

### III. HISTORY AND AREA STUDIES

#### A. GENERAL

Inasmuch as homosexual behavior is practiced by individuals, the biographical method has often proved appealing--hence the "hall of fame" approach singling out homosexual notables, who are often presented as moral exemplars set apart from their historical context. (See "Biographies: Collective," III.T). A contrasting historiographic trend seeks to determine context, and then to situate the individuals within it. This approach, often associated with the Social Construction research program, has its own problems stemming from its tendency to reduce individuals to the status of mere puppets of their social situation and to obscure continuities linking experience from one era to another. There is also a trend to broaden the scope of inquiry to comprise **homosociality**, including same-sex friendship, whether or not this be expressed genitally (see "Friendship," XIV.K). Another area of uncertainty is the parallelism that has often been assumed--rather than demonstrated--between lesbian and gay male experience. Historically, many cultures have not regarded the two as homologous. This section cites short methodological studies as well as larger works attempting synthesis.

401. AGUIAR, ASDRÚBAL ANTÓNIO D'. "Evolução da Pederastia e do Lesbismo na Europa," **Arquivo da Universidade do Lisboa**, 11 (1926), 336-620.

Survey of the history of male homosexuality and lesbianism in Europe from classical antiquity to the present, citing many texts. While much is understandably culled from other sources, this major study is useful for Spain and Portugal, and for statutory law (including that pertaining to lesbianism).

402. ARIÈS, PHILIPPE, and ANDRÉ BÉJIN (eds.). **Western Sexuality: Practice and Precept in Past and Present**. Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1985. 220 pp.

Collection of papers treating the history of sexuality from ancient Greece onwards, several directly relevant. Translated from **Communications** [Paris], no. 35 (1982).

403. BOSWELL, JOHN. "Revolutions, Universals and Sexual Categories," **Salmagundi**, no. 58-59 (1982-83), 89-113.

Methodological reflections which seek to clarify the problem of continuity in sexual history by proposing a threefold typology. Boswell proposes to apply the medieval conflict between nominalism and essentialism as a

model for understanding current controversies.

404. BULLOUGH, VERN. **Sex, Society and History.** New York: Science Society Publications, 1976. 186 pp. Reprints fourteen scholarly papers ranging from ancient Mesopotamia through the middle ages to nineteenth-century America.
405. BULLOUGH, VERN. **Sexual Variance in Society and History.** New York: John Wiley, 1976. 715 pp. An ambitious work of synthesis, correlating homosexuality with other modes of sexual behavior, and showing the overarching control of culture, including religion. The contrast between sex-positive and sex-negative societies is overly schematic. The notes offer much documentation. See also his introductory work: **Homosexuality, A History: From Ancient Greece to Gay Liberation** (New York: New American Library, 1979; 196 pp.).
406. BULLOUGH, VERN, and BONNIE BULLOUGH. **Sin, Sickness and Sanity: A History of Sexual Attitudes.** New York: New American Library, 1977. 276 pp. (Meridian Books)  
Stimulating but rapid survey of a vast domain; see pp. 3-4, pp. 3-4, 52-53, 84-85, 154-55, 201-10.
407. CHAMBERLAIN, J. EDWARD, and SANDER L. GILMAN (ed.). **Degeneration: The Dark Side of Progress.** New York: Columbia University Press, 1985. 303 pp. Papers of varying quality on the permutations of the concept in several fields, mainly in Europe in the 19th and 20th centuries. Considerable indirect interest. For an exhaustive study of a related problem, see: Alexander Demandt, **Der Fall Roms: Die Auflösung des Römischen Reiches im Urteil der Nachwelt** (Munich: C. H. Beck, 1984; 695 pp.), which lists 210 factors--including homosexuality--which have been implicated in the fall of Rome.
408. CROMPTON, LOUIS. "Gay Genocide from Leviticus to Hitler," in: L. Crew (ed.), **The Gay Academic.** Palm Springs, CA: Etc., 1978, 67-91.  
Surveys the persecution of male homosexuals through the application of the death penalty, from Biblical times through the Nazi era.
409. DALL'ORTO, GIOVANNI. "L'evoluzione del concetto di 'omosessualità' nei secoli," in: F. Castellano (ed.), **Essere omosessuale.** Cuneo: AGA, 1981, 39-62.  
Outline of changing concepts of homosexual behavior from the Greeks to the present.
410. DANIEL, MARC (pseud.). "Essai de méthodologie pour l'étude des aspects homosexuels de l'histoire." **Arcadie**, no. 131 (November 1964), 497-505; no. 132 (December 1964), 559-65.

Criticizes methods of historical analysis applied by US Movement scholars. A shortened version appeared in: **ONE Quarterly** (Fall 1960).

411. DYNES, WAYNE, and WARREN JOHANSSON. "Eros, Myth and Stigma: The Historical Semantics of Sexual Intolerance," **The Voice [San Francisco]**, 3:2 (January 14, 1981), 8.  
Continues in successive issues of the newspaper until 3:10 (May 8, 1981), 34. Examines the historical role of such concepts as the unnatural, decadence, and sexism. Largely incorporated in: Dynes, **Homolexis** (New York: Gay Academic Union, 1985; 177 pp.).
412. EAUBONNE, FRANÇOISE D'. **Eros minoritaire**. Paris: Ballard, 1970. 326 pp.  
Literary-historical survey of "minority" sexual behavior.
413. EGLINTON, J. Z. (pseud.). **Greek Love**. New York: Oliver Layton Press, 1964. 504 pp.  
The title notwithstanding, this book offers a comprehensive study of sexual and educational relationships between men and boys with special reference to historical aspects over the centuries (not limited to Greece). There is considerable emphasis on literary works and legal sources.
414. FLANDRIN, JEAN-LOUIS. **Le sexe et l'Occident**. Paris: Seuil, 1981. 376 pp.  
Collection of essays by a French historian who has become influential through his pioneering use of quantitative and analytical methods. Of general, rather than specifically homosexual interest.
415. FOUCAULT, MICHEL. **The History of Sexuality: Vol. I: An Introduction**. Translated from French by R. Hurley. New York: Pantheon, 1978. 170 pp.  
Stimulating, but sometimes opaque essay on the conceptual foundations of modern sexuality, which has had a great influence on the Social Construction school of homosexual history. This programmatic text--published in Paris in 1976 as **La volonté de savoir**--was to be followed by five more volumes offering supporting detail for recent centuries. Although this project was not realized, two volumes dealing instead with classical antiquity did appear just before his death in 1984.
416. FRIELE, KAREN-CHRISTINE. **De vorsvant bare ... Fragmente av homofiles historie**. Oslo: Gyldendal Norsk Forlag, 1985. 200 pp.  
A noted Norwegian lesbian activist and scholar presents aspects of homosexual history from Old Testament times to ca. 1950.
417. GREENBERG, DAVID, and MARCIA BYSTRYN. "Capitalism, Bureaucracy, and Male Homosexuality," **Contemporary**

- Crises**, 8 (1984), 33-56.  
Argues that the late 19th- and 20th-century stigmatization of homosexual behavior is a consequence of competitive capitalism and bureaucratic organization.
418. HARDMAN, PAUL D. **Homoaffectionalism: The Civilizing Factor**. Los Angeles: One Institute, 1985.  
Reviews history from the Hittites through the Middle Ages in a new theoretical perspective.
- 418A. HOFFMAN, RICHARD J. "Clio, Fallacies, and Homosexuality," **JH**, 10:3/4 (Winter 1984), 45-52.  
Signals such methodological faults as the assertion of assumptions as proven, monothematism, semantic distortion, ethnocentrism, anachronism, historicism, the pathetic fallacy, and tunnel history.
419. KEPNER, JIM. **Becoming a People ... A 4,000 Year Gay and Lesbian Chronology**. Los Angeles: National Gay Archives, 1983. 79 pp.  
Persons and events from history marshalled chronologically, with introductory reflections on method. "Prepublication Edition" containing some imperfections.
420. Lesbian History Issue. **Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies**, 4:3 (Fall 1979). 88pp.  
Collection of essays, many containing references, chiefly on recent history. Note especially: Judith Schwartz, "Questionnaire on Issues in Lesbian History," pp. 1-12.
421. LICATA, SALVATORE, and ROBERT J. PETERSEN (eds.). **Historical Perspectives on Homosexuality**. New York: Stein and Day/Haworth Press, 1981. 224 pp.  
Book publication of a special number of **JH** (6:1/2; Fall-Winter 1980-81) containing twelve papers of exceptional quality (high Middle Ages to the 20th century).
422. NOONAN, JOHN T. **Contraception: A History of Its Treatment by the Catholic Theologians and Canonists**. Cambridge, MA: The Belknap Press, 1966. 561 pp.  
Study of remarkable scope with considerable indirect application to homosexuality.
423. PADGUG, ROBERT. "Bibliography," **Committee on Lesbian and Gay History Newsletter** (Summer 1983), 12-16.  
Classified list of 119 items, many annotated. Continued in **Newsletter**, no. 8 (Summer 1984) [published in **IGLA Bulletin**, no. 2], 38-42 (142 items).
424. PADGUG, ROBERT. "Sexual Matters: On Conceptualizing Sexuality in History," **Radical History Review**, 20 (1979), 3-23.  
A gay historian attempts to fuse the Social Construction approach to the history of the development of sex-

ual behavior with Marxist immanentism. See also Bert Hansen, "Historical Construction of Homosexuality." *ibid.*, 66-73.

425. PARKER, WILLIAM. "Homosexuality in History: An Annotated Bibliography," *JH*, 6:1/2 (Fall-Winter 1980-81), 191-210.

Classified selection of 123 items, all in the English language.

426. SPRAGUE, GREGORY A. "Male Homosexuality in Western Culture: The Dilemma of Identity and Subculture in Historical Research." *JH*, 10:3/4 (Winter 1984), 29-43.

Reviews recent scholarship on the emergence of homosexual identities and subcultures in Western societies.

427. STONE, LAWRENCE. "Sex in the West." *New Republic* (July 8, 1985), 25-37.

A noted historian's thoughtful synthesis for the lay reader of publications in the history of sexuality over the last decade.

428. TAYLOR, GORDON RATRAY. *Sex in History*. New York: Vanguard, 1954. 336 pp.

Offers a dualistic scheme of history as a succession of "matrist" and "patrist" eras. Only in the former, in which women had high status, did homosexuality come to flourish openly. Willful.

429. USSEL, JOSEF MARIA WILLEM VAN. *Sexualunterdrückung*. Hamburg: Rowohlt, 1970. 248 pp.

A Belgian scholar interprets the sexual history of Europe as a pattern of repression--a view that is probably overstated. This work, translated from a Dutch original (1968), derives from a thesis emphasizing the 18th century, which remains the most useful aspect of the book in its several published versions.

#### B. ANCIENT NEAR EAST AND EGYPT

The civilizations of the ancient Near East, here embracing an arc from Egypt to Iran, are difficult for the nonspecialist to penetrate. Because of the hermetic complexities of the written and archaeological evidence, progress in our knowledge is of necessity in the hands of trained specialists. In evaluating the citations listed below it is well to bear in mind that some are relatively specialized and technical, while others are addressed to the lay reader. In addition to their intrinsic importance, the civilizations of the ancient Near East are significant as a foundation for ancient Greece (see III.C) and a major influence on the Bible (see VII.B).

430. ALDRED, CYRIL. **Akhenaten, Pharaoh of Egypt: a New Study.** New York: McGraw-Hill, 1968. 272 pp.  
See Chapter 8, "The Pathology of Akhenaten" (pp. 133-39), advancing a dubious medical explanation for the heretical ruler's androgynous appearance, which has often been remarked.
431. BIGGS, ROBERT D. **ŠA.ZI.GA: Ancient Mesopotamian Potency Incantations in Texts from Cuneiform Sources.** Locust Valley, NY: J. J. Augustin, 1967. 86 pp.  
Texts shedding light on the attitudes toward sexuality in general, and about homosexuality, including anal intercourse. See also his: "Medicine in Ancient Mesopotamia," **History of Science**, 8 (1969), 94-105.
432. BOTTÉRO, JEAN, and H. PETSCHOW. "Homosexualität," **Reallexikon der Assyriologie**, 4 [1975], 459-68.  
Well-documented survey in French of ancient Mesopotamian written and artistic evidence.
433. BULLOUGH, VERN. "Attitudes toward Deviant Sex in Ancient Mesopotamia," **Journal of Sex Research**, 7:3 (1971), 184-203.  
Argues that there were fewer prohibitions against sex in these early societies than in our own time.
434. BULLOUGH, VERN. "Homosexuality as Submissive Behavior," **Journal of Sex Research**, 9:4 (1973), 283-88.  
Argues, chiefly from mythological evidence, that the Egyptians used anal intercourse to symbolize dominance. For a broader perspective on ancient Egypt, see the author's **Sexual Variance in Society and History** (New York: Wiley, 1976), 58-73.
435. DEAKIN, TERENCE J. "Evidence for Homosexuality in Ancient Egypt," **International Journal of Greek Love**, 1:1 (1966), 31-38.  
A useful survey, critical and well referenced.
436. DORNSEIFF, FRANZ. "Ägyptische Liebeslieder, Hoheslied, Sappho, Theokrit," **Zeitschrift der Deutschen morgenländischen Gesellschaft**, 90 (1931), 588-601.  
Detects an Egyptian model for Sappho's poetry.
437. DUCHESNE-GUILLEMIN, JACQUES. **Symbols and Values in Zoroastrianism: Their Survival and Renewal.** New York: Harper and Row, 1966. 167 pp.  
In Iran the procreative ethic of Zoroastrianism produced sometimes virulent condemnations of homosexuality, though Herodotus (1:135) mentions it as flourishing there (p. 149 ff.).
438. GOEDICKE, HANS. "Unrecognized Sportings," **Journal**