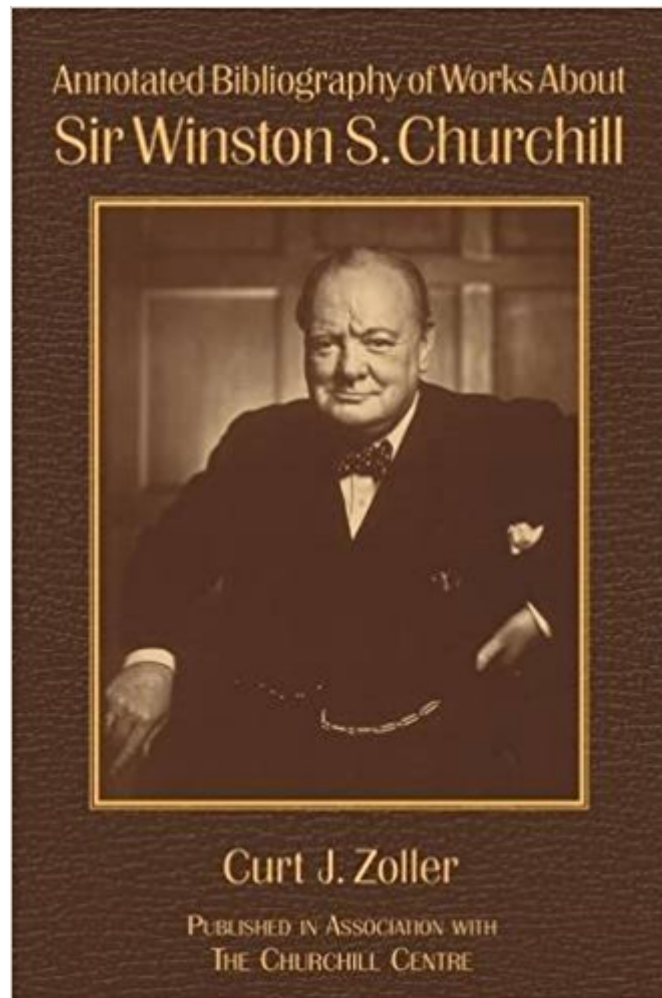




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Curt J. Zoller, book collector and columnist for "Finest Hour," the magazine published by the Churchill Centre, has produced that rare sort of bibliography, one for which experts have actually read the books they comment upon. Chief among Zoller's contributors was Richard Langworth, editor of "Finest Hour," Chairman of the board of the Ch. Centre, and proprietor of Churchillbooks. But Zoller also obtained the services of librarians from around the world, including Japan, which, naturally enough, produced quite a few titles on Chachiru. The bibliography has five sections: (A) books entirely about Churchill -- these have the fullest annotations, covering both technical information (e.g., page counts, editions, translations, etc.) and, in the words of Foreword writer Langworth, "what you can expect from each work--what it contains and. quite frankly, whether it is any good or not." Over 684 entries are found in section A, though the number of separately published volumes of multi-volume works runs to over 700. The years of publication run from 1905,

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