GIFTS & ACQUISITIONS to the Permanent Collection of G.W.U. 1974 - 75 From the University's African Collection Gift of Stephen A. Spear January 22 - February 20, 1976 The Dimock Gallery

- PROCESSIONAL GIANT MASK Ibo Wood, pigment, nails 32" h.
  - 2. ANCESTOR HOUSEHOLD SHRINE FIGURE Ibo Wood 52½" h.
  - 3. SHANGO SHRINE ALTAR Yoruba Wood, pigment 26½" h.
- 4. MEN'S STOOL
  Bamoun (Bamum)
  Wood
  12½" h.

Footstools and thrones of the Cameroon, Grassland are often decorated and supported by animal or human figures.

- 5. ANCESTOR TORSO Tiv Wood 16" h.
  - 6. DIVINATION TRAY
    Yoruba
    Wood
    13¼" h.

The divination board, called <u>okoua-Ifa</u> is carved in a round or rectangular shape. It's border is always carved. On this board white powder, often flour, was spread (white is sacred to <u>Eshu</u>, the Yoruba devil) in which the <u>odou</u> (ivory heads of Eshu) were marked with the finger of the diviner.

- 7. HEDDLE PULLEY Senufo Wood 6¼" h.
- PIPE AND STEM Tikar Brass ll" h.
- 9. DOORLOCK
  Lobi
  Wood, metal
  8" h.
- 10. ANCESTOR HOUSEHOLD SHRINE FIGURE Ibo Wood, encrustation, pigment traces 38" h.
- II. ROYAL HOUSEPOST Bamenda Highlands Wood 38" h.
- 12. SHANGO ALTAR Yoruba Wood, camwood 20" h.

In the Southern area of Nigeria, bowls are held by a kneeling figure to contain the kola nuts used in sacrificial rituals.

- 13. MALE MWA CULT MASK
  Ibo
  Wood, cloth, nails
  42" h.
  - 14. CEREMONIAL DANCE YOKE
    Cameroun
    Wood, fibre
    45½" h.
  - 15. STOOL Dahomey Wood 6½" h.
  - 16. PIPE BOWL
    Bamoun (Bamum)
    Terra cotta
    8" h.

A great variety of pipe bowls are in clay and the cast bronze (lost-wax) method. They are in the form of a seated figure with an oversized head.

17. BUSH COW MASK Bamileke Wood 24"

> In the Cameroon Grassland, various masks are carved in animal head forms as well as carvings of wood with human features, often combined with animal horns.

18. HELMET MASK, BUNDU Sande Society, Vai Wood, metal, encrustation 16"

> Principal Mende art form is black, pointed some-shaped mask used in Sande secret society for women. The Vai of borders of Sierra Leone and Liberia use this form of mask with head above quite common. Vai and Mende are of similar linguistic stock.

19. CONTAINER Cameroun Grasslands Wood 9"

> From the Washington Portfolio '74 (30/30) Gift of the Washington Printmakers, Inc.:

- 20. Daniel Brush UNTITLED Color lithograph 8½" x 27¼"
- 21. Michael Clark BI-GEORGE Color lithograph 22¼" x 30"
- 22. Angelo Hodick SEVEN LEVELS Lithograph 22½" x 30"
- 23. Mitchell Jamieson STATE Engraving on lucite 26" x 21 3/4"
- 24. Jacob Kainen GRAND MASTER Etching on copper 18 1/16" x 12"

- 25. Jennie Lea Knight EMILY SLEEPING Lithograph 22¼" x 30"
- 26. Tadeusz Lapinski
  VIDEO SPECTATORS
  Lithograph
  22½' x 30"
- 27. Jonathan Meader (Ascian)
   KATHY
   Lithograph
   15" x 20"
- 28. Jeorg Schuldhess BIRTH OF BLACK MAN Etching on zinc 18" x 24"
- 29. John C. Sirica LANDSCAPE Two color lithograph 27¼" x 20"

- 30. Minerva Chapman PONT NEUF Oil 14" x 11½" Gift of Mr.& Mrs. Morse Dial
- 31. Zeki Findikoglu THE STORY TELLER Seriograph 5/8 25½" x 19 3/4" Purchase, 1975
- 32. David Freed
  MOBY DICK
  Photo intaglio 20/40
  35" x 23½"
  Purchase, 1975

- 33. Neil Harpe BUTTERFLIES AND VOLCANIC ISLAND Color lithograph 3/7 24" x 19 3/4" M.F.A. Thesis, December, 1975 Gift of the Artist
- 34. Diane Elizabeth Harvey
  LET'S ALL SMILE
  Acrylic
  44¼" x 40 1/8"
  M.F.A. Thesis, December, 1975
  Gift of the Artist

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The Dimock Gallery wishes to thank H.I. Gates for the mounting and installation of the sculptural pieces in the show.