I'm looking for books on Chukotkan and Kamchatkan languages, especially, but not only:


I have an eclectic collection of things to offer in return. Please contact me directly at <jbobalj@fas.harvard.edu>.

37.2 IOIMA WORKSHOP ON THE NER

The Iowa Multimedia Workshop for Endangered Languages got underway on June 17th with a dedicated group of people, both Native and non-Native, who worked together to learn how multimedia technology can be used for both teaching and preservation.

A daily journal of the workshop has been posted on the web. Check it out at: http://www.uiowa.edu/~sec-look/el/chron.html

37.3 CALL FOR COLLABORATION IN MULTI-LINGUAL PROJECT

>From Murray Spiegel, July 1, 1996:

I'm involved with a cross-cultural linguistics project to translate a brief text into as many languages as possible. The project is a volunteer, non-profit effort without commercial intentions, i.e. strictly educational.

There has been strong interest in our project and we would like to expand what we have. Although we have over 150 languages, we currently have very little representation from Native American and African languages.

>From North America, we only have Crow, Chippewa/Ojibway, and Chinook, and may receive others and Ojibway. For African languages, we have Afirikans, Akan, Amharic, Balti/Bulu, Kro, Makhura-Metto, Somali, Swahili, and Vlaku. Of course, we are interested in obtaining translations in lesser-used languages of other continents as well.

If anyone can translate the text using their knowledge of languages, that would help. If there is easy access to a primary speaker, then, of course, we prefer primary sources for the translations and readings. As this is often extremely difficult, we turn to the linguistics community for help.

If you are reasonably facile in a lesser-used language and can spare what would be about 20 minutes, please let me know what languages(s) you might be able to offer to our archive. (This project is not connected with my speech technology work at Bellcore.)

--Murray Spiegel
spiegel@bellcore.com

37.4 MAYAN CONGRESS IN GUATEMALA IN AUGUST

An international conference on Mayan studies—El Primer Congreso de Estudios Mayas—will be held August 7-9 at the Universidad Rafael Landivar
37.5 TEMPORARY POSITION AT UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

The Department of Linguistics at the University of Oregon seeks applicants immediately for a full-time Visiting Assistant Professor beginning September 15, 1996. This fixed term, non-tenure-related appointment will be made only for the academic year 1996-97. Salary is in the mid to upper thirties with full benefits.

The Linguistics Department at Oregon has a long tradition of work within the functionalist tradition, concentrating in descriptive work and field work and in empirical work on language use, discourse, and language acquisition. Applications are invited from qualified individuals in any research specialization who can fit well within the Department’s general functional-typological orientation. Since the opening fills a teaching gap for faculty on leave, the candidate must show evidence of considerable teaching skill, especially at the undergraduate level.

The minimum qualifcation is a Ph.D. or ABD in linguistics.

Duties will include:
* Teaching full time in undergraduate and graduate linguistics
* Engaging in research in linguistics
* Participating in Department life as an active member

Applicants should submit a letter, curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference to: Search Committee, University of Oregon, Department of Linguistics, 233 Straub Hall, Eugene, OR 97403.

Applications should be submitted without delay. The search committee will begin review of completed files on July 18 and will continue until an appointment is made.

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Inquiries should be directed to Doris Payne (dipayne@oregon.uoregon.edu).

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