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PREFACE

The University of North Dakota branch of the Summer
Institute of Linguistics is pleased to revise its previous
policy of classifying its Work Papers as unpublished, in
order to make this volume more generally available. The
papers included this year are preliminary published versions.

Not enough has been done of late to develope good new
problems for teaching purposes. Dick Gieser's problem, which
leads off this volume, is intended as a contribution to the
pedagogical materials for use in teaching grammatical analysis.
The next paper, by Don Davis, contains a discussion of certain
phenomena of agreement which seem to be peculiar to languages
of New Guinea: medial verbs are those which agree with the
subject of the following clause, in one way or another, while
at the same time exhibiting the more usual sort of subject-
verb agreement. Marjorie Davis offers some suggestions for
those who may wish to compose hymns or other songs in tonal
languages.

A paper by David Thomas offers a solution to the liar's
paradox, and Paul Mellema provides a philosopher's comment
on the proposed solution. Bill Chatfield, a native speaker of
Ojibwe, wrote the Ojibwe Vocabulary entirely on his own,
without the help of Institute linguists. Jay Pippinger's first
paper presents some interesting data, bearing on the analysis
of word order in Vietnamese. His study of Tai register patterns
and Charles Keller's paper on tongue-root position are closely
related; for a detailed explanation of the importance of these
two papers, see Dr. Pittman's note immediately following this
Preface. Wesley Kosin has incorporated some new insights into
Shoshone phonology in his "Supplement to 'Shoshone Phonemes'
in UND SIL 1967 Workpapers."

Part II of these Work Papers consists of a master's
thesis by Beatrice Myers on the Towa language of Jemez
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