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PREFACE

The twenty-fourth volume of the Work Papers of the Summer Institute of Linguistics at the University of North Dakota contains five working papers written by staff and advanced students. Comments are invited on these reports of work in progress inasmuch as the authors may wish to revise and publish at a later date.

In the first paper evidence is given that the English rules of S-S Raising, S-O Raising, Equi-NP Deletion, Extraposition, and Non-Subject Raising (Tough Movement) should be prohibited from applying to certain structures that meet their structural descriptions. This is accomplished by positing the globally defined Antigone Constraint, which (loosely stated) prohibits two-storey rules from applying to clauses which have been raised.

The next two papers are beginning studies of the grammatical structure of Southeastern Tepehuan (Uto-Aztecan). In the paper on clause types nine semantic and syntactic clause types are postulated and shown to be mapped onto six surface clause types. Eleven permutational types are also discussed. The companion paper on Southeastern Tepehuan is an exploration of interclausal relations of minimal locutionary and illocutionary force, plus a survey of the semantic and syntactical sentence types. Both papers contain numerous illustrative sentences.

The fourth paper presents syntactic and semantic arguments against Possessor Ascension in Spanish. It is claimed that the Spanish sentences involved and their English translations differ crucially at every linguistic level. Implications are also drawn for syntactic argumentation and analysis and for translation theory.

The final paper in the volume is a survey of some of the common features of African languages. The author has chosen representative languages or language families from around the continent and gives a brief description of their phonological features including vowel harmony and elision as well as tone, and of some grammatical features including a discussion of adjectives and multiple verb constructions.

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