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IV. PUBLICATION NEWS

*New Books, Monographs, Papers*

Bernbaum, Edwin
1980
The Way to Shambhala

Written for a general audience, but also scholarly enough to catch the attention of Asian specialists, Bernbaum has analyzed the myth, practices, and symbolizations of an influential and important part of Tibetan Buddhism—the concern for a religious realm where enlightened rules guard the "secret teachings," fulfill the believer's aspirations, and from which a king will come to destroy ignorance and selfish desire and bring into the world systems an age of wisdom and compassion, i.e., Shambhala or Shangri-la. His translations and interpretations of written texts as well as the orally transmitted stories, dreams, and teachings of living lamas and yogis have probed deeply into the "twilight language" and teaching techniques of the Vajrayana. Major questions analyzed include: intercultural and interreligious influences upon the myth; various symbolic meanings of the "Wheel of Time"; and how those who are prepared make the journey to Shambhala both during this lifetime and then after death and rebirth. Bernbaum's study is the best understanding of the myth of Shambhala in particular and how it reflects the major concerns of Tibetan Vajrayana as seen through the mind and experience of a participant observer. (From Choice).

Berreman, Gerald D.
The Politics of Truth: Essays in Critical Anthropology

A collection of essays and public statements spanning 15 years of social, political and academic controversy (1965-1979). With reference to two countries, India and America. From Folklore Institute, P. O. Box 655, Cupertino, CA 95015, $14.95.

Bezruchka, Stephen
A Guide to Trekking in Nepal
Seattle, Washington: The Mountaineers. For copies write to The Mountaineers, 719 Pike Street, Seattle, WA 98101 ($8.95 postpaid in U.S., Washington State residents add 5.4% tax). In Canada write to Douglas and McIntyre Ltd., 1615 Venables Street, Vancouver, B.C. V5L 2H1 ($11.95 plus postage for shipment within Canada).

Hitchcock, John
1980
A Mountain Village in Nepal
(1966)

This book is a reprint of The Magars of Banyan Hill. It includes an additional chapter entitled "Fieldwork in Gurkha Country."
Höfer, Andras  
1981  
Tamang Ritual Texts: Preliminary Studies in the Folk-Religion of an Ethnic Minority in Nepal  

This volume is based on three fieldwork trips and is a translation of five oral recitations recorded among the Western Tamang of central Dhading District, Nepal. The translations of the texts are preceded by an ethnographic introduction to the Western Tamang. The recitations are those of non-Buddhist specialists. The author includes descriptions of the rituals in which they take place and comments on the recitations in a copious set of notes.

Ishii, Hiroshi  
1980  
Newaru Sonraku no Shakai Kozo to sono Henka: Kasuto Shakai no Henyo (Social Structure and Its Change in a Newar Village: Social Change in a Caste Society)  

Based on field research conducted between January, 1970 and February, 1972. Submitted as the author's doctoral dissertation in cultural anthropology at Tokyo University in 1977, although major sections were previously published as articles in various journals (bibliography of those articles is on p. 337; including "Structure and Change of a Newar: Festival Organization," in Himalayan Anthropology (1978) James Fisher, ed., The Hague, Mouton). The monograph deals with: (1) Economic structure of the village (identified only as "Village S"); (2) Village level politics; (3) Family and kinship; (4) Intercaste relations; and (5) Ritual organization.

*The American-Nepal Education Foundation  
To Expand Publications Program

The American-Nepal Education Foundation plans to expand its publications program immediately, according to Hugh B. Wood, the Executive Director of the Foundation. Currently, it is listing mostly out-of-print materials and selling its few remaining originals, reprints, and photo-copies of materials on education in Nepal. However, ANEF is now interested in publishing new materials, not previously published and/or not completely suitable for other types of publication: for example, lectures, seminar papers, theses too short for the usual outlets, etc.

ANEF would like to receive manuscripts to consider for this program. The following criteria should be observed:

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*Two Articles on Himalayas Included in the Published Proceedings of the 30th International Congress of Human Sciences in Asia and North Africa

In the volume on South Asia, Niels Gutschow, FRG, has written on "Ritual as a mediator of space in Kathmandu, Nepal." Ram Rahul of Jawaharlal Nehru University has an article, "Bhutanese Buddhism," in the volume on Central Asia. Each volume costs $40.00 and is available in either English or Spanish from El Gusano de Luz, P.O. Box 4829, McAllen, TX 78501.

*New Source on Indian Folk Arts Includes Materials from Kashmir

Carol Hansen, Coordinator of the South Asian Area Center from August 1976 to November 1979, and Peggy Mueller and Marilyn Turkovich of the Associated Colleges of the Midwest Urban Education Program have teamed up to produce a new teachers' manual on Indian arts, entitled SHILPA - Folk Dances, Music, Crafts & Puppetry of India. It is the final product stemming from the research they conducted in India in 1979 under a grant from the Educational Resources Center of New Delhi. Traveling to Delhi, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh and Kashmir, they collected information and traditional designs for Indian crafts, dramaturgy, folk songs and dances, and puppetry. They then compiled a manual of creative projects for children which incorporates these artistic traditions along with many varied facts about Indian culture, its religion and society. Units in the book are Folk Crafts, Puppets, Folk Dances and Folk Music. Each Unit includes background information, age level usage charts, specific activity descriptions and illustrations, must sheets and black-line masters of "how-to" designs for each artistic project.

This 310 full-page handbook including cassette tape recordings of music and a map of India is now available for $15.00 from

South Asian Area Center Outreach Office
Wisconsin South Asian Area Center
1249 Van Hise Hall
1220 Linden Drive
Madison, WI 53706

*FAO Notes Problems of Natural Resource Conservation in Nepal

The 1981 publication of the FAO, Ideas and Action (No. 139), includes a discussion (pp. 6-11) entitled "Not seeing the wood for the trees in Nepal," detailing the FAO's community forestry project as well as several case studies of local conservation initiatives. It also discusses recent (1977) amendments to the Forest Nationalization Act.

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*Ordering Information on The Caste Hierarchy and The State of Nepal*

A. Höfer's (1979) study of the muluki ain of 1854 is currently available from:

Universitätsverlag Wagner
Andreas-Hofer-Str. 13
A-6010 Innsbruck
Austria

*New Journal*

A new journal, South Asia Research, is being published by the Centre for South Asian Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies, Malet Street, London WC 1, England. (Subscriptions for two issues per year is $8.50 surface, $11.50 air mail.)

*New Listings from Ratna Pustak Bhandar*

(including many reprints)

Agrawal, G.

Government Accounting in Nepal
Kathmandu: CEDA.

Atkinson, E.T.

Flora of the Himalayas
Delhi: Cosmo Publications.

Geology of the Himalayas
Delhi: Cosmo Publications, $20.00.

Bhaterai, K.B.

Health Manpower Directory
Institute of Medicine.

Calder, James

Geology of the Indian Subcontinent
Delhi: Cosmo Publications, $24.00.

CEDA

Planning for Basic Needs and Mobilization of Resources
Kathmandu: CEDA, $7.00.

Chandler, Edmund

The Unveiling of Lhasa
Delhi: Cosmo Publications, $20.00.

Führer-Halmendorf, C. von

Asian Highland Societies
Sterling India, $25.00.

Gupta, R.K.

Bibliography of the Himalayas
Gurgaon Indian Documentation S, $40.00
Lall, J.S.  
The Himalayan Aspects of Change  
Oxford: Oxford University Press, $30.00

Mahat, R.S.  
Capital Market, Financial Flows and Industrial Finance in Nepal  
Kathmandu: Sajha Prakashan, $5.00

Majumpuriya  
Wild Life of Nepal  
Nepal: Sita Devi, $25.00

Pandey, Ram K.  
Yeti Tales  
Kathmandu: Sajha Prakashan, $3.00

Shrestha, B.P.  
An Introduction to the Nepalese Economy  
Kathmandu: Ratna Pustak Bhandar.

Shrestha, T.  
Nepalese Administration: An Image  
Kathmandu: Sajha Prakashan, $6.00.

Stein, M.A.  
Ancient Khotan, Volumes I, II, III  
Delhi: Cosmo Publications, $250.00.

Innermost Asia  
Delhi: Cosmo Publications, $450.00

Stiller, L.  
Letters from Kathmandu: The Kot Massacre  
Institute for Nepal and Asian Studies, Tribhuvan University, $9.00.

Thapa, N.B.  
A Short History of Nepal  
Kathmandu: Ratna Pustak Bhandar.

To place an order or to receive a complete catalogue, write:

Ratna Pustak Bhandar  
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Bhotahity, Kathmandu  
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