

CURRICULUM VITAE

GARRY WINSTON TROMPF, FAHA

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

Born Melbourne, Australia, 27 Nov. 1940

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ACADEMIC RECORD

Award Date

1962	B.A. (Hons.) (Melbourne) in History 1st class honours
1963	Dip.Ed. (Hons.) (Melbourne) 1st class honours Dwight's prize in Education
1964	Toward B.Ed. (Melbourne) One subject (Philosophical and Sociological Bases of Education), 1st class
1967	M.A. (Monash) in History/History of Ideas
1974	M.A. (Oxford) in Theology
1975	Ph.D. (Australian National University) in the History of Ideas
1975, 1979	Single subjects: Sanskrit I, II (University of California, Santa Cruz); Chinese IB (Sydney) (not examined)
2007	M.A. <i>ad eundem gradum</i> (Sydney)

Theses

BA Hons. sub-thesis: 'The Political Standpoint of the Historical Jesus'

Examiners: J. Bowman, D. Flusser, J.C. O'Neill

MA (Monash): 'The Origins of the Comparative Study of
Religions'

Supervisor: G. Duncan

Examiners: G. Bolton, A. McBriar

PhD: 'The Idea of Historical Recurrence in Western Thought'

Supervisors: E. Kamenka, R. Banks, J. Passmore

Examiners: E. Burge, P. Munz, C. Evans

APPOINTMENTS AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE 1963-88

Tutor in British History (Law), Ormond College, University of Melbourne, 1963

Teaching Fellow in Renaissance and Reformation History, Monash University. 1964-5

Lecturer and Tutor in History, Workers' Educational Association, University of Oxford Extra-Mural Studies Programme, 1966-7

Lecturer in Renaissance, Reformation and Seventeenth Century European History, University of Western Australia, 1967-9

Research Scholar in the History of Ideas, Research School of the Social Sciences, Australian National University, 1970-1

Lecturer and Tutor in Systematic Theology, St. Mark's Institute of Theology, Canberra, 1971

Lecturer in Religious Studies, University of Papua New Guinea, 1972-5

Visiting Professor in History and Comparative Religion, and Fellow of Merrill College, University of California, Santa Cruz, 1974-5 (exchanging with Professor Noel Q. King, UCSC)

Senior Lecturer in Religious Studies, University of Papua New Guinea, 1975-7

Visiting Lecturer in Religious Anthropology, Holy Spirit Seminary, Bomana, Papua New Guinea, 1977, 1983, 2002

Visiting Lecturer in Religious Anthropology, Summer Institute of Linguistics, Ukarumpa, Eastern Highlands Province, Papua New Guinea, 1977

Visiting Senior Lecturer in Religious Studies, Goroka Teachers' College (University of Papua New Guinea), 1977

Lecturer in Religious Studies, University of Sydney, 1978-9

Accredited Teacher in Divinity, University of Sydney, 1978-91

Lecturer/Tutor for the Department of Adult Education, University of Sydney, 1979

Senior Lecturer in Religious Studies, University of Sydney, 1980-2, and Acting Head of Department, 1980-1

Visiting Lecturer in Religious Studies, Catholic Teachers' College, Sydney, 1980

Visiting Professor in History, University of California, Santa Cruz, Winter Quarter, 1982

Professor of History, 1983-5, University of Papua New Guinea, and Head of Department, 1983, 1985

Visiting Professor in Religion and the Social Sciences, Rijksuniversiteit (or The State University of) Utrecht, 1984 (exchanging with Professor Pieter Vrijhof)

Visiting Professor in Comparative Religion and Psychoanalysis to the Carl Jung Institute, Zürich, 1984 (Summer Semester)

Associate Professor in Religious Studies, University of Sydney, 1986-94, and Head of Department, 1986-91

Visiting Professor in History, The University of California, Santa Cruz, 1988 (Winter Quarter)

Professor in the History of Ideas, University of Sydney, 1995-2005

Visiting Professor in Religious Studies, Faculty of Divinity;

Fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities; and Visiting Professor to the Centre for Human Ecology, University of Edinburgh, 1996

Research Fellow {and Occasional Lecturer}, Alan Walker College, [and the King's School], Sydney, 2002-[formerly Pacific Peace Building Initiative]

Visiting Professorial Consultant for the Development of Postgraduate Studies, Divine Word University, Madang and Banz, Papua New Guinea, 2004-5

Honorary Professor in Studies in Religion, University of Sydney, 2006

Visiting Professor, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Sydney, 2006-2011

Visiting Academic, Centre for the History of Christian Thought and Experience, Macquarie University, 2006-

Emeritus Professor in the History of Ideas, University of Sydney, 2007-

Visiting Professor in Historical Anthropology, University of Warsaw, 2008

Adjunct Professor in Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Sydney, 2012-

Visiting Lecturer, in Early and Byzantine Church History, St Andrew's Greek Orthodox Theological College (as member of the Sydney College of Divinity), 2013-4

Adjunct Lecturer, Church History, School of Theology, Charles Sturt University (North Parramatta campus, United Theological College), 2014

Academic Advisory Board, Australian Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies, 2017-

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate courses (designed and conducted as principal lecturer)

University of Western Australia:

Renaissance, Reformation and Seventeenth Century European History*

(Second Year Course/whole year, 1968-9) (average of 80 students)

University of Papua New Guinea:

World History AD

(full year First Year course, 1984-5) (over 200 students)

Introduction to Biblical Studies and the History of Christian Thought†

Religion in the Third World

Religion in Melanesia

(Second Year semester-long Courses, 1972-4, 1975-7)

Millenarian Movements and Cargo Cults

Marx and Marxism

The Ethics of Development*

(Third-Fourth Year semester-long Courses, 1972-3, 1975-7, 1983- 5)

University of California, Santa Cruz:

World History and World Religions*

(Introductory Quarter, 1982, 1988) (over 200 students)

Historiography

Greek New Testament Literature I, II* (including the teaching of advanced classes in Greek, and elementary classical Aramaic)

Cargo Cults

The Making of the Southwest Pacific

(Advanced Quarter-long courses, the first two in 1974-5, the second two in 1982)

University of Sydney:

Religious Studies II: Introduction to the History of Religions;
becoming Religious Studies I

(Year-long Introductory Course, 1978-82, 1985-6 as Relig.
Stud II, av. of 60 students, 1987- as Relig Stud. I,
rising to over 300 students)

Religious Studies II-III

Sociology of Religion, later called New Religious
Movements

(Co-Teaching [varying responsibilities] 1986-2004)

New Testament Studies (b),* later to be two units (a-b)

Philosophy and the Phenomenon of Religion (a):*

Philosophy of Time and History, later called The Big
Picture

(Semester-long Courses, 1986-95, 1999-2005)

Christianity (a and b) (two units)

Religion and Contemporary Crisis

(Semester-long courses, 1995- and 1994-)

Also: Tutor in Biblical Studies I*

(whole year, jointly for Religious Studies and
Semitic Studies, 1980, 1985)

Occasional Lecturer to Biblical Studies I

(1980-2)

Option Courses in Divinity (Pacifistic Theology)

(1981-2)

Casual Lecturer, Studies in Religion (on Contem-
porary Islam) (2007)

Casual Lecturer, Centre for Peace and Conflict
Studies (Religion, Peace and Conflict), 2007

[†] The first course in Religious Studies (as a newly established discipline) in the history of Australia

* Courses under these *names* however, were already in existence at the universities concerned.

Honours Courses conducted

University of Western Australia:

Early Mediaeval History, 1968
Biblical and Patristic Studies, 1969
(with Fr. Dr. E.Stormon)**

University of Papua New Guinea:

Select Topics and Special Reading Courses in Religious
Studies and History, 1972-3, 76-7, 83-5

University of Sydney:

Religious Studies III (Hons), 1979-82, and co-participant 1997-
Religious Studies IV, 1982, 1991-
Lukan Seminar (Board of Studies in Divinity, BD Hons.,
MTh Hons.), 1980 (co-organizer with Rev. Dr. R.
Maddox†)

Masters Courses

University of Western Australia:

Judaism in Early Mediaeval Times, 1969

University of Sydney

Early Christian Historiography (jointly with MA in Christian
Studies, Macquarie University), 2000

Religion in Peace and Conflict (co-participant), Centre for Peace
and Conflict Studies, University of Sydney, 2007-09, 2014,
2016, 2018

** Allegedly the first course on this kind of material put on in as a critical, non-confessionalist study in an
Arts Faculty of an Australian secular university

Honours Theses and Postgraduate work supervised (including co-supervision)

University	Hons	MA Prelim	MA/MPhil	PhD
UWA	1	1		
UPNG	7*	1	3*	6
UCSC	3			
USyd	27**	9	35†	47††
Sturt				1

* Three theses or large parts thereof now published as substantial articles

** One honours thesis published as a book by the Australian Association for the Study of Religions

† One Masters thesis providing the basis for an edited collection by the Melanesian Institute, Papua New Guinea

†† Various doctoral theses have already been published, e.g., by the Anthropos Institute; Routledge; Cambridge University Press, etc.

Examiner of many and varied Masters and Doctoral theses (national and international).

Guest or Occasional Lecturing (various, national and international)

Lecture tour in the United States under the auspices of the University of Texas, Austin, August, 2006

Lecture tour in Poland, under the auspices of Prof Adam Miskiewicz, University of Poznań, and Prince Jagiellonian University of Krakow, Poland

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS, HONOURS

Queen's Scout, 1958

Secondary Teaching Fellowship, University of Melbourne, 1959-63

Minor Residential Scholarships, Ormond College, University of Melbourne,
1962-3

Trinity College Bursary, Oxford University, 1965-7

British Free Passage Scholarship, 1965-7

Australian National University Research Scholarship, 1970-1

Fulbright-Hays Travelling Scholarship, 1974-5

Fellow, Merrill College, University of California, 1974-5, 1982, 1988

Charles Strong Lecturer, 1980 (inaugurating the Young Australian Scholar
Lecture Series)

[Foundation] Fellow, Research Institute for Asia and the Pacific, University of
Sydney, 1987-

[Foundation] Fellow, The Australian Fulbright Association, 1991-3

Visiting Fellow, Dumbarton Oaks College, Washington, D.C., 1995

Fellow, Centre for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, University of
Edinburgh, 1996

Fellowship of the Australian Academy of the Humanities, 2002-

June Roughley Memorial Lecturer, 2017

Two *Festschriften* in my honour: *national*: V. Barker and F. di Lauro (eds.), *On
a Panegyric Note* (University of Sydney, 2007); *international*: C.
Cusack and C. Hartney (eds.), *Religion and Retribution* (Brill, 2009)

Articles in my honour: C. Camporesi, "Teodicea e filosofia della storia: La
visione ciclica di Garry Trompf," *Religioni e Società* 59 (2007): 99-104; J.
Mimica, "Un/Knowing and the Practice of Ethnography: A Reflection Of

some Western Cosmo-Ontological Notions and their Anthropological Application," *Anthropological Theory* 10, 3 (2010): 203-228

See also **Grants**

UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION, FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND MANAGEMENT

University and University-Related Responsibilities:

Treasurer, Melbourne University Historical Society, 1961-2, and on the Board of Management, *Melbourne Historical Journal*, 1962

Secretary, Student Christian Movement, University of Melbourne, 1962-3

Board of Matriculation Examiners (Ancient History), Victorian Department of Education, 1964

Councillor, Kingswood Theological Hall, Kingswood College, University of Western Australia, 1968-9

Library Committee, Australian National University, 1970

External Studies Committee, Foundation Studies Committee, Library Committee, Board of Humanities, University of Papua New Guinea, 1975-7

Member of the Academic Board; Co-ordinator of External Studies, Mainland Papua New Guinea (all courses), University of Papua New Guinea, 1977

Vice-Master, Wesley College, University of Sydney, 1978-80 (Acting Master, Trinity Term, 1978)

Councillor, Wesley College, University of Sydney, 1978-82 [Member, Senior Common Room, 2004-]

Conference Secretary, Australian Association for the Study of Religions, 1979

Arts Faculty Standing Committee, 1980, and Library Committee, 1980-2, 1986-8, 1996-9 [school/departamental liaison officer thereafter]; Arts Examinations Committee, 1982, University of Sydney

Member of the Academic Board, University of Sydney, 1980-1, 1986-91

Acting Head of the Department of Religious Studies, University of Sydney, 1980-1

Board of Studies in Divinity, University of Sydney, 1979-82, and special observer status, 1986-91

Vice-President, Sydney University Society for Religious Studies, 1981

Association of *The Journal of Religious History*, Association Member, 1981- (Sydney), Executive, 1986-), Editorial Board, 1996- , Vice-Chairman of the Association, 1993-6, **Chairman of the Association, 1997-2008, Treasurer, 2001-3, 2008-** and Secretary, 2006-7

Society of Biblical Literature Workshop in Luke-Acts (USA) 1981-4

Chairman and Co-organizer, the First International Conference on Macrohistory, The University of Sydney, Sydney, Feb., 1983

Co-organizer, first Oceanic/Australasian Black Theology Conference, Brisbane, 1981

Head of Department, The Department of History, University of Papua New Guinea, 1983, 1985

Academic Board, University of Papua New Guinea, 1983-5

Arts Standing Committee and Planning Committee, University of Papua New Guinea, 1983, 1985

Chairman, Te Rangi Hiroa Fund, University of Papua New Guinea, 1984-5

Section Organizer, 15th International Congress for the History of Religions, University of Sydney, August, 1985

Sponsor and Organizing Committee Chairman, 17th Waigani Seminar (University of Papua New Guinea), 1985 [6 volumes from this

important seminar have been published]

Head, Department of Religious Studies, University of Sydney, 1986-91 (and Acting Head, mid. 1995)

Faculty of Economics, and of Economics Curriculum Committee, 1986-91

Arts Examination Committee, 1988-9, Arts Planning Committee, 1989, Division 2 Management Committee, Faculty of Arts, 1989-91, Undergraduate Matters Committee, 1990

Co-Organizer, National Conference on Aboriginal Theology Conference, Victor Harbour, South Australia, August, 1990

Course Assessment Committee for Postgraduate Program in Religion Studies, South Australian College of Advanced Education/University of South Australia, 1990

Executive and Founding Member, Sydney Society for Aesthetics and Literature, 1991-

Organizer, Symposium on the Religious Dimensions of the Gulf War, University of Sydney, March, 1991

External Assessor, Transferences and Promotions, Religion Studies, University of South Australia, 1991.

Conference Chairperson, Annual Conference, Australian Association for the Study of Religion, October, 1991

Councillor, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of Sydney, 1992-5, 2006-

Senior Academic Adviser, Selby Old Collection, Fisher Library, 1995-

Examiner and prize presenter Wentworth Prize, 1995; Assessor, Noel Bowen Memorial Essay Prize, 1997; Assessor, John Cooper Memorial Prize [and other Studies in Religion prizes], 2000- University of Sydney

Member, Postgraduate Matters Committee, University of Sydney, 1997-8

Executive, Sydney Society for Literature and Aesthetics, 1995-2000

Member, Research Committee, Arts Faculty, 1997-1999

Executive, Persian Cultural Foundation of Australia, 1993- ; Organizer of the International Seminar, University of Sydney, 1994; and again 1998

Sydney Branch Director, Centre for Millennial Studies, 1999- [a Centre founded from Boston University, USA]

Executive, Society for Religion, Literature and the Arts, University of Sydney, 2000-5

Board of Directors, **Peace-Builders International**, Alan Walker College, 2002- [formerly Pacific Peace Building Institute]

Chairman, Gilgamesh Cultural Council (for Cultural Events and Conferences at the University of Sydney, sponsored by the Assyrian community), 2000-5

Member, Promotions Committee, Sydney College of Divinity, 2006-

Academic Programme Reviewer, Religious Studies, Victoria University New Zealand, 2012

Honorary Member, Dural and District Historical Society, NSW, 2017

Consultancies: Occasional Assessor, Australian Research Council; and for: Quality Review, Australian National University, 2004; United Theological College (occasional staffing issues); Australian Catholic University (curriculum matters); New South Wales Office of the Board of Studies, Department of Education (place of Religious Studies in schools); assessor for the founding of various encyclopaedias, etc.

External Supervisions: Macquarie University, Sturt University.

Administrative and Pastoral Roles External to University Life:

Accredited Local Preacher, Methodist Church of Australia, 1960- (serving: Belgrave Circuit, Dandenong Ranges, Victoria, 1960-65; Nedlands Circuit, Perth, Western Australia, 1968-9; National Memorial Methodist Church, Canberra, ACT, 1970-71; for **the United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands** [esp. Boroko and Waigani congregations] 1972-7, 1983-5; and for **the Uniting Church of Australia, New South Wales Synod, Local Preacher for the Ku-ring-gai Presbytery, 2000-** (Parish Officer, 2000-5)

Producer, "Youth Forum," Wesley Memorial Church, Canberra (a weekly programme for Macquarie Broadcasting Corporation, Canberra, 1970-1)

Board of Management, Lancaster Hall, Wesley Memorial Church Canberra, 1971

United Church Medical Council of Papua New Guinea, 1973

[On invitation], Australian Quaker Peace Committee, 1980-2

Co-Founder and Chairman, Refugee Relief Committee of Papua New Guinea, 1984-5

Foundation Chairman of the Human Rights Association of Papua New Guinea, 1985

Member, Sub-Committee on the South Pacific, Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Parliament of Australia), 1988-9

Founder/Chairman, 'The Soirée' (weekly public forum at Wahroonga), 1986- (various talks for ABC radio productions), a forum for discussion of contemporary and inter-ethnic dialogue

Member, Ku-ring-gai Environmental Protection Action Group, 1998-

Mentoring for the Mandaean Community of Australia, under the auspices *Ganzibra* ('Archbishop') Professor Dr Brikha Nasoraia, 2000-

Mentoring and Religious Instruction within the Zoroastrian Community of New South Wales, 2005-

Consultancy Work: ABC TV and Radio (and various other television and radio stations); and for various documentary film-makers

Public lecturing and seminars of a varied nature: The Nineveh Club (recurrent), 2000- ; Lenten series Seminars, Gordon Highway Centre, 1999-2001; Comparative Religion discussion group, Gordon Uniting Church, 2006; Inter-faith seminars, Wahroonga Society of Friends, 2007-8, etc.

PUBLICATIONS

Research Specializations and Methodological Innovations

Melanesian Religion: recognized in the literature as the world's leading authority on Melanesian religious life

The History of Western Macrohistorical Ideas: recognized in the literature as the leading exponent of the idea of historical recurrence in Western thought

Methodological Innovations: the theory of the logic of retribution ("payback logic") for cross-cultural analysis

Also well known for developing the concepts of Cargoism and Macrohistory in cross-cultural analysis

Allegedly published as Editor more black intellectuals' writings on religious topics than anyone else

Monographs

Friedrich Max Müller as a Theorist of Comparative Religion (Bombay: Shakuntala, 1978). vi + 100 pp. [2nd, enlarged edition due to be published by Sterling, 2017]

The Idea of Historical Recurrence in Western Thought (Berkeley, Los Angeles and London: University of California Press, 1979). Vol. I: *From Antiquity to the Reformation*, x + 381 pp.

In Search of Origins (Studies in World Religion 1, gen. eds. Trompf and K. Tiwari) (London and Delhi: Oriental University Press/Sterling, 1990). iv + 270 pp. + map, tables and illustrations. [2nd edition, 2005. xii + 285 pp.] *online 2010*

Melanesian Religion (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 1991). v + 310 pp. + maps, tables and illustrations. [2nd paperback edition, 2004.] *online 2005*

Payback: The Logic of Retribution in Melanesian Religions (Cambridge, New York, Port Chester, Melbourne: Cambridge University Press, 1994). xx + 545 pp. + maps, tables and illustrations. [Digital printing hardback edition, 2005; paperback

edition 2008] *online 2005*

(with T. Swain), *Religions of Oceania* (Library of Religious Beliefs and Practices, gen. eds. J. Hinnells and N. Smart), (London and New York: Routledge, 1995). [vii] + 244 pp. + maps. *online 2000*

Early Christian Historiography: Narratives of Retributive Justice (Religious Studies Ser.) (London and New York: Cassell, 1999, and soon thereafter London and New York: Continuum, 2000). xxii + 362 pp. [2nd and paperback edition with altered subtitle: *Narratives of Retribution*, London and Oakville, CT: Equinox, 2007; 3rd, eTextbook, New York: Routledge, 2014]

Religions of Melanesia: A Bibliographic Survey (Bibliographies and Indexes in Religious Studies) (London and Westport, Conn.: Praeger, 2006). xxxiii + 694 pp. + maps. *online 2010*

Books Edited

Prophets of Melanesia (Port Moresby: Institute of Papua New Guinea Studies, 1977), vi + 271 pp + maps, tables and illustrations. With introduction, 2nd edition 1981, 3rd edition, Institute of Pacific Studies: Suva, 1987, iv + 274 pp. + maps, tables and illustrations [some parts also reproduced in *Gigibori*, II/2 (1977), pp. 19ff.]

(with editor's Introduction, pp. 1-10)

(with C.E. Loeliger), *New Religious Movements in Melanesia: Papers and Documents* (Suva: Institute of Pacific Studies, 1985). vi + 230 pp. + maps, figures and illustrations.

(with editors' joint Introduction, pp. xi-xvii)

The Gospel is Not Western; Black Theologies from the South-West Pacific (Maryknoll, NY.: Orbis, 1986). x + 213 pp. + maps and figure.

[Parts of chapter 9 also reappearing in *International Christian Digest*, I/4 (1987): 13-4; and chapter 21 reappearing in *Mission de l'Église* 128 (July 2000): 70-73]

(with editor's Acknowledgements, p. ix)

Cargo Cults and Millenarian Movements: Trans-Oceanic

Comparisons in the Study of New Religious Movements (Religion and Society 26, gen ed. J. Waardenburg) (Berlin and New York: Mouton De Gruyter, 1989). xvii + 436 pp. + maps, figures and illustrations. *online* 2010

(with editor's Acknowledgements, p. [v])

Islands and Enclaves: Nationalisms and Separatist Pressures in Island and Littoral Contexts (New York and New Delhi: Sterling, 1992). xxxv + 379 pp. + maps.

(with editor's Introduction, pp. xi-xxxv, which, with Russian trans. reappears in A. Gorozhanin [ed.], *Prestuplenie y Nakazanie, etc. / Crime and Punishment within Culture*, 109-23. (Samara Russ.: Samara Law Institute, 2003)).

Robert Pretty (trans. and comment.), *Adamantius: Dialogue on the True Faith in God: De recta in Deum fide* (Gnostica 1, gen. eds. Trompf, W. Hanegraaff and J. Cooper) (Louvain: Peeters, 1997). xxii + 204 pp.

(with Morteza Honari), *Mehregan in Sydney: Proceedings of the Seminar in Persian Studies during the Mehregan Persian Cultural Festival Sydney, Australia, 28 October - 6 November 1994* (Sydney Studies in Religion 1, gen. ed. Trompf) (Sydney: School of Studies in Religion and Persian Cultural Foundation of Australia, 1998). vii + 290 pp. + illustrations. [Half English; half Farsi]

(with editors' joint Introduction, p. vii; and Addendum, p. 144)

(with G. Hamel), *The World of Religions: Essays on Historical and Contemporary Issues in Honour of Professor of Noel Quinton King on his Eightieth Birthday* (Contextual Theological Education Series, 24, inaugurating Religion, Politics and Society, 1, gen. ed. R. Fernández-Calienes and Trompf) (Delhi: ISPCK, 2001). xi + 390 pp.

(with Editors' joint Preface, pp. ix-xi)

(with J. Bieniek), *Plight of Papua: Religion and Politics in West Papua*. Special issue of *Mi-cha-el* 9 (2003): 1-141 pp.

Melanesian Religion and Christianity (Melanesian Mission Studies, 4) (Goroka: Melanesian Institute, 2008), 162 pp. (with editor's Introduction)

(with V. Ionesov), *Rasnoobrasie I Identitiynostye/Diversity and Identity: Humanistic Foundations of World Heritage and Multicultural Development* (Dedicated to the Memory of Claude Lévi-Strauss) (Samara: Samara State Academy of Culture and Arts, 2010), 522 pp. [with a co-editorial Introduction, see below]

(with E. Fletcher), John Edward Fletcher, *A Study of the Life and Work of Athanasius Kircher: 'Germanus Incredibilis': With a Selection of his Unpublished Correspondence and an Annotated Translation of his Autobiography* (Aries Book Series: Texts and Studies in Western Esotericism, 12) (Leiden and Boston: Brill, 2011), xxxiv + 607 pp. [with an editorial Introduction, see below]

(Guest-Editor) *New Religious Movements in Oceania* [special issue of] *Nova Religio* 18, 4 (2015): 1-141 (with introductory Article of the same name, 5-15).

(Senior Editor, in collaboration with G.B. Mikkelsen and J. Johnston), *The Gnostic World* (Routledge *Worlds* Series). London and New York: Routledge, 2019), xx + 717 pp. (with the Senior Editor's Introduction, see below).

(Guest Editor), *DIRI* [Dhammachai International Research Institute] *Journal* 3 (2019): i-xii, 126 pp. [with editorial Introduction, see below]

(with V. Ionesov), ???2019

Published Lectures in Separatio

Religion and Money: Some Aspects (The Young Australian Scholar Lecture Series 1) (Charles Strong Trust: Adelaide, 1980)

Marx for Melanesians (Professorial [inaugural] Lecture [in 1983], University of Papua New Guinea, 1988) (very limited circulation)

Pamphlets

(with Eric J. Sharpe), *The New Sects* (for current *Current Affairs Bulletin* 58/4 (1981): 4-27 (basically the whole bulletin) [partly reproduced in *Annals Australia*, Jan.-Feb., 1983: 7-15].

(with A. Smith and K. Clements), *Flight into Limbo; Refugees in Papua New Guinea* (Religious Society of Friends), Canberra, 1985 [with printed updates in 1986, and 1989, and with the latter also printed in *Quaker News* (Papua New Guinea), 5 (1989): 1-3].

Monograph Series Editorships and Initiatives

Founding Co-Editor, *Studies in World Religions*, Monograph Series, Sterling/Oriental University Press, London and Delhi, 1989-

Founding Editor (and then Co-Editor) *Gnostica: Texts and Interpretations* (Peeters, Louvain, and then Equinox, Equinox-Acumen, Acumen, London) 1996-

Founding General Editor, *Sydney Studies in Religion* (Sydney: Department of Studies in Religion) 1998-

Founding Co-Editor (with R. Fernández-Calienes), *Religion, Politics and Society* (Delhi: ISPCK: Delhi), 2001-

Co-Editor (with R. Fernández-Calienes), *Voices from the Edge* (Delhi: ISPCK: Delhi), 2001-

Founding Co-Editor (with F. Tomasetti, *White on Black: Translations of Early Ethnographies and Related Material on Black/White Interaction in the Southwest Pacific* (Sydney: University of Sydney Press) 2007-

Books Translated into Foreign Languages

Zong jiao qi yaun tan suo (Chinese Translation by Zhu Daiqiang of *In Search of Origins*) (The World and Religion Series) (Chengdu: Sichuan People's Publishing House, 1995) (second edition, 1998); also abridged for Hong Xiuping (ed.), *Introduction to Famous Books in Religious Studies in the Western World* (Nanjing) (not yet sighted).

Articles in Books

"'Essays on Education' and the Young Herbert Spencer." In R.J.W. Selleck (ed.), *Melbourne Studies in Education 1971*, 184-231. (Melbourne: Melbourne University Press, 1971).

"The Conscience in Situation Ethics." In T.P. Grundy (ed.), *Conscience in the '70s*, 15-31. (Canberra: Pirie, 1973).

"Bilalaf." In Trompf (ed.), *Prophets of Melanesia*, 20-107. (Port Moresby: Institute of Papua New Guinea Studies, 1977). [2nd edition 1981, 3rd edition, Suva: Institute of Pacific Studies, 1987, both: 12-64].

"Interpreting the Melanesian World-View; Man Facing Death and After-Life in Melanesia." In N. Habel (ed.), *Powers, Plumes and Piglets; phenomena of Melanesian Religion*, 121-36. (Adelaide: Australian Association for the Study of Religions, 1979). [substantial contribution toward the editing of this collection; note p. vi] [reproduced in H. Olele (ed.), *Total Cosmic Vision of Life*, 186-202. (Port Moresby: Department of Philosophy, University of Papua New Guinea, 1980)]

"Notions of Historical Recurrence in Classical Hebrew Historiography." In J.A. Emerton (ed.), *Studies in the Historical Books of the Old Testament*, 213-29. (Supplements to Vetus Testamentum XXX) (Leiden: Brill, 1979).

"The Spread of Christianity in Melanesia." In J. Walker (ed.), *A Story of Christianity in Papua New Guinea*, 102-11. (Goroka: Wirui Press, 1979).

"Oral Sources and the Study of Religious History in Papua New Guinea." In D. Denoon and R. Lacey (eds.), *Oral Tradition in Melanesia*, 151-74. (Port Moresby: University of Papua New

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Mediaevistik 25 (2012): 362-4.

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of H. Frendo, *Europe and Empire: Culture, Politics, and Identity in Malta and the Mediterranean (1912-1946)*, for *Journal of Religious History* 38, 1 (2014): 167-9.

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of M. Tomlinson, *God is Samoan* for *Oceania* (in press)

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[Review of H. Blavatsky, *Collected Letters*, vol. 1 (ed. J. Algeo), in *Politica Hermetica* (Paris) 2007 (never sighted)]

Government Submissions

(with Australian Frontier group), *Consultation on the Future of Local Government in the Perth Metropolitan Region* (Melbourne: Australian Frontier Inc., 1970)

(with H. Spicer *et al*), *A Formal Proposal to the Australian Parliament for the Establishment of a Peace Research Institute in Australia*, (Copyprint, Sydney, 1980). (reproduced in the *Unitarian Quest*, April-September 1980, pp. 27-33).

Submission 59, Commission for the Philosophy of Education, National Government of Papua New Guinea, 1986.

Report to the Sub-Committee on the South Pacific, Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade (Parliament of Australia), *Australia's Relations with the Pacific*, Canberra, 1989.

Submission No, 602, Referendum Task Force, Federal Government, Australia, 1999

Periodical Associate Editorships, Editorial Board Memberships, Editorial Rôle in Encyclopaedias

Associate Editor, *Environmental Conservation* (University of Newcastle, UK), 1995-8, Advisory Editor, 1999-

Board: *Religious Traditions* (McGill, Canada, and Sydney), 1989-

Editorial Board, *Religion and Society*, Monograph Series, for Mouton de Gruyter, Berlin, 1989-2000

Foundation Editorial Board Member: *Literature and Aesthetics* (Sydney), 1991-

Foundation Editorial Board Member: *Studies in World Christianity* (Edinburgh), 1995-

Foundation Advisory Committee Member, *Voices from the Edge* Monograph Series, for ISPCK, Delhi, 2000-

Foundation Editorial Board Member and Consultant for Australia and New Zealand, *Aries: Journal for the Study of Western Esotericism* (New Series) Leiden), 2001-

Advisory Editor for *The Encyclopaedia of Religions in Australia Project*, University of Sydney, 1980-

Regular Consultant, *Philosophy of the Social Sciences* (York, Canada), 1983- ; *Australian Religious Studies Review*, 1999- , and *Current Anthropology*, 1989- [invited but declined to apply for editorship, 1996]

Consulting Editor, *The New Lion Handbook* [of] *The World's Religions*, gen. ed. by C. Partridge (Oxford: Lion Books, 2005), third edn.

Assistant Editor, *Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature*, gen. ed. by B. Taylor. (London and New York: Thoemmes/ Continuum, 2005), 2 vols.

Editorial Board, *Studies in Western Esotericism: Aries Book Series*, gen. ed. W. Hanegraaff (London and Leiden: Brill), 2005-

Editorial Board: *THRESKEIOLOGIA – Hiera/Babêla: Trimêniaio epistêmoniko periodiko gia tê meletê tês thrêskeutikotêtas* (Athens), 2006-

International Advisory Board, *International Scientific Seminar* [Publications]. Samara State Academy for Cultural Studies, Moscow State University of Service in Samara, Russia

Consulting Editor, *Introduction to World Religions*, gen. ed., C. Partridge (Minneapolis: Fortress, 2009)

Editorial Board, *International Journal for the Study of New Religions*, 2010-

Founding Editorial Board member, *DIRI Journal* (Dhammachai International Research Institute), 2012- (including the special publication project *The Essence of Thai Inscriptions*, 3 vols.).

Editorial Advisory Board, *Encyclopaedia of Christianity in the Global South*, ed. M.A. Lamport (New York and London: Rowman & Littlefield, 2018), 2 vols.

Consistent reviewing of articles esp. for *Journal of Religion History; Sustainability; Religions*, and *Genealogies*

Other Publications

Poems (various published)

Prayer in J. Morley (ed.), *Bread of Tomorrow* (London: SPCK Christian Aid, 1992), pp. 24-27 [republished in *Behold - Arts for the New Year* (Kelowna, BC: Seasons of the Spirit, 2002)] (not yet

sighted). Prayers in *Out of School Road* (e.g., March 2020: 7-9).

Obituaries (some published, e.g., for Eric J. Sharpe, in *Australian Religion Studies Review* 14,1 [2000]: 128-31); Susan Emilsen, in *Rhesis: Newsletter of the Religious History Society* [March 2005]: 18; Gilles Quispel, in *C.G. Jung Society Newsletter* [July-November 2007]: 10; John Douglas Ritchie, in *History: Magazine of the Royal Australian Historical Society* 89 [2006]: 3).

Many and various popular magazine articles; commenting or quoted in many of such; published interviews (longest in *Mà Vée: Revue culturelle* [Nouméa, New Caledonia] 27 [2000]: 48-50), *The Sydney Globalist* 2, 1 (2006): 16-18; *Voproschiy Kulturologii* [Moscow] 9 [2008]: 24-26), *Aazer* [Tehran/ Sydney] 65 [2010]: 8-9.

Conference Papers, etc.

The list of Conference Papers has got quite beyond the applicant's control. Most recently Trompf chaired and reported at the plenary for the Humanities section, 7th International Conference for the Environmental Future, on “Humans and Island Environments,” at The University of Hawai’i, Honolulu, Hawai’i, 16-20 April, 2018.

Many other minor writings could be included: newspaper contributions, media talks ([most significantly, opening the series “The Spirit of Things” for Dr Rachael Kohn (most recently, for ABC Radio National on the Yezidis and their plight), official openings of conferences and exhibitions (e.g., at The Australian Catholic University, on Mandaean Baptism), speeches to Australian ethnic groups (e.g., Iranian, Assyrian, Korean, Tamil, general Indian, Vietnamese), and to various bodies in Papua New Guinea; etc.

Various Orations; Eulogies, Public Addresses, Openings of sacred buildings, art exhibitions, statues, etc.

Accepted for Publication

Books Accepted for Publication

The Idea of Historical Recurrence in Western Thought, Vol.2:

From the Later Renaissance to the Dawn of the Third Millennium,
University of California Press, Berkeley, Los Angeles and
London, for 2012

Commissioned and in Process

Religion, Politics, and Global Crisis: an introductory textbook (for
London and New York: Continuum) prospectively 2010

Herbert Spencer and the Ghost Theory of Religion (Studies in
Religion Ser., gen ed. C.H. Long) (Chapel Hill, N.C.: University
of North Carolina Press)

Macrohistory (for Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).

Fieldwork Experience:

Archaeological: excavating

with D.J. Mulvaney at "Glen Aire", Vic., 1959-60
and at Keilor, Victoria, 1960

with D.J. Mulvaney at Kenniff's Cave and 'The Tombs', beyond
Mitchell, Queensland, 1962-3

with P. Coutts at Wilson's Promontory, Vic., 1965 (with
responsibility for surveying and excavating the second site)

at Keharo, Gulf Province, Papua New Guinea, 1974

archaeological surveyor for the University of Melbourne
Geographical Expedition to Cape Barren Island, Bass Strait, 1963,
1964

team-leader and prospective excavator, the Tumuli Expedition,
near Alepa, hinterland Papua, from University of Papua New
Guinea, 1985 (archaeological and geological)

Oral Historical Investigation:

among the Aroma-Velerupu, 1972-3, the Roro, Mekeo and Kuni, 1973-4, 1975-7, 1983-5, Bena Bena, and Middle Wahgi, 1973-4, 1975-80, 1983-5 (all Papua New Guinea)

Religious ideas: so-called cargo activities among the Bena Bena, 1973, 1975-8, the eastern Toaripi, 1974, the southern Madang, 1975 (including Sek, 1999), the Middle Wahgi, 1975-85, Pomio, East New Britain, 1980, Bali Vitu Islands, West New Britain, 1985 (all Papua New Guinea)

the nature and history of religious change among the Middle Wahgi, Central Highlands of New Guinea, 1973-4, 1975-85, 1999, 2005, and the Roro (coastal Papua), 1985, 1989

the forms of retributive logic and the pay-back systems among the Bena Bena, 1973, 1975-6, 1979-80, and among the eastern Middle Wahgi (at Kup), 1976-85 (both New Guinea)

a prophet movement among the Fuyughe, Papuan Highlands, 1974-7, 1985

independent churches throughout Melanesia, 1979- (especially New Georgia, The Solomons, and Bougainville, Manus, New Britain and the Sepik, Papua New Guinea, in 1980)

traditional lifeways, Navaho, Hopi, and Ute Amerindian communities, 1975

millenarian activities of the "Brotherhood of the Sun" at Santa Barbara, California, 1975, 1980, 1982, 1987, 1988

effects of missionary activity among the Roro, Papua, 1989, 1994

squatter research urban areas of Papua New Guinea, esp. Port Moresby, 1983-5, Lae, 1994

"raskol" gang leader conversion phenomena, Port Moresby, Lae and the Morobe highlands, Papua New Guinea, 1994

squatter settlement research: *favelas*, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 1992 (sponsored by CEDI); base community programme, Lima, Peru (hosted by the Instituto de Batolomé de las Cascas), 1992

religious change in Polynesian contexts, Rapanui, 1992; Tongatapu, 2001

traditional beliefs, and a new religious movement. Kasap, West Enga, 1999, both Papua New Guinea

independent church leadership, Viti Levu, Fiji, 1999, 2001; *kanak* church leadership and social issues, New Caledonia, 2000

independent church leadership, Durban, South Africa; Mbabane, Swaziland; Gaborone, Botswana, 2000

squatter settlement research, 'Bombe Graun,' near Durban, South Africa, 2000

religious change in wider Melanesian contexts, Malekula, and Efate, 2001; Sentani; and the Baliem Valley, Irian Jaya, 2002

Grants

Papua New Guinean research was funded by a recurrent research grants scheme of the University of Papua New Guinea, 1972-4, 1975-7, 1985, and by the University of Sydney (= URG), 1978-82, 1989.

Research at Santa Barbara was funded by the University of California, 1975, 1982

Australian Research Council Grant (1990 @ \$18,500, 1991 @ \$15,000) to work on Vol. 2 of *The Idea of Historical Recurrence in Western Thought*, under the project title: A History and Analysis of Modern Western Theory concerning Cycles and Recurrent Patterns in the Human Past.

Research Enablement Program, Pew Bequest, Yale, USA, (1993 @ \$10,000 for research in Melanesia)

Grants, Zoroastrian Gift Bequest awards (sporadically 1989- , latest 2000-1 @ \$12,000 for research and teaching)

International Development Fund Grant (Good Neighbour

category) (2001 @ \$5,000 for research in Polynesia and Melanesia)

Enablement travel funds, Hayward and Associates (QANTAS) (2007 @ \$1,000, for participation costs at the Oxford Round Table)

International and Other Conferences: Organization and Involvement

Conference organizer, four international conferences (one Sydney; one Brisbane; one Port Moresby [= 17th Waigani Seminar]), one [very recently] Aix-en-Provence and Sydney ["States of Belief," November, 2008 - March 2009]; Section chairman, one international conference (Sydney); Chairman, three interstate conferences (two, Sydney; one Victor Harbour, SA); Chairman, four inter-provincial Papua New Guinea conferences.

Contributor (once formal respondent only) to:

24 world congresses (two as keynote lecturer: at the conference on 'Fourteen Centuries of the Qur'an,' and on 'Mélanesie et le sacré'; one as invited speaker on religious issues to the Council of the Biosphere's Fourth International Conference on Environmental Future; one *inter alia* as summarizer of the Sixteenth Congress of the International Association for the Study of Religions, Rome, within the Assembly of the Italian Academy); three inter-state American conferences (one lecturing before and in honour of Mircea Eliade); a USA Lecture Tour (sponsored by the University of Texas, Austin), 2006; as well as being Australian and New Zealand representative to the Organizing Committee of the International Association for the History of Ideas, 1995-9, and to the World Aesthetics Society, 1998-2003

42 interstate Australian conferences

15 inter-provincial Papua New Guinea conferences

Paper entitled: The Attitudes and Involvements of Religions in Family Planning, published within a book by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) for delegates to the United Nations Population Conference Cairo (1994) (see above).

Participant in Conference Translation Project with Nag Hammadi, Society of Biblical Literature [SBL] sectional conference, San Jose, Ca., 1980 (with James Robinson) (and before that within the SBL Nag Hammadi worksop, Washington DC., 1974, with George MacRae).

More recently, special activities in connection with conferences include guest lecturing to the Physical and Social Health Sciences Faculty, Branch of the University of Moscow, Samara, Russia, 1996 (in the context of a special local seminar); visiting consultant to the University of Foreign Languages, Sian, Peoples Republic of China, 1996 (in advance of the Vice-Chancellor's involvement at an international conference in Sydney); and delivering the opening paper at the Oxford Round Table (on Empires and the Lessons of History), University of Oxford, August, 2007.

INTERNATIONAL COMMENTS ON THE QUALITY OF PUBLICATIONS BY G.W. TROMPF

ON MAJOR WORKS

The Idea of Historical Recurrence in Western Thought, vol.1

"Among the most important books on Western historiography to appear in the past decade"

D.J. Wilcox (UNew Hampshire), in *Renaissance Quarterly*, 1980

"Dazzles us with the scope of his learning, showing himself at home in classical, biblical, medieval, Renaissance and Reformation texts"

R.W. Palmer (UNebraska), in *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, 1981

"Trompf's study is a milestone in the theoretical analysis of Western historiography, a model of erudition and accuracy, and a work which - hopefully getting into many hands - will vitalize the theoretical basis of our historical practice" (from the Dutch)

A.B. Breebaart (UAmsterdam), in *Theoretische Geschiedenis*, 1981 (review article)

"A thoughtful, illuminating, and exciting discussion of a most important aspect of historical writing."

F.W. Walbank (UCambridge), in *Classical Quarterly*, 1983

"I know of nothing comparable to it in depth, breadth and profundity of a analysis"

C. Glacken (UCBerkeley) for University of California Press dustjacket

"A major achievement"

K.F. Morrison (UChicago), in *American Historical Review*, 1981

"A treatment built around close and nearly always convincing scholarship"

C. Trinkaus (UMichigan), in *History and Theory*, 1981

"Merits place alongside J.B. Bury's classic *The Idea of Progress*"

L. Armour, in *Library Journal*, 1979

"His background in Religious Studies gives him a greater understanding of early Christian writings and views"

Choice, 1980

"Exciting and Timely" (from the Hungarian)

K. Benda (UBudapest), in *A Ráday Gyűjtemény Evkönyve*, 1990

"I have great benefited from your fine book on *The Idea of Historical Recurrence in Western Thought*, and send under separate cover a draft chapter of a book I am writing in which you will see I am heavily indebted to you"

D. Lowenthal (ULondon), letter dated 16 Aug., 1982

(Recurrence lays the basis for the entry "Recurrence," in H. Ritter, *Dictionary of Concepts in History*, 1988. Chapter positively expounding ch. 3 of *Recurrence* in C.K. Rothschild, *Luke-Acts and the Rhetoric of History*, 2004; and to a lesser extent in B. Witherington III, *The Acts of the Apostles: A Socio-Rhetorical Commentary*, 1998; while D. Aune in *The New Testament and its Literary Environment* comments on my "breakthroughs" in Lukan studies. Other significance usages are made by D.E. Hahn in A. Laks and M. Schofield (eds.), *Justice and Generosity, Studies in Hellenistic Social and Political Theory*, 1995 (regarding Polybius), and P. Godman, *From Poliziano to Machiavelli: Florentine Humanism in the High Renaissance*, 1998 (on Machiavelli). Various other reviews, citations, extensive referencing (as in A. Momigliano, *On Pagans, Jews and Christians*; D. Lowenthal's *The*

Past is a Foreign Country; J. Prickett, *Words and the Word*; R.E. Friedman (ed.), *The Poet and the Historian*; D. Wilcox, *The Measure of Time Past*; G.J. Whitrow, *Time in History*; D.E. Brown, *Hierarchy, History and Human Nature*; V. Danner, in A. Sharma (ed.), *Fragments of Infinity* ("gives the best account of the cyclical concepts of Antiquity"); R. Banks, *The Tyanny of Time* ("the fullest treatment of recurrent elements in Jewish and Christian thought"), *etc.*; and correspondence from many countries around the world)

Cargo Cults and Millenarian Movements

"Each piece makes a valuable contribution to the ubiquitousness of millenarist movements."

O. Lake (UIowa), *American Anthropologist*, 1992

"Enriching our concepts of millenarianism and cargoism, it helps us to see such movements as something more than sociological epiphenomena, psychological aberrations, or as mere desperate reactions to political oppression ... a fertile beginning."

E. La Rose (UChicago), *Journal of Religion*, 1992

"Fascinating collection ... demonstrates the variety to be found among millenarian movements ... without losing a sense of coherency."

D. Owen, *Religious Studies Review*, 1992.

"Un livre riche par la diversité des faits analysés qui réveille l'interêt pour le millénarisme."

R. Deriquebourg (ULille), *Archives de Sciences Sociales des Religions* (1994)

"Among the best Comparative Religion books."

Xie Li Hui Books, listing for the Kyohokai Group, Japan

2017

Australian Journal of International Affairs, 1992 ("Fascinating material"); *Theology Digest*, 1997 ("exposes some of the quite basic issues in our modern inter-cultural world"); *Journal for the Study of Religion* 1994 ("useful in cross-cultural analysis")

Melanesian Religion

"The first work by a single author to grapple with the rich array of traditional religions and Melanesian styles of Christianity and to develop a general theory for understanding them ... The analytical framework of retributive logic, within which Trompf employs historical and phenomenological methods, ... may well work for the general study of religion. ... the book satisfies a long-felt need ... and raises important issues in and about the study of religion."

M. MacDonald (LeMoyne Coll.), *Journal of Religion*, 1992

"This imaginative, stimulating, aggravating book must be read."

D. Tuzin (UC, San Diego), *Ethnohistory*, 1992

"A fine piece of work, which many, and not only Melanesian specialists, can read with great benefit."

E. Brandewei (IndianaU), *Anthropos*, 1992

"Breaks loose with a brilliant piece on 'The logic of retribution' ... describing this 'total social fact' from a religious perspective ... this recipe makes inter-cultural comparison a practical possibility."

E. Schwimmer (ULaval), *Man: The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute*, 1992

"Melanesianists ... will be well served by Trompf's invitation to examine the intricacy and contemporary force of both traditional religions and Christianity."

J. Robbins (UVirginia), *Pacific Affairs*, 1992-3

"The first comparative examination of both traditional religion and

Christianity in Melanesia. ...no other book provides as broad an overview of traditional and Christian life in Melanesia."

S. Kirsch (Mt Holyoke Coll., Mass.), *Journal of the Scientific Study of Religion*, 1993

British Book Review 1991 ("Full range of Melanesian religious experience"); *Missiology* 1992 ("Should be in every library"); *Naturaleza y Grazia* 1991 ("resulta valiosa")

Payback

"Trompf's work on religion in Papua New Guinea is without doubt the most comprehensive available at the present time."

John Parratt (UEdinburgh), *Cosmos* 1994.

"The book should be of interest to scholars working in anthropology, sociology, and religious studies, as well as historians. ... Anthropologists should commend the author for his meticulous scholarship, his intellectual creativity in weaving ethnographic vignettes into the texture of theory, and his ambitious comparative discussions."

G. Stürzenhofecker (UPittsburgh), *American Ethnologist* 1994

"Scholars interested in the development of human consciousness will find this book valuable ... provides a significant paradigm for scholars working on the problem of religious consciousness and action... It is an important book for anyone who is interested in conflict resolution in the developing and developed world."

F. Kostarelos (Columbia Coll.), *Sociology of Religion* 1995

"His detailed demonstration ... that principles of retribution are of a religious nature and these essentially religious principles pervade various diverse aspects of socio-cultural life ... is ably and convincingly developed."

N. McDowell (Ullinois), *Anthropos* 1995

"*Payback* cements Garry W. Trompf's reputation as the most prolific and erudite student presently writing on Melanesian religions."

J. Barker (UBrit.Columbia), *Religion* 1996

"Fascinating ... brings to fruition fifteen years of unstinting research ... it takes an interdisciplinary scholar of Trompf's breadth of erudition and vision to process this mass of oral and written sources (sixty-six pages of bibliography) persuasively."

M. Schiltz (UMinnesota), *History of Religions*, 1996

"There is much that Trompf, from his synoptic advantage, sees in Melanesian religion that anthropologists have missed, and ... with an overall clarity of vision."

J. Robbins (UVirginia), *Anthropological Quarterly*, 1996

"This book ambitiously attempts to cover the notoriously diverse area of Melanesia, and generally succeeds in drawing together common threads. ...One of the book's strengths is its historical approach. The reader never feels lost in the nebulae of the ethnographic present."

R. Lohmann (UWisconsin), *American Anthropologist* 1996

"Trompf makes a convincing case for 'payback' as the best explanatory device for interpreting and understanding Melanesian social patterns."

R. Scaglione (UPittsburgh), *Anthropological Forum*, 1996

"The fruit of years of research ... It combines a history of ideas with a history of religion, ... claiming a universalist approach which both recognizes and dissolves otherness. ... creates some fascinating vibrations and possibilities."

R. Lacey (ACU), *Journal of Pacific History*, 1997

"Anthropologists are not the only practitioners of ethnography

anymore ... The volume combines an extraordinary, even numbing, assortment of ethnographic detail with a simple, unitary, explanatory preface... [By] this hefty volume ... Trompf is Tocqueville in Melanesia."

L. Lindstrom (UTulsa), *The Contemporary Pacific* (1996)

Religions of Oceania

"Deserves the widest audience. ... I strongly recommend the book for Pacific scholars for teaching and especially for expanding their own knowledge... [I was] surprised by the fascinating diversity and richness of Oceanic religious expression revealed in this book."

J. Barker (UBrit.Columbia), *Pacific Affairs*, 1996

"Masterful approach ... the authors write with creative insight and lucidity regarding the traditional features of religion ... and how these pivotal forms of religious structuration were transformed through colonial and postcolonial process."

A. Yengoyan (UCDavis), *Oceania*, 1997

"Clearly written, carefully organized, and well documented."

R. Parmentier (BrandeisU) *The Journal of Religion*, 1997

"A comprehensive and comprehensible introduction for both the scholar and general reader ... The book deserves a wide readership among historians of religion and anthropologists."

M.N. MacDonald (Le Moyne Coll.), *History of Religions*, 1998

Anthropos 1996 ("Experten ... Interessierten ... es setzt freilich ethnologische Grundkenntnisse voraus"); *Archives de Sciences Sociales des Religions* 1998 ("extrêmement riche").

Early Christian Historiography

"It is a big book and a very thoughtful one, on an important topic which, despite much modern enlightened thought, has refused to go away."

P. Brown (PrincetonU), book's back cover

"This is a magisterial, exhaustive, and encyclopaedic treatment of a central and primal question in religious studies which towers above most other attempts to answer it this century."

N. King (UCSanta Cruz), book's back cover.

"[A] massively learned work ... he is a master of the original texts ... There is no book, as far as I am aware, that is so intricate in detail or wide-ranging on its theme. ... It is something of a triumph."

S.G. Wilson (CarletonU), *Journal of Religious History*, 2002

"*Early Christian Historiography* surveys a vast period of historical writing, from the Ancient Near East to late Christian antiquity. As the bibliography reveals, this is a book that has been in the making for at least three decades ... useful in bringing to the fore an important theme in much ancient history-writing."

Elizabeth Clark (DukeU), *Journal of Ecclesiastical History*, 2002

"Monumental."

Vrasidas Karalis (USyd), in Trompf [International] Festschrift, 2010

And honouring the various articles behind the book: -

"The significance of the collection lies in the degree of scholarly erudition displayed in the original articles that form the basis of the present chapters."

Charles Hill (ACU), *Heythrop Journal*, 2007

Religions of Melanesia

“He is renowned for his encyclopedic knowledge of the written sources on Melanesian religions and for his many publications. ...an invaluable research tool both for those embarking on the study of Melanesian religions and those already immersed in the field.”

M.N. MacDonald (Le Moyne Coll.), *Religion Studies Review*, 2007

"In this work Trompf unveils the infinite variety of religious experiences, as exemplified in complex Melanesia, while still managing to retain a synoptic vision."

C. Camporesi (UFlorence), *Religioni e Società*, 2007

OTHER WORKS

Prophets of Melanesia

"To be welcomed ... a joint effort of scholarly work by Melanesians and Europeans ... these studies enrich our understanding of Melanesian life and history"

A.C. Moore (UOtago), in *Pacific Quarterly Moana*, 1978

"Welcome addition long awaited will challenge some of the assumptions held"

V. van Nuffel (UPNG), in *Pacific Islands Monthly*, 1978

"I recommend it strongly"

P. Lawrence (Sydney), for *Oceania*

Michele Stephen has made much use of this collection in her important *Oceania* article (50 (1979), pp. 3ff.), and note Paula Brown, in *Ethnology*, 1990.

Work on *Max Müller*

This monograph has been listed in catalogues as among the highest rated books published in India. Substantial use of, and references

to, the researches on Müller are varied and scattered (e.g., by E.J. Sharpe, in *Comparative Religion; a history*, by R. W. Neufeldt, F. Max Müller and the Rig-Veda, Calcutta, 1980, S. Prickett, *Words and the Word* and by the east African littérateur, the late Okot p'Bitek, in his *African Religions in Western Scholarship*).

The Gospel is not Western

Many favourable reviews: e.g. *Religion Studies Review*, April, 1988 ("belongs in every theological library"); *Missiology*, 1988 ("challenging collection"); *International Bulletin of Missionary Research*, 1988 ("splendid job"); *National Outlook*, April, 1988 ("I am an unashamed enthusiast!"); *The Expository Times*, June, 1988 ("made us aware"); *Australian Religion Studies Review*, April, 1988 ("done us a great service"); *Journal of Psychology and Theology*, 1988 ("an excellent contribution"); *Melanesian Journal of Theology*, 1988 ("Women make an important contribution"); *Pacifica*, 1989, *Buddhist-Christian Studies* 1989 (both saying "required reading"), *Asian Journal of Theology*, 1992 ("highly welcomed") etc. Note also the special report in *Catalyst*, 12, 1 (1982), pp. 83ff.

New Religious Movements in Melanesia

Pacific Studies, 1987 ("innovative research promises to add much to the discourse on Melanesian realities", *Zeitschrift für Mission*, 1987 ("Sammlung ... daß sie die sehr spärliche Zahl schriftlich festgehaltener melanesische Stimmen zum Thema vermehrt"), *Lutheran Theological Journal*, 1987 ("an important resource for students of Melanesian religion")

In Search of Origins

Social Action, 1990 ("No up-to-date work has hitherto focussed on the problem of the origins of religion, and none has related the history of theory to the practice of prehistorians. It ... fills an important gap in Religious Studies"); *Vedanta Kesari*, 1990 ("The author presents the background of the earliest religions and developed paradigms and tools for an open-minded study of the subject"); Cristiano Camporesi, Ufflorence ("Trompf does fall into

any methodological fallacy, ...and exposes the ‘vicious circle’ of non-causal theories”)’ and

“Because of its impact on China, I rate it among the most famous books of Religious Studies in the Western World.”

Hong Xiuping, UNanjing, rear cover of 2005 edition, after publication of the Chinese trans. and abridg. for: *Introduction to Famous Books in Religious Studies in the Western World* (Nanjing)

Islands and Enclaves

“Thank you... the book ... was probably one of the first publications in this new and fast-growing field of island studies, ...We here at the Institute of Island Studies have been focusing much of our attention on ... the issues in Garry Trompf’s book. (Our website is www.islandstudies.com) ... Thanks again for helping us to forge more links.”

[Laurie Brinklow, Publishing Co-ordinator, Institute of Island Studies, University of Prince Edward Island, Canada](#)

Mehregan

[Welcomed mainly in Farsi reviews, e.g., *Pake e Mehr* \(Vancouver\) \(Jan. 1995\): 40-51](#)

Kircher

[“The most comprehensive and enduring contribution to Kircher studies finally appears in print.”](#)

[Paula Findlen \(Stanford\), in *Renaissance Quarterly* 2012](#)

[“The Kircher contingent must be grateful to Elizabeth Fletcher and her collaborators for having made available the buried treasures of John Edward Fletcher’s early work.”](#)

[Gerhard Strasser \(Munich\), in *Wolfenbüttler Barock-Nachrichten* 2012](#)

[“Garry Trompf provides a helpful introductory section”](#)

Carl Nothhaft in *Francia-Recensio* 2012

“Garry Trompf supplies an excellent introductory essay...”

Robert Collis in *Aries* 2103

Gnostic World

“The standard reference for many years to come” (David Robertson, UK OpenU); “A major achievement” (Paul Dilley, UIowa, USA); “Inalvuable resouyrce” (O. Hammer, USouthern Denmarl); “indispensable tool” (UGroningen, Holland): from the volume’s rear cover (2018)

“*The Gnostic World*, as an exemplary piece of scholarship, will definitely occupy a serious niche in the study of Gnosticism and all relevant issues the book covers.”

Gohar Hakobian (Russian-ArmenianU, Yerevan) in *Iran and the Caucasus* 2019

“The sheer breadth is impressive ... highest standard ... deserves to be read widely”

Mattias Brand (UZurich), *Science Religieuses* 2019

On Articles

A good deal of favourable correspondence about the *Religion and Money* lecture (one very welcoming review by the Zadok centre); remarks about the *Prudentia* contributions include comments like "of the highest quality instructive" (G. Evans in *Journal of Theological Studies*, 1983); the *Harvard Theological Review* article generated discussion (e.g., D. Ladouceur contends that the "Miles-Trompf redaction-critical approach offers distinct and valuable insights into Lukan theology", and expands upon it in his "Hellenistic Preconceptions of Shipwreck and Pollution as a Context for Acts 27-28", in *Harvard Theological Review*, 73/3-4 (1980)], pp. 435ff.). Various reviews of Patristic articles and the

one on Newton have been complimentary. The article on gambling is re-expounded (as the "Secundus complex") in Michael Walker, *The Psychology of Gambling*, 1995, ch. 4). Unable to keep up with citations, I can only list a few I have seen. Of the Easter Island article in the Bianchi Festschrift, Annarita Magri in *Revue de l'Histoire des Religions* (2008) writes: "très pointu." Of the "Methodist Scholarship" article, Dean Drayton in *Church Heritage* (2015) asserts that it "provides an important insight."

Some of my works have been published too recently to have been reviewed by this point in time.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE FACILITY

Teaching Experience in Tertiary Institutions

especially in ancient (more particularly koine) Greek (UPNG, UCSC), Aramaic [NT times] (UCSC) and Coptic (single student) (USyd)

[the most accomplished scholars from this teaching include Douglas Burton-Christie, Laurie King and Peter Trudinger]

Formal Tertiary Training

in modern French (Melb.)
Classical and Koine Greek (Melb., Oxon.)
Classical, Patristic & Mediaeval Latin (Melb., Monash, Oxon.)
Classical Hebrew and Aramaic (Oxon.)
Sanskrit (UCSC)
Mandarin Chinese (unfinished) (Syd.)
Syriac (Melb.) (without being examined)
Coptic (Oxon.) (without being examined)
Avestan (Sydney; by visit. tutor, Louvre)
(without being examined)
Arabic (Sydney: by visiting tutor) (without
being examined)

Working Reading (and Speaking) Facility through Experience

(relative level of speaking ability in brackets)

in German (medial)
Dutch/Flemish (high)
Italian (medial)
Spanish (high)
Portuguese (medial)
Modern Greek (low)
Polish (medial)
Russian (low)
Esperanto (low)
Farsi (low)
Tok Pisin (very high)
Hiri Motu (high)

Limited, very Dictionary-dependent Knowledge

Akkadian
Old Egyptian
Ugaritic
Pali
Gujarati
Hungarian
Rumanian
Swedish
Middle Wahgi
Fuyughe, etc.
Tongan, etc.
(first six reading only)

SPORTING INTERESTS

Tennis (firsts), Wesley College, Melbourne, 1958; *Australian Rules*, for Olinda, Victoria, 1957-8; University of Oxford (against Cambridge), UK, 1965-6; Wesley College, Sydney, 1979 (helping to introduce the game to University of Sydney college competition); *Cricket* (seconds), Trinity College, University of Oxford, 1966; Rugby (reserve), Wesley College, Sydney, 1979; *Athletics*, race walking; hop, step and jump (Melbourne inter-club competition, 1959-60)

TRAVEL

Extensively in five continents and Oceania; most recently to Russia, Armenia, Iran, Turkey, New Zealand, Great Britain, Germany and Norway.