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This image is from the brochure for "Oscar Micheaux and His Circle."

Long-lost works by African-American filmmaker to be shown

A major conference at Yale this month celebrates the work of Oscar Micheaux — who has been described as "the most prolific

State Department funding study of Pol Pot regime

The Yale Center for International and Area Studies (YCIAS) has received a major grant from the U.S. Department of State to research and document the killing of more than one million Cambodian people under the Pol Pot Khmer Rouge regime, officially known as "Democratic Kampuchea," which ruled Cambodia from April of 1975 to January of 1979.

The almost \$500,000 grant will establish the Cambodian Genocide Program at Yale, which will be directed by Ben Kiernan, associate professor of history and a member of the Council on Southeast Asia Studies at YCIAS, who is a world-renowned authority on modern Cambodia.

The goal of the Cambodian Genocide Program is threefold: to establish an international database of documentation on the Pol Pot regime; to commission new research on various aspects of the period; and to train Cambodian scholars, legal officers and human rights workers to study the historical and legal evidence on the subject. The Yale program was established last month and will continue through December of 1996. It will be housed in YCIAS' new home, Henry Luce Hall, at 34 Hillhouse Ave.

The State Department funding of \$499,283 was provided through the Office of Cambodian Genocide Investigations, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, and under the auspices of the Cambodian Genocide Justice Act passed by the

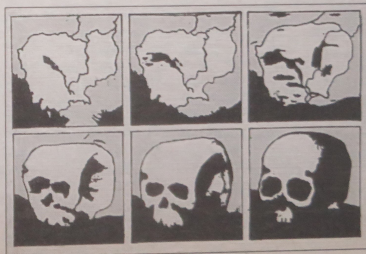
U.S. Congress in early 1994 at the initiative of Senator Charles Robb (D-VA).

Professor Kiernan, a native of Melbourne, Australia, is considered the leading historian of Cambodia in the United States. He is the author of "How Pol Pot Came to Power" and "The Pol Pot Regime: Race, Power and Genocide in Cambodia under the Khmer Rouge, 1975-1979," which will be published this year by Yale University Press.

He has also written two monographs and over 30 scholarly articles on Southeast Asia. Most recently, he edited and wrote the introduction to a multi-disciplinary volume titled "Genocide and Democracy in Cambodia: The Khmer Rouge, the United Nations, and the International Community," which was published jointly by the Council on Southeast Asia Studies and the Orville H.

Schell, Jr. Center for International Human Rights at the Yale Law School. Translations of Mr. Kiernan's work have appeared in nine languages, including Khmer, Thai and Japanese.

The Schell Center for International Human Rights will prepare education manuals for summer training courses staffed by Schell Fellows. Dr. Craig Etcheson, author of "The Rise and Demise of Democratic Kampuchea," has been appointed program manager and YCIAS associate research scholar in international studies. Youk Chang, formerly of the UN Transitional Authority in Cambodia, is program officer. Helen Jarvis, senior lecturer at the University of New South Wales and director of bibliographical and information services in Asia and the Pacific, is program consultant on the documentation project.



Pictured is an image from the cover of Ben Kiernan's book "How the Pol Pot Regime Came to Power." The professor will head a Yale study on the genocide that took place in Cambodia during the 1970s.