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GENE GRAGG continues working on the computerized database of cognate words in the Cushitic language family—including cognates between Cushitic and the rest of Afroasiatic (Egyptian, Semitic, Berber, Chadic). He has completed a prototype of the database, and went to give a report on the project and solicit collaboration and lexical contributions from colleagues at the first international symposium on Cushitic linguistics in Bonn, Germany, in January. He is currently revising software and lining up equipment and support for a production version, on which work should start in winter, 1987.

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