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## Janowitz, Secord, Ladner, Bensman Honored in San Antonio

A highlight of the ASA Annual Meeting is the presentation of awards for outstanding scholarship and teaching, and this year was no exception. Three sociologists were honored by ASA for their contributions to the field during the 1984 Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX. Several others received recognition from various sections of the discipline during the meeting. ASA President-elect Matilda White Riley received the Common Wealth Award, presented traditionally at the ASA Annual Meeting (see article elsewhere in this issue).

Morris Janowitz, University of Chicago, received the Association's highest honor, the Award for a Career of Distinguished Scholarship. He was recognized for more than four decades of scholarly contributions to the discipline. In presenting the award, Jack Kasarda, University of North Carolina, cited Janowitz's more than 25 books and monographs, more than 100 articles, and his work as editor of the University of Chicago's 30-plus-volume series on the Hentage of Sociology.

"Morris Janowitz's eminent

scholarly career has left an indelible imprint on a wide variety of substantive areas in sociology. He has been instrumental in keeping the discipline at the forefront, especially as relates to...(his) magisterial treatise The Second Half Century," Kasarda said. "His (works) have markedly expanded our knowledge along a continuum of core disciplinary concerns, ranging from micro processes in primary groups to macro-structural transformations of nation states. Morris's prodigious writings have contributed to our understanding of the dynamics of prejudice, the influence of mass media, the local urban community, educational institutions, military studies, political processes, and macrosocial

"Morris's scholarly contributions, however, extend well beyond his publication record which, on its own, merits this award. As a teacher, mentor and colleague, his engaging discourse, constant encouragement, guidance, and overall intellectual stimulation have sparked the imagination and motivation of those associated with him to produce to



Morris Janowitz (1), Jack Kasarda

their highest level of scholarly potential. His enthusiasm, deep professional commitment and intense drive to further sociological knowledge have radiated and influenced the work of many other successful scholars."

The Award for Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship was given to Marcia Guttentag (deceased) and Paul Secord for their book, Too Many Women? The Sex Ratio Question. Paul Burstein, Vanderbilt University, cited the work as "a fascinating original theory of gender relations based upon a fundamental insight: namely, that the gender role in any society or

group is a social fact in itself that results from social and cultural conditions, at least in part, and is consequential for major aspects of society as a whole." The book is "provocative in the best sense of the word...it takes a simple demographic indicator of ordinary existence and demonstrates its farreaching and often unexpected ramifications through ...documented cases."

The award was presented posthumously to Guttentag, "who devoted a considerable part of her varied professional life to exploring the implications of sex ratios in society," and to Secord, who "devoted himself to the task of completing the manuscript."

Joseph Bensman, City University of New York, received the Distinguished Contributions to Teaching Award for "outstanding contributions to undergraduate teaching and learning of sociology." Fred Campbell, University of Washington, said Bensman's students "speak of him as the man who taught them the difference between the important and the

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## Deadline Announced for Problems of the Discipline Grants

The Committee on the Problems of the Discipline is again requesting applications for small grants.

Scope: Requests for funds must show relevance for some problem of importance to sociology as a discipline. They may include but are not limited to the following: an exploratory study, a small conference, travel to consult with several widely dispersed specialists, a program of study at a major research center, other projects not ordinarily supported by other sources of funds. The Committee is particularly interested in receiving applications that, in the judgment of its members, represent activities and issues on the cutting edge of the discipline.

The Committee and ASA Council voted to continue the practice of restricting small grants awards to postdoctoral research.

Funding: While the upper limit of each award normally will be \$2,500, the Committee will entertain proposals of exceptional quality for somewhat higher amounts. Remember, these are small grants with no indirect costs involved; payment goes directly to the principal investigator. An accounting statement is to be submitted to the Executive Office at the end of the project and unspent funds returned to ASA. Grant money may not be used for convention travel.

Submission Deadlines: Two deadlines have been established for 1985—November 15, 1984 with decisions announced by March 1, 1985 and June 15, 1985 with decisions announced by October 1, 1985. All submissions which are too late for one deadline will be carried over to the next review period.

Format: Proposals should be no longer than three single-spaced pages plus bibliography and vita, but with no appendices. Send seven copies to the Executive Officer, ASA, 1722 N Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.



Paul Secord (1), Paul Burstein



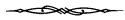
Joseph Bensman (r), Fred Campbell



Joseph Hines (1) accepting award for Joyce Ladner from William

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### Membership Renewals, Coupons Are on the Way

Membership renewal notices for the 1985 calendar year were mailed to all members in early October. By paying your dues before December 31, you will avoid a \$10 late charge and insure that your journals are received on schedule.

The ASA Constitution and By-Laws permit only *Members* to hold elected offices or serve on ASA committees; *Associate* and *Student* members are ineligible for these activities.

Membership renewal notices also include a number of other items for your information. This year's mailing includes publications price lists, information on 1985 Teaching Workshops and the 1985 Coupon Listing. The 1985 Coupon Listing includes 70 journal and 88 book titles offering at least a 15% discount to ASA members, a significant increase over the 1984 Coupon Listing. Don't miss the opportunity to subscribe and purchase publications at the special savings available only to ASA members!

#### **Minority Program** Refunded, Director Honored

The ASA Minority Fellowship Program has been approved for new funding during the next five years by the National Institute of Mental Health. In addition, the Cornerhouse Fund has provided funds to the MFP for the 1984-85 academic year.In light of this, ASA is seeking an Assistant Executive Officer, one of whose primary responsibilities is administering the MFP. The appointee will assume his/her duties in late spring 1985. Candidates for the position have until November 16, 1984 to submit applications. Additional reponsibilities will be worked out with the ASA Executive Officer and may include one or more of the following: liaison with federal agencies, public relations, liaison to ASA committees, contributing to FOOTNOTES, promoting applied sociology, developing teaching activities, or representing ASA interests on Capitol Hill.

Candidates should be at least four years beyond their PhD in sociology and should have experi-



Robert Hill (l), Paul William

Paul Williams was honored during the MFP Reception at the Annual Meeting for his service to minorities in academia as Director of the MFP for ASA. Robert Hill, outgoing Chair of the Committee on the MFP, presented Williams with a plaque commending his contributions to the program. Williams will be leaving ASA after nine years of service.

ence in raising funds from government agencies, familiarity and association with MFP activities and an interest in pursuing ASA objectives and activities, Candidates should send vita to Theda Skocpol, Chair, Search Committee, ASA, 1722 N Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.



Minority Fellowship Program reception

## New Spivack Fellowships

Organizations: Land Use and Social Conflict in Southern Colorado.

Donald Cunnigen, Harvard University; "The Attitudes of White Southern Liberals Regarding Race Relations.'

Jualynne Dodson, University of California-Berkelev: Nineteenth-Century Women in the AME Church.

Cedric Herring, University of Michigan; "Political Alienation and the Legitimacy Crisis of the State."

Martha Lopez-Garza, University of California-Los Angeles; "Flow of Labor into the Informal Secondary Sector and the Tertiary Sector: Case of Mexico.

Barbara Lunch, University of Texas-Austin; "The Changing Role of Liberian Military.

Ruben Martinez, University of California-Riverside; "The History of Chicano Labor: A Conceptual Approach."

Nine new awards have been announced since the last listing of Spivack Dissertaion Fellowships in FOOTNOTES (February 1983). Awards are made with funds provided by the Cornerhouse Fund of New York and are named in honor of the late Sydney Spivack. The recipients of awards, their universities and dissertation titles are as follows:

Linda Burton, University of Southern California; "Timing and Grandparenthood: An Analysis of Intergenerational Role Relationships.

Patricia Hill Collins, Brandeis University; "Race, Gender and Labor Market Structure: Occupational Stratification and Organizational Dynamics in an Urban Economy.

Theresa Cordova, University of California-Berkeley; "Local Communities and National

## Riley Receives Common Wealth Award

The Common Wealth Award, which provides a monetary award to individuals or organizations that have distinguished themselves by their professional contributions, was presented to ASA President-elect Matilda White Riley during the ASA Annual Meeting in San Antonio. The award recognized her "long and distinguished career in sociology," said Hugh George, Executive Vice President of the Bank of Delaware, which administers the award, established by the late Ralph Hayes, a Coca-Cola Company executive and bank director. The nominating committee for this year's award consisted of Alice Rossi, Kai Erikson and James F. Short, Jr.

George noted that Riley currently is Associate Director for Behavioral Sciences Research of the National Institute on Aging "at a point when many social scientists retire from professional life" and that she "continues to play a vital role in encouraging and supporting social and biomedical research on aging.

"She is widely known for her work on age stratification, from the landmark publication of her three-volume work, Aging and Society to many recently published works on biosocial perspectives and adult development and aging.



Matilda White Riley with Hugh George (l) and Wayne L. Dawson of Bank of Delaware

She continues to publish prolifically and to participate widely in important conferences in the United States and abroad."

George outlined Riley's academic background—she holds degrees from Simmons College, the University of Vienna, Radcliffe College, and Bowdoin College;and her professional career and honors---she is emeritus professor of sociology at Rutgers and Bowdoin; served as a Fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences; and has been president of the Eastern Sociological Society and is this year's copresident with her husband Jack of the Washington, DC, Sociological Society.

"It has been said of Matilda White Riley by her peers that she is a living embodiment of the idea that the seventh decade of life neednot be a period of disengagement, but may instead represent an ascendant curve of public and professional accomplishment and creativity," George said.

On receiving the award, which included a commemorative sculpture and a check for \$23,500, Riley said, "I plan to find some way to give this back. I hope to return every penny to the field of sociolo-

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trivial, the timeless and the merely trendy problem; a teacher who strove to transform his students...into broadly educated, historically grounded scholars...a person who teaches the cosmopolitan view in the best sense of that term."

The DuBois-Johnson-Frazier Award was presented to Joyce A. Ladner, Howard University, in recognition of work which continues the tradition of pioneering black scholars W.E.B. DuBois, Charles S. Johnson and E. Franklin Frazier. Her research on the minority experience, "bold and sometimes controversial studies that generate fresh perspectives (that) go against the grain of conventional wisdom" were cited by William Julius Wilson, University of Chicago, in presenting the award and by Joseph Himes, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, in accepting it for Ladner.

"For almost two decades, Joyce Ladner has provided intellectual leadership...through ethnographic research, she has focused on significant issues and...has drawn new insights on how people cope with stressful situations. Her study of mixed families was the single most important contribution to raising the level of the national debate of transracial adoption," Wilson said.

The Distinguished Career Award, the Award for a Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship and the Award for Distinguished Contributions to Teaching are given annually by ASA. The DuBois-Johnson-Frazier Award alternates with the Jessie Bernard Award. Awards are

presented at the ASA Awards and Business Meeting during the Annual Meeting.

#### Section Awards

Theodore Wagenaar, Miami University, received the Section



Theodore Wagenaar

on Undergraduate Education's Hans O. Mauksch Award for contributions to teaching. Renee Fox, University of Pennsylvania, received the Leo G. Reeder Award for Distinguished Contributions to Medical Sociology. The Cooley-Mead Award for contributions to



Renee Fox

social psychology was given to Herbert Blumer. Gordon Streib, University of Florida, was recognized for contributions to the sociology of aging.

Winners of prizes for essays on sociological theory were: Donald Carveth, Glendon College, York University (winner): David G. Wagner and Joseph Berger, Stanford University (first honorable mention); Ionathan H. Turner, University of California-Riverside, and Robert A. Hanneman (second honorable mention).

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## ASA Certification Program Accepted in Principle by Bettina Huber

At its most recent meeting in San Antonio, ASA Council considered a report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Certification which outlined an ASA Certification Program for PhD and MA sociologists. After some discussion, Council gave tentative approval to the program and directed that reactions to the Committee's proposals be sought from members, sections and other relevant organizations (e.g., regional sociological associations, etc.). Copies of the committee report have been sent to a range of organizations, both within and without the Association, and feedback has been solicited. The following paragraphs highlight the major features of the proposed Certification Program and invite comments from members.

The current Committee on Certification was created by Council at its January 1984 meeting, in response to a lengthy report on licensure and certification. The committee is chaired by Edgar Borgatta and its members include Otto Larsen, Katherine Marconi, Barbara Williams and Mayer Zald. Its general mandate is to draft guidelines and procedures for an ASA program designed to confer the title of "certified sociologist" on qualified members of the Association. The proposals outlined below were formulated at a meeting held in Washington, D.C. in mid-May.

#### Preliminary Considerations

The report on licensure and certification submitted to Council last January delineated the potential and actual difficulties sociologists are facing as a result of the licensing activities of related social science organizations (for a more detailed summary of this report, see the March 1984 issue of FOOTNOTES). The programs of the American Psychological Association and National Association of Social Workers represent a particular threat to the employment options of our graduate and undergraduate students. In pressing for licensure of their members, both groups have tried to define certain job catagories as their exclusive domain. In the process sociologists have tended to become disadvantaged in the competitive scramble for work in government, business and industry.

In addition, the expansive orientation of social sciences such as psychology, coupled with sociology's inaction, has led to the entry of other groups into areas that were traditionally considered the domain of sociology. As a result, areas such as family psychology and population psychology have sprung up in the last 20 years. Sociology's domain has been narrowed still further as those with applied interests gradually identified with other professional associations and disciplines for pragmatic employment-related reasons. This is the case for epidemiologists, for example, and demographers. In short, sociology has lost considerable ground through inaction and neglect.

Despite clear indications that sociologists in the applied arena are disadvantaged by the absence of licensure and certification, a substantial portion of the profession remains indifferent to such credentialing procedures or opposed to them on principle. The primary purpose of an ASA certification program, therefore, should be to provide an additional qualification that will assist our graduates in dealing with the pressures of a highly competitive job market, without adversely affecting academics or other sociologists who are not certified. The committee hopes that this can be achieved by granting the title of "certified sociologist" rather than the title of "sociologist."

Although Council's January action represents ASA's first full-scale attempt to launch a certification program, it is not the Association's maiden venture in this direction. In the late 1950s, after some negotiation with the American Psychological Association, the newly established section on Social Psychology established a certification program for sociologically-trained social psychologists. The program fell into disuse after several years due to lack of interest and, perhaps, insufficient ASA commitment to its development. In light of this experience, many question whether there is a real need for certification at present. There is considerable anecdotal evidence to suggest that times have changed since the early 1960s, and that the demand for certification is now much greater than it used to be. Nonetheless, there are no figures available on just how many sociologists are interested in, and require, certification. Such data would be virtually impossible to collect, since, above and beyond ASA membership rolls, there is no real means of identifying sociologists working in the applied arena. For all practical purposes, therefore, the only way to assess the demand for certification is to launch a program and see who participates.

#### A Certification Program for PhD Sociologists

The Committee's discussion of certification at the PhD level commenced with the question of whether specialty or general certification would be more advantageous. Abundant reasons for the former were quickly articulated, but little justification emerged for the latter. It was concluded that in and of itself the general title "certified sociologist" had very little meaning, and therefore would not be of great value. Moreover, use of such a title would contribute to the general perception that sociology is a vaguely defined field with no clear focus. Consequently, the Committee proceeded to delineate a set of procedures that might serve as the basis for certification in a number of specialty areas.

The Committee proposes that ASA grant certification in the following five broadly defined specialty areas:

Law and Social Control encompasses those areas of sociology that investigate societal mechanisms for enforcing compliance with widely accepted norms and controlling deviance. Criminology, deviant be-

havior and juvenile delinquency/justice are among the traditional core concerns in this field, as are the nature of social problems and social disorganization. In addition, the area includes topics such as penology, probation and parole, corrections, law enforcement, judicial processes, law and justice, to name a few.

Medical Sociology deals with the social relations prevailing among all segments of the health care delivery system, as well as those features of social structure and culture that have an impact on national and individual health. The field encompasses areas such as the following: gerontology, long-term care, social epidemiology, demography, program evaluation, health delivery systems, risk assessment, mental illness, alcohol and drug abuse, and promotion of mental and physical health (i.e., preventive care).

Organizational Analysis represents one of the core concerns of sociological theory. The nature of social organization and the bases of social differentiation have long been central themes in modern organizational theory. Traditionally, the field has focused on two areas: the nature of bureaucracy, and industrial sociology. In addition, it includes numerous other topics, of which the following are merely illustrative: decision-making and management, policy analysis, systems analysis, occupations and professions, voluntary organizations, institutional analysis, military sociology, health services research, conflict resolution, and modeling of social and organizational behavior.

Social Policy and Evaluation Research deals with questions of public policy and social welfare. All institutions in complex industrial societies are objects of study, as are dimensions of social conflict and processes of social, economic and political change. More specific topics include: technology and social change, political sociology, social movements, social welfare and poverty studies, design and evaluation of social programs, delivery of social services, institutional analysis, family policy, education policy, urban and community studies, intergroup relations (e.g., racial, ethnic and gender).

Social Psychology encompasses a broad and inclusive area of activity that focuses on the complex interrelationship of the individual and society. By way of illustration rather than definition, academic subjects that have been included in the field of social psychology by sociologists have covered titles such as: personality, personality and social structure, small groups, group dynamics, interpersonal behavior, social interaction, intergroup relations, public opinion, collective behavior, sociology of mental health, attitudes and values, mass media and communications, environmental sociology, sociology of education, socialization, social learning, symbolic interaction, sociometry, and network analysis.

These five areas represent the major domains in which application of sociological knowledge is well-developed and a substantial applied literature exists. They are defined in terms of content rather than particular research strategies because major sociological methodologies are equally applicable to a broad range of topics. Consequently, it seems wiser to require people to have methodological expertise appropriate to their area of specialization, while distinguishing them in terms of major substantive concerns. Although the specialty areas are clearly distinct, they are not meant to be mutually exclusive. In some instances, therefore, whether certification is sought in one area rather than another will be a matter of individual choice.

Regardless of area of specialization, ASA will confer largely the same title on everyone. That is, all successful applicants will have a title with a similar format: "Certified Sociologist Specializing in \_\_\_\_\_\_." What goes in the blank will depend on the specialty area in which certification is sought.

In addition to having a similar title, everyone would be expected to fulfill the following certification requirements:

- A PhD from a regionally accredited institution. Training should include relevant methodological expertise and courses central to the area in which certification is sought.
- 2. At least two years of post-doctoral experience in the appropriate field of specialization.
- 3. Demonstrated professional competence.
- 4. Submitting three letters of recommendation.
- Full membership in the ASA and explicit agreement to adhere to the Association's Code of Ethics.

Should applicants meet all of the above requirements except that of experience, a two-year "Provisional Certification" will be provided.

Once approved for certification, applicants would receive a certificate valid for two years. Upon payment of an appropriate fee, and completion of any requirements for continuing education that Council may mandate, certification will be renewed for additional two-year periods.

The Committee recommends that applicants pay a \$50 application fee and a second \$50 fee once they are approved for certification. In the case of Provisional Certification, the second fee might be set at \$30. The Committee recommends that the renewal fee initially be set at \$40. All funds are to be used to underwrite the costs of the certification program.

Applications for certification will be evaluated by a five-member Certification Committee. Members of such committees should be reimbursed for their expenses and receive an honorarium for their services. Three members would be sufficient for a quorum, though it would probably be good policy to have all committee members evaluate problematic cases. Should certification be denied, the Committee would be obligated to specify how existing deficiencies can be remedied. In the event that applicants contest a Committee decision, review by Council would be available. In addition, applicants will be explicitly required to agree to be bound by the procedures established by the Association for the purpose of certification.

## Funding Opportunities

The Council for International Exchange of Scholars is now accepting proposals for the 1985-86 Fulbright Scholars-in-Residence program. Community and junior colleges, four-year colleges and universities may submit proposals to invite a scholar from abroad to lecture for an academic year or term in any field of the humanities or social sciences. Two separate competitions are conducted according to type of institution: (1) those which have not had frequent opportunity to receive scholars from abroad as lecturers and are introducing programs with an international perspective; and (2) those which have an established international or area studies program. The program is administered and funded by the United States Information Agency. Additional information and proposal forms may be ontained from: CIES, 11 Dupont Circle, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Deadline for receipt of proposals is November 1, 1984.

The Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism announces a new research grant program funded by an endowment from the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of the Hibernians. The purpose of the award is to further research in the area of Irish-American studies. Two awards of \$2,000 will be made to postdoctoral scholars in any academic discipline who are engaged in research of the Irish experience in the U.S. Applications must be made by December 31, 1984. Contact: Jay P. Dolan, Director, Charles and Margaret Hall Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, 614 Memorial Library, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 46556

Judicial Fellows Program. Two to three Fellows will be chosen to spend 1985-86 observing and participating in projects designed to improve judicial administration. Candidates should be familiar with the judiciary, have at least one postgraduate degree and two or more years of successful professional experience. Stipends will be based on comparable government salaries. The fellowships begin in September 1985 and last one year. Application materials should be submitted by November 9, 1984. Contact: Mark W. Cannon, Executive Director of the Judicial Fellows Commission, Supreme Court of the United States, Room 5, Washington, D.C. 20543.

National Center on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism seeks grant applica-tions for research in all areas identified in NIAAA program announcements. The New Investigator Research Award, which supports research on biomedical and psychosocial aspects of alcoholism and alcohol-related health problems, is intended to aid researchers make the transition from training status to independent investigator and to attrach established scientists who have not been principal investigators on NIAAA projects in the past. Women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply for funding support. Alcohol Research Grants are available to support research on topics such as physiological and behavioral mechanisms leading to pathologic drinking, and behavioral, clinical and environmental factors in more effective diagnosis, treatment and prevention techniques. The deadline for applying for fiscal year 1985 grants is November 1, 1984. For details on program areas and application, contact: NIAAA, Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration, 5600 Fisher Lane, Rockville, MD

# Scenes from the 1984 Annual Meeting



#### **OBSERVING**

The River Walk, the crowded Marriott Lobby, the DAN Party around the Reflecting Pool in front of the Convention Center, the boisterous crowd at the Orientation Party (clearly more party than orientation, but a good first effort), the record number of sessions (254), Jim Short's Presidential Address on the research and theory-building needed in the area of risk analysis; these and a myriad of other events form the basis for pleasant memories of ASA's first meeting in the Southwest.

We wondered if colleagues around the country would make the trip to San Antonio, and whether teachers could juggle their commitments to the meetings and the beginning of the academic year. In both cases they did, since attendance about equalled that of 1983 in Detroit and surpassed that of San Francisco in 1982 by some 200 people. Most of the 2,543 registrants had fun-filled and relaxing, as well as intellectually stimulating, meeting. Whether this calls for another visit to San Antonio in the future is a matter about which members might want to write to me.

One matter that you have been writing about is the late August scheduling of the meeting. Timing does not seem to preoccupy the growing number of sociologists engaged in practice, but it is important to those academics whose classes begin just before or after Labor Day. Because of existing commitments, ASA is unable to move away from the Labor Day weekend until 1987. We are sensitive to the problem, however, and eager to find out how members react to the mid-August meeting scheduled for Chicago in 1987. For a more detailed discussion of the scheduling problem, see the story elsewhere in this issue.

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We had a near record number of book exhibits, but only some of the exhibitors reported good crowds at their booths. We are still trying to attract more computer people, both hard- and software types, and hope to have greater success at the 1985 meeting in Washington, D.C. I wish to thank the software companies that did send representatives to San Antonio. We hope that you found the results attractive enough to warrant a return in 1985.

The Presidential Session was held again on Tuesday afternoon, a time that seems to sit well with members. U.S. Representative Henry B. Gonzalez delivered a rousing welcome address, in which he reminded us of his strong and unwavering support for legislation to fund social science research. Indeed, he is a Congressman to whom we can look for leadership, for which we are grateful. Matilda White Riley was very gracious in her acceptance of the Common

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The Presidential Reception this year featured the reknowned George Bohrnstedt Jazz Band, with Bill Faunce on the trumpet, Karl Schuessler on the clarinet, Will Scott on the Bass, newcomer Gene (he also plays a mean harmonica) Hachberg-Holton on the drums, and Howie Becker sharing the keyboard with



David Sudlow. Whether it was the room, the time or the fact that President Jim Short was clearly enjoying himself cavorting with his grandson and Kelma, I thought the sounds were sweeter than usual. Thanks again. See you next year in D.C.

The attempt to relate the meeting more closely to the city and region in which ASA is meeting seems to be working. We are still learning how to do this better and trying to find events that are both intellectually and socially worthwhile. Many thanks to Ed Murguia and friends for handling local arrangements so as to insure maximum cooperation between the city and ASA's conventioneers and to John Donahue for arranging a stimulating SRO session on "Religion and Revolution: Central America and U.S. Policy." The session featured Dr. Vilma Nunez de Escorcia, Vice President of the Supreme Court of Nicaragua, who was also honored by the Criminology Section of the ASA (see story elsewhere in this issue)

Thanks are also due Roger Barnes, Alice Franzke, John Lindquist, and J.R. Sisca for preparing the lively and informative restaurant-entertainment guide. Members present at the Business Meeting approved by acclamation a resolution thanking ASA for the second consecutive year of outstanding child care. We have





Plenary session speakers Mary Douglas, Immanual Wallerstein (r), Norman Birnbaum

written to Teachers Work of Ninos Unlimited in San Antonio thanking them for the outstanding program they provided for the 67 children who participated. Clearly, they provide an example for ASA to emulate in D.C. next year.

Once again, the plenaries featured some outstanding papers, many of which we will be reading in journals and the book which President Jim Short is putting together from the meeting papers. Alice Rossi followed up her official visit to





Wang Hui (above 1); Catherine Berheide of Sociologists for Women in Society thanks ASA for childcare service

China last winter with a well-attended session featuring Chinese visitors Wang Hui and Pan Young Kang. Mr. Wang is President of the Tianjin Sociological Association, while Mr. Pan is a family specialist in the Tianjin Academy of Social Sciences. ASA hopes to extend these ties with mainland China in the coming years.

A feature of the Annual Meeting that seems to be institutionalized now is the Student Honors Program. The undergraduate students were some 30 strong this year, came from all over the country, and probably heard and critiqued more papers and sessions than any of the rest of us. Graduate Departments may want to send scouts to the next annual meeting to listen in on the student sessions and recruit the participants for their program. Meanwhile, people advising undergraduate majors may want to nominate students for the program. For further information write, to the faculty advisor, Professor Burton Wright, at Central Florida University.

I met with the National Council of State Sociological Associations, at John Schnabel's invitation, and with the Regional and State Association Officers. Both sessions were spirited, and included some words of appreciation for measures taken within the Executive Office during the past year, along with requests for more cooperation with and recognition of the claims of autonomous groups like the Clinical and Applied Sociologists. Moreover, there is growing awareness of the need to develop an effective collaboration in the troubling area of certification and licensure. Bettina Huber and I spelled out the steps taken so far by ASA, and indicated that comments on the proposed Certification Program would be solicited before final action is taken (see story elsewhere).

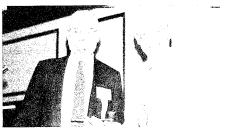
One of the important actions taken by the Publications Committee, and approved by Council, was the decision to establish a journal on Teaching Sociology, and to merge it with the Teaching Newsletter now published six times a year under the editorship of Carla Howery. Full details about this new journal will appear in a subsequent issue of FOOTNOTES.

The Caucus on Underemployment in Sociology presented a series of requests to Council. Council in turn expressed its appreciation for the work and voted to reduce the membership fee for un- and under-employed sociologists by \$15. They also will be allowed to register for the Annual Meeting at a special rate.



Council in session

I'm sorry that more members are not able to attend the sessions of Council as observers. You might not agree with all of the decisions made, but you would probably not come away with the feeling that Council is a power elite governing on behalf of a single interest group. Rather, you might well conclude that ASA members elect a diverse group of individuals representing a wide range of interests, but strongly committed to sociology as a discipline and profession.



Jim Short (r) passes the presidential gavel to Kai Erikson

I would like to draw the attention of the readers to the box in this issue dealing with the case of Mario Brajuha of SUNY Stony Brook. The case was written up in greater detail in the August issue of FOOTNOTES, and discussed at the Business Meeting in San Antonio. Mario himself spoke with simple eloquence, pointing out that this is not simply his case, but relevant to all sociologists. Upholding Judge Weinstein's ruling that social scientific fieldnotes are subject to a qualified privilege of confidentiality is vital to all of us.

ASA has joined with the American Political Science Association and the American Anthropological Association in preparing an AMICUS CURIAE brief supporting the Weinstein decision. In addition, ASA Council approved a contribution of \$2,000 to help defray the expenses that are part and parcel of a case like this. If every ASA member would contribute as little as \$2, most of the court expenses should be covered. Please make a contribution today. Just follow the instructions in the article in this issue.—WVD

#### Gonzalez: Research on Policy Issues Needed



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Sociologists are "indispensable to democracy and the social order," Democratic Congressman Henry Gonzalez told the 1984 Annual Meeting. "Your area calls for studying and evaluating.... testing and experimenting."

Gonzalez expressed concern that "we have gotten away from the idea that power is in the hands of we the people. The past three national elections have seen less voting participation than at any time in the past." Sociologists can help reverse this trend, Gonzalez suggested, by observing and explaining the factors that are causing it. "We must respect our diversity and yet try to measure the limits of that diversity. Sociologists have an inescapable responsibility to study these issues, and thereby provide leaders and citizens the knowledge necessary to make desired social change pos-

## Other Organizations

The Association for Social Studies of Time (ASSET) is a new association formed to act as an information network to promote interdisciplinary dialogue between those interested in the vast and as yet largely unexplored subjects of temporal patterns in human behavior and of variations in conceptions and perceptions of time. The inaugural conference of ASSET was held at the Institute of Community Studies, London, on April 14, 1984. A second conference is planned for 1985. ASSET will issue an annual bulletin documenting relevant new literature and members' contributions. For membership and other information, contact: Dr. Simon Szreter, Secretary, ASSET, 18, Victoria Park Square, London E2 9PF, England.

The Institute for the Control and Prevention of Violence and Extremism has been established with a contribution of \$200,000 from the Maryland Legislature at the request of Governor Harry Hughes. An independent organization of national scope, the Institute will work to prevent acts of violence and extremism that are racially and ethnically motivated, as well as serving as a clearinghouse for research and incidence and developing technical assistance and prevention programs. The Institute encourages and welcomes information concerning in-cidents, research, legislation, and educational and demonstration programs. Contact: Institute for the Prevention and Control of Violence, School of Social Work and Community Planning, 525 West Redwood Street, Baltimore, MD 21201; (301) 528-5170.

# Short: Social Risks Demand In-depth Research, Analysis

Contemporary threats to the existing social fabric such as crime, toxic chemical identification and disposal, accidents in the work-place, nuclear technology, and undesirable by-products of production and consumption require innovative, far-reaching risk management, according to James F. Short, Jr.'s Presidential Address at the 1984 Annual Meeting on August 28.

"Scientific and social policy concerns with risk typically focus on a limited range of things people value," Short said, noting that such an approach is too shortrange to be effective. "The focus is on their health, but not their mental health; their lives, but not usually their lifestyles or quality of life; their economic well-being in aggregate but not in social terms;



the physical environment but neither the social values nor ecological scarcity." To protect these vital aspects of life, Short said, technical means must be used to manage risks associated with scientific hazards, especially scientific and technological advances. "Risk management involves people who must be warned about, protected from and most of all persuaded of the effica-

cy of both scientific analyses of hazards and of proposed technological fixes."

Risk analysis must "focus on human life and values, economic values (and) other valued and necessary aspects of human existence...on how people live with risks and how living with risks affects them," Short said. He issued a challenge to the scientific community to participate in risk analysis as "a reality of social and environment(al) threats, a compelling issue requiring social science attention. Sociological concern with the assessment and management of risks ranges from the trivial to the 'unthinkable'the destruction of all human life." In conclusion, Short urged sociologists and other social scientists to examine technological, economic and social systems for potential risk issues and undertake the research essential to developing effective long-term risk management strategies.

## Nuñez Receives First Latin American Scholar Award

The first ASA Latin American Scholar Award was presented during the 1984 Annual Meeting to Vilma Nuñez de Escorcía, Vice President of the Nicaraguan Supreme Court. Nuñez, who made presentations on two panels during the Annual Meeting, was in the U.S. on a speaking tour organized by U.S. Out of Central America (USOCA).

The award was established in 1983 by the ASA Criminology Section to recognize an outstanding Latin sociologist and to bring the recipient to annual meetings to apprise ASA of developments in Latin American studies. Award committee members were Marjorie Zatz and Bill Chambliss. Nominees were screened on the basis of published works, scholarly achievements, recommendations, and observations from colleagues.

"There is much lip service paid in social science to the value of integrating scientific with practical work," Chambliss said. "That Dr. Nuñez is politically active as well as scientifically engaged makes her appointment very special.

"Nuñez was an attorney imprisoned under the Somoza regime and became Vice President of the Nicaraguan Supreme Court



Nuñez (1) with host Bill Chambliss

when released after Somoza was overthrown in 1979. She holds a law degree from the National Autonomous University of Nicaragua and has studied in Mexico and France. She served as director of thesis seminars in human rights at the Centro American University in Managua and was a member of the Sandinista National Liberation Front. Nuñez is a national delegate to the International Association of Criminology and the American Iurists Association.

While attending the ASA Annual Meeting, Nuñez made several presentations to the press and was the guest of honor at a reception hosted by ASA President Kai Erikson and USOCA.

## Threat to Confidentiality of Fieldnotes



Mario Brajuha (center) with John Lofland (r) and Lyle Hallowell

During its most recent meeting, ASA Council authorized an initial contribution of \$2,000 to the defense of a legal case that has profound implications for the ability of individual researchers to insure the confidentiality of data collected in the field.

In April 1984, Judge Jack B. Weinstein of the U.S. Eastern District Court of New York ruled that serious scholars cannot be required to turn over their fieldnotes in grand jury investigations when the government fails to establish "substantial need" for them to do so. Weinstein's ruling establishes a "qualified privilege not to reveal documents or confidential sources" for social science researchers, akin to the privilege enjoyed by journalists. This landmark decision is of great important to sociologists, as it provides unprecedented legal protection for sociological data. Weinstein's decision drew an

analogy between journalists and scholars, saying that neither has "an absolute First Amendment right to refuse to appear before a grand jury." Journalists, like scholars, need to protect the confidentiality of their information sources if the flow of information to them is to remain unobstructed. According to Weinstein, "Policies underlying a journalist's limited privilege also support a similar limited privilege for a researcher preparing a scholarly work-...Serious scholars are entitled to no less protection than journalists." The right of the researcher to protect the confidentiality of fieldnotes is limited, however, and must be decided on a case-by-case basis that balances

the "societal interest in fostering scholarly research" against "the public interest in obtaining information about possible criminal activities through the grand jury process"

In addition to legal precedents, Weinstein cited several other sources to support his argument for a qualified privilege for social science researchers. One was the ASA Code of Ethics, which states in part that "confidential information provided by research participants must be treated as such by sociologists, even when (such) information enjoys no legal protection or privilege and legal force is applied."

The Weinstein decision (August 1984 FOOTNOTES) grew out of a subpoena issued to Mario Brajuha, a sociology graduate student at SUNY-Stony Brook, by a county grand jury investigating the origin of a fire in a restaurant where Brajuha had worked as a waiter to collect data for a dissertation on the deskilling of waiters in expensive restaurants.

Shortly after the Weinstein decision, the Federal Prosecutor appealed the ruling with the Appellate Court of New York. The appeal is scheduled to be heard in September and ASA has filed an AMICUS brief arguing that the decision should be upheld.

While the ASA contribution will help defray some of the legal expenses already accumulated by Brajuha, an additional \$20,000 probably will be needed before the case draws to a close. Expenses already have reached \$10,000 even though the attorneys defending Brajuha are donating their services. Mario Brajuha has rendered

a singular service to the discipline in bringing the case this far. It is now time for the rest of us to assume our responsibility by sharing the financial burden with him.

Contributions are tax deductible and may be sent to Center for Research, Suite 1008, 225 Lafayette Street, New York, NY 10012. Checks should be made payable to the Center for Research.

#### **Orientation Party**

A highlight of this year's Annual Meeting was the first New Member Orientation Party. Several hundred new and longtime members of ASA mingled, chatted and interacted with ASA officers, Council members and Committee members in a relaxed setting. ASA President James F. Short Jr. welcomed the group and pointed out locations of tables and committee members with information for newcomers and introduced key members of the organization to the membership. Thanks to the efforts of John Schnabel and others involved in planning the event, the Orientation Party was a lively opportunity to learn more about how to get involved in ASA and what makes the organization

#### Note of Thanks

ASA wishes to thank the following people for their recent contributions to ASA programs and funds, including the Minority Fellowship Program, Teaching Endowment Fund, Fund for the Discipline, and COSSA: Jack Harkins, Paula L. Goldsmid, Calvin F. Schmid, and William H. Sewell

Thanks to those who make such donations, ASA is able to continue offering its membership a strong program of academic and professional support.

## Media Coverage at Meeting



ASA member Marta Tienda being interviewed for San Antonio television

One lively element of the 1984 Annual Meeting was the participation and coverage by national media. Before the meeting, ASA contacted national publications to announce the program and highlight various presentations. As a result, reporters from USA Today newspaper, the Chronicle of Higher Education and the San Antonio local media attended and covered the meeting. In addition, ASA sent special press kits to the Dallas United Press International office which assigned a local reporter to cover various sessions and also sent several ASA press releases out on the wire service. As a result of that effort, articles on presentations by ASA members during the meeting have appeared all over the country, in newspaper and radio outlets. Articles on various papers and topics appeared daily in USA Today and information on members' research was reported on ABC Radio News, RKO Radio and elsewhere.

ASA held a press conference during the meeting for Vilma Nuñez de Escorcía (see item elsewhere in this issue) which was attended by representatives of local newspapers and television stations. In addition, several ASA members were interviewed during the meeting by representatives of local and national television, radio and newspapers in the Press Room.

The success of the 1984 effort will be used for guidance in planning media coverage of the next Annual Meeting, ASA members planning to make presentations at the 1985 meeting in Washington may wish to send copies of their paper abstracts directly to Ruth Thaler at ASA for use in developing media coverage of the meeting. Well-written, concise abstracts are invaluable in planning media coverage of presentations. Anyone who does not wish to have press coverage of their paper should inform ASA directly.

#### **Teaching**

by Carla B. Howery

Sociologists are constantly searching for ways to improve sociology programs, increase enrollments, head off retrenchment, begin an applied emphasis, and survive the 1980s. Here are a list of strategies to begin to turn the tide.

- 1. Take seriously the premise that an effective sociology program is a department responsibility. This position flies in the face of professional socialization to build individual careers. Departments, to some extent, rise and fall as collectives. The student grapevine transmits information on whether departments are inconsistent and idiosyncratic or effective and responsive. A charismatic teacher may draw students, but you may lose them with a negligent or problematic faculty member. Only when most or all faculty members are "good citizens" in the department and aid in curriculum planning and effective teaching can the department develop and hold a strong reputation. Of course, "good citizenship" and "effective teaching" activities must be rewarded. Implementing these suggestions must be seen as important professional contributions counting toward committee loads, advising assignments and university service. Departments must devise ways to measure contributions to teaching and include the results in promotion and tenure decisions.
- 2. Sponsor or participate in a career day at the local high schools. Most schools draw undergraduate students from their geographic region or state. Reaching out to make sociology known to these students may lead an entering freshman to take sociology. Some departments offer to give guest lectures on a selected list of topics. To reach a school outside your region, send a videotape of faculty giving especially effective presentations
- 3. Ask campus advisers to meet with the department. The information advisers give to entering students can be surprising. Do all advisers have a description of the sociology curriculum? Invite them to meet with the department to discuss the content of the introductory course, courses most useful to non-majors, which instructors or course formats are most helpful to underprepared students, and other topics. On another occasion, meet with the career planning and placement advisers. Share with them career information for the sociology BA student and offer to work with them on placement. ASA has career booklets they can use. (See boxed item elsewhere in this issue for details on a new ASA brochure on "Career Opportunities for Sociology Graduates.")
- Develop a brochure or handbook about the department and the major. A carefully and attractively prepared brochure will make a positive impression on students and will provide important information about the content of the discipline. Rice University has a brochure made up to look like a sweepstakes form. University of Wisconsin-Whitewater's handbook has pictures of major theorists on the cover and contains faculty biographies and information about curriculum tracks that link with career opportunities
- 5. Design and support a faculty development program. Effective teaching is a set of skills (not a single prescription) that can be taught. Perhaps not every faculty member can be a great teacher, but everyone can improve. Contact the faculty development center, use the resources of the ASA Teaching Services Program, hold brown bag lunches to share information about teaching. Remember that 90% of all students who take the introductory sociology course do not take another course in sociology. Put the most experienced and most effective teachers in that first course. That is a market to tap!
- 6. Consider a curriculum revision to include applied sociology tracks. There are many ways to modify an existing program to include courses that aid students in a variety of careers. Departments have added a single course, offered substantive tracks, developed internship programs, or simply taken a systematic look at the skills implied in current courses. These options are described in *Teaching Applied* Sociology: A Resource Book, sold for \$10 through the ASA Teaching Resources Center.
- 7. Advertise new and existing courses. At the end of the introductory course, hand out information on other sociology courses students now can take. Have some of the faculty teaching those upper-level courses lecture in the introductory course about their specialty to attract students to take a whole course on that subject. Advertise in the student newspaper and put posters in the union and on campus kiosks. Contact the newspaper about the positive accomplishments of the sociology faculty and seek press coverage of new books, important research, new courses, and community and university service.

  8. Embrace the service mission and look at course offerings for non-majors. To curric-
- ulum committees, sociologists argue for the general education value of our discipline. Take a look at the curriculum in terms of the non-major, trying to offer solid courses that a person could take after or instead of the introductory course. For some departments, that means multiple courses at the 100 and 200 (freshman and sophomore) levels. At Temple University, for example, the department offers a wide range of freshman-level courses, including Sociology of Jazz and Sociology of Friendship as well as Introductory Sociology. Group sets of courses to form tracks for the non-major, such as a cluster in formal organizations for business students, a medical track for nurses and a research methods track to dovetail with several majors. Contact other departments about making these tracks consistent with their major requirements.
- 9. Form a sociology club or a chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta. Sociology students need a sense of "we-ness" on a campus where they are a minority group. The sociology club can serve students' needs to socialize and to share information about their chosen field. It can be used as a job hunting club, a place for informal discussions with faculty and an arena for feedback about the department.
- 10. Start a department newsletter or bulletin board. A department newsletter can share the news of faculty and student work, as well as information about alumni and their whereabouts. The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and the University of Minnesota have such newsletters.
- 11. Encourage contact with alumni and alumni visits. The alumni office keeps better track of people than the CIA. You should be able to get a list of names and addresses of recent graduates to mail out an alumni survey to get feedback about the department. For a sample of such a survey, see Philip Nyden, "Alumni Surveys," Teaching Applied Sociology, sold by the ASA Teaching Resources Center. Asking alumni to visit as guest lecturers can be an important contact for students. They can readily identify with an alumni of the department and may make a valuable contact for an internship or a future job. Maybe some alumni will be as loyal to the sociology department as to the school football team.
- 12. Develop a generic resume of what a sociology major can do. The University of Illinois-Chicago has identified the set of skills that a typical major from the department can be expected to have upon graduation. This information orients

students to their strengths and sends an important message to employers. The "collective resume" also serves as a benchmark for the department. Without infringing on academic freedom, it sets general goals for the department; each

- faculty member can check his or her course against the larger goals.

  13. Work with students through the placement process. In the junior year, begin to supply majors with career information and options for using the sociology BA. Offer mini-sessions on resume writing or work with the campus placement center. Identify internship sites that can later turn into full-time work. Write letters of reference that reflect tangible skills, not graduate student potential. Head off the question "What can I do with a sociology major?" as early as possible. Stephen Spitzer, University of Minnesota, has developed two video tapes, "Dimensions of Applied Sociology" and "Careers in Sociology," for use in the introductory course.
- 14. Organize a social science research center. These centers, funded by contract search, provide a mechanism for training students in research while earning credit and performing valuable community service. Lower division students, then closely supervised, can make a contribution while learning a great deal about conducting research. Schools that have such enters include: Valdosta State College (GA), Pacific Lutheran College (WA), Anne Arundel Community College MD), and St. Olaf College (MN).
- 15. Sponsor an informal gathering. Another way to attract potential majors and to advertise the department's course offerings is to hold a late afternoon get-together open to anyone interested in learning more about the department. Advertise by utting up posters around campus and notices in the campus newspaper and have students pass the word along. Printed course descriptions give students the opportunity to ask the faculty members questions about the department and the courses. At Catholic University, the department provided beer and soda and one faculty member even made chili for the event. Schedule these events before preregistration to provide timely information on courses and the major.

Students have always liked the subject matter of sociology. The challenge for sociologists is to show what they do and to connect sociological skills to job opportunities

For more information on these ideas, see:

Crittenden, Kathleen S. "What Our Graduates Have to Offer Employers: The Collective Resume," forthcoming in the ASA Teaching Newsletter.

owery, Carla B. Teaching Applied Sociology: A Resource Book. Washington, D.C.:

ASA Teaching Resources Center, 1983.
Parks, Clarence. "An Outline of Two Programs to Increase Enrollments in the Undergraduate Sociology Curriculum," paper read at the 1984 Southwestern Social Science Association meeting.

## **New Fund Supports Innovative Teaching**

Later this month, your dues renewal notice will arrive. Among the boxes to check is the Teaching Endowment Fund, a new effort to strengthen and expand the ASA's services to teachers of sociology. Over the last 10 years, the ASA has demonstrated its commitment to supporting effective teaching of sociology and the professional role of teacher. Since 1976, these efforts have been grouped together as the ASA Teaching Services Program. In the beginning, these services, their development and periods of trial and evaluation were funded by grants from the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education and the Lilly Endowment Inc. Through the support provided by these grants, ASA was able to experiment, to test and, finally, to organize a successful, ongoing, permanent program which includes: developing and disseminating resource materials through the Teaching Resources Center, a program of workshops on various topics conducted in various locations n the United States, and a program of departmental and program visitations where teams from the Teaching Resources Group respond to invitations from sociology departments and programs.

The Teaching Services Program is housed in the ASA Executive Office and is part of the ASA budget. Most of the activities have been self-supporting through literature sales, registration fees and honoraria provided by host departments.

The Committee on Teaching and the ASA Executive Office are keenly aware that the needs of

teachers of sociology and improving the sociology instruction are dynamic, continuously changing conditions. As new needs arise, and the Association is eager to respond to these new needs, funds are needed to experiment with, test and evaluate new programs, new approaches and new services. Such expenses cannot be met by the operational budget of the Association nor does the operational budget have the flexibility to respond to opportunities as they arise that could provide support to individuals or groups when they originate exciting new

To respond to groups or individuals with new ideas that require prompt support, the Association has established the Teaching Endowment Fund. This fund is intended to provide a flexible, readily available resource to meet new opportunities and challenges. With the help of such a fund, ASA, individuals or groups can obtain modest support to translate a good idea into a working experiment. This fund must grow to provide the income that will make it possible to undertake such awards. Individuals, departments and groups are invited to donate funds either in connection with the annual membership application or as special gifts and bequests so the Teaching Endowment Fund can grow and provide a yield capable of keeping the services of the Association continuously alive and adaptive to new needs and opportunities in support of the teaching of our discpline. Please add your contribution to the Fund when you return your dues renewal notice.

#### Meeting Calendar

October 19-20. New York State Sociological Society meeting, Baruch College, CUNY, New York, NY, Contact; Roslyn Wallach Bologh, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, St John's University, Jamaica, NY 11439.

October 20-21. Clinical Sociology Association Second Intervention Work shop, Southgate Towers Hotel, New York, NY. Leader: Dr. Ronald Lippitt. Theme: "Practicing Intervention Strategies." Contact: Dr. Adrian R. Tiemann, 25 West 64th Street, New York, NY 10023.

October 24-25. Montefiore Medical Center Symposium on Aging and the Dementias and Aging in the 21st Century, Rockefeller University, New York, NY. Contact: Janet Dole, Montefiore Medical Center, 111 East 210th Street, Bronx, NY 10467.

October 24-27. Mid-South Sociological Association, Monroe, LA. Contact: Donald South, President, Department of Sociology/Anthropology, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL 36688; (205) 460-6347.

October 25-26. University of Wisconsin-La Cross Conference, La Crosse, WI. Theme: "Women and Men: Research and Experience." Contact: Extended Education, University of Wisconsin, La Crosse, WI 54601; (608) 785-8492.

October 26-27. Clinical Sociology Association Conference on Sociological Approaches to Cancer Intervention, Fox Chase Cancer Center, Philadelphia, PA. Contact: Dr. Elizabeth Clark, Department of Health Professions, Mont-clair State College, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; (201) 893-7114.

November 1-2. Food, Drugs and Aging Symposium, Cleveland, OH. Contact Ruth E. Dunkle, Director, Center on Aging and Health, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH 44106; (216)368-2692.

November 2-4. First Annual Regional Educational Software Infomart, Penta Hotel, New York, NY, Contact: Nina T. Kurtis, National Educational Soft ware Infomarketing Corporation, 225 East 57th Street, 17H, New York, NY 10022; (212) 688-8904.

November 3. Computers and the Social Science Curriculum Workshop, New Jersey Institute of Technology Center for Information Age Technology, Newark, NI. Contact: Roxanne Hiltz, CIAT, New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark, NJ 07102.

November 9-11. American Italian Historical Association's Seventeenth Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. Theme: "Support and Struggle: Italians and Italian Americans in a Comparative Perspective." Contact: Joseph L. Tropea, George Washington University, Washington, D.C. 20052.

November 16-17, Social Science Education and Computing sponsored by New England Regional Computing Program. Contact: Robert E. Gibbs, NER-ComP, 439 Washington Street, Braintree, MA 02184; or William S. Fox, Sociology Department, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866.

November 16-20, Gerontological Society of America 37th Annual Scientific Meeting, San Antonio, TX. Contact: Pat Ludwig, Gerontological Society of America, 1411 K Street, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20005; (202) 393-1411.

November 30. Conference on the Future of New York in the World Economy, City College, CUNY, New York, NY. Contact: Professor Roger Waldinger, Department of Sociology, NAC 6145, City College, Convent Avenue at 138th Street, New York, NY 10031; (212) 690-

#### Syllabi Set Materials Sought

The Sullabi Set for Marriage and the Family Courses of the ASA Teaching Resources Center is being updated and revised. Materials solicited include syllabi, class projects, devices to teaching important concepts, film reviews, textbook reviews, and test items. Send textbook and film reviews to: Leroy Furr, Division of Social Sciences, Jefferson Community College, Louisville, KY 40202. All other materials should be sent to: Carla Howery, ASA, 1722 N Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. All materials must be received by January 1, 1985.

#### **Classified Ads**

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#### Certification from page 3

Separate five-member Certification Committees are to be appointed for the broad specialty areas. Each committee would rely on the general requirements outlined above, though the details of their procedures for soliciting and evaluating evidence might differ. As is the case with other standing committees, committee members would be nominated by the Committee on Committees and approved by Council. Wherever possible, appropriate sections would be consulted in the process of compiling slates of candidates. As soon as practicable, members of each Certification Committee should themselves be certified in the appropriate spe-

In the Committee's view, the chairs of each of the five Certification Committees also should be members of an oversight committee which would have a Council Liaison as its sixth member. The mandate of this committee would be fourfold: to recommend new areas for which certification might be appropriate; to consider continuing education requirements for recertification; to prepare a periodic column for FOOT-NOTES dealing with various aspects of certification, and to conduct periodic reviews of the whole certification program. Should the latter reveal that there is little or no demand for certification in a given area of specialization, it would be dropped from the Association's options. The first full-scale review is to be conducted three years after the program's

In addition to assuming responsibility for administering the Association's certification program, the Executive Office will prepare and maintain an annual Register of members whose certification is current. This document will be available at the lowest possible cost to both members and non-members who request it. Initially, one aspect of compiling the Register would be broad publication of the fact that those social psychologists who were certified in the early 1960s are automatically eligible for inclusion in the Register provided their ASA membership is current and they present evidence of having been certified. The initial application and certification fees will be waived for this group and only the biennial renewal fee assessed.

#### Certification at the Master's Degree Level

Specialty certification is not really feasible at the MA level, since most programs stress exposure to an array of sociological sub-fields rather than immersion in one area of study. Training in major sociological research strategies, on the other hand, tends to be thorough and rigorous. Moreover, such training represents the discipline's strong suit and is often superior to that provided by other social and behavioral sciences such as social work and, in some cases, psychology.

Social research skills are sought after and valued by many employers in the applied arena. Given proper visibility, therefore, sound methodological training might provide MA sociologists with a competitive edge in the applied job market. Certification is one means of providing the legitimacy that is required, and consequently, the Committee strongly recommended that ASA use the designation "Applied Social Research Specialist" to certify sociologists with MA degrees. Given the current configuration of employment opportunities, certification at this level might have much more impact than at the PhD level. As a result, the Committee considers the proposal for MA certification its most significant recommendation.

In brief, certification is to revolve around familiarity with several sociological research and data analysis strategies. More specifically, the following will be required:

- 1. A master's degree in Sociology, or its equivalent in another social science, from a regionally accredited institution.
- 2. The equivalent of one year of experience with data collection and analysis. This generally will have been acquired while fulfilling requirements for the BA and MA degrees.
- 3. Two letters of recommendation.
- 4. Full membership in the ASA and explicit agreement to adhere to ASA's Code of Ethics.
- Successful completion of a written examination.

The examination for MA certification will consist of several parts. The core exam, which will be required of everyone, will focus on essential methodological and statistical procedures. In addition, applicants must complete at least one of four elective examinations. These include: survey research, demographic techniques, advanced quantitative analysis (e.g., multivariate regression analysis, etc.), and qualitative analysis (e.g., case studies, organizational analysis, etc.). An ASA committee charged with drawing up examination questions and grading procedures is in the process of being appointed. The examination will be given in conjunction with the ASA annual meeting and at the meetings of regional sociological associations, should there be sufficient demand.

Procedures for the MA-level Certification Committee, and its composition, are similar to those of the PhD committees. The proposed fee structure is also equivalent (i.e., \$50 fees for application and actual certification and a biennial \$40 recertification fee). The major difference between the two sets of procedures is that during the first year of the MA program's operation, people with five years of relevant experience will be allowed to waive the written examination.

#### Member Input Sought

Copies of the entire report prepared by the Certification Committee, along with appendices spelling out procedures in detail, are available from the ASA Executive Office. Council will consider commentary on, and reactions to, the Certification Program outlined above at its next meeting. Members are invited to submit comments on the proposed program any time before November 15, 1984. Please direct written comments to Bettina J. Huber at the ASA Executive Office (1722 N Street, N.W.; Washington, D.C. 20036)

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#### Here's How Meeting Sites are Chosen

When members call and write about the ASA Annual Meetings, two of the most frequently asked questions are: "How do you decide where to hold the meeting?" and "Don't you realize that the time of the meeting conflicts with the beginning of classes?" Decisions on the place and the time for an Annual Meeting are based on several factors.

In making site selections, The Executive Office, under the guidance of Council, looks for cities with adequate meeting facilities that member will want to visit. Site selections are made about five years in advance in order to secure meeting space and room blocks in desirable cities. With over 225 program sessions plus committee and other group meetings, the ASA requires numerous meeting rooms for the entire five-day convention. Sites are first evaluated for the amount and type of meeting space available in conjunction with the numer and likely cost of sleeping rooms in close proximity. Use of a convention center requires that rental fees be paid for meeting space, whereas hotels provide space in return for a commitment to fill an allotment of sleeping rooms. By encouraging members to stay in the headquarters hotel for the meeting, ASA can keep meeting expenses lower and attendees have the advantage of being in the center of the convention action.. So, a site with satisfactory meeting space in one hotel has a definite advantage over locations where space must be rented or where sessions must be scattered over several properties.

If room rates were the sole factor in making site and date selections, the meeting would always be scheduled around Labor Day. This is a time when hotels are looking for business, and special concessions are granted to groups willing to meet during this period. However, four-fifths of our members work in academic settings. Roughly half of alll schools begin their fall terms around Labor Day. These data as well as comments from individual members have registered with the Council and Executive Office. Last year, we surveyed the membership about the ideal time to hold a meeting. There was no clear consensus

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Copyright 1984, ASA. Third class postage paid at Washington, D.C., and additional mailing offices. beyond the preference to meeting in August, but there was a general call to meet earlier in the month. That information has had a direct bearing on our convention site negotiations for the future, but because of the long lead-time in convention planning, you will not see the fruits of your vote until 1987.

Get our your calendars—here are the meeting dates and places for the next five years:

1985—August 26-30 in Washington, D.C.

1986—September 1-5 in San Francisco

1987—August 17-21 in Chicago 1988—August 24-28 in Atlanta 1989—August 10-14 in New York City

The ASA Council will address the topic of Annual Meeting sites, rotation to different regions of the country and proposals from midsized cities (e.g., Minneapolis, Cincinnati, Kansas City) at its meeting in February. Direct your feedback to members of Council or the Executive Office.—CBH

#### **Annual Meeting**

The listing of topics and organizers for the 1985 Annual Meeting program was announced in the August issue of FOOTNOTES. The following additions and changes should be noted.

Organizations: Structures and Processes (Regular Session #46). The address for Fred Goldner has changed to: Department of Sociology, Queens College, Flushing, NY 11367.

Section on Comparative Historical Sociology program sessions will be organized by Craig Calhoun, Department of Sociology, Hamilton Hall 070A, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities announces Rhoda Lois Blumberg as program organizer. Send submissions to her at 11 Riverside Drive, Apt. 102E, New York. NY 10023.

Reminder: The deadline for submission of papers to organizers is December 31,

#### Mass Media

Richard Appelbaum, University of California, Santa Barbara, received coverage for being an invited expert witness on the validity of a federal HUD study before a joint hearing of the House Committee on Government Operations and the Subcommittee on Housing and Community Developement on May 24, 1984. His views on the U.S. involvement in Latin America were covered in the July/ August issue of The Center Magazine, a publication of the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions.

George Bridges and Thomas Pullman, University of Washington, were quoted in an article about their research on the relationship between drunk driving and stricter penalties which appeared in the Longview, Washington Daily News on July 17.

Edgar W. Butler, University of California, Riverside, was a guest on the Playboy Channel in Los Angeles in February to discuss alternative lifestyles. In May 1984, he discussed sexual harassment in universities and colleges on the Phil Donahue television show.

#### COSSA, NIMH Name New Directors

David Jenness has been named the new Executive Director of the Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA), succeeding Roberta Balstad Miller. He took office with COSSA on September 1.

Jenness is the former Executive Associate of the Social Science Research Council in New York City and past president of the Kodaly Institute, an organization dealing with musical cognition, pedagogy and ethnomusicology. He holds a BS degree in Psychology and PhD in Neuropsychology from Columbia University

Shervert H. Frazier, MD, has been named the new director of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). Frazier is professor of psychiatry and psychiatrist-in-chief at the Harvard Medical School and McLean Hospital.

Before joining McLean Hospital in 1972, Frazier served for four years as deputy director of the New York State Psychiatric Institute and professor of clinical psychiatry at Presbyterian and St. Luke's Hospitals in New York.

#### New Brochure Outlines Jobs in Sociology

The answer to the typical student question, "What can I do with a sociology degree?" can now become, "Any number of things."

Relating a sociological degree to the workplace may be easier than ever before, thanks to a new brochure on "Career Possibilities for Sociology Graduates" by Bettina J. Huber, recently published by ASA.

The brochure outlines more than 1,400 job titles representing job choices available to graduates with a BA, MA or PhD in sociology. Listings were compiled from data collected for the 1982 biographical directory of ASA members. Actual job titles of members employed by federal, state

and local governments; private sector; nonprofit private sector, and self-employment are included in the brochure.

"There is no certainty that the array of job titles and employers is representative of all sociologists working in applied occupations, but the array does provide some insight into the diverse career paths that those with training in sociology have pursued," says Huber.

To receive "Career Possibilities for Sociology Graduates," contact the ASA Executive Office. The brochure is intended for distribution to students through their sociology teachers. Single copies are free and multiple copies are 15¢ each.

Ian Currie, University of Guelph, was quoted in an article in a recent issue of The National Enquirer about research on the presence of ghosts in large cities.

Arlene Kaplan Daniels, Northwestern University, was quoted in a July 23 Washington Post article on the impact of clothing and appearance of Democratic Vice Presidential candidate Geraldine Ferrano. The article was picked up by the San Francisco Chronicle and Daniels was interviewed by the Chicago Sun-Times Of Sun-Times of Sun-Times.

Alex S. Freedman, Northeastern State University, has been writing a guest editorial for the *Tulsa Tribune* for the past two years.

Ann Goetting, Western Kentucky University, was selected for her work on conjugal association in prison as a "newsmaker personality" by Newsmaker Interviews and as a result was interviewed by 16 radio stations across the country.

Fred Gouldner, Queens College, has received extensive press coverage on his work on pronoia (the delusion that everyone loves you) in The Wall Street Journal and Boston Globe, and WCBS, KABC and KMBZ radio stations.

Baqar A. Husaini, Tennessee State University, recently had articles on his research on sociology of mental health appear in the Nashville Banner, Tennessean and USA Today and reported on the National Public Radio Program.

R. George Kirkpatrick was cited in a November, 1983 Los Angeles Times article on Satanism.

Fredrick Koenig, Tulane University, was interviewed and quoted in the Cleveland Plan Dealer of May 26, 1984, concerning the alleged disappearance of dancer Alfonso Ribeiro, in the Christian Science Monitor of July 9, 1984 about the book Color Me Beautiful; and in the July 10, 1984 National Enquirer article on teaching youngsters.

Richard Moran, Mount Holyoke College, published a "My Turn" article entitled "More Crime and Less Punishment" in Newsweek (May 7) in which he argues that there is so much crime that there is no effective way of punishing

Ruth Rubinstein, Fashion Institute of Technology, was quoted in the June 10 issue of the Washington Post about her work on "Color, Circumcision, Tattoos, and Scars." She also was the author of a September 9 Washington Post article entitled "Fashion and Passion."

Mady Wechsler Segal, University of Maryland, was quoted in a feature article on the American military in the July 9 issue of Newsweek.

Martha E. Thompson, Northeastern Illinois University, conducted research on policies about breastfeeding in restaurants that was featured in the Chicago Tribune and cited in the Ann Landers column.

Steven M. Tipton, Emory University, was quoted in the August 6 Neusweek article "Who's a 'Good Christian'?" and argued that analysis of President Reagan's most religious speeches show a preference for non-interference by the government into the religious aspects of family life.

Ruth Useem, Michigan State University, had her research on the status of women in the Philippines quoted in a August 1984 Psychology Today article entitled "Women in science: Teachers make the difference."

#### **People**

Michael T. Aiken has been appointed chair of the department of sociology at the University of Pennsylvania.

Pauline B. Bart, Professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago, will be a Visiting Scholar at Harvard Law School for the fall semester and will teach at UCLA in Sociology/Women's Studies in the spring.

Brigham Card, Red Deer College, Alberta Canada, was awarded the \$25,000 Sir Frederick Hultain prize for his work in educational sociology by the Canadian government.

Stephen T. Cassano, Manchester Community College, and a Democratic member of Manchester's Board of Directors somee 1977, was nominated to try and unseat state Sen. Carl A. Zinsser, R. Manchester, in the 4th Senatorial District.

**Freddie Clary** has taken a position in the marketing division of Land O' Lakes in Minneapolis.

Steven F. Cohn, University of Maine at Orono, was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship to Great Britain for the 1984 academic year. He will be teaching at Newcastle Polytechnic Institute, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Randall Collins will be a Distinguished Visiting Professor at the University of California, Riverside, during winter and spring quarters, 1985.

Mark G. Field, Boston University and Russian Research at Harvard University, was a Visiting Scholar at Nancy, France, in the fall of 1983 with the help of a Fulbright Travel Grant and an award from INSERM. In the spring of 1984, he was a Visiting Professor at UCLA and visited and lectured in Japan, China, Hong Kong, Israel, and Ancona, Italy. He also made presentations in France, Switzerland and Beleium.

William R. Freudenburg, Washington State University, recently was appointed by the Secretary of the Interior as a member of the Scientific Committee of the Outer Continental Shelf Advisory Board, U.S. Minerals Management Service.

Jonathan H. Turner, University of California, Riverside, received a fellowship from the Netherlands Institute for Advanced Study at Wassenarr to conduct intensive research in social theory and theoretical traditions and work on a book with Anthony Giddens at Cambridge.

Dorothy C. Wertz is the new editor of Research in the Sociology of Health Care. She replaces former editor Julius

#### Laue Heads New Center

James H. Laue, Professor of Sociology and former director of the Center for Metropolitan Studies at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, is the first president and executive director of the Conflict Clinic, Inc., an independent institution working in collaboration with the Program on Negotiation at Harvard Law School.

The purpose of the clinic, founded in 1983, is to improve the theory and practice of negotiation and mediation through direct involvement in selected national and international disputes of significant public concern.

### Official Reports and Proceedings

MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE 1984 ASA COUNCIL

THE 1984 ASA COUNCIL

The first meeting of the 1984 ASA Council convened at 8:40 a.m. on Monday, September 5, 1983, at the Westin Hotel, Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan Council members present were: Michael Aiken, Rodolfo Alvarez, Edgar F. Borgatta, M. Elaine Burgess, Theodore Caplow, Clen H. Elder, Jr., Kai Erikson, Amitai Etzioni, Morris Rosenberg, Alice S. Rossi, James F. Short, Jr., Roberta G. Sirmons, Theda Skoopol, Gaye Tuchman, Michael Useem, Everett K. Wilson, and Harriet Zuckerman. Present from the Executive Office were Janet L. Astmer, William V. D'Antonio, Carla Howery, Bettina Huber, Jo Ann Ruckel, Paul R. Williams, President Short chaired the meeting.

- Approval of Agenda. With the addition of a committee report, the agenda was approved as amended.
- 2. Report of President. Short indicated that appointments of Council Liaisons were completed before the Annual Meeting. completed before the Annual Meeting. Additional subcommittee appointments will be made during the year, and the President indicated he would try to check in advance with members regarding such appointments. However, he emphasized that there is a heavy workload of committee service which accompanies election to Council.
- At the request of a Council member and with the consensus of the Council, the President designated a portion of the sched-uled lunch time as a "metaphysical hour" to discuss issues of concern to the field of sociology.
- 3. Report of Secretary. Caplow mented on the fiscal status of the Associa tion and added a note of caution. Due to increases in subscription and membership increases in subscription and membership rates, the budget in now in better balance than the preceding two to three years. However, there is no reason to anticipate a major increase in membership. Efficiency of operation and good planning will be necessary to keep the Association stable.
- 4. Report of Executive Officer. The Executive Officer indicated that an informal discussion regarding ducs and membership would be helpful in responding to letters from new members and also in planning future membership drives.
- 5. Committee Appointments for 1984. The 1983 Chair of the Committee on Committees 3. Committee's polyminations of 1994: The 1988 Chair of the Committee on Committees (COC), Pepper Schwartz, presented the report of the Committee's work and noted that Barbara Heyns had been elected to serve as the 1984 COC Chair. Several general recommendations were presented to Countil: (1) that anominations and information be softicted from committee members prior to the committee meeting. (2) that a general communication be sent to each committee outlining the general functions of COC, (3) that more specific directions be prepared to guide the Committee's work; (4) that packets of background information be sent out earlier in the summer, and (5) that staff support be provided during the meeting if at all possible. Recommendations of individuals to serve on 1984 ASA committees were then presented to Council. Specific questions on presented to Council. Specific questions on individuals and committees were asked by individuals and committees were asked by Council members, and Schwartz provided background on COC discussion. Council accepted the report and expressed gratitude to Schwartz and COC for their hard work. The Executive Office was directed to accommodate to the COC general recom-mendations as much as possible in order to assist the work of the Committee.

assist the work of the Committee. Following a short break, Council went into closed session for further discussion of the recommendations. It was noted that COC is an elected body of the Association and that, while Council has final authority. and that, while Council has final authority for committee appointments, only with good reason should COC nominations be altered (e.g., when COC nomines overlap those of the Committee on Nominations). Council then proceeded to review and approve a final list of nominees for each committee, specifying chairs as necessary. The problem of non-attendance at meetings by some committee, specifying chairs members was

ings by some committee members was brought to Council's attention. After discussing several avenues of action, there was consensus that the President and Secretary consensus mar the rresident and secretary should inquire into each situation and then act according to the constitutional pro-visions.

A request was relayed for an additional member to serve on the Committee to Re-view Membership Insurance. Council approved a one-year extension of a current term to provide the fourth member. The

term to provide the fourth member. The composition of the Committee on the Status of Homosexuals in Sociology was designated as a six-person committee plus a Council Lision.

The following decisions were made regarding a

Committee on Expanding Professional Committee on Expanding Protessional Opportunities in Sociology, Committee on Federal Standards for the Employment of Sociologists, Action on status deferred—Task Force on Sociology and the Media; Moved—Committee on Membership Incentives to fill vacancy of inactive constitutional committee on membership.

The Executive Office was requested to re-

port back in January regarding the accept-ance rate for appointments. Comments on the policy which excludes student and asso-ciate members from committee appoint-ments were also requested.

6. Report of the Committee on Publicarank-ordered list of nominees for the JHSB Editorship was presented to

MOTION: To accept the recommended

Ethics Procedures. The revised version of the procedures was presented to Council.

MOTION: That the changes submitted by the ethics subcommittee be incorporated nto the document. Carried.

MOTION: That Council accept the docu-ment and submit the ethics procedures to the ASA membership for ratification.

Carried.

MOTION: To authorize the Committee on Professional Ethics to operate under these procedures subsequent to the ratification. Carried.

8. COFRAT Recommendation. A report of 8. COPRAT Recommendation. A report of a preliminary investigation by the Com-mittee on Freedom of Research and Teach-ing (COPRAT) was presented to Council. Although the Committee concluded that the case was not appropriate for more detailed investigation by COPRAT because of its curinvestigation by COPKAI Decause of its cur-rent legal nature, the Committee recom-mended that Council take action to relay information from the Code of Ethics as the official position of the ASA. Following con-siderable discussion, action was taken. MOTION: That Council entrust to the President on its behalf the discretion to testal a letter the Publish 4 lauver inform.

write a letter to Brajuha's lawyer inform write a letter to Brajuha's lawyer informing the lawyer that were documents taken with the promise of confidentiality to be openly disclosed, it would place the sociologist in violation of paragraph LES, of the Code of Ethics of the American Sociological Association, which makes the thing the provided by research participants must be treated as such by sociologists, even when this information enjoy and began provided by research participants under the provided by research participants under the provided by research participants on the provided by research participants of the provided by research participants on the provided by research participants of the provided by the provid legal protection or privilege and legal force is applied.".

9. CSWS Guidelines on Women Faculty. The Committee on the Status of Women in Sociology presented a report and set of "Guidelines for Incorporating Women Faculty into Departments of Sociology During the Eighlies." Three recommendations for the Eighties." Three recommendations for Council action were suggested: (1) Direct the Executive Office to distribute copies of the Guidelines in the form of an attractive book-iet, accompanied by a cover letter from the ASA President, to all departments of Sociol-ogy (graduate and undergraduate) either in a separate mailing or as part of a regular mailing; (2) Direct the Executive Office to which the three of the council of the council of the account of the council of the council of the distribution of the council of the council of the distribution of the council of the council of the distribution of the council of the council of the distribution of the distribution of the distribution of the distribution of distribut maning; (2) Direct the Executive Office to publish these Guidelines in FOOTNOTES as a set of Council recommendations; (3) Recommend to the 1990 Council that it con-duct a review of departments with regard to their success in meeting the objectives out-lined in these Guidelines and publish the results of this review. results of this review

Following a debate on the statistical analysis and the wording of the guidelines, Council deferred a motion to accept the guidelines and take the recommended ac-

MOTION: To refer the guidelines to an editorial subcommittee of Tuchman, Skocpol, and Erikson for a report back in the morning. Carried.

10. Committee on Expanding Professional Opportunities in Sociology. Wilson presented a verbal summary of the early deliberations of the Committee along with a set of recommendations: (1) Council direct the Executive Office to issue letters of introduction to retired and/or independent scholars to help them eain access to research troduction to retred and/or independent scholars to help them gain access to research libraries. In addition, the Executive Office should be asked to devise ways in which such scholars can get in touch with de-partments for assistance in gaining access to campus libraries. (2) Council request that a letter be sent over the President's signature asking major library associations to accept leater of sent resolutions from confessional letters of introduction from professional associations on behalf of retired and/or inassociations on benalt or retired analor in-dependent scholars as a basis for granting library privileges. (3) Council request the Executive Office to provide the best possible estimates on (a) number of vacancies/ replacements; (b) number of power of open-ings, by type over the next 10 years, in aca-demic and non-academic positions; (c) num-ber of mercan who are undesampload in ber of persons who are underemployed in adjunct and non-permanent positions. (4)
Council authorize and ask the President to
appoint three additional members of the
committee to share the joys and labors of this Committee; (5) Council authorize a meeting of the Committee in connection with the January Council meeting, including authorization of costs should additional members of the Committee not be in Washngton at the time of the January Council

meetings.

MOTION: To accept the general spirit
and particular recommendations presented, and await with pleasure receipt
of the committee's report. Carried.

Council recessed at 5:33 on Monday eve ning and reconvened at 8:35 a.m. on Tues-day, September 6, 1983. In view of the lim-ited meeting time remaining, the President and Secretary reordered the agenda, with and Secretary 1601 Council approval.

- 11. Schedule of 1984 Council Meetings. After reviewing schedules and date options, Council approved January 27-29 and May 19-20 as 1984 meeting dates. The May meet-ing was scheduled on a contingency basis.
- 12. CSWS Guidelines, continued. The following amended guideline statements were presented. (1) As of 1981, in light of their availability in cohort-specific PhD were presented. (1) As of 1981, in light of their availability in cohort-specific PhD pools, one would have expected to have found women represented in approximately the following proportions in any given de-partment of socilogy: 16% of the Full Pro-fessors, 23% of the Associate Professors, 37% of the Associate Professors. (2) Accord-ing to the same criteria of cohort-specific availability, by 1990 one would expect women to comprise at least 25% of the teru-ured faculty in any given dearntment of sociwomen to comprise at least 23% or the ten-ined faculty in any given department of soci-ology. (3) Given that women comprise an increasing proportion of new PhDs in sociol-ogy, one would expect that about half of all Assistant Professors appointed by a depart-ment between 1984 and 1990 should be

Discussion commenced, and a motion to refer the amended guidelines to a sub-committee for further revision was defeated

committee for further revision was deteated (yes-5; no-9). The following motions were proposed and accepted.

MOTION: To approve the revised word-ing. Carried (yes-13; no-0; abstain-1).

MOTION: To approve the guidelines and accept the action recommendations. Carried (yes-10; no-3; abstain-1. Borgat-

ta requested that his abstaining vote be so recorded.)

13. Report of Task Force on Sociology and the Media. The Task Force was appointed because of concerns about adequate and cor-rect coverage of sociology in general and the Annual Meeting in particular. Following its first meeting, the Task Force forwarded the following recommendations for immediate first meeting, the Task Force forwarded the following recommendations for immediate and longer term action: fmmediate —(1) Establish a Sociology & the Media column in FOOTNOTES that would publicize and legitimate press exposure for sociologists; (2) fire a press officer for the Annual Meeting of the Column in ing for a period to cover two months before the Meeting and one month after; (3) Exhigh one was pended and one month after; (3) Explore sources of funding for media relations, possibly combining with other social science associations; (4) Hold a professional workshop on media relations during the Annual Meeting to teach sociologists how to interact with press; (5) Ask session organizers for the Annual Meeting to flag papers of interest to the general public. Longer Term—(1) Monitor national TV new programs to see how sociology and sociologists are presented over the next year; (2) Explore connections with schools of journalism and communications to inform them about social sciences and reduce the antipathy grads have toward sociology; (3) Prepare a hard-nosed rationale sociology; (3) Prepare a hard-nosed rationale sociology; (3) frepare a hard-nosed rationale for the Association and profession to improve its public relations; (4) Continue development of a method for handling press inquiries received by the Executive Office; (5) Develop a proactive, year-round approach to the media.

Some questions were raised as to whether increased press exposure works to the

Some questions were raised as to whether increased press exposure works to the advantage of those who seek it, but there was general consensus that more publicity and coverage was desired for the Annual Meeting. Discussion centered on ways to improve media relations in two arenas: event coverage, such as the Annual Meeting, and general media knowledge of sociology/sociologists. Itwas suggested that Council concerns be relayed to the Task Force by the President, and that funds be Force by the President, and that funds be

Force by the !resident, and that runds be authorized for a mid-year meeting. MOTION: To continue the Task Force and thank them for the report. Carried. MOTION: To authorize funds for a mid-year meeting of the Task Force on Sociol-ogy and the Media. Carried.

14. Business Meeting Resolutions.

a. Resolved: That the ASA Council and other

a. Resoftee: I nat rue ASA Council and other appropriate committees of the Association affirm their support of and commitment to Affirmative Action on the part of the Asso-ciation's membership, and further, that the ASA, through the good office of its President, communicate its reaffirmation of Affirmative. Action to the complexity is not to Affirmative Action to its membership and to the President of the United States, urging strict adherence to Affirmative Action guidelines and regulations in hiring,

reappointment, and student admissions throughout the academy, the government, and the corporate world.

MOTION: The ASA Council and other

appropriate committees of the Associa-tion affirm their support of and commit-ment to Affirmative Action on the part of ment to Affirmative Action on the part of the Association's membership, and fur-ther, that the ASA, through the good office of its President, communicate its reaffirmation of Affirmative Action to its membership and to the President of the United States and the Federal Office of Contract Compilance, urging strict adherence to Affirmative Action princiadherence to Attirmative Action principles in hiring, reappointment, and stu-dent admissions throughout the academy, the government, and the cor-porate world. Carried.

b. Resolved: That the ASA promote the can-didacy of Marjorie Fine Knowles as a Participant-Trustee Board Member of TIAA-CREE but recording this resolution in the

CREF by recording this resolution in the ASA newsletter, FOOTNOTES, and by urg-ASA newsletter, POOTNOTES, and by the ing eligible Association members to participate in the upcoming TIAA-CREF election of board members.

MOTION: To accept the resolution.

Tabled.
MOTION: Council requests the editor of FOOTNOTES to publicize the fact that SWS (Sociologists for Women in Society) has endorsed Marjorie Fine Knowles for the TIAA-CREF Board of Trustees, inthe HAA-CREP BOARD of Trustees, in-cluding in the announcement the biographical statement provided by SWS. Carried. Resolved: That the ASA write to Attorney General William French Smith request-

ing that the Attorney General exercise power to intervene in this matter to his power to intervene in this matter to grant Dennis Brutus permanent resi-dence or political asylum in the United States. Further, that the ASA send a copy of the letter to Attorney General William French Smith to Professor Jan Carew, Convenor of the Dennis Brutus Defense Fund Committee.

Defense Fund Committee MOTION: To approve the resolution and amended preface. Carried. Resolved: That we urge ASA Council to direct professional staff to make an analysis of the participation of the diversity of members as organizers and participants in the annual Program. Such reports should be distributed to this Section (Racial & Ethnic Minorities), other sections, and the Committee on the Staff. sections, and the Committee on the Statsections, and the Committee on the Status of Women and the Committee on the Status of Minorities. We request this analysis by race, ethnicity, and sex. MOTION: Council notes that this action has been taken previously and is a continuing activity. Carried.

15. Other Committee Reports

The staff liaison indicated that the Committee would present a full report at the January Council meeting, funds for a mid-year meeting or conference call were requested.
MOTION: To appropriate the requested

funds. Carried

A recommendation on the types of in-A recommendation on the types of in-surance plans to be considered was pre-sented: term life, in-hospital, disability, catastrophic major medical, personal acci-dent, professional liability, major medical, medicare supplement. MOTION: To approve the recommenda-tion of the Committee, Carried.

Wohlers, the current insurance agency, Wohlers, the current insurance agency, recommended a change in underwriters for the catastrophic major medical plan already in effect, due to better premiums and benefits. The Committee endorsed the recommendation and requested Council approval. MOTION: To approve the change in insurers proposed by Wohlers. Carried. b. Subcommittee on Problems of the Discipline.

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Subcommittee on Problems of the Discipline.

The new chair, Burgess, confirmed continuation of the ongoing discussion on the use of the Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline and the proposed fund for the profession. Some disappointment was expressed regarding the proposals received in the latest round of applications, and the possibility of sending aletter to all new PhDs to encourage them to apply for funds was suggested. An additional Congressional Fellowship was funded for this summer, and one other grant was made. A one-page summary of a report from the first Congressional Fellow was provided; a longer report is expected soon.

Committee on Sections. Useem reported concerns voiced in the Section Board meeting and discussed in the Committee's meeting and discussed and discussed and discussed and discussed and discussed and discussed and discus

ing and discussed in the Committee's meeting and discussed in the Committee's mering. Of primary concern is how the drop in ASA membership may be affecting section membership and thus section program time. The Council Liaison relayed four recommendations regarding section program sessions. sions: (I) When sections co-sponsor a ses-sion, this should be treated as an extra halfsion, this should be treated as an extra half-session that does not count against their allocations; (2) If sections see a large volume of papers, they can approach the President for more space; (3) Based on the decline in ASA membership, the limit of 200 persons to maintain a section should be lowered; and (4) The formula for allocating section pro-gram time should be altered to reflect the overall lower membership levels.

overall lower membership levels.

It was noted that sections are not unanimous on the request to lower the limit of persons needed to maintain a Section. The formation of new sections may also cause

shifts in membership. However, there is strong feeling on the Board that sections are not given due regard in the Association. Of concern also is the short term of service by the Board Convenor on the Committee on Sections. No continuity can be developed dweet to the annual chargeouse.

due to the annual changeover. Council members noted that the majority Council members noted that the majority of ASA members do not hold any section memberships, therefore demands for Section program time should be considered in a broader perspective.

MOTION: To deny the four requests and refer the question of structural considerations and the place of sections in the ASA to the Committee on Sections.

the ASA to the Committee on Sections. Carried (yes-y, no-4). Committee on Membership incentives. The Committee reported that it was inter-preting its charge from Council in two ways: (1) devising better promotional efforts calling attention to existing advantage of membership, and (2) thinking of ways the association could was the control of the council of counci

become more useful to more people. To these ends, two recommendations

To these ends, two recommendations were presented.

The first recommendation proposed that a new option called "Annual Meeting Advance Registration (dues included)" be added to the membership application. The rationale for this option is that some sociologists are able to have em ployers pay registration fees to meetings regardless of cost. If dues can be inregardless of cost. If dues can be in-cluded in registration fees and thus paid by employers, more might become

members.

MOTION: To allow the Executive Office to develop the requested option. Car-

The second option recommended for the The second option recommended for the membership application was to offer a choice of journals OR the equivalent dollar amount of materials from the Teaching Re-sources Center. This was proposed because persons in community and four-year col-leges, as well as in some universities, might find teaching materials more of an incentive theat the investion.

an the journals.

MOTION: To refer the recommendation to committee and seek budget advice. Carried.

Carried.

16. Other Items Deferred by 1983 Council.
a. Annual Meeting Follow-up, Services for Handicapped. A letter was received from a member regarding the need for a poll of the membership to determine the number of physically handicapped members, and also suggesting appointment of a committee on handicapped issues. The Administrative Officer noted that this year two announcements were run in FOOTNOTEs asking members with physical handicaps to contact the Executive Officer regarding needed services during the Annual Meeting: a total of Serve letters were received. A card a total of seven letters were received. A card

a total of seven letters were received. A card for special services was provided in the Primiturary Program packet; there were only two responses for interpreters for the deaf.

MOTION: That the President appoint the committee as requested. Carried by the AAAS. The Executive Officer reported that the ASA representative to Section K has no clearly defined role and proposed that the ASA become more involved in the AAAS program. Also, a representative to the AAAS Consortium of International Programs needed to be appointed.

MOTION: To authorize appointment of a subcommittee to present something definite for discussion in January. Carried.

med.
MOTION: To reappoint David Wiley as
the ASA representative to the AAAS
Consortium of International Programs.

Carried.

c. Graduate Students in the ASA. The Past
President proposed that a hospitality suite
or comfortable public room be set aside for
use by students attending the Annual Meet-

MOTION: Council directs that there be a MOTION: Council directs that there be a hospitality room for students, to be handled by a local arrangements committee if possible, at the 1984 Annual Meeting, A report on usage of the room is expected at the end of the Annual Meeting. Carried.

d. Security Classification of Government Docu-

d. Security Lussification of Government Decu-ments. A policy paper and resolution from the American Historical Association (AHA) against Executive Order 12356 was pre-sented with a request for support from ASA. The recent Executive Order 12356 requires that in any case of doubt, a government document be closed, and at the highest level of descriptions and list New of classification applicable.

MOTION: That the Council support the

AHA resolution and authorize the Exec utive Officer to communicate the resolu-tion. Carried.

Remaining agenda items were deferred to the January 1984 meeting. The first meeting of the 1984 ASA Council adjourned at 12:38 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 1983.

Respectfully submitted

Theodore Caplow Secretary

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#### Minutes, continued

MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE 1984 ASA COUNCIL

The second meeting of the 1984 ASA Council convened at 8-85 a.m. on Friday, 27 January 1984, at the Gramercy Hotel in Washington, D.C. Council members present were: Michael Aiken, Rodolfo Alvarez, Edgar F. Borgatta, M. Elaine Burgess, Theodore Caplow, Clen H. Elder, Jr., Kai Erikson, Amital Etzioni, Rosabeth Kanter (present and present and sent on Saturday only). Hans O. Mauksch. sent on saturday only), Hans U, Mauksen, Morris Rosenberg, Alice S, Rossi, James F, Short, Jr., Roberta G, Simmons, Theda Skoc-pol, Gaye Tuchman, Michael Useem, Everett K, Wilson. Present from the Execu-tive Office were: Janet L. Astner, William V. D'Antonio, Carla Howery, Bettina Huber, Jen Suter, Paul R, Williams, Various SWS obsencer, were nosent during nortions of observers were present during portions of the meeting. President Short chaired the

- Approval of Agenda. The agenda was approved following a rearrangement in the order of presentation of some items.
- 2. Report of President. Short reported that he was pleased with the convention facilities he observed during the October site visit to San Antonio in preparation for the 1984 Annual Meeting, and he urged mem-bers to participate fully in the authentic local
- 3. Report of Secretary. Caplow reported that in September 1983, the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget (EOB) was made aware of problems existing within the Executive Office, and that in October 1983. Mr. Robert Atwell and Ms. Madeleine Green Mr. Robert Atwelland Ms. Madeleine Green were engaged to conduct a study of the Executive Office. Caplow noted that in December 1983, Atwell and Green made an oral presentation which contained the following eight findings and recommendations:

  (1) ASA has a competent and dedicated staff, but lines of authority are not well-defined.
- (2) The best outcome would be to retain pre ent staff but resolve existing conflicts by
- sent staft but resolve existing conflicts by redefining responsibilities.

  The position of Executive Officer is one of those that needs to be redefined and tasks and responsibilities clarified. The existing division between sociologists and administrative personnel is not detailed.
- conducive to efficient operation.
  "Our basic conviction about the finances
- of the Association is that there needs to
- of the Association is that there needs to be some retrenchment."

  (5) It should be possible to eliminate at least one sociological position and require the remaining sociologists to perform some administrative duties.

  (7) Funds from the NIMH grant for the sup-part of the Microtty Edisouphin Program
- port of the Minority Fellowship Program should be devoted exclusively to that
- should be devoted exclusively to that purpose and a system of time and effort reports installed to document that use.

  (8) There is a wide discrepancy between the salary of the Executive Officer and the rest of this staff and between professional and administrative staff. A rational salary, structure precis to the developed. ary structure needs to be developed.

Caplow reported that the Committee considered the Atwell-Green findings and un-animously passed the following recom-mendations:

- Authorize the Executive Officer to reorganize the Executive Office in order to improve efficiency and effectiveness, and to
  - provide job descriptions for every po-sition, including any necessary
  - redistribution of duties.

    move toward a rational pay scale,
    with established ranges for each posi-
  - -prepare a manual of employment
  - arrange an equitable distribution of work load.
- work toat.

  —develop a plan for staff reduction.

  (2) The Executive Officer is authorized to hire and dismiss staff members. Professional and administrative appointments shall not run for more than one
- year.
  (3) The Executive Officer is understood to serve at the pleasure of the Council, sub-ject to periodic review by the EOB in accordance with the terms of his con-
- accordance and tract.

  None of the existing professional staff reporting to the Executive Officer shall be eligible for reappointment when their arms expire.
- present terms expire.
  (5) The Director of the Minority Fellowship Program should be assigned full-time to that program forthwith, and should review his staffing needs, and should install a system of logging time that will satisfy the requirements of the federal grant.

In his summary, Caplow noted that EOB's recommendations were promptly com-municated to the Executive Office staff by municated to the Executive Officer, and that because of the Executive Officer, and that because of the realignment of duties, Jo Ann Ruckel has resigned her position as Administrative Officer. He stated that, with few exceptions, most items in EOB's recommendation #1 have been implemented by the Executive Officer, and that he is to be commended on his prompt reorganization effort.

4. Executive Office Reorganization. 4. Executive Office reorganization. D'Antonio presented a summary of the Executive Office reorganization effort now underway. Detailed job descriptions and a draft of employee policies and procedures had been presented to EOB for its perusal. The new job descriptions reflect a more equitable distribution of duties throughout the staff and simplify the structure so that equitable distribution of duties introugnout the staff and simplify the structure so that the overall responsibility lies with the Executive Officer. D'Antonio noted that the reorganization plan had benefited from visits made to three other associations in the DC area that were similar in size and function to the ASA. The Association compared fewerable with the salary structures of these favorably with the salary structures of th associations and operated with the smallest number of staff.

number of staft.
The following managerial positions were
announced, and it was reported that all five
positions had been filled: Convention &
Meetings Manager, Janet L. Astner; Governance Manager, Jen Suter; Office Manager, Sharon K. Gray; Publications Manager,
Karen G. Edwards; Business Manager, Peatstaft Case J. No. Advances in more with contribute rice Segal. In order to improve the operation of the Executive Office, a Communications of the Executive Office, a Communications and Word Processing Division is to be created, and increased efficiency in work flow is expected to occur as a result of redefined positions and clarified tasks. The Executive Officer concluded his report by indicating that even though the Atvelt-Green report recommended the elimination of one sociology position, all three positions should be maintained to ensure the efficient operation

maintained to ensure the efficient operation of the Executive Office.

Specific questions regarding terms and rotation of the sociological staff positions were raised by Council members and it was suggested that longer but defined terms, with staggered rotation, might be a better future policy. After much discussion, Coun-cil concurred with this assessment.

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MOTION: That longer but defined terms, with staggered rotation, become the norm for sociologists on the Executive Office staff. The details of implementation are placed in the hands of the Executive Officer. Carried.

The Secretary presented the following

The Secretary presented the following resolution to Council: That the Council of resolution to Council: That the Council of ASA record its profound appreciation of the long, dedicated, and skillful service of Jo Ann Ruckel to the Association, and that the thanks of Council be conveyed to her in writing by the Secretary. MOTION: To accept this resolution. Car-

ried unanimously

#### 5. Deferred Business from the 1983

Council.

a. Fees for Tenure Review. The Executive Officer noted that he had received an inquiry
from the American Historical Association
about ASA policies regarding reviews of faculty work for use in tenure and promotio
cases. It was reported that the policies varincide in review of face. ied; in some cases persons were offered fees for services rendered, in other cases not, and tor services rendered, in other cases not, and the fee seemed to be independent of whether or not much evaluation work was being requested. Council determined that a subcommitte should consider all aspects of the issue prior to setting a policy. MOTION: That the President appoint a subcommittee of Council to deliberate on the outstin of fees for extravuel.

on the question of fees for extramural evaluations solicited during tenure re-views. Recommendations are to be brought to Council at its next meeting Carried.

Carried.

b. AAAS Program Participation. It was noted that ASA currently has no mechanism of fostering participation of sociologists in the Annual Meeting of the American Associa-tion for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), even though they are well represented in Section K (social science). The Rural Sociology Association has recently set up a committee to foster participation of their members in AAAS annual meetings, and Council was asked to consider establishing a similar mechanism for ASA. The Executive Officer also indicated that ASA has been Officer also indicated that ASA has been invited to appoint a representative to Section U (statistics). Appointment of a liaison committee was suggested, with the broad purpose of enhancing the standing of sociologists within AAAS generally.

MOTION: That a standing committee be care bilited to develop input into the

established to develop input into the AAAS Annual Program, with the committee membership to include the ASA representatives to Sections U and K as ex-officio members. Carried.

#### 6. Follow-up to September Council

6. Follow-up to September Council Agenda.
a. CSWS Guidelines on Hirring Women Faculty.
At its meeting in Detroit, Council discussed and approved a document entitled "Guidelines for Incorporating Women Faculty into Departments of Sociology During the Eighties." Copies of a newly revised conclusion were distributed to Council. Copies of the entire text were available for those wishing to review additional editorial changes.
MOTION: Council adopts the revised conclusion for "Guidelines for Incorporating Women Faculty into De-

corporating Women Faculty into Departments of Sociology During the

partments of Sociology During the Eighties." Carried b. Update on 1984 Appointments. It was re-ported that, with three exceptions, all new appointments for 1984 had been completed. Rank-ordered lists were generated for the few remaining vacancies

Report of the Committee on the Status 7. Report of the Committee on the Status of Homosevalus in Sociology (CSHS). Council Liaison Burgess presented a request that Council set aside funds to reproduce an abbreviated version of the 1982 Task Force report, and that the booklet be sent to the chairs of all sociology departments, the Chronicle of Higher Education, and other organizations such as the AAUP and AFT. Some questions were raised regarding the expresse of proting the brothure, but it was ense of printing the brochure, but it was erally agreed that the costs would be

nominal.
The Liaison then relayed the CSHS recommendation that program organizers annually include a session on "The Social Organization of Gay Men and Lesbians." Council affirmed that every year any group can submit a request for a program session to the Program Committee.

MOTION: That Council set aside funds to

reproduce a glossy, abbreviated form the "Report of the ASA Task Group Homosexuality." Carried.

#### 8. Teaching Services Program (TSP).

 a. Informational Presentation. Howery pre-sented an overview of the ASA Teaching sented an overview of the ASA Teaching Service Program. She explained that the pro-gram evolved from the ASA Projects on Teaching, which were funded by grant money from the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education and from the Lilly Foundation, and had been brought into the Executive Office by action of Council in 1978. ISP was described as a multi-faceted officer by well-described as a multi-faceted officer. 1978. TSP was described as a multi-faceted effort geared to improving and supporting effective teaching within the discipline of sociology. Howery indicated that fifty percent of her time is devoted to the Teaching Resources Center (TRC), he source for written materials about teaching sociology. TRC salie at orest syllabic sets for 13 courses. 

ty sociologists with expertise in specific areas of teaching who are available for de-parment visits or teaching workshops. It was noted that ASA derives no money from this service and that site visit expenses are paid by the institution. Suggestions were made by Council members during the pres-entation for improving aspects of ASA'S. entation for improving aspects of ASA's teaching program. b. TSP Review Subcommittee Report. The ad

tearning program.

Itself and the Committee Report. The ad hoc Committee on Review of the Teaching Services Program submitted three recommendations to Council. (1) That Council approve the recommendation and the process of the Teaching Services Program and the Teaching Services Program as a spin service of a Field Coordinator, and that a search be begun as soon as possible for a person of recognized stature in the profession who would be willing to assume the responsibility no later than July 1, 1985, for a three-year term; (2) That it be understood that one of the Executive Office Associates is to be especially, but not solely, concerned with the Teaching Services Program, and that persons recruited and hired for that position in the future possess the skills and qualifications needed to provide leadership for the TSP; (3) In the event that efforts are not successful to find a person of recognized stature who is willing to assume the responsibility of Field Coordinator within the proposed time frame, we recommend that Council go beyond recommendation number two by officially designating one of the Executive Office positions as "Executive Office Associate for the Teaching Services Program." Again, this would not preclude the Associate from assuming additional Executive Office responsibility but would recognize that the absence of a Field Coordinator increases the workload of the Associate Form assuming additional Executive Office responsibility. After some discussion, Council acted.

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After some discussion, Council acted.

MOTION: Council directs the Committee
on Teaching to draw up a slate of
nominees for the position of field-based
coordinator to oversee the Teaching Services Program. Final selection is to be
made no later than September 1, 1985.
Carried Carried.

9. Report of the Committee on Sections. Report of the Committee on Sections.
 The Council Liaison presented two recommendations for Council's consideration: (1) that Council approve a change in the composition and tenure of the Section Board as given in the ASA Mannual on Section (1980); and (2) that Council approve a change in the Section membership size to qualify for sec-tion sessions at the next annual meeting.

ton sessions at the next annual meeting. To open discussion, Useem commented on the rationale for the first recommenda-tion. Restricting the election of the Section Board Convenor to current section chairs impedes the participation of many sections in the Section Board, due to the inability of some phajes to remain a the convention and some chairs to remain at the convention and some chairs to remain at the convention and attend the Section Board meeting on the last day. Allowing other elected section officers to serve on the Board would increase the likelihood that every section would have an eligible delegate. The present Manual makes no stipulation on the length of term the Section Board Convenor may serve, and greater continuity would be obtained if the same person served longer than one year. MOTION: Council approves the following amendment to the ASA Section Manual with regard to the composition and tenure of the Section Board: "The Board will elect its own Chair from the Section Chairs or other elected Section
Officers present, and may elect the same
person for three consecutive one-year
terms." Carried.

The Committee's second recommenda tion proposed a reduction of fifty members at each cutoff point for allocation of program sessions to sections. The Liaison noted that sessions to sections. The Liaison hoted that sections are making no claim for space beyond their current proportion of the an-nual meeting program but would like to maintain their relative presence on the pro-gram. Council discussed section membership and section concerns about program time. Information on the proportion of ASA members who are section members, the proportion of section sessions to the whole program, and attendance at section sessions was requested from the Executive Office Further discussion was deferred.

MOTION: That the Committee on Sections

tion's recommendation for the annual meeting program session allocations be tabled until the August meeting of the 1984 Council. Carried.

10. 1994 Budget. The Secretary presented the budget proposal for 1984 and reviewed each category, with the Executive Officer providing background information as re-quested. At the end of the review, a pro-posal was made to allocate 560,000 to retain the first proposal of the proposal of the proposal of the proposal was made to allocate 560,000 to retain. two full-time persons to analyze the needs of society and of sociology. Discussion was desociety and of sociology. Discussion was de-ferred to the following day, and the budget was tentatively approved with the under-standing that further amendments might be made during the remainder of the Council

moeting
MOTION: To approve the budget as presented for 1984, subject to discussion of
the proposal that \$50,000 be set aside for
an analysis of major societal needs and
how sociology/social science could contribute to their amelioration. Carried.

Council recessed at 5:25 on Friday evening and reconvened at 8:45 a.m. on Saturday, 28 January 1984.

 Follow-up on 1984 Appointments.
 Committee on ASA/AAAS Relations. A coma. Committee on ASAIAAAS Relations. A committee of three persons on staggered rotational terms plus the representatives to Sections K and U is to be established immediately in order to begin the process of providing input for the annual AAAS meeting program. Nominees for the new representative programs are the processing three programs. ing program. Nominees for the new repre-sentative post were generated along with candidates for the committee. As a new standing committee, nominations for com-mittee membership will, in the future, be part of the annual task of the Committee on Committees. b. SSRC Nomintees. Usual nominations pro-cedures call for the ASA to forward a list of three candidates to SSRC for consideration for appointment to the SSRC Board of Di-rectors. Nominees were suggested and a fin-

rectors. Nominees were suggested and a final rank-ordered list was prepared. The
President was requested to handle communications with SSR or this appointment,
including a determination of the actual ending date of the current appointee.
Following a quick review of remaining
agenda items, Council members agreed to
take up the report on certification before
proceeding to discussion of the proposal to
add \$60,000 to the budget.

MOTION: To take up certification before
the "\$60,000 question." Carried.

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13. Certification. . Nominees were suggested and a fin-

12. Certification. The report of the Ad Hoo Council Subcommittee on Certification (Bor-Council Subcommittee on Certification (Borgatta, Elder, Simmons) was distributed prior to the meeting. The Executive Office stafficiation, the Executive Office stafficiation, the Executive Office stafficiation of the Executive Office stafficiation of the Executive Office stafficiation of the Executive Distribution of the Executive Dis are now restricting job opportunities, partic-ularly in social service and mental health fields. Some public agencies have also instituted regulations which require that applicants for certain mental health posi-

applicants for certain mental neath posi-tions be licensed.

The subcommittee report focussed on three issues, accreditation of academic pro-grams, certification of practitioners, and licensing of individuals. Five recommenda-tions were presented for consideration (I) Develop a statement reiterating that the purposes of scientific groups are to foster re-search and practice; (2) Investigate the con-sequences of certification for the develop-ment of the social and behavioral sciences; (3) Declare ASA's intent to set up a certification program by appointing a committee to delineate the necessary standards in order to confer the title of "certified sociologist"; (4' conter the title of "certified sociologist"; (4) Appoint one or more ASA members in each of the 50 states to act as the Association's monitor or representative with regard to licensing issues; (5) Set up a Clearinghouse on Licensing Issues with the function of co-lecting relevant information for the use of ASA atter monitors and other interested so. ASA state monitors and other interested so-

ciologists.

It was noted that the Clinical Sociology it was noted that the Chinical Sociology Association (CSA) is the only sociological organization which has developed certifica-tion procedures. The American Psychologi-cal Association (APA) provides exemption for sociologically trained social psycholofor sociologically trained social psycholo-gists, but the National Association of Social

Workers (NASW) has indicated that sociological training is not acceptable to its licens

logical training is non-x-r-ing board.

MOTION: That by August 1984, the President of the American Sociological Association, with the advice of others, should develop a statement retierating the fact that the scientific groups are de-signed not only to develop a discipline but also to cooperate with and assist one another. Using this statement as a basis, to another. Using this statement as a basis, the ASA President, along with a delega-tion of his/her choice, is to initiate a dia-

tion of his/her choice, is to initiate a dia-logue with the President and/or Council of the American Psychological Associa-tion and the National Association of So-cial Workers to draw their attention to the implications of their litensing laws for sociologists. Carried. Concern was expressed about the ex-clusionary aspects of the issues under dis-cussion and whether attempts to aid those in need of licensure or certification would threaten others. There is need to guard against instituting pressures to define the field as a series of skills and applications to the exclusion of academic disciplines. The difference between affirming that someone difference between affirming that someone is qualified to practice sociology in general versus a specialty in particular was pointed out, and Council indicated that such discus-

at, and Council Indicated that such discuson would be more productive in a comittee appointed to consider such issues.
MOTION: To establish a committee on
certification with the dual charge of developing proposals for both general and
specialty certification. Where possible,
specific guidelines for certification
should be developed, and the committee should assess the desirability of
providing certification for various degree levels. The President of the ASA is
authorized to appoint the committee
members, including non-members with
special expertise, and a report is exspecial expertise, and a report is ex-pected to be given to the 1984 Council at

its August meeting. Carried (yes-10; no-3; abstain-1).
The subcommittee report suggested that investigation of certification and licensing might be accomplishedby setting aside funds for small grants to sociologists in-vestigating the relevant issues. The Social Science Research Council is about to set up a group on states and professions, and it was suggested that research in this would be fundable by the National Science Founda-

MOTION: To encourage both ASA mem bers and other social scientists to vestigate the consequences of certification and licensing for the development of the social and behavioral sciences, or the social and behavioral sciences, and to direct this request to appropriate committees and sections of the National Science Foundation, the National Academy of Sciences, the Social Science Research Council, and other relevant organizations. Carried. With little additional discussion, Council

acted on the next recommendation.

MOTION: To direct the President and

MOTION: To direct the President and Executive Officer to convene a meeting at the 1984 ASA Annual Meeting in San Antonio to discuss means of monitoring licensing legislation on the state level, inviting representatives from all state and regional associations and sister or-

and regional associations and sister or-ganizations, including ASA licensing monitors who are to be appointed be-tween now and August. Carried. Council members noted that it would take some time to get fifty monitors in place and directed the Executive Office to assist as pos-sible and report back to Council at its next meeting.

MOTION: To direct the ASA Executive MOTION: To direct the ASA Executive Office to set up a Clearinghouse on Licensing Issues with the function of col-lecting relevant information for the use of ASA state monitors and other inter-ested sociologists. Carried. A motion to establish a standing com-

mittee to investigate accreditation of grams in sociology was withdrawn, given the understanding that the Committee on Teaching will be looking into accreditation during the coming year.

- 13. Report of ISA Representative. Melvin Kohn provided a description of his activities as the ASA delegate to the Council of the International Sociological Association. The site of the 1986 World Congress will be New Delhi, India, and Kohn recommended that Deini, india, and Konti recommended that the ASA apply for travel funds on behalf of American sociologists and arrange for special group air fares to the Congress.
- 14. \$60,000 Proposal. Council Member Etzioni outlined three basic premises to begin discussion. (1) that society needs more sociology, (2) that sociology needs to serve society, and (3) that there currently exist barriers to sociology being able to serve society, mainly legislative barriers and problems with the image of sociology, both internally and externally. Reminding Council of the chronic problems of inflation and unemployment, he asserted that it is the responsibility of the Association to apply sociological training to current conditions. As a beginning step, it was suggested that the ASA hire a full or part-time person, to be backed up by a committee willing to meet frequently, to analyze a number of target areas and bring back recommendations for Council action. Etzioni outlined three basic premises to be-

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#### CONFERENCES

Third Biennial Conference on East Central Europe, Russia, and the Soviet Union, March 28-30, 1985, sponsored by New College, University of South Florida. The Program Committee welcomes suggestions for papers and panels dealing with the 19th and 20th centuries in history. political science, economics, sociology, and on interdisciplinary topics. Proposals for entire sessions with clear focus are preferred; individual papers will be considered. Send proposals by December 15 to: Laszlo Deme, Program Chair, New College, University of South Florida, Sarasota, FL 33580.

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Forum for Death Education and Counseling Seventh Annual Conference, April 11-14, 1985, Philadelphia, PA. The Forum has issued a call for abstracts on the conference theme: "Death: Different Perspectives." Submission deadline: November 20, 1984.

Contact: Dr. Charles Corr, Southern Illinois University, Room 3212, Peck Building, Edwardsville, IL 63026.

International Federation of Data Organizations (IFDO)/International Association for Social Science Information Service and Technology (IASSIST) International Conference, May 20-24, 1985, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Theme: "Public Access to Public Data." Papers are solicited on the various aspects of the theme; abstracts must be submitted by December 1, 1984. All abstracts should be typed in English, with a maximum of 500 words. For additional information, contact: Steinmetz Archives, IFDO/ IASSIST Conference, Herengracht 410-412, 1017 BX Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

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Midwest Sociological Society 1985 Annual Meeting, April 10-13, 1985, Chase Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, MO. Completed manuscripts or working papers are invited for the session "Theorizing Age: Critique and Renewal." Deadline for submission: November 15, 1984. Contact: Jaber F. Gubrium, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI 53233.

North Central Sociological Association 1985 Annual Meeting, April 24-27, 1985, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Louisville, KY. Papers related to the general theme "Social Structure: Sociological and Anthropological Perspectives" are particularly invited but papers on any topic of sociological interest are welcome. Deadline for submission: November 15, 1984. Contact: Norris Johnson, Department of Sociology, ML 378, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH 45221.

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#### CORRECTION

The title of the special issue of The California Sociologist, which appeared in the "Call for Papers" column of the

August 1984 issue of FOOTNOTES, should have read "The Sociology of Development in Core and Peripheral

### **Minorities and Women**

 The National Science Foundation's Visiting Professorships for Women are designed to enable experienced women scientists and engineers to serve as visiting professors at U.S. academic institutions. The visiting scholar conducts research at the frontier of her discipline, serves as a role model for women students and offers a number of courses. To be eligible, candidates must have a doctorate in a social science, natural science or engineering, independent research experience in an academic, industrial or government setting; and not be employed by the host institution. Awards are usually for one year, but range from one semester or duarter to two years. They may also be full- or part-time. Candidates are responsible for making all arrangements with the host institution. The application deadline for the next round of awards is November 15, 1984. For further information contact the Program Director, Visiting Professorships for Women Program, National Science Foundation, 1800 G Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20550; (202)

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Other members echoed the challenge to Council to do more than react to existing constituencies. Emphasis was placed on the need to think more about what kinds of things sociology might contribute to public policy in America by analyzing the con-ditions that make it difficult to achieve max-imum potential for sociology, including "who we are" and what the reward struc-

tures are.

An applied sociology publication was suggested as a forum and catalyst for sociological activity. The target audience should be outside sociology, and the content must be readable and understandable to the general public. More editoral initiative would be required than for current ASA journals, and himg a professional journalist was such hiring a professional journalist was sug-gested. Several models for the publication were mentioned, including The Public Inter-est, Foreign Affairs, and Family Planning Per-

MOTION: To advise the Committee on Publications to consider publication of a non-refereed magazine of social interest/ commentary on current affairs. Carried.

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the part of the Association to relate sociology to existing conditions was emphasized. There must be continuing involvement in identifying research and knowledge that have to do with chronic problems facing society. Discussion turned to setting up a commission to consider means of mobilizing sociological knowledge to the needs of society. MOTION: That the President set up a Commission on the Mobilization of Sociological Knowledge to Societal Issues.

Laison with the following groups is recommended: existing ASA committees, National Science Foundation, and the National Academy of Science, etc. Carried.

Discussion of financial and staff support Discussion of financial and staff support for the Commission was deferred to the next day, following the closed session already scheduled as the first business item on Sunday. Council recessed at 5:05 p.m. on Saturday. met in executive session from 8:30 - 10:25 on Sunday morning, and reconvened the open meeting at 10:30 a.m. on 29 January 1984. Consideration of the composition of the Commission and funding support was resumed.

MOTION: That the newly established commission be composed of five members appointed by the ASA President. Carried.

MOTION: To take the funds earmarked for a spring Council meeting and allo-cate the money for the work of the Commission and the Committee on Certifica

MOTION: That the President appoint five MOTION: That the President appoint five to seven members to serve on the Com-mittee on Certification to consider in what specialities certification should be developed, and that the Committee Chair will then consult with the President to appoint two to three other persons to work in each specified area. Carried.

15. Report of Subcommittee on Problems Report of Subcommittee on Problems of the Discipline. Burgess reported the re-sults of the Saturday evening deliberations. 28 proposals were received for consideration in this round of applications. Modest fund-ing approval was given to 7 proposals, for a total of \$9,500. In addition, it was recom-tered to the control of the control of the control of the transport of the control of the contro total of \$9.500. In addition, it was recommended that asummer federal fellowship be granted with the understanding that this is to be the last fellow sponsored by FAD money. It was recommended that the Executive Office seek outside funding to support the fellowship program. It was further recommended that should the fellowship program be continued, the term of support be extended from 3 to 6 months and to 10 months thereafter.

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Concerns were expressed regarding funding the fellowship out of the Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline, and questions were asked about the status of the prosal for a fund for the profession. It was reported that the idea had been discussed with the interest of the profession of the profess with the interested parties specified by Council and that the committee had con-Council and that the committee had con-cluded that such a fund was not viable at this time. The POD recommendations to Council were prepared under the auspices of the broadened mandate from Council in Jan-uary 1983.

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conflicting viewpoints about POL's man-date and Council's action in August could not be resolved due to lack of minutes from the previous meeting. Actions were pro-posed on the funding source for a 1984 sum-mer federal fellowship.

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MOTION: That the 1984 Federal Fellowship be funded out of general funds and
not out of the Problems of the Discipline
budget (which should be reserved for
intellectually relevant disciplinary
issues). Defeated (yes-5; no-6).

MOTION: To approve the Federal
Fellowship for the summer of 1984. Carried (yes-7; no-2).

The Council requested that continuation of summer fellowships, including funding issues, be put onto the agenda of the next Council meeting.

16. Committee Reports Related to Applied Sociology.
a. Committee on Expanding Professional Opportunities in Sociology. Wilson reported two concrete actions from the recent committee concrete actions from the recent committee meeting. A letter will be prepared to go to library associations regarding library privileges for independent and retired scholars, and this will also be reported in Footnotes. The Committee will also be collaborating with the Sociological Practice Section on a program session for the 1984 Section on a program session for the 1984 Section. aborating with the Sociological Practice Sec-tion on a program session for the 1984 An-nual Meeting. The major concern of the committee will be to clarify its mission in view of the overlap in concerns with the Sociological Practice Section and the Com-mittee on Applied Sociology.

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17. Report of Committee to Review Membership Insurance. Council reviewed the Committee's report and noted that a full report should be ready by August. MOTION: To accept the report of the Committee to Review Membership In-

surance with the provision that no further contracts are made with Wohlers until competitive bidding is completed

18. Report of Committee on Awards Poli-cy. The 1983 Annual Report was presented which noted that two new awards were be-ing considered. There was general agree-ment that the award ideas should be pur-

MOTION: That the President appoint an ad hoc committee to establish an ASA award for a career of distinguished service in the application of sociological knowledge. Carried.

MOTION: That Council authorize the established.

tablishment of a program of dissertation awards and that the customary pro-cedures be followed in developing the criteria. Carried.

19. Resolutions and Other New Business. a. National Conference on Peacemaking and Con-flict Resolution. Support for the 1984 con-ference was requested, and an invitation to participate was extended to the ASA. No participate was extended to the ASA. No financial backing was requested. Council in-dicated some reluctance to set a precedent of sponsoring or supporting conferences/

meetings/programs without detailed program information.
MOTION: That Council empower the Executive Officer, in consultation with the President and Secretary, to explore further details about the nature of the meating and for the fifth of the council of the meating and for the fifth of the council of the meating and for the fifth of the council of the meating and for the fifth of the council of the meating and for the council of the meating and for the council of the

further details about the nature of the meeting and lend support if it meets the criteria of scholarly and professional appropriateness. Defeate 48. The Executive Officer presented the following resolution, similar to an action by the American Historical Association.

"The American Sociological Association

The American Sociological Association opposes the National Security Decision Directive 84. We support the action of the United States Senate in blocking its implementation and we urge the President of the United States to reconsider the sweeping and damaging implications this Directive would have on free public debate and discourse. This Directive, if implemented, would impose a lifetime of censorship on federal officials with access to Sensitive Compartmented Information. As an organization dedicated to the preservation, promotion, and enhancement of knowledge, American Sociological Association views this Directive as a dangerous threat to the ability of scholars and researchers to compile an honest, open, and uncensored compile an honest, open, and uncensored compile an honest, open, and uncensored record of the history, politics, and social life of this nation. It would choke off the flow of information that is so vital to an understanding of the nation's history and, thus, of the choices facing the American public.

"Copies of this resolution should be sent."

to appropriate officials in the legislative and executive branches of the federal govern-

MOTION: To approve the resolution

c. Coalition to reduce government restrictions on information flow. The Deputy Executive Offi-cer presented an invitation from the Fund for Free Expression to join the ad hoc coalition and co-sponsor a 1984 conference on non and co-sponsor a 1984 conference on government restrictions on the flow of in-formation. Organizations which join the coalition endorse the following principles: "Believing that the First Amendment re-quires the freest possible exchange of ideas, we oppose any restrictions on—the import of ideas and information into the light of State of the control of the state of the control of the con

the United States,

-visits by any persons to the United States because of that person's beliefs or lawful political activity or association, -travel abroad by Americans because of their political beliefs, activities or associa-

export of ideas or information which may -export of ideas or information which may lawfully circulated in the United States." MOTION: To endorse the principles of the coalition. Carried. MOTION: To join the coalition. Defeated. MOTION: To instruct the Executive Offi-cer to seek further information on the nature of the organization, including.

the to seek numer information on the nature of the organizations, including other sponsoring organizations, and make a recommendation regarding the joining the coalition in August. Carried. d. Check Writing Resolution. The ASA Secretary presented a resolution to authorize Executive Office staff to handle daily business transactions.

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MOTION: The Council of the American Sociological Association hereby authorizes the following persons to sign checks on the American Sociological Association accounts: William V. D'Antonio, Executive Officer, Bettina Huber, Deputy Executive Officer; Janet L. Astner, Convention & Meetings Manager. Carried. ger. Carried.

Section on Sociological Practice. Two resolue. Section on Sociological Practice. Two resolu-tions were presented: (1) That committee assignments within the American Sociolog-ical Association be determined by a mech-anism that permits the widest degree of representation of both pratitioners and aca-demic sociologist (for example: the Com-mittee on Applied Sociology should include proposed the fore members of the Section. representation from members of the Social representation from members of the Socio-logical Practice Section, and also from socio-logical practice Section, and solid mercian Socio-logical Associations of the American Socio-logical Association), (2) That the American Sociological Association should establish a mechanism for including business and gov-ernment in placement activities, and fur-ther, that the American Sociological Association was a social social social social social association was a social social social social social social description was a social soc ther, that the American Sociological Association make an exploration of the possibility of loaned staff from business to the Association for the purpose of exploring the develoment of more jobs for sociologists in business and government. MOTION: To instruct the Executive Offi-cer to acknowledge receipt of the resolu-tions and to discuss with the Section a number of ways for carrow the instead of

number of ways to carry out the intent of the resolutions. Carried.

The second meeting of the 1984 ASA Council adjourned at 12:55 p.m. on Sunday, 29 January 1984.

Respectfully submitted, Theodore Caplow Secretary