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INTERNATIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY OF NEW AND
REPRINTED PROVERB COLLECTIONS

For Edward Zellem

During the past year I have been able to add 90 proverb collections to my International Proverb Archives at the University of Vermont at Burlington, Vermont. Some of them are collections located in scholarly journals that appeared decades ago, then there are small books intended for the popular book market, but this bibliography also includes numerous incredibly important and valuable reprinted or new collections in various languages. All of these publications are a sign of the diligent paremiographical activities throughout the world.

I was especially excited when I received the massive first complete Italian translation of Erasmus of Rotterdam's *Adagia* (Milano: Bompiani, 2013) from Emanuele Lelli with its 3011 pages. Other special collections that I might mention are Damiana L. Eugenio, *Philippine Folk Literature: The Proverbs* (Quezon City: University of the Philippines Press, 2002); Jonathon Green, *Green's Dictionary of Slang*, 3 vols. (London: Chambers, 2010); and Hans Schemann, Carmen Mellado Blanco, Patricia Buján, Nely Iglesias, Juan P. Larreta, and Ana Mansilla, *Idiomatik Deutsch-Spanisch / Diccionario Idiomático Alemán-Español* (Hamburg: Helmut Buske, 2013). Of utmost significance is also the completion of Frederick G. Cassidy and Joan Houston Hall (eds.), *Dictionary of American Regional English*, 6 vols. (Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Press, 1985-2013). These large six volumes with a total of 6316 pages with two densely printed columns on each page are of great value for paremiologists, as I have explained in my laudatory comments "Language and Vernacular Culture: Why Folklorists Should Read the *Dictionary of American Regional English*," *Journal of Folklore Research*. 59 (2012), 107-112.

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As always, I would like to thank those colleagues and friends who have sent me their paremiographical publications. I realize that some of the collections are quite expensive and I certainly don't expect to receive them as presents. I am more than happy to pay for them, and if you let me have about 250 copies of an advertisement, I will be glad to include them in the next mailing of *Proverbium*.

Finally, by dedicating this annual bibliography to him, I wish to thank Edward Zellem for sending me copies of his splendid collection *Afghan Proverbs Illustrated*. Illustrated by the students of Marefat High School, Kabul, Afghanistan (Lexington, Kentucky: CreateSpace, 2012) that has appeared in several languages with other translations planned. It is an informative and beautifully produced volume of Afghan proverbs that Edward Zellem collected in Afghanistan during his time of service there as Captain of the United States Navy. His collection represents a treasure of the proverbial wisdom of that country and serves as an example of the commonality of life that ties humanity together all over the world.

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