

DSNA MEETING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO, 28-30 JUNE 1979

The biennial meeting of the Dictionary Society of North America was held in London, Canada, at the University of Western Ontario from June 28 to 30, 1979. About 50 people registered to attend. The following papers were given.

"Trade Names; Lexicographers and the Law." Walter S. Avis, Royal Military College of Canada.

"Semantic Categories and Regional Distribution of Key Words in American Proverbs and Proverbial Sayings of the American Dialect Society." Stewart A. Kingsbury, Northern Michigan University.

"Is Respelling Really Necessary?" Robert H. Secrist, Youngstown State University.

"Progress Report on a Dictionary of Eponymic and Descriptive Names of Theoretical Concepts in Biology." Keith Roe, Pennsylvania State University.

"Browsing Files for Dictionary Scholars." William J. Cameron, University of Western Ontario.

"Spoken Usage, Status Labels, and DARE." Jeffrey Hirshberg, University of Wisconsin.

"A Computer Archive of Machine Readable Dictionaries." Donald Sherman, Stanford University.

"Dictionary Etymologies: What? Why? and for Whom?" Patrick Drysdale, Gage Publishing Ltd.

"Bilingual Lexicography in Vietnam: The State of the Art." Dinh-Hoa Nguyen, University of Southern Illinois.

"Lexical Treatment of the Function Words in the Dictionary of Old English." Ashley Crandell Amos, Centre for Medieval Studies, University of Toronto.

"The Middle English Dictionary: Four Centuries of English Life and Language." Sherman M. Kuhn, University of Michigan.

The keynote address, "Lexicographers are

Human: An Account of Personal Bias in Definitions," was given by Allen Walker Read, Professor Emeritus of English, Columbia University, at the dinner Friday evening.

Sessions were chaired by members of the Program Committee: W. J. Cameron, Victoria Neufeldt, Walter S. Avis, and Rex Wilson.

The papers are being edited for publication by B. Gillian Michell of the School of Library and Information Science, University of Western Ontario.

A business meeting was held Friday morning. Outgoing president Warren N. Cordell presented the biennial report on the state of the Society, and incoming president William J. Cameron conducted a discussion of Society business.

A special feature of the conference was the opportunity to see the collection of hand-printed dictionaries assembled by W. J. Cameron and his students for teaching bibliography at the School of Library and Information Science and to learn more about the computer system being developed for on-line retrieval of information on North American holdings of hand-printed books.

Members of the 1979 Program Committee were: William J. Cameron, Dean of the School of Library and Information Science (Chairman); Walter S. Avis, Royal Military College, Kingston, Ontario; David B. Guralnik, William Collins, World Publishing Co., Cleveland; B. Gillian Michell, School of Library and Information Science, UWO; Victoria Neufeldt, Gage Publishing Ltd., Agincourt, Ontario; H. Locke Robertson, Mountain, Ontario; Elaine Svenonius, SLIS, UWO; and H. Rex Wilson, Department of English, UWO (in charge of local arrangements). The Society's thanks go to these people for a well-planned and smoothly executed meeting.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT ON THE STATE OF THE SOCIETY

Outgoing President Warren N. Cordell reported on the state of the Society at the biennial meeting June 29, 1979. The balance in the treasury on June 19, was \$2315.16; 1978 dues had added \$979.50 to the June 1978 balance of \$1796.40; expenditures came to \$460.74. The cost of publishing the journal will take most of the 1979 balance. The membership of the Society was 158.

The following statistics on the composition of the Society supplement the membership report. Fifty-nine members of the Society are or have been involved in the making of a dictionary. Of these, 24 are or were members of the dictionary staff of a publishing company; 22 worked on university or individual projects; 11 wrote dictionaries published commercially; and four are

working on projects under the aegis of a university. Eighteen members have a scholarly interest in critique of dictionaries and general lexicography; 21 are interested in history of dictionaries; and four (as indicated by published

work) in both. At least 21 are interested in bilingual dictionaries, and at least 14 in computer applications in lexicography. Three members are translators or cryptanalysts. Eight are student members.

DSNA 1981 BIENNIAL MEETING

At its 1979 business meeting, the Society accepted the invitation of The Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County to meet there in 1981. Program Committee Chairperson for the meeting is Yeatman Anderson III, Curator of

Rare Books and Special Collections of the Library. A collection there of special interest to Society members is the Kahn Collection of Dictionaries.

PAPERS OF 1971 AND 1975 LEXICOGRAPHY CONFERENCES PUBLISHED

Papers presented at lexicography conferences held at Indiana State University in April 1971 and May 1975 were published by DSNA this summer with the help of a grant from the University. In recognition of the purpose of the conferences, which was to acquaint scholars with the resources of the Cordell Collection of Dictionaries, and of the retirement last fall of Mr. Cordell as vice president and chief statistical of-

ficer of the A.C. Nielsen Company of Chicago, after 41 years with the company, the volume was entitled **Papers on Lexicography in Honor of Warren N. Cordell**. Editors of the volume were J. E. Congleton, Edward Gates, and Donald Hobar. Copies were mailed to all 1977 members as a membership benefit. Other members may purchase a copy at the member price of \$5.95.

DICTIONARIES IN PROGRESS

ARABIC

English-Arabic Technical Terminology Project. The LOGOS Development Corporation of Middletown, New York, is initiating a project to develop Arabic equivalents for English technical, business, and related terms. Qualified staff members are being recruited. (Linguistic Reporter, September 1979)

CHINESE

More than 100 dictionaries of Chinese and foreign languages are being compiled or revised in Chinese universities, research centers, and publishing houses. Some 50 representatives of these institutions met in Suzhou (Soochow) to discuss this work and related topics. (Linguistic Reporter, September 1979)

FRENCH

A historical dictionary of Quebec regional French is being produced at Laval University. Entitled **Tresor de la langue francaise au Quebec**, it will be a complete description of the specific vocabulary of French speakers of Quebec and surrounding areas from the settlement in the 17th century until today. The corpus includes archive documents, literature, newspapers, technical books and articles, texts of radio and television programs, and tape recordings. After being written, entries are converted to machine-readable form, permitting many automatic processes and providing a useful tool for lexical research.

A 1000-page first installment of the dictionary is scheduled to appear in 1983, containing entries chiefly for contemporary words, for which sufficient data is now available.

Funding of the project currently is from a 5-year grant of nearly one million dollars obtained in 1977 from the Conseil de Recherches en Sciences

humaines du Canada and from the Ministere de l'Education du Quebec. The project has a staff of about forty people under the direction of Marcel Juneau, Micheline Massicotte, and Claude Poirier.

For further details, see the description by Marcel Juneau and Claude Poirier entitled "Le TLFQ: un approche d'un vocabulaire regional" on pages 1-139 in **Travaux de linguistique quebecoise**, 3 (1979), edited by L. Boisvert, M. Juneau, and Cl. Poirier; published in Quebec by Les Presses de l'Universite Laval.

HAITIAN CREOLE

A dictionary of Haitian Creole, French, and English, is being prepared at Indiana University, Bloomington, with a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The project is now in its third and final year.

Although French is the official language of Haiti, Creole is the only language spoken by 90% of the population. It is only since 1940 that attempts have been made to devise a written form of Creole, and the orthography is still in flux. Though there exist small glossaries for Creole-French and Creole-Dutch, this project is the first major lexicographic endeavor for the language. It is based on the dialect of Port-au-Prince.

Data collection is complete, and more than one-third of the material has been treated and entered into a computer. Haitian Creole headwords are entered with pertinent grammatical information, translational equivalents, and illustrative sentences. In the final stage, indexes for French and English will be computer-generated, and these vocabularies will be controlled at that time.

The Project is under the direction of Dr. Albert Valdman, Professor of Linguistics and of French

on machine translation and machine aids for translators, in which one question to be

answered will be where there exist files of terminology, and what they contain.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

Stuart Berg Flexner's book **I Hear America Talking** (originally published by Van Nostrand Reinhold Company in hardback in 1976) has been issued in a Touchstone paperback edition by Simon and Schuster in 1979. The work is an encyclopedia of selected aspects of America's past, and many entries contain miniglossaries of words related to the topic.

Saadah Nasution Elgersma of the Indonesian National Center for Language Development, and Khalid Bin Muhammad Hussain of the Language and Literature Agency of Malaysia were among the 38 participants in the Lexicography Workshop led by Ladislav Zgusta (University of Illinois) in Manila, The Philippines, May 14 to June 9, 1979.

Robert Eagleson, of the English Department of the University of Sydney, Australia, visited lexicographic centers in Canada and the United States (including the University of Western Ontario, the University of Michigan, the University

of Chicago, and the University of Illinois) this summer. After visiting professorships in Austria and England, he will return to Australia in January. Professor Eagleson is preparing a Shakespeare glossary and is associated with the currently suspended project to make a Dictionary of Australian English.

Walter Glanze, after twelve years as a senior editor with Bantam Books, left in June 1979 to form Walter Glanze Word Books Associates, a research and editorial service specializing in the development of reference books. Under contract to Bantam, the new organization will maintain and develop the reference works published by Bantam, including **The Scribner-Bantam English Dictionary**, of which Glanze was house editor, and **The Bantam Book of Quotations**. Before joining Bantam, Glanze was a senior editor and program director for foreign-language projects with Scott, Foresman and Company.

QUERIES FROM DICTIONARY OF AMERICAN REGIONAL ENGLISH

The **Newsletter** of the American Dialect Society (March 1979) has published another request for more information on these items in the DARE file: **genavy**, a large number (place of use, spelling, pronunciation, etc.); **hanky**, as noun 'a misfit'; as adjective, **putting** 'puts on airs', attested from Mo. (how common, how current?); **red dog road**, from Pa., W.Va., Ohio (what is the road surfaced with); **fallover**, 'a waterfall' (where, when, by whom?); **face tag**, 'variant form of tag', attested from R. Is. and N.Y. (why "face", is it genuine?); **falls colt**, something of little value, from central Tenn. only; **bear('s) corn**, 'name for three plants', (what is reynson for name?); **hailstorm or hailstone**, 'an alcoholic drink', from Ky., Va., Fla., 1830s to 1850s (still

current? recipe appreciated - lexicographical purpose only); **to hang the moon**, 'to think oneself important', from Ozarks, Tenn., Ky. (what is meaning and what context?); **autumn summer**, 'Indian summer', from Ky. and Ohio; **dickey**, 'a type of sleigh'; **cunnell yeast**, from Mich., Nev., Calif. (what type of yeast? meaning and origin of cunnell?); **rank a car**, 'park it', only from New Jersey (where else? how current?); **put**, 'an invitation or bid', from Pa. and Maryland (is it a confused form of bid?).

Send replies to Professor F. G. Cassidy, DARE, 6125 Helen C. White Hall, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI 53706. Contributions will be acknowledged in DARE.

NOTICES

The Ripley Collection of Dictionaries donated to the New York Botanical Garden is now being sold to benefit the rare book fund. If interested in this collection of dictionaries and works on linguistics, contact Charles R. Long, Library Director, The New York Botanical Garden, Bronx NY 10458.

You can buy a rare "Vocabulario del Idioma Schipibo," intact within an issue of the **Boletín de la Sociedad Geográfica de La Paz, Bolivia**, 1898: Year 1, Vol. 1, No. 2. Contact James Lorient, Rt. s, Box 80, Hazard KY 41701.

Wanted: Manuscripts of lexicographic interest appropriate to the coverage of the journal **Language Problems and Language Planning**. Before submitting, examine the journal and consult with the editor on style and approach. Write Richard E. Wood, English Department, Southeast Missouri State University, Cape

Girardeau MO 63701.

Interested in the formation of an interest group on Jewish lexicography (the compilation and study of dictionaries of Jewish languages and of entries of Jewish interest in dictionaries of non-Jewish language)? Write Dr. David L. Gold, Yiddish Studies Program, University of Haifa, Mount Carmel, Haifa 31 999, Israel.

"German-English Dictionaries and How to Use Them" and "The Lexis of Russian" are among the 40 linguistic titles in the Exeter Tapes on language and culture in six major and four minor language areas. For a catalogue, write Exeter Tapes, The Language Centre, University of Exeter, Devon, England EX 4 4QU.

Editor: Edward Gates Managing Editor:
Donald Hobar

tionaries, T. Magay on indicating pronunciation in bilingual dictionaries, W. Rowe on a Chinese IDS dictionary, A. Al-Kasimi on technical terminology in Arabic lexicography, N. Osselton on obsolescence in bilingual dictionaries, G. Forgue on neologisms in American English, D. Sherman on computer archiving of lexical material, C. Wolfart on access to computerised dictionaries, and P. Pica on a computer-aided analysis of non-

pronomical neuter verbs in French. There is a general introduction on 'Who needs dictionaries?' and a consolidated list of bibliographical references.

The volume is available through the Publications Clerk, University of Exeter, Northcote House, Exeter, Devon, England, EX4 4QJ.

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

An International Summer School in Applied Linguistics and Dictionary-Making will be held at Exeter University, England, August 16-23, 1980. It is designed for linguists, language teachers, dictionary project leaders, and beginning lexicographers. Morning lectures will be given on matters like types of dictionaries, meaning discrimination, grammar and context, discourse analysis, and field work. Afternoon workshops will be held on such topics as learner's dictionaries, bilingual dictionaries, technical dictionaries, pronunciation dictionaries, and computer programming for lexicographers. Those who will contribute to the programme include John Ayto, Longman Group Ltd.; Henri Bejoint, Universite de Lyon;

Anthony Cowie, University of Leeds; Arthur Delbridge, Macquarie University; Patrick Hanks, Laurence Urdang Associates Ltd.; Frank Knowles, University of Aston; Tamas Magay, Akademiai Kiado, Budapest; Willy Martin, University of Leuven and Antwerp; Andre Moulin, Universite de Liege; Kurt Opitz, Fachhochschule Hamburg; Paul Procter, Longman Group Ltd.; and Janet Whitcut, Longman Group, Inc. Cost of the programme, including room and full board, will be about 90 pounds. Send inquiries to Dr. Reinhard Hartmann, The Language Centre, University of Exeter, Queen's Building, Exeter EX 4 4OH, Devon, England.

STUDY OF LEXICOGRAPHY

- A chair in lexicography named in honor of the late Edwin B. Williams is being established at the University of Pennsylvania, where Dr. Williams taught for many years. The chair will be endowed by Dr. Williams' estate, and the first appointment will be made in about two years. The Humanities building at the University also bears Dr. Williams' name.
- Three prospective dictionary makers (all DSNA members) enrolled in graduate courses in lexicography at Indiana State University, Terre Haute, during the summer and fall. Craige Roberts of Terre Haute and New York City is enrolled summers while pursuing linguistic studies on the master's level at Indiana University, Bloomington, and working there as an assistant in the Haitian Creole Dictionary Project. Leslie Bivens of Bozeman, Montana, is enrolled in the current master's program in English at ISU. Jennifer Robinson of Atlantic Beach, N.C., is taking courses and will enroll in the specialization in lexicography which it is hoped will be approved by the University this fall. The lexicography courses offered at Indiana State University are "Introduction to Word Study," "The Dictionary: Form and Function," "Evolution of Dictionaries," and "Studies in Lexicography" (a variable-topic course).
- David G. Hayes, who addressed the Special Meeting of the DSNA at Urbana in July 1978 on the desirability of cooperation in storing and making available the definition of technical terminology, has published the following report on the subsequent 1978 International

Conference on Computational Linguistics, in his newsletter, **The Press**:

To keep definitions and special attributes of technical terms in computer storage aids the translator, lexicographer, bibliographer, et al.

In August 1978, at COLING, two sessions were devoted to the problems and possibilities. An open session drew a large attendance and about 20 persons came to a closed session. The few organizations running large systems were represented.

Since users ask the computer for help only in difficult cases, only large files are of much use. Since the information is mainly the same in all files, and since digital transmission allows anyone in the world to consult a central file, duplication is redundant.

Nevertheless, the operators of large systems showed little interest in cooperating with one another or in making their files available to small users even upon payment of fees.

Several possibilities arise: To convince the reluctant, to organize cooperation among the small organizations, or to open a new large center expressly to provide public services. These and other possibilities can be examined at COLING 80 and in the newsletters of THE PRESS.

The newsletter also announces the publication, when enough orders are obtained, of a newsletter

and Italian. The staff includes two graduate assistants — Sarah Yoder and Craige Roberts — and three Haitian informants.

The project is slated for completion in April, 1980. (Craige Roberts)

INDONESIAN

Work on two dictionaries of the Indonesian national language is reported by Saodah Nasution Elgersma of the Indonesian National Center for Language Development. A general dictionary was begun in 1975 and was to have been completed in 1977. It is now hoped to finish it this year. An abridgement of this for students, with geographical names added, was begun under the editorship of Dra. Elgersma in March 1977. The hope is to finish the abridgement next year.

The dictionary staff also serve as consultants for glossaries of standard terminology being prepared by various agencies of the government in such subjects as anatomy, banking, biology, chemistry, electricity, family planning, geography, and psychology.

Since 1972, the language agencies of the Indonesian and Malaysian governments have been working together to unify the vocabulary and spelling of their closely related languages. Meetings are held twice a year, once in Jakarta and once in Kuala Lumpur.

RUSSIAN

A student's Russian-English Lexicon is being written by DSNM member Isay M. Kosoy, formerly of the Language Institute in Leningrad and now resident in Long Island City, New York. Professor Kosoy plans a work of 35,000 words selected chiefly from the Russian literary vocabulary, with their English equivalents. The lexicon will also include about 3,000 stems and affixes used in modern Russian word-formation, with their interpretations and English equivalents. These will enable a dictionary user to determine the literal meaning of derivatives and compounds not found in the lexicon. The dictionary is intended for the use of English-speaking college students who are

studying Russian and others in contact with modern literary Russian. No comparable work exists. Professor Kosoy hopes to complete the work in about three years.

OTHER

A number of dictionary projects have recent or current funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities, Division of Research Programs. The report on awards made in the 1978 fiscal year lists the following, with funding dates and name of the project director:

Thesaurus Linguae Graecae: Phase II Data-Bank Expansion and Product Generation. 1 July 1977 - 30 June 1980. Supp. I; T. Brunner, U. of Cal., Irvine, California.

Dictionary of American Regional English; 1 July 1976 - 30 June 1980. Supp I; F.G. Cassidy, U. of Wisconsin.

Tojolabal-Maya Texts and Dictionary; 1 March 1978 - 31 May 1979; L. Furbee-Losee, U. of Missouri.

A Modern Greek-English Dictionary; 1 Oct. 1978 - 30 June 1980; D. Georgacas, U. of North Dakota.

Modern Mongolian-English Dictionary; 10 Jan. 1978 - 30 Sept. 1980; J. Hangin, Indiana U.

Demotic Dictionary Project (Greek); 1 Oct 1978 - 30 Sept. 1981; J. Johnson, U. of Chicago.

Septuagint Lexicon (Greek); 1 May 1978 - 30 April 1979; R. Kraft, U. of Pennsylvania.

Alaska Native Language Dictionary Project; 1 Feb. 1978 - 31 Jan. 1981; M. Krauss, U. of Alaska.

Etymological Dictionary of Gurage; 1 July 1975 - 31 Dec. 1978. Supp. II; W. Leslau, U.C.L.A.

Etymological Dictionary of Old High German; 1 Oct. 1978 - 30 Sept. 1981; A. Lloyd, U. of Pennsylvania.

Sumerian Dictionary, Phase 2; 1 Sept. 1978 - 31 Aug. 1981; A. Sjöberg, U. of Pennsylvania.

Dictionary of the Old High German Glosses; 1 Oct. 1978 - 30 Sept. 1979; J. Wells, Tufts U.

Comanche-English: English-Comanche Dictionary; 1 Oct. 1977 - 31 March 1979; L. M. Wistrand-Robinson, Kansas State U.

SURVEY OF BRITISH MEDIEVAL LEXICOGRAPHY

Jeffrey Huntsman of the Department of English at Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, is completing a report on the first phase of his Survey of British Medieval Lexicography. Funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the project was originally planned as a survey of all the lexicographic manuscripts in the British Isles, to be carried out in three summers. The time estimate was based on the listing in the published catalogue of the British Library of 300 dictionary manuscripts. Huntsman soon found, however, that these catalogues were often incomplete and incorrect. He has already found 1500 lexicographic works in the British Library and has barely begun work in other libraries.

Huntsman also realized that the category "dic-

tionary" (a work giving information about words, not about people, places, and things) was irrelevant to the period. He enlarged his survey to include six types of lexicographic work:

- 1) Dictionaries, works of considerable size giving information about the vocabulary of a language;
- 2) Lexicons, devoted to one author or one portion of the vocabulary (commonly encyclopedic works on the Bible);
- 3) Vocabularies, devoted to one class of lexical items, such as nouns, verbs; or body parts, farm implements.
- 4) Glossaries, devoted to a single work or a small set of works;
- 5) Congeries of words and glosses written down, especially by schoolmasters, in the order in

which they were found;

- 6) Selected glosses from significant texts, esp. those representing early stages of Welsh, Cornish, and Old Irish.

Information recorded for each text includes the location of the manuscript; its size, binding, date, and provenance; the hand in which it is written, illuminations, and other bibliographical data.

OTHER LEXICOGRAPHIC RESEARCH

J.E. Congleton, Professor Emeritus of English, Findlay College, Ohio, reports that he plans to resume work on a bibliography of publications on Johnson's **Dictionary** that he and Gwin Kolb have been compiling for some years.

This information is being stored on computer tape for ease in sorting and retrieval.

Huntsman hopes to continue the project in future summers. A preliminary report of the project is among the papers of the Special Session on Lexicography for December 1977, published as **Studies in Lexicography as a Science and as an Art**, Vol. 1, No. 1, edited by Roger J. Steiner.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GENERAL AND JEWISH LEXICOGRAPHY

The First International Conference on General and Jewish Lexicography, co-sponsored by the Department of Languages and Literature of the University of Delaware and the Yiddish Studies Program of the University of Haifa, took place on the Newark campus of the University of Delaware on July 16-18, 1979, with participants from Canada, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Hungary, Israel, Italy, the Netherlands, Rumania, Spain, and the United States. Thirty-four papers were read at the conference organized by Roger J. Steiner and David L. Gold, with financial support from the University of Delaware, the University of Haifa, and the **Merkaz Leklita Bamada**. The papers are being prepared for publication.

Papers on the compilation and study of dic-

tionaries are invited for the Second International Conference on General and Jewish Lexicography to be held at the University of Delaware in the summer of 1980. The conference will meet during four days (Monday through Thursday) at a time between July 7 and August 28 found convenient for participants. Papers may be submitted even though one cannot attend. It is hoped that in addition to the topics discussed in last year's conference such matters as multilingual dictionaries as reflections of linguistic or cultural contact and the role of dictionaries in "smaller language" communities will be represented. Inquiries, offers to submit a paper, and preferences on dates should be sent to Roger J. Steiner, Department of Languages and Literature, University of Delaware, Newark DE 19711.

PAPERS ON LEXICOGRAPHY

- DSN member Allen Walker Read presented a paper, "The Theoretical Basis for Determining Pronunciations in Dictionaries," at the 32nd Annual Kentucky Foreign Language Conference held April 26-28, 1979 at the University of Kentucky.
- DSN member Henry G. Burger, University of Missouri, Kansas City, gave a paper entitled "A Transitive Taxonomy as a Dictionary of Cause and Effect" at the Silver Anniversary meeting of the Society for General Systems Research held at the University of London, England, August 20-24, 1979.
- At a conference on Data Bases in the Humanities and Social Sciences held at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, August 23-24, 1979, the following papers relating to dictionary making were presented: "Some Use of Computers in Lexicography: The DARE Experience," by Frederic G. Cassidy; "The Great Dictionary of the English Language," by Nathan Susskind; "Computers and the Dictionary of Old Spanish," by John Nitti; "Models and Implementations for a Dic-

tionary Database System," by Alfred G. Dale and Yefim Shukin; and "The State of Lexicography and Lexicology in Plantagenet England: A Data Base," by Jeffrey F. Huntsman.

- Twenty papers given at the 1978 Seminar on Lexicography sponsored by the British Association of Applied Linguistics have been published in Volume IV of the Exeter Linguistic Studies. The Collection, entitled **Dictionaries and Their Users**, is edited by R.R.K. Hartman of the University of Exeter.

The papers in modified versions, are: G. Mallinson on theoretical lexicon and practical dictionary, L. Burnett on linguistic terms in the OED, H. Bejoint on the use of informants, P. Hanks on dictionary definitions, S. Raphael on natural history terms in Oxford English Dictionaries, L. Urdang on denotative/connotative/allusive meaning, P. Scholfield on definitions by syntactic paraphrase, M. Wallace on idioms, E. Aisenstadt on restricted collocations, A. Moulin on ESP dictionaries, A. Cowie on polysemy, K. Opitz on technical dic-