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to further these objectives. The Society is working to clear the ruins of Manda, the earliest town on the East African coast so that it will be possible to see more clearly typical examples of fourteenth- and fifteenth-century architecture.

The Society is also encouraging local craftsmen and poets to continue their work in the traditional manner by offering annual prizes for the best examples of work done. It is hoped to publish in the near future an extensive bibliography on the Swahili-speaking peoples of Eastern Africa and a pamphlet on the traditional horns (*siwa*) of Lamu. Occasional news-letters, reporting projects and progress will be issued. All who are interested should contact the Secretary of The Lamu Society, P.O. Box 45916, Nairobi, Kenya.

Indiana University: Seminar in the African Humanities

THE Seminar in the African Humanities is being conducted (from January to April 1975) at Indiana University by Professors Roy Sieber and Alan P. Merriam. This is the sixth Seminar to be held since 1962. Speakers include: Warren L. d'Azevedo, Robert F. Thompson, James W. Fernandez, Jacqueline Fry, Dan Ben-Amos, Daniel Biebuyck, Ousmane Sembene, Charles Bird, Henry Drewel, Hewitt Pantaleoni, John F. Carrington, Judith Lynne Hanna.

African Women: a Select Bibliography

THIS bibliography, compiled by the staff of the African Studies Centre, Cambridge, is a selection of 1,210 entries intended to be a general introduction to the wide range of material available on the subject of African women. It is representative rather than comprehensive. The primary sources were the African Studies Centre bibliographic card catalogues and the CARDAN file (Centre D'Analyse et de Recherches Documentaires pour L'Afrique Noire) which jointly cover periodicals, books, theses, official publications, conference proceedings, and unpublished material on Africa in English and several European languages. Compilation of this bibliography is an experimental attempt at utilizing the vast amount of bibliographic material at the African Studies Centre to provide a list of titles on the subject of African women.

Entries are arranged by subject and subsequently in alphabetical order by author. As many items deal with more than one topic, there is a 'see also' reference at the end of each category. The bibliography includes an author index and a regional index.

An opening essay discusses some of the main points of interest that authors have attempted to deal with in articles and books on African women and their position in the world today, as well as questions that still remain to be studied and will hopefully be dealt with in the near future.

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