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In the list of Contents it will be noted that Dr. Stella M. Leche has contributed four studies: the first three of these are numbered, respectively, II, III, and IV. This is because the first of Dr. Leche's papers in her own series on Dermatoglyphics and Functional Lateral Dominance was published in 1934 in "Studies in Middle America", publication five in the Middle American Research Series. It was titled, "Dermatoglyphics and Functional Lateral Dominance in Mexican Indians (Mayas and Tarahumaras)".

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# FOREWORD

Herewith is presented Publication 7 in the Middle American Research series. Looking back over the six previous books one will get the impression that our studies have not been methodically planned. They have not.

The field of Middle American Research is so vast and unexplored, and the funds of the Department of Middle American Research so sadly inadequate, that it has been impossible to lay a definite plan of action and progress. We have had to take advantage of such opportunities and studies as have presented themselves within our field, hoping that eventually our work will help to fill in lacunae and thus become of value to the understanding of the general problem.

With this in mind I herewith present the volume entitled "Measures of Men," ten specialized studies in Middle American physical anthropology. Many of the papers in this volume represent a new method of approach, opening new vistas of understanding and learning. The writers are pioneers in their field, and it is with considerable pride that I thank them for their contributions, which by their excellence will be a credit to the Department of Middle American Research. The Carnegie Institution of Washington, in its magnificent spirit of coöperation, has allowed us to publish the papers of Dr. and Mrs. Morris Steggerda. I wish to express our thanks to that Institution. Long enough has jealousy between institutions caused duplication of efforts, and placed obstacles in the way of progress in knowledge. Today in the Middle American field there is a fine spirit of understanding, with institutions and individuals aiding each other and sharing the burden of the work. This volume is an example of such mutual respect between institutions and individuals. It is presented with confidence that it will be valuable to the student.

While this publication was being prepared, news came that Dr. Albert Bledsoe Dinwiddie, president of Tulane University, had become seriously ill, and as these pages were passing through the printers' hands we learned that Dr. Dinwiddie passed away, on November 21st, 1935.

From the day the Department of Middle American Research was founded. Dr. Dinwiddie took the keenest interest in its work and development. Without his encouragement and constant enthusiasm the Department of Middle American Research would never have developed into what it has become.

Let this volume, therefore, carry the thanks of the staff of the Department of Middle American Research of Tulane University for all the aid that Dr. Dinwiddie gave us, and let it stand as a mark of deep and sincere respect to the memory of Dr. Albert Bledsoe Dinwiddie.

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\*Maya Indians \*Mexican Indians \*Mexicans \*Middle American Indians \*Mixteca Indians Mongolians \*Nahua Indians Navajo Indians Negroes Netherlanders \*Nicaraguan Indians North American Indians Norwegians Plains Indians Poles Quechuas \*Rama Indians Sioux Indians South American Indians \*Southern Mexican Indians Spanish \*Tarahumara Indians \*Tarascan Indians U. S. A. Negroes Vorderinder West African Negroes Whites \*Zapoteca Indians Zuni Indians

\*These peoples are in Middle America. See map, page 9.

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