCRIBE ANSS-L Jane Doe). To remove yourself from the list, substitute the word UNSUBSCRIBE for the word SUBSCRIBE in your message. To send messages to be distributed to all subscribers of the listserv, send your message to ANSS-L@UCI.EDU. It is considered general courtesy on a listserv to include your name and institution at the beginning or end of your message. You may request that responses to a question on the listserv be sent to your personal e-mail address, rather than to the listserv, if the subject matter would not be of general interest. For additional information about using the listserv, send the message: HELP to LISTSERV@UCI.EDU. Please direct any additional questions about ANSS-L to the list-owner at SMACLEOD@UCI.EDU.

Librarians Meet at AAA Efforts are underway to expand the number of anthropology librarians who meet at the annual meeting and to explore the possibility of creating an official group within AAA. Before her retirement from the Anthropology Library at the Smithsonian, Mary Kay Davies started an informal group of librarians who met in conjunction with AAA. Wade Kotter, who met with ten librarians in Washington last November, has agreed to continue coordinating the group and maintaining a mailing list for the Anthropology Research Librarians Group. If you would like to be included on the mailing list, please contact Wade Kotter by e-mail: WADEK@WAM.UMD.EDU or by snail-mail: 12921 Crisfield Rd., Silver Spring, MD 20906.

Meetings The next annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association is on November 30 - December 2, 1994 in Atlanta, Georgia. The next annual meeting of the American Sociological Association is on August 5 - 9, 1994 in Los Angeles, California.

Update On Council For The Preservation Of Anthropological Records (CoPAR) Reported by Lynne M. Schmelz CoPAR is engaged in a national effort to encourage anthropological associations and the archival community to work together to preserve anthropological records in all media. Four immediate tasks have been identified: 1) Develop and distribute a questionnaire to departments of anthropology, archives, and museums to estimate the number and extent of anthropological archives; 2) Develop a Guide for those preparing to deposit papers in an archive (legal and procedural aspects, ethics of depositing field notes, etc.); 3) Develop a grant proposal for funding from NEH; 4) Produce a revised edition of Preserving the Anthropological Record.

The questionnaire was distributed in late December 1993 and the grant proposal to NEH is scheduled for submission in June 1994. Several key issues need to be addressed, including developing standards and lexicons for anthropological archives; coordinating activities with existing networks, such as RLIN and the Consortium for the Interchange of Museum Information (CIMI); preserving computer records; and solving records problems related to non-print materials and museum collections. Working groups have been established in order to begin addressing these areas. For more information, contact Lynne M. Schmelz, Tozzer Library, Harvard University. Telephone: 617-495-2253. E-mail: LYNNE@HARVARD.HARVARD.EDU

Archaeological Data Archive Project Reported by Lynne M. Schmelz

The Archaeological Data Archive, which is endorsed by the Archaeological Institute of America, is housed at Bryn Mawr in the Center for the Study of Architecture. The archive has been established to provide a repository for the safe, secure, and long term storage of excavation information and to provide access to that information over the Internet. Long term storage includes refreshing the data periodically and transferring the data to new media when needed. ADAP will accept data now from individuals and institutions that cannot maintain records safely.

More detailed information can be found in a report entitled, "The Archeological Computer Archive Project: A Summary Proposal." Copies are available on request, by mail or Internet, from Harrison Eiteljorg, II, CSA, Box 60, Bryn Mawr. PA 19010. Telephone: 215-526-7925. E-mail: NEITELJO@BRYNMAWR.EDU

COD Proposal on Libraries and Development

H. Russell Bernard, Chair of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences Commission on Documentation has prepared a proposal, "Science and Development in the Third World: How Libraries Can Help." In this proposal, Bernard outlines his ideas on how libraries in industrialized countries can use e-mail technology to help
build collections of research and instruction related documents at third world institutions. At the same time the affluent institutions would benefit in many ways from this partnership. For a copy of this proposal contact Russ Bernard at UFRUSS@NERVM.NERDC.UFL.EDU, or write him in care of the Anthropology Department at the University of Florida, Gainesville, FL.

Electronic Access to Anthropological Literature
Julia Hendon, Editor

Anthropological Literature (ISSN 0190-3373), the quarterly bibliographic index to article literature on anthropology and related subjects is now available in two electronic formats, as an on-line database and as a CD-ROM product. Tozzer Library (formerly the Peabody Museum Library) of Harvard University, the publisher of Anthropological Literature has been working since 1989 to achieve this goal.


The CitaDel file and the CD-ROM contain the same database. Its over 83,000 records equal the contents of Volumes 6(1984)-14(1992) of Anthropological Literature (volumes 6-10 were published on microfiche; volume 11 and all later issues in paper format). G.K. Hall plans to issue an annual update of the CD-ROM. The CitaDel file will be updated quarterly. About 8,000 records are added per year to Anthropological Literature. These records will continue to appear in the paper version of the index which publishes 2,000 entries in each quarterly issue as well as in the on-line versions.

All records contain standard bibliographic information for the article, including authors’ names, article title, source publication (including, as appropriate, title, place of publication, publisher, ISSN or ISBN, volume and issue numbers, and date of publication), page numbers and information on illustrations. Additional information in the records includes translations of the article’s title, if provided by the publication, and notes on the presence of foreign language summaries.

The assignment of anywhere from two to ten or more subject headings provides detailed subject access. Subject headings typically focus on ethnic group, place, time period, and topic. Tozzer Library did not adopt Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) until 1986 and this is reflected in Anthropological Literature. Records from 1984-1986 (volumes 6-8) were assigned subject headings based on a system developed by the Peabody Museum Library. Starting with volume 9(1987) Anthropological Literature began using LCSH. Anthropological Literature bases its entries on the collections of Tozzer Library, one of the major anthropology libraries in the world. Anthropological Literature indexes articles from journals, edited monographs, and edited volumes in monographic series that form part of the library’s permanent collection. Anthropology is an interdisciplinary field of study and this is reflected in Tozzer’s collections and the contents of Anthropological Literature. The index covers a wide range of topics, including archaeology, cultural/social anthropology, biological/physical anthropology, linguistics, sociology, history, geology, and religious studies. The geographic coverage is international and almost half of the articles indexed are not in English.

Although Tozzer does not participate in RLG’s document delivery service, copies of any article in Anthropological Literature may be obtained from the library through interlibrary loan. As in the print index, the records in the CitaDel database and the CD-ROM include Tozzer’s call number for the source publication. ILL requests should, if possible, include this call number.

For more information, please contact the following people/places:

CitaDel: RLIN Information Center, 1200 Villa St., Mountain View, CA 94041-1100, (800) 537-7546; BL.RIC@RLG.BITNET or BL.RIC@RLG.STANFORD.EDU; fax (415) 964-0943. RLG has a variable price structure for CitaDel.


General Information: Questions about Anthropological Literature should be directed to Julia A. Hendon, Editor, at (617)495-2292; e-mail: JHENDON@HUSC4.HARVARD.EDU; fax (617) 496-2741.


David Bull, Associate Marketing Manager for Routledge, has informed subscribers to the International Current Awareness Services that all five ICAS series (Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, Sociology, and Combined) will cease with the March 1994 issue. The International Bibliography of the Social Sciences will not be affected.
Bibliography Committee Review

BIBLIOGRAPHY OF NATIVE NORTH AMERICANS ON DISC

Santa Barbara, Ca.: ABC-CLIO, Inc., 1992-. Copyright to the database content is held by Human Relations Area Files; copyright to the format, indexes, and data arrangement is held by ABC-CLIO, Inc.; license for the software is held by ABC-CLIO, Inc. from Dataware Technologies, Inc. Cost: $795/$1,200 (network version), annually.

Reviewed by: Joan Berman, Humboldt State University, July 1993.

Introduction: The fourth edition of the Murdock/O'Leary Ethnographic Bibliography of North America was published in 1975 in five volumes. It provides approximately 40,000 citations to books and journal articles on the native ethnic groups of North America. The three volume Supplement to this work, issued in 1990, was a transitional publication, available both in print and on floppy disk. As intended, and with continued grant support from National Science Foundation, the fifth edition has been published (only) in electronic format as Bibliography of Native North Americans on Disc (hereafter referred to as BNNA). It entirely supersedes the fourth edition and supplement and adds approximately 10,000 additional items. The intent is to update this on an annual basis; the first of these annual editions was published in 1992 and covered items published through 1991. (A later edition of the BNNA database was issued in December 1993. It includes approximately 3500 additional citations, and covers items published through 1992.)

User instruction: The ABC-CLIO Electronic Library User's Guide, which comes with the disc, contains generic sections for use with the full range of ABC-CLIO databases and a section specific to the database itself. There is not an index to the User's Guide, but each of the five sections has a detailed table of contents. The User's Guide is both well written and extremely informative. For those users who never read printed documentation, most of the information is also available on-line via truly context-specific and exemplary help screens. The BNNA part of the User's Guide contains sections on Scope and Contents, Searching, Displaying Results, Printing and Saving Results, and Thesauri. A great deal of information is presented clearly, concisely, and unambiguously. The section on Searching describes each of the fields. For example, under Descriptors the user learns that the subject thesaurus developed for the Supplement has been completely revised and that subject descriptors have been retrospectively provided for all the entries in

the fourth edition. The fields, in the order in which they both appear on the screen and are described in the User's Guide, are as follows: Subject (which includes keywords in titles, descriptors, identifiers, ethnic groups, and regions), Descriptors, Identifiers, Ethnic Group, Region, Author, Title, Date, Entry Type, Journal Name, Publisher and Collection/Series Title. The Thesauri section of the User's Guide includes Subject Thesaurus, Alphabetical Listing of Regions and Ethnic Groups and Ethnic Groups by Region: these may all be browsed on-line.

Scope and coverage: BNNA includes the contents of the fourth edition of the Ethnographic Bibliography of North America and the later three volume Supplement to this work. Several on-line files have been searched and selected citations from them were also added to the BNNA database. The process was begun in the Supplement and has been continued here. These on-line files include, but are not limited to, Dissertation Abstracts International, ERIC, Congressional Information Service's Congressional Masterfile 1, 1789-1969, and GPO's Monthly Catalog of U.S. Government Publications. One must, however, keep in mind that the inclusion of records from these files does NOT mean that these files have been exhaustively searched or that they can be safely ignored. For example, in searching for references to the subject area of northwestern California, only one of three recent dissertations showed up in the Bibliography of Native North Americans on Disc, even though all are in DAI. Although documentation for the first edition of BNNA stated that coverage extended through 1991, the most recent articles indexed from American Indian Quarterly in this edition were found to be from 1989. Comparisons with related sources: Clearly, the other major bibliographic tool concerned with North American Indians is the Smithsonian's Handbook of North American Indians. For an in-depth search, both BNNA and the Handbook are required. There is obviously a large degree of overlap between the two titles. However, I found in compiling a bibliography on the Indians of northwestern California that each title had a number of unique citations. Abstracts of Native Studies, an index of scholarly journal articles focusing on native North Americans, is certainly an alternative to BNNA for journal literature, although it does not include dissertations, government documents or ERIC documents; unfortunately, this title appears to be floundering in its publication schedule. Since Anthropological Literature will be available shortly on CD-ROM from G.K. Hall & Co. and is now available on-line through RLIN's Citadel service, a library may need to decide whether Anthropological Literature in CD-ROM or on-line format will provide the coverage it needs for materials published after the fourth edition Supplement. A local on-line search of Anthropological Literature at Harvard in December 1992
yielded quite a few citations with publication dates of 1986-1989 which were not in BNNA.

Summary of positive aspects: The most important single feature which BNNA offers is the increased access to the material in the Ethnographic Bibliography of North America. The retrospective indexing of the Bibliography plus the full Boolean search capabilities of a CD-ROM format for the Bibliography is very attractive. It is convenient, but not essential, to have access in the same database to citations from Dissertation Abstracts, Monthly Catalog and ERIC.

The search software is common to two other readily available CD-ROM titles from ABC-CLIO: Historical Abstracts and America: History and Life. Release 3.1 of the software was issued in summer 1993 and incorporates changes requested by users, reflecting ABC-CLIO's responsiveness to those users. For example, BNNA now allows users to select and tag citations for selective printing and downloading. I encountered no problems in using BNNA. Other reviews: RQ 32(4):554-557, Summer 1993; Library Journal 118(7):136, April 15, 1993; Journal of Academic Librarianship, May 1993; MultiCultural Review 2(2):18-19, June 1993. All reviews reflect an earlier version of the software.

Anthropologists In The Caribbean

"Caribbean anthropology is a case in point. This region where boundaries are notoriously fuzzy has long been the open frontier of cultural anthropology: neither center nor periphery, but a sort of no man's land where pioneers get lost, where some stop overnight on their way to greater opportunities, and where yet others manage to create their own 'new' world amidst First-World indifference."--Michel-Rolph Trouillot, 1992