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Older Germanic Languages in a Comparative Perspective

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The 12 articles in this collection resulted from The Seventh International Tromsø Symposium on Language which was held at the University of Tromsø in June 1991.

The book is one of the few collections of work on various Older Germanic languages and covers several areas of Germanic linguistics from a comparative or historical point of view, including runology. Old English and Old Norse are the languages that are most discussed.

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Allan R. Bomhard and John C. Kerns

The Nostratic Macrofamily

A Study in Distant Linguistic Relationship

1994. 23 x 15,5 cm. XII, 932 pages. Cloth. DM 298,- / approx. £ 119.95 ISBN 3-11-013900-6 (Trends in Linguistics. Studies and Monographs 74)

Mouton de Gruyter

"Nostratic" is the name given to a large group of languages, thought to be distantly genetically related, which extend across northern Eurasia and into Central Asia, the Itanian plateau, the Indian subcontinent, the Near East and northern Africa. This monograph seeks to establish the existence, geographically and historically, of a parent language, "Proto-Nostratic".

In order to accomplish this goal, the phonological systems of the descendant languages are discussed in detail, their morphological and syntactic structures are compared and synthesized, and an attempt is made to reconstruct the original lexicon, with special emphasis on core vocabulary items such as pronouns, which are known to be a particularly strong indicator of genetic relationship.

The book concludes that the evidence is overwhelmingly in favor of setting up a Nostratic macrofamily.

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Elisabeth Engberg-Pedersen, Lisbeth Falster Jakobsen and Lone Schack Rasmussen (Editors)

Function and Expression in Functional Grammar

1994. 23 x 15,5 cm. VI, 447 pages. Cloth DM 198,-; approx. £ 80.00 ISBN 3-11-013407-1 (Functional Grammar Series 16)

Mouton de Gruyter

This collection of original articles revolves around the three central topics in the theory of Functional Grammar as developed by Simon Dik, namely the three types of functions, the expression of Functional Grammar categories in individual language, and computer implementation of the Functional Grammar model.

The main emphasis of the volume is on the predicate and semantic functions as defined in their relation to the predicate frame. The distinction between sentence topic and discourse topic within the pragmatic function is also treated, as are expression in Functional Grammar and utterances at the discourse level. Four papers deal with computer implementations of selected parts of the Functional Grammar model, two of them using Prolog.

The data for the analyses come from English, Spanish, Croatian, Danish, Ancient Greek, Hebrew, Aramaic, Arabic, Latin, Hungarian, and German, among others.



Monica Heller

Crosswords

Language, Education and Ethnicity in French Ontario

1994. 23 x 15,5 cm. X, 252 pages. Cloth DM 148,-; approx. £ 60.00 ISBN 3-11-014111-6 (Contributions to the Sociology of Language 66)

Mouton de Gruyter

Minority language education is a subject which hits home anywhere that linguistic minorities fight for their rights and try to define their future. In this ethnographic and sociolinguistic analysis of the specific case of the education of the French-language minority of Ontario, Canada's largest province, the author shows how education plays a central role in ethnic nationalism and political mobilization. The book traces the historical development of French-English relations in Canada, and then examines the role of education in ethnic relations and the language rights movement in Ontario, especially in the wake of Québécois political mobilization in the 1960s.

The main focus of the book is a detailed ethnography of Franco-Ontarian minority schools in Toronto, Ontario's capital and the financial centre of Canada, in the period 1983-1990. This ethnography uses language ideology, language practices and, in particular, language choice to illuminate the historically grounded contradictions surrounding the role of the school in the Franco-Ontarian struggle for equality in a society dominated by English speakers. It shows how the particular form that political mobilization has taken lays the groundwork for the production of relations of inequality within Franco-Ontarian society of the same type against which francophones have long been struggling.

The study opens up the area of minority language education and ethnic relations to new understandings of the relationship between the many kinds of social difference which characterize minority experience, and of the multiple forms of inequality which can exist.



Dirk Geeraerts, Stefan Grondelaers and Peter Bakema

The Structure of Lexical Variation Meaning, Naming, and Context

1994. 23 x 15,5 cm. VII, 221 pages. Cloth DM 128,-; approx. £ 52.00 ISBN 3-11-014387-9 (Cognitive Linguistics Research 5)

Mouton de Gruyter

The Structure of Lexical Variation presents a contribution to theoretical lexicology. On the basis of an in-depth, corpus-based case study of a single lexical field, that of Dutch clothing terms, a model of the interaction between meaning, naming, and context is developed.

Three major factors may be identified in the study of lexical variation: semasiological variation (involving the various meanings that a lexical expression may occur with), onomasiological variation (involving the alternative names that may be used to designate a concept or a particular type of referent), and pragmatic variation (involving various aspects of the linguistic and extralinguistic context in which an utterance is made, such as the sociolinguistic characteristics of the speakers or the stylistic register of the text).

The Structure of Lexical Variation investigates the characteristics of these three factors, and indicates the intricate ways in which they interact. Within the field of lexicology, the present study is innovative in three ways:

First, it combines the legacy of structuralist semantics with the new insights and methods developed in the context of prototype semantics. Second, it adds a contextual perspective to the Cognitive Linguistic study of lexical variation, by systematically taking into account speaker-related and situation-related variables. Third, it develops a pragmatic, usage-based model for lexicological research. The combination of an onomasiological and a semasiological perspective embodies a shift from a preoccupation with structures to an interest in the way in which those structures are put to actual use.



Norbert Corver and Henk van Riemsdijk (Editors)

Studies on Scrambling

Movement and Non-Movement Approaches to Free Word-Order Phenomena

1994. 23 x 15,5 cm. VI, 531 pages. Cloth DM 198,-; approx. £ 82.00 ISBN 3-11-013572-8 (Studies in Generative Grammar 41)

Mouton de Gruyter

This collection of articles grew out of a workshop on scrambling that took place at Tilburg University in the Netherlands in October 1990.

The contributors to *Studies on Scrambling* discuss various issues related to the phenomenon of clause-internal variable word order in natural languages. On the basis of scrambling phenomena from a great variety of languages (Dutch, Danish, German, Hindi, Icelandic, Modern Persian, Japanese, Selayarese, and Warlpiri, among others), two major issues are adressed: First, should scrambling be analyzed in terms of free base generation or movement? Second, if movement is involved, should it be analyzed as movement to an A-position or movement to an A-bar position?

Competing analyses of scrambling are proposed, even for one and the same language. Thus this volume is a contribution to a lively, ongoing debate that is gradually producing a better understanding of the scrambling phenomenon.



Anthony Liddicoat

A Grammar of the Norman French of the Channel Islands The Dialects of Jersey and Sark

1994. 23 x 15,5 cm. XII, 452 pages. Cloth DM 288,- ; approx. £ 119.00 ISBN 3-11-012631-1 (Mouton Grammar Library 13)

Mouton de Gruyter

This monograph presents a study of the phonology, syntax, and lexicon of two closely related dialects of Norman French spoken in two of the Channel Islands, Jersey and Sark. The dialects of these islands represent interesting varieties of Norman French which have been preserved from the assimilation with more standard French varieties that has occurred in mainland Norman French. The dialects of Jersey and Sark are dying - they have rapidly lost ground to English in the course of the twentieth century and are not expected to survive for more than a few decades. Thus this work, which is based on spoken language data and records both the synchronic features of the dialects and their development over time, presents an important linguistic record.

The volume includes a word list and selected texts transcribed into the International Phonetic Alphabet.



Guido J. Vanden Wyngaerd

PRO-Legomena

Distribution and Reference of Infinitival Subjects

(Linguistic Models 19) 1994. XIV, 312 pages. Cloth. DM 162.00 (Approx. £ 65.00) ISBN 3-11-013836-0

Mouton de Gruyter

This research monograph focusses on the syntax of infinitives from the point of view of universal grammar.

It shows how a traditional problem of syntactic analysis, PRO, can be integrated into a unified syntactic theory. The study deals with the question of where PRO can or cannot occur, i.e., its distribution, and then analyzes how its reference is determined. Discarding the received opinion that PRO is a pronominal anaphor, the book argues that PRO has purely anaphoric properties.

The book presents empirical evidence from a wide range of languages in support of the theory, but will be of particular interest to scholars interested in the problems of English and Dutch syntax.



Francesca Merlan

A Grammar of Wardaman

A Language of the Northern Territory of Australia

(Mouton Grammar Library 11) 1993. XXI, 621 pages. Cloth. DM 328.00 (Approx. £ 130.00) ISBN 3-11-012942-6

Mouton de Gruyter

This work provides a general description of Wardaman, a non-Pama Nyungan language spoken by Aboriginal people in Katherine, Northern Territory, Australia.

The result of extensive field research in a region of high linguistic diversity, this grammar provides a description of the phonology, morphology, and syntax of Wardaman. The work is complemented by an extended set of texts, references, maps, and Wardaman-English and English-Wardaman vocabulary lists.

Also of interest to specialists in comparative language typology is the discussion of special features of Wardaman, including its system of noun class marking, the ergative-absolutive organization of nominal inflection and the interaction among case-marking, word ordering, and the textual realization of nominal (subject-object) functions.



Dieter Stein Ingrid Tieken-Boon van Ostade (Editors)

Towards a Standard English 1600 - 1800

(Topics in English Linguistics 12) 1994. VI, 325 pages. Cloth. DM 178.00 (Approx. £ 70.00) ISBN 3-11-013697-X

Mouton de Gruyter

The papers collected in this volume deal with the factors involved in the development of English between 1600 and 1800 from the state of the language as an assortment of dialects to one with a national function and status, with notions of "correctness" and social sanction of "incorrect forms".

The processes of selecting one variant, for example, of past tense forms or relative pronouns, over another as "correct", including the question of who made such decisions, is one area of particular emphasis in the volume. Others include the role of the written language and such general theoretical problems of "standard" and "standardisation". Of special importance is the role of social ideals and "polite" language in shaping what is known as the standard.



Jennie R. Joe and Robert S. Young (Editors) Diabetes as a Disease of Civilization

The Impact of Culture Change on Indigenous Peoples

(New Babylon. Studies in the Social Sciences 50) 1993. VI, 527 pages. Cloth. DM 268.00 (Approx. £ 105.00) ISBN 3-11-013474-8

Mouton de Gruyter

This collection of papers examines the causes behind the high prevalence of diabetes among American Indian peoples and the cultural perceptions of the disease which lead to particular difficulties in treating it, offering suggestions for overcoming these problems.

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Jeanine Treffers-Daller

Mixing Two Languages French-Dutch Contact in a Comparative Perspective

(Topics in Sociolinguistics 9) 1993. XII, 300 pages. Cloth. DM 138.00 (approx. £ 55.00) ISBN 3-11-013837-9

Mouton de Gruyter

This empirical study on language mixing is based on fieldwork carried out with the local inhabitants of Brussels, especially with people from the "Marooles" quarter of the old city. The latter speak the local dialects of Brussels, Brussels Dutch and Brussels French, resulting in a mixture of both varieties.

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