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GENE GRAGG published studies on multivariate methods for representing language similarities in a sample of texts from different branches of Semitic, and also on the effect of phonological change on the configuration of the verbal root in Amharic (Ethiopic Semitic). He is collaborating on a lexical investigation of comparative Cushitic with a group in France working on a computerized lexicon of Somali. (Cushitic is a family of languages which, together with Semitic, Egyptian, Berber, and Chadic constitutes the Afroasiatic or Hamito-Semitic "super-family".) Other groups in Europe and the United States will even-