The presentation ceremony in Santiago with (left to right) William Liller, Rose Marie Wallace, Mario Castro, Kay Sanger, Oscar Acuna, and Claudio Gómez. Kay is holding an original drawing of William Mulloy that was presented to DiBAM for the new library on the island.

**Easter Island Foundation News**

**THE COLLECTION OF WILLIAM MULLOY** and that of Professor Otto Klein has been officially turned over to the Dirección de Bibliotecas, Archivos y Museos (DiBAM). The collections will be re-catalogued in the main library in Santiago in order for them to be compatible with the new computerized system being installed throughout Chile. The books will then be sent by officials of DiBAM to the island, as the contract specifies. Also included were three boxes of negatives and photographs from the original Mulloy Collection. They will be restored and catalogued in Santiago, and decisions will be made as to which photographic materials will be stored in Santiago and which will be sent to the island.

On 12 January, Easter Island Foundation President Kay Kenady Sanger formally presented the first installment of funds donated to DiBAM, and officially transferred the Mulloy collection to the Acting Director of DiBAM, Oscar Acuna, who stood in for the vacationing DiBAM Director Marta Cruz-Coke. The ceremony took place in the offices of DiBAM in Santiago de Chile. Attending the ceremony were Mario Castro, DiBAM's director of museums in Chile, Claudio Gómez, director of the Museum Padre Sebastian Englert (MAPSE) on the island, and where the Mulloy Library will be located; and two representatives of the Easter Island Foundation from Chile, William Liller and Rose Marie Wallace, and various invited friends and guests.

On November 16, 1999, a brief ceremony was held at the future Mulloy Library on Easter Island. Emily Ross Mulloy presented two rare books that had belonged to her late husband, William Mulloy, to the MAPSE. They will be added to the collection of the new library when it opens. The two books are the original (1919) edition of *The Mystery of Easter Island* by Katharine Pease Routledge (Mrs. Scoresby Routledge). At the time Bill Mulloy acquired this copy, it was the only edition and was extremely rare. The other book, *Osterinsel 1970*, is a bound volume of photos taken by members of a Swiss group who visited the island that year and engaged Dr. Mulloy as their guide. Later he was given the book as a memento of the occasion.

Members of the Mulloy family who were present at this event included Emily Ross Mulloy, her daughter Brigid Mulloy, and grandson Father Francisco Nahoe, OFM Conv. Also present was Rose Marie Wallace, EIF Vice president for Chile. The staff members of the MAPSE who officially accepted the books were Pelayo Tuki Make and Francisco Torres. The Fonck Museum library in Viña del Mar will remain open under the direction of Ana Betty Haa Rapahango and has been renamed Biblioteca Rapanui y Polinesica.

**THE MOAI THAT STANDS** outside the Fonck Museum is being studied by conservator Mónica Bahamón dez of the Centro de Conservación in Santiago. She will soon begin work to stabilize the statue, which is deteriorating due to weathering processes. Plans are to move it inside the Fonck Museum following treatment. The statue was brought to Viña in the 1950s.

**THE EIF IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE** that our latest publication, *Spirit of Place, Petroglyphs of Hawaii* by Georgia Lee and Edward Stasack has been selected by Choice as one of the Outstanding Academic Titles of 1999. Selection criteria include excellence in scholarship and presentation, significance with regard to other literature in the field, and recognition as an important, often the first, treatment of a specific subject in print. *Choice* is a publication of the Association of College and Research Libraries, American Library Association.
EIF’S NEWEST PUBLICATION

NOW “IN PRESS” is Easter Island Archaeology: Research on Early Rapanui Culture. This volume, edited by Christopher M. Stevenson and William S. Ayres, contains a paper by the late archaeologist, Carlyle S. Smith (The Archaeological Investigations on Easter Island in Historical Perspective); papers on Religious Architecture and Symbol, with contributions by Christopher Stevenson (Excavation of an Easter Island Semipyramidal Ahu); Leslie C. Shaw (The 1981 Investigation of an Ahu Po poe and Two Avanga on Easter Island); Paul Wallin and Helene Martinsson-Wallin (Ahu and Settlement: Archaeological Excavations at ‘Anakena and La Pérouse); Georgia Lee (Rock Art of the Ceremonial Complex at Ahu Ra’a’i). The next section on Mortuary Analysis contains papers by George W. Gill (Investigations of the 1981 Easter Island Anthropological Expedition; and Skeletal Remains from Ahu Nau Nau: Land of the Royal Miru); Leslie C. Shaw (Human Burials in the Coastal Caves of Easter Island); Andrea Seelenfreund (Easter Island Burial Practices; and with Simon Holdaway, Color Symbolism in Easter Island Burial Practices); William S. Ayres and Becky Saleebay (Analysis of Cremations from Ahu Ko te Riku); and Vincent H. Stefan (Analysis of Rapanui Cranial Collections...). The final section, titled Chronology, Artifacts, Flora and Faunal Remains contains papers by Christopher M. Stevenson, José Miguel Ramírez, Sonia Haoa, and Timothy Allen (Archaeological Investigations at ‘Anakena Beach and other Near-Coastal Locations); William S. Ayres, Robert L. Spear and Felicia R. Beardsley (Easter Island Obsidian Artifacts: Typology and Use-wear); William S. Ayres, Becky Saleebay, and Candace Levy (Late Prehistoric-Early Historic Easter Island Subsistence Patterns); Christopher M. Stevenson (Estimating Easter Island Obsidian Hydration Rates...); and Catherine Orliac (The Woody Vegetation of Easter Island between the Early 14th and the Mid-17th Centuries AD). This 225 page volume is illustrated with photographs, charts, graphs, line drawings, and maps. Our next issue will have information about ordering a copy of this important collection of papers.

BIBLIOPHILES ALERT! The EIF has received some donations in the form of rare books. Some of these may be of interest to our readers.

We have for sale the classic two volume set of the Norwegian Archaeological Expedition to Easter Island and the East Pacific, Vols. 1 and 2. Both volumes are signed by Thor Heyerdahl. They are in very good condition, hard cover, but lack the dust jackets. The frontispiece in Vol. I is loose. Volume 1 has contributions by Thor Heyerdahl, Edwin N. Ferdon, Jr., William Mulloy, Arne Skjølsvold; and Carlyle Smith. Published by Monographs of the School of American Research and the Museum of New Mexico. Number 24, Part 2, 1965. Sold as a set only $600.

Also for sale are the following:

La Tierra de Hotu Matu’a. Historia Etnológica y Lengua de la Isla de Pascua. Imprenta y editorial ‘San Francisco’, Padre las Casas, Chile. First Edition, hard cover. Slightly worn, some foxing on edges of pages. The insert map in the back is a hand-traced copy of Englert’s original map showing places on the island. Later editions have a printed map. $200.

Narrative of a Voyage to the Ethiopic and South Atlantic Ocean, Indian Ocean, Chinese Sea, North and South Pacific Ocean in the Years 1829, 1830, 1831. By Abby Jane Morrell. 1833. Gregg Reprint, 1970. Abby was one gutsy lady, who accompanied her husband on the schooner Antarctic. Hard cover, excellent. $20.00.


Voyage to Sydney in the Hillsborough 1798-1799 and A Description of the Colony. By William Noah, 1978. Library of Australian History (limited edition). Noah was one of 300 English convicts transported to New South Wales. They suffered dreadful hardships, with nearly 1/3 of them dying on the trip. Noah took up a new occupation and was eventually pardoned. The book includes a list of the convicts. Hard cover, like new. $10.00.

American Activities in the Central Pacific 1790-1870. 8 Volumes. Edited by Gregg Ward. These volumes are fascinating to read. Here one finds news items about shipwrecks, whaling, etc., accompanied by wonderful old etchings and photographs. The volumes have inset maps and the set comes with a boxed set of 8 maps of various island groups. The perfect gift for the skipper in the family. Hard cover, excellent condition. $250.00.

A LOOK BACK IN TIME

Rapanuiophile Tom Christopher has acquired some old news clippings about Easter Island, and we are delighted to share a few of them with our faithful readers. These are dated 1923, and concern the astonishing news that Easter Island has “sunk into the Pacific”.

The Washington (D.C.) Post, for 14 March 1923 features an item, coming by mail from Tahiti and dated there at February 26, that Easter Island was rumored to have sunk as the result of an earthquake in Chile. This was reported by a French captain of a merchant ship who, in trying to verify his position, was unable to find the island. And shortly after the disastrous Chilean earthquake, it was reported by a Santiago newspaper that the wireless station on the island had failed to answer repeated calls (however, there never was a wireless station on the island).

The Washington Star, for the same date, took a bit more of a jaundiced view: “A dispatch from Melbourne, Australia, says