

LAND USE POLICIES

STUDIES IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: No. 21

185 p. 1976. \$5 plus 45c p & p
Land Use Policies is an up-to-the-minute publication resulting from the NZIPA Convention of 1975. Contributors include the Hon. D. MacIntyre, then Minister of Maori Affairs and Agriculture; the Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Ministers of Agriculture, Forests, Lands, and Science for the previous Government; the Commissioner for the Environment; the Assistant Director-General of Lands; the Head of the Urban Research Unit of Canberra; and many others. Topics range from land tenure systems to the history of the development of land use policies to the public acquisition of land for urban development. To assist readers each contribution is accompanied by a short summary. In addition most are also followed by a commentary and an edited record of the convention discussion of the paper.

LIVING LETTERS

STATE SERVICES COMMISSION

36 p. 1980 reprint. \$1.75 plus 45c p & p
 One of the aims in letter writing is to get ideas across to the reader clearly and briefly. But do letters always say what is meant? Even if they are clear to the writer, will the reader understand them easily? If you are still using the old clichés of "acknowledging receipt of", "according to our records", and "enclosed please find" it is almost certainly time to change your attitude to writing living letters.

MAORI RELIGION AND MYTHOLOGY PART 1

By Elsdon Best

NATIONAL MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 10

424 p. 1976. \$18 plus \$1.25 p & p
 An account of the theory of the universe and its creation, study of the origin of man, religious beliefs, rites, magic and folklore of the Maori people of New Zealand. First published in 1924, reprinted without textual alterations and retaining the original bulletin numbers. (Government Printer.)

MOA-HUNTER PERIOD OF MAORI CULTURE

ROGER DUFF—CANTERBURY MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 1

436 p. 3rd edition, 1977. \$17.50 plus \$1.25 p & p
 This book deals with the most important site yet investigated and in its discussions it traverses most of the New Zealand archaeological field.

A chance discovery in 1939 by a 13-year-old boy revealed the grave of a chief in the gravels of the Wairau boulder bank. The grave, goods, and bones of the ancient chief, prone in his gravel grave, with skull directed towards the setting sun, spoke with more authority regarding his race than the distorted memories of Maori tradition.

Although scholarly and technical, the book sustains throughout the drama of this archaeological discovery, and recreates from the evidence of bone and stone the life of our first Polynesians in the Moa-hunter period of Maori culture.

MAORI

By Witi Ihimaera

45 p. 1975. \$1.20 plus 35c p & p
 A colourful booklet describing the coming of the Maori to New Zealand, his history, heritage, folklore, beliefs, and cultural unity.

Each chapter has a quotation from a Maori proverb, phrase, saying, or canoe chant and these concepts are presented in words and pictures.

Continues with the arrival of the pakeha and the pattern of events which followed, the Treaty of Waitangi and the Land Wars. Moves on to the Maori today, finishing with the theme, one country, two heritages in unity.

Well illustrated with 64 coloured photos, of interest to all New Zealanders and tourists. (Tourist and Publicity Department.)

MAORI AGRICULTURE

By Elsdon Best

NATIONAL MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 9

315 p. 1976. \$13.50 plus \$1.25 p & p
 The only comprehensive study of Maori agriculture available, this bulletin adds a further volume to the series of Elsdon Best's works which the Government Printer undertook to reprint preserving the original text and bulletin numbers. I recommend this book and the series as a whole; to collectors, archaeologists, and to those studying the prehistoric economy of the Maori people. (Government Printer.)

THE MAORI AS HE WAS

By Elsdon Best

295 p. 1974 reprint. \$6.50 plus 70c p & p
 Fifty years of public demand since this book was first published resulted in the need for reprints in 1934 and 1952. The text has been reproduced unchanged but the originals of some of the figures could not be traced and these have been replaced with similar illustrations. There have been many advances in our knowledge of Maori life since this book first appeared. The work of numerous ethnologists, and more recently archaeologists, has critically examined many of the earlier concepts, confirming some, disproving others, and altering others to varying degrees. No one has yet produced a synthesis of the results of all this scholarship and there is still nothing as comprehensive as this book of Best's to give a general account of the Maori. This book was first published when Best was 68 and thus represents the accumulated knowledge of a lifetime. It has now become a classic introduction to Maori life. Its continued availability should help the reader to obtain a basic background to old time Maori life which can be extended by further reading.

THE MAORI CANOE

By Elsdon Best

NATIONAL MUSEUM BULLETIN No. 7

451 p. 1976. \$17.50 plus \$1.25 p & p
 A reprinted edition without textual alterations and retaining the old Dominion Museum number. Another example of Elsdon Best's dedicated effort to preserve Maori culture. The material presented on canoes, their materials, types, methods of construction, and associated artifacts make interesting reading for the layman as well as for scholars of the Maori. (Government Printer.)

MICROZONING FOR EARTHQUAKE EFFECTS IN WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND

By T. L. Grant-Taylor, R. D. Adams, T. Hatherton, J. D. G. Milne, R. D. Northey, and W. R. Stephenson of the New Zealand Department of Scientific and Industrial Research
 BULLETIN 213

61 p. \$8.50 plus 70c p & p
 This report on earthquake microzoning is aimed at dividing extensive areas of Wellington into smaller zones and is intended as a guide only to planning of future redevelopment. The detailed studies of local geology and soil investigations have resulted in an Earthquake Microzone Map of Wellington. This map accompanies this publication. This report is the first one of a series. Later it is the intention to microzone other areas in the same way.

NATIONAL PARKS OF NEW ZEALAND

178 p. Revised third edition. 1974. \$10.50
 The revision of this popular publication has included numerous new colour plates and additional information on some of our parks. Because of the popularity of this book it is expected this edition will be in great demand. In addition to the book being an ideal souvenir for the overseas visitor it makes an ideal gift and also a valuable asset to anyone's home library.

NATIONAL MUSEUM MONOGRAPHS

Elsdon Best (1856-1931), who was a member of the staff of the then Dominion Museum from 1911 to 1931, made a notable contribution to the study of Maori ethnology. After a lifetime of experience, including many years in close contact with the Maoris of the Urewera, he spent the last 20 years of his life writing particularly of the social customs and beliefs of the Maori people. There is still a demand for the many monographs written by Elsdon Best and the following titles have been reprinted without alteration to the original text (National Museum):

No. 1. Some Aspects of Maori Myth and Religion.	43 p.	\$1
No. 2. Spiritual and Mental Concepts of the Maori.	57 p.	\$1
No. 3. The Astronomical Knowledge of the Maori.	80 p.	75c
No. 4. The Maori Division of Time.	51 p.	\$1
No. 5. Polynesian Voyagers.	54 p.	\$1
No. 6. The Maori School of Learning.	31 p.	\$1
No. 7. Bibliography of Printed Maori to 1900.		\$4.25
No. 8. Maori Houses and Food Stores.		\$3.75