The Kroeber Anthropological Society Papers publish articles in the general field of anthropology, including those which it is difficult, for various reasons, to publish elsewhere. In addition to articles of theoretical interest, the Papers will welcome descriptive studies putting factual information on record, as well as bibliographies, linguistic texts, vocabularies and historical documents of anthropological interest. The Society welcomes student research papers of high quality.

Manuscripts must be typewritten, doubled spaced on good quality 8-1/2 by 11 inch paper, and on one side of the page only. Endnotes (the Papers do not employ footnotes) and bibliography should be placed on separate sheets. The bibliographic style to be followed is that used in this number of the Papers. Authors will note that the bibliographic style is an extended version of that employed by the American Anthropologist. A style sheet containing further information concerning manuscripts and bibliographic style may be obtained from the Society upon request.

Authors will receive without charge twenty reprints of their articles. Additional reprints may be ordered at the price of one cent per page. A small extra charge will be made if illustrations must be reproduced by photolithography. When notified of the acceptance of their manuscripts, authors will be asked how many additional reprints they desire.

Manuscripts should be addressed to:

Editor
Kroeber Anthropological Society
c/o The Department of Anthropology
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all those whose generous assistance, through all phases of preparation and publication, made possible this issue of the Papers. Special thanks go to John H. Rowe, who as faculty advisor to our Society has been of constant assistance and support.

We also gratefully acknowledge the financial assistance given us by the Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research. Their generous grant for publishing equipment has made possible the continuing success of our publication.

The Executive Committee
THE KROEBER ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY PAPERS

Number 18 Spring, 1958

Published by the Kroeber Anthropological Society

Bruce Drewitt, President; Richard Randolph, Vice President; Madge Richardson, Secretary; Stanley Byrne, Treasurer; James Mackie, Program Chairman; Thomas S. Chambers, Chairman of Annual Meeting; James Hatch, Bernd Lambert, Paul E. Simonds, Co-editors.

Address all correspondence to:

The Kroeber Anthropological Society
c/o The Department of Anthropology
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Cover design for 1958-59 by Jack E. Smith, University of California, Berkeley. The 1958 cover design is adapted from a Northwest coast representation of a killer whale.
CONTENTS

An Area Co-tradition for Mesoamerica, by Morton H. Levine 1

A Survey of Ethnographic Sources, by James H. Gunnerson 49

An "Indigenous" New Guinea Cult, by Richard F. Salisbury 67

The Romantic Role of Older Women in a Culture of the Pacific Northwest Coast, by Melville Jacobs 79

Dissertations in Anthropology 87
INTRODUCTION

The article by Morton H. Levine completes the series of selected papers from the Harvard Middle American Archaeological Seminar, 1955-56, which was begun in our previous issue.

James H. Gunnerson is Curator of the Museum of Anthropology at the University of Utah.

Richard F. Salisbury is Assistant Professor of Anthropology at the University of California, Berkeley.

Melville Jacobs is Professor of Anthropology at the University of Washington, Seattle.

The editors wish to express their thanks to Mrs. Mildred Vera for proof-reading the articles, and to Allan D. Coult, who as editor in Fall, 1958, was responsible for preparing several of the manuscripts for publication.

The price of single copies of back issues has been raised from $1.75 to $2.00 for non-members, but will continue to be $1.50 for members of the Society. Numbers 2 and 4, previously reported as being out of print, are now once more available.