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Footnotes

First Common Wealth Awards Honor Merton and Davis



Robert K. Merton



Kingsley Davis

Two eminent sociologists were the recipients of the first Common Wealth Awards of Distinguished Service for demonstrating their capabilities by accomplishing "outstanding achievements" in sociology.

Robert K. Merton, Columbia University, and Kingsley Davis, University of Southern California, received the Awards November 6 during ceremonies in the Cosmos Club in Washington.

The Common Wealth is a private foundation trust created under the will of the late Ralph

Hayes, Wilmington, DE. Hayes was a Coca Cola executive and a founder and long-time director of the New York Community Trust.

The Common Wealth makes one or more cash awards each year in equal amounts to individuals or organizations, public or private, throughout the world in recognition of their outstanding achievement in some eight fields of human endeavor, including sociology. The Awards this year were for \$18,250 each.

"Outstanding achievements," as defined by The Common

Wealth, mean "peer recognition of past contributions as well as the ability of the individual or organization to continue that contribution."

Merton and Davis were nominated for the Award by a committee composed of present and past presidents of the ASA.

Merton Citation

The citation accompanying the award to Merton reads: "Robert Merton is America's leading general theorist (in sociology). For

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Poster Sessions Scheduled For 1980 ASA Annual Meeting

The Program Committee for the annual ASA convention is sponsoring three poster sessions to take place in New York at the national meetings in August 1980. Poster sessions have become a standard procedure in the programs of many scientific associations. Several years ago, the Sociology of Education section of ASA sponsored a poster session on an experimental basis, which was very well received.

Unlike the typical paper session, a poster session is made up of exhibitors who are available to explain their work and to answer questions during the entire session. Each exhibitor comes prepared with copies of a paper and a visualization, representing some interesting aspect of their work. The exhibitor stands beside his/her display; the audience circulates between the exhibits, staying

for as short or as long a time as desired. This format provides for collegial exchange with those fellow sociologists who are most interested in the work. Exhibitors may include co-authors as well as research assistants, if desired.

This year's convention will feature three such poster sessions: "Social Psychology"; "Model in Sociology"; and "Justice and Inequality". Those ASA members who would like to submit a paper for possible participation should send a copy of their paper and a plan for visualization to the chairpersons of these three sessions by February 15, 1980.

Social Psychology: Murray Webster, Department of Sociology, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208.

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Committee Completes Election Slate

Candidates for Council and three elected committees have been announced by the ASA Committee on Nominations, thereby completing its slate for the 1980 election which will be held in the spring.

Additional candidates may be selected by ASA voting members through the open nominations process which is outlined in the ASA By-Laws published elsewhere in this issue.

Open nomination petitions supporting candidates for Council, Committee on Publications, Committee on Nominations, and Committee on Committees must arrive in the ASA Executive Office by January 31. Petitions supporting candidates for these positions must be signed by at least 50 voting members of ASA.

Candidates for President-Elect and Vice President-Elect were originally announced in the October issue of FOOTNOTES. Open nominations for these positions closed on November 30.

The complete set of candidates and the positions for which they have been selected by the Committee on Nominations is presented below:

PRESIDENT-ELECT

Elise Boulding, Dartmouth College
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Howard Taylor, Princeton University
Jacqueline Wiseman, University of California, San Diego
T.R. Young, Colorado State University
Mayer N. Zald, University of Michigan

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Historical Series Begins in January

In 1980, the American Sociological Association will observe its 75th Anniversary as a scholarly/professional organization.

To commemorate this event, a series of articles on the history of the Association will be published in FOOTNOTES beginning in January.

Since the archival holdings of the Association are rather limited, members are invited to send FOOTNOTES any materials they may have that would be useful in composing the series. Material covering the period 1905-35 would be most helpful.

10 Teaching Workshops Set for Sociology Teaching Month

Dates, locations, and coordinators for the national series of teaching workshops to be held during "April: Teaching Sociology Month" have been announced by the ASA Projects on Teaching Undergraduate Sociology.

All ten workshops will be held in April. One is scheduled for April 18-19; the other nine for April 25-26.

Hans O. Mauksch, Projects Director, said, "The workshops are designed to provide an exchange of information on teaching techniques, ideas and resources. They are an opportunity for sociologists to gather and discuss a major focus of their professional lives...teaching."

Every workshop will emphasize the two most widely used instruc-

tional approaches in sociology—lecture and discussion. The remaining program will vary by workshop location.

Additional topics to be covered by one or more workshops include teaching core concepts, text book selection, methods and issues in assessing teaching effectiveness, grading and the assessment of student learning, and introductory sociology.

Workshops will be staffed by members of the ASA Projects and other sociologists who have been active in teacher development programs at their institutions.

All workshops will be held on a Friday and Saturday so that sociologists living within a two-hour driving radius of each workshop site will not need additional

time for travel. Workshops will be limited to 25 participants who will pay a fee of \$60.00 plus expenses for meals, travel and housing.

Applications and requests for additional information should be sent to the coordinator of the workshop you wish to attend. Application deadline is February 15.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

The dates, locations and coordinators for the workshops are listed below:

APRIL 18-19

Location: Gainesville, Florida
Coordinator: John Schnabel, Department of Sociology, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV 26506

APRIL 25-26

Location: New York City
Coordinator: Audrey Meyer, Department of Sociology, Fashion Institute of Technology, 227 West 27th Street, New York, NY 10001
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Constitutional Referendum

ASA Council has mandated a Constitutional and By-Laws referendum for next spring.

The existing Constitution and By-Laws, the proposed changes, and the rationale for those changes are published in this issue for your information and study.

Season's Greetings

Candidates for Elected Committees Named for 1980 ASA Election

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COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

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Joyce Ladner, CUNY-Hunter

Sociologists Funded for Intl. Research

Twelve sociologists and five doctoral candidates in sociology received fellowships or research grants last Spring in programs sponsored separately or jointly by the Social Science Research Council and the American Council of Learned Societies.

Copies of the 1979-80 fellowship and grants program are now available from the Social Science Research Council, 605 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10016.

The recipients, their institutions, and projects follow:

Fellowship

Paul Lubeck, UC-Santa Cruz, for training in neoclassical economic theory at UC-Berkeley.

Grants for International Postdoctoral Research

Deborah Davis-Friedmann, Yale University, for research in the U.S. on the Chinese rural and urban elderly.

Victor Nee, UC-Santa Barbara, for research in Hong Kong and the People's Republic of China on the impact of collectivization on peasant life in a Chinese lineage village.

Edwin A. Winckler, Columbia University, for research in the U.S. on the "participation crisis" in Taiwan.

V. Lee Hamilton, University of Michigan, for research in the U.S. and Japan on public judgments of responsibility and punishment for wrongdoing.

Robert M. Marsh, Brown University, for research in the U.S. on size, organizational structure, and other characteristics as causes of conflict in Japan universities, 1968-69.

Masako Osaka, University of Illinois-Chicago Circle, for research in the U.S. and Japan on the role of religious ideas in the development of forest preservation in Tokugawa, Japan.

Gilbert Rozman, Princeton University, for research in the U.S. on Japan's 19th century transformation from a country of castle cities into one of modern urban centers.

D. Eleanor Westney, Yale University, for research in the U.S. on industrialization and organizational change in Tokugawa and Meiji, Japan.

Hagen Koo, Memphis State University, for research in Korea on class relations and the transformation of class structure in relation to rapid economic development.

Said A. Arjomand, SUNY-Stony Brook, for research in Iran on religion, ideology, and politics, 1848-1978.

Noeleen Heyzer, Cambridge University, for research in Singapore on the problems of small-scale local industries.

International Doctoral Research Fellowships

Andrew G. Walder, University of Michigan, for research in Hong Kong on authority and administration in Chinese industrial enterprises, 1958-1978.

Mary J. Alexander, Tufts University, for research in Trinidad and Jamaica on disease distribution in Trinidad and Tobago.

Mauricio A. Font, University of Michigan, for research in Brazil and Colombia on patterns of collective action by Brazilian and Colombian coffee planters, 1886-1946.

Katherine M. McFate, Yale University, for research in Ireland on the Irish Land League and the politics of popular insurrection.

Robert H. Ross, Yale University, for research in Italy on the politics of Italian university reform, 1958-1978.

Giving a Gift To the Discipline

The end of the year presents you with a good opportunity to make a contribution to the ASA Fund for Problems of the Discipline because such gifts are as welcomed as they are tax deductible.

The Fund supports projects aimed at furthering the development of the discipline. For more details see the article on the Fund elsewhere in this issue.

Gifts should be sent to the ASA Executive Office, 1722 N Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

New Textbooks from Human Sciences Press

Burke, Edmund M.

A PARTICIPATORY APPROACH TO URBAN PLANNING

Within the past twenty years, the rapid growth of human service programs, specialized planning agencies, and citizen participation have made community planning an increasingly complex phenomenon. To facilitate efficient decision-making this important book lucidly examines the interrelated social and political processes of contemporary community planning. The salient characteristics of this complex process are thoroughly explained, including: the participatory base of planning, the various strategies for involving citizens in decision-making, the relationship between planning and social change, and the influence of the environment on the decision-making process.

1979 304 pp. LC 78-31107
0-87705-393-6 \$14.95

Blakely, Edward J., Editor

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH

Concepts, Issues and Strategies

"The book spans the horizon from the theorists to the practitioners with emphasis on their respective roles and images. Its contents will serve to arouse and challenge even the most complacent to take note and think." —David Persell

"This book of research essays fills an important gap in community development literature. From several perspectives the essays demonstrate both the practical and theoretical value of action research in this people-changing field." —Paul S. Denise

1979 224 pp. LC 78-11568
0-87705-334-0 Cloth \$14.95
0-87705-348-0 Paper \$7.95

Magill, Robert S., Ph.D.

COMMUNITY DECISION MAKING FOR SOCIAL WELFARE

Federalism, City Government, and the Poor

For many years, state governments have had to rely predominantly on conditional Federal grants, in which the goals and methodology of social welfare programs were prescribed by the Federal Government. Integrating a variety of historical and empirical studies, this informative work examines the emerging trend to decentralize public decision-making and its broad implications for social welfare. A recognized authority in his field, Dr. Magill provides essential knowledge for social workers and related professionals, teachers, and policy makers, for understanding the local decision-making process.

1979 224 pp. LC 79-301
0-87705-378-2 cloth \$14.95
0-87705-398-7 paper \$7.95

Zito, George, Ph.D.

POPULATION AND ITS PROBLEMS

This comprehensive work critically explores the complex relationships between alterations in the size and composition of populations, and their concomitant social anxieties. The essential concepts of demographic analysis are systematically introduced, and then viewed in the perspective of a variety of contemporary problems. Among the issues examined are abortion and the risks of contraceptives, criminal victimization, the rising incidence of divorce, and the pressures of urban living. The most significant social theories associated with population are evaluated, including those of Malthus and Marx.

1979 283 pp. LC 79-581
0-87705-396-0 Cloth \$18.95
0-87705-414-2 Paper \$9.95

Allen, Nancy H., M.P.H.

HOMICIDE

Perspectives on Prevention

Foreword by Louis J. West, M.D.

Through a comprehensive analysis of case histories, a noted authority examines the complex psychological and sociological causes of homicide and practical methods for prevention. By illustrating the precipitating causes of the homicidal event, this book presents concrete suggestions on how changes in attitude, behavior and environment can significantly reduce the incidence of homicide. Specific verbal, behavioral and situational cues leading to homicide are pinpointed, along with the identification of high-risk individuals and groups, and the role persons might play in their own victimization.

1979/Nov. 192 pp. (approx.) LC 79-11841
0-87705-382-0 Cloth \$15.95
0-87705-412-6 Paper \$8.95

Sorrentino, Anthony

HOW TO ORGANIZE THE NEIGHBORHOOD FOR DELINQUENCY PREVENTION

From a sociological perspective, this book traces the changing character of the urban and suburban community, while examining the limitations of traditional methods used by social agencies and the juvenile justice system for dealing with delinquency. The author focuses on meeting the social and psychological needs of the child, especially the delinquent, and describes, in realistic terms, how untapped human resources can be mobilized for the prevention of crime. After illustrating the methods for organizing local residents for community organizations, case histories are presented.

1979 224 pp. LC 79-301
0-87705-391-X Cloth \$16.95

Butler, Matilda, Ph.D. and William Paisley, Ph.D.

WOMEN AND THE MASS MEDIA

Sourcebook for Research and Action

"The book certainly contains a broad range of pertinent background material. I expect the material to provoke serious consideration of the issues inherent in the relationships of the mass media to women."

—Karen Shapiro, Stanford University

"Butler and Paisley have written the clearest and most competent book about women and the mass media I have ever read."

—William L. Rivers, Author of *The Opinionmakers*

1979/Dec 384 pp. (approx.) LC 79-11841
0-87705-409-6 Cloth \$24.95
0-87705-419-3 Paper \$9.95

Heckerman, Carol Landau, Ph.D., Editor

THE EVOLVING FEMALE

Women in Psychosocial Context

Within the past ten years, the roles and attitudes of women have changed in ways which are re-shaping their entire awareness—as individuals and as members of society. An important book now emerges to assess the impact of this transitional era on the contemporary woman. Leading researchers from clinical psychology, education, social work and related professions examine such topics as the experience of abortion, single mothers and their children, women in the work force, and mid-life crises. From a psychological perspective, authorities evaluate the high incidence of depression and anxiety among women, consciousness-raising groups, psychoanalysis and assertiveness training.

1979 336 pp. LC 79-4240
0-87705-392-8 Cloth \$18.95
0-87705-411-8 Paper \$9.95

Order 60-day examination copies from Mr. Chuck Webster, College Dept.

MFP Names 10 New Research Fellows; Five More Fellows Complete PhDs

• *PhD's in Business and Industry*, a recent report by the Commission on Human Resources/National Research Council, focuses on the employment characteristics of PhD scientists and engineers employed in business and industry in 1973 and 1977. Presently, business and industry rank second as the largest employer of doctoral scientists and engineers. Women scientists, however, represent a small part of the scientific labor force employed in these sectors. PhD's working in psychology had the highest estimated median annual salaries in both 1973 and 1977. Those with the highest proportion of employment in the same fields as their doctorate specialty were psychologists and computer scientists. Social scientists were among those PhD recipients least likely to be employed in the same field as their degree. Of the 1,594 social scientists employed in business and industry in 1977, only 50 were sociologists.

• **The Population Association of America has established the Dorothy S. Thomas Award** for pre- and post-doctoral students specializing in the study of migration or economic-demographic-social interrelations. Four copies of a research paper and nominating letters should be sent to: Ann Miller, Chair, Thomas Award Committee, Population Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Deadline: January 15, 1980.

• **A special interest group on social indicators** has been organized within the American Educational Association. For more information write: Robert J. Rossi, Social Indicators Research Program, American Institute for Research, P.O. Box 1113, Palo Alto, CA 94302.

• **A Selected List of Postsecondary Education Opportunities for Minorities and Women** (1979 edition)

is available from DHEW, Office of Education, Bureau of Higher and Continuing Education, Washington, DC 20202. The booklet contains information on scholarships, loans, and fellowship opportunities.

• **A fellowship program designed to help non-tenured women faculty members achieve tenure** is being sponsored by Radcliffe College. The program at Radcliffe's Bunting Institute will provide two-year part-time appointments for 12 fellows beginning with the 1980-81 academic year. For further information write the Institute at: 8 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138.

• **The Status of Women in Community Colleges** is examined in *Collected Papers: Educational Equity Issues in Community Colleges* published by the Northwest Women Studies Resource Bank of Washington State College. Copies of the booklet are available from: The Education Development Center, 39 Chapel Street, Newton, MA 02160.

• **The 1979 Directory of Minority Statisticians** is available from the American Statistical Association. The Directory identifies racial and ethnic minorities pursuing a degree in statistics and related fields and those working in the field. Order from: The American Statistical Association, 806 15th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20005.

• **Sex Discrimination in Guidance and Counseling**, a recent publication from the National Advisory Council on Women's Educational Programs, provides recommendations for federal and state policy as well as for institutions and professional organizations. The pamphlet, which may be of interest to Clinical Sociologists, can be secured from: The NACWEP, Suite 821, 1832 M Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

2nd Research Skills Institute Funded; Set for UCLA in July

A second ASA Research Skills Development Institute will be held for two weeks in July at UCLA to provide training in quantitative methods and computer programming applicable to research and data analysis in the social and behavioral sciences.

Doris Wilkinson, ASA Executive Associate for Careers, Minorities and Women, will direct the Institute which is funded by a \$45,000 grant from the Experimental Program for Opportunities in Advanced Study and Research in Education of the National Institute of Education.

The Institute will cover such areas as levels of measurement, inferential statistics and probability, correlational analysis, causal models and theory construction, and computer programming.

Visiting scholars who will staff the Institute, so far, are John Sibley Butler, University of Texas-Austin; Herbert Costner, University of Washington.

Consultants for the Institute are Hubert Blalock, University of Washington; Thelma Hedgepeth, Virginia Commonwealth University; Richard Hill, University of Oregon; Peter Rossi, University of Massachusetts-Amherst; and Howard Taylor, Princeton University.

Howard Freeman, Director, In-

stitute for Social Science Research, will serve as sponsor for the ASA program at UCLA.

The first Research Skills Development Institute was held last summer at Morgan State University, Baltimore.

Teachers and researchers who hold a doctorate in sociology or in a related social or behavioral science are eligible to attend the Institute. Women and minorities are urged to apply. The grant provides funds to cover limited travel, housing and meals on campus, and supplies for 25 participants.

Applications and additional information will be available in January from Doris Wilkinson, Project Director, Research Skills Development Institute, American Sociological Association, 1722 N Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

Council Censures Vermont

ASA Council has censured the College of Medicine and the higher administration of the University of Vermont for violations of academic freedom and due process in the termination of a joint appointment held by Howard Waitzkin.

Waitzkin held the joint appointment in the Department

Ten new research fellows have been appointed for the 1979-80 academic year by the ASA Minority Fellowship Program which recently received a commitment of an additional five years of support for research fellowships from the Center for Minority Group Mental Health Programs, NIMH.

Paul Williams, MFP Director, said the number of new research fellowships awarded this academic year is somewhat less than in prior years because, for the first time, the program is allowed to renew awards for students who have already received three years of support.

"When we operated under the three-year limit," Williams said, "we had to discontinue numerous fellows each year although they remained in good academic standing."

The names, ethnicity, academic backgrounds, and current enrollments of the new Research Fellows are listed elsewhere in this issue.

Sixth Year

In its sixth year, then, the Minority Fellowship Program is supporting 65 students through research fellowships, applied fellowships, and dissertation grants. In addition, it has produced, at least, 16 doctorates since it began

PERSONS OBTAINING THE PhD SUPPORTED BY THE ASA MINORITY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Name	Degree-Granting Institution	Current Employment
Patricia Bell	U of Texas/Austin	U of South Carolina
Cheryl Gilkes	Northeastern U	Boston U
Elizabeth Higginbotham	Brandeis	U of Pittsburgh
Jesse James	Massachusetts/Amherst	Westfield State
James Peterson	Brigham Young	Central Washington

in 1973-74. The names, degree-awarding institution, and current employment of five recent doctorate recipients are listed elsewhere in this issue. Previous doctorates are listed in the November 1978 and January 1979 issues of FOOTNOTES.

The first cohort of applied fellows was announced in the November issue of FOOTNOTES; the 1979-80 dissertation award winners were announced in the October issue.

The applied fellowship program is also supported by the Center for Minority Group Mental Health Programs, NIMH. The Sydney Spivack Dissertation Awards are made possible by a grant from the Cornerhouse Fund.

The fellows are located in departments throughout the country. The largest number (13), are at UC-Berkeley. The University of

Chicago and Howard University have four students each; UCLA, CUNY, and Fordham have three each.

1980-81

Depending upon the number of continuing fellows who qualify for renewals, the program expects to offer up to 20 new research fellowships and 15 new applied fellowships in 1980-81. A limited number of grants will also be available to assist PhD candidates with their dissertation research. The application deadline for all three programs is February 1, 1980.

For applications and additional information, write to: Minority Fellowship Program, American Sociological Association, 1722 N Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.

ASA MINORITY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM 1979-80 RESEARCH FELLOWS

Name	Ethnicity	Degree/Institution	Current Enrollment
Irene Blea	Chicano	BA, Southern Colorado	Colorado-Boulder
Norma Carson	Black	BA/MS, Tuskegee Institute MA, Auburn	Northwestern
Jualynne Dodson	Black	BA/MA, UC-Berkeley	UC-Berkeley
Joan Fujimura	Asian	BA, U. of Washington MA, Sophia U./Tokyo	UC-Berkeley
Rosemary George	Black	BA, George Mason	Chicago
Martha Lopez	Chicano	BA/MA, UCLA	UCLA
Shirley Melton	Black	BS, North Carolina A&T	Howard
Caleb Rosado	PR	BA, Pacific Union College BD, Andrews University	Northwestern
Walter Stewart	Black	BA, York College/CUNY	CUNY
Dana Takagi	Asian	BA, UC-Berkeley	UC-Berkeley

Award Recognizes Contributions of Sociologists

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over 40 years, he has written papers which have organized sets of ideas critical to the discipline. He has been a fruitful researcher using a variety of methods.

"His structural approach has illuminated a variety of topics: from bureaucracy, to anomie, to public opinion and to medical education. In particular, starting from his

works, *Social Theory and Social Structure and Science, Technology and Society in 17th Century England*, he has creatively and provocatively presented ideas about the nature of knowledge and science. His continuing works in sociology of science have gained an international and interdisciplinary audience. He is today the most eminent representative of sociology to the larger community." Merton has served as President of the American Sociological Association and is considered the founding father of the Society for the Social Studies of Science.

Davis Citation

The citation accompanying the award to Davis reads: "Kingsley Davis is one of the world's most distinguished demographers. His concern with the dynamics of population growth and structure

has had an influence throughout the world in emphasizing the importance of population policy.

"His book on *The Population of India and Pakistan* was a model of a scholarly work with international policy implications. His understanding of the structure of the family and the nature of sex roles has influenced population theory. He has constantly prodded nations to consider the importance of social and demographic factors for economic development and his work on *World Urbanization 1950-70* has documented some of the unanticipated consequences of population growth on the cities of the world.

"He has served as President of the American Sociological Association and the Population Association of America and has served as the U.S. Representative to the United Nations Population Council."

Riley Heads Social Research at NIA

Matilda White Riley, a pioneer in the sociology of aging, has been appointed head of a new social and behavioral research program at the National Institute on Aging which is part of the National Institutes of Health.

Riley was appointed to the new post to develop a program that would attract outstanding researchers from the social and behavioral science community to



Matilda W. Riley

Her latest work is *Aging from Birth to Death*, an edited symposium sponsored by the American Association for the Advancement of Science, that focuses on socio-cultural influences on aging processes.

During the 1978-79 academic year, she conducted a seminar on "The Life Cycle and Aging" at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford.

study the social, cultural, and psychological factors that affect the aging process and the place of older people in society.

In a presentation to the National Advisory Council on Aging, Riley outlined the following emphases for the new research program:

1. the life course perspective, since aging begins with birth (or conception) and ends only with death;
2. longitudinal and cohort approaches, since different cohorts or generations cannot age in precisely the same ways;
3. cross-cultural studies, since age and aging vary both within and across societies;
4. interdisciplinary approaches, since there is a continuing interplay between social and biological components of aging.

Riley is best known in the sociology of aging for the three-volume *Aging and Society* which is an overview of social science studies of the middle and later years done with Anne Foner, another sociologist, and other colleagues.

1980 Annual Meeting

Deadline for
SUBMISSION OF PAPERS
to Organizers: JANUARY 10, 1979

Organizers Announced for Poster Sessions

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Models in Sociology: Maureen Hallinan, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI 53766.

Justice and Inequality: Robert Newby, Department of Sociology, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI 48202.

Visualizations may include photographs, diagrams, or charts. There will be an easel available for each exhibitor; posters should be sufficiently stiff to be propped on the easels. The visualization should be calculated to catch the audience's eye and to communicate a major idea or message succinctly. Those who feel they have no artistic talent have only to visit an art supplies store to find many aids for visual display, such as "stick-on" letters and symbols. The audiovisual or instructional services department of teaching and research institutions often have staff with excellent ideas and skills. General questions or potential submissions can be addressed either to the above chairpersons or to Professor Elizabeth G. Cohen, School of Education, CERAS Building, Stanford University, Stanford, CA 94305. She is in charge of these sessions.

I have always felt that hallways and bars at associational meetings were the best places to hear what was going on. I have discovered another location for wisdom—the presidential address. Paul Chalfant of Texas Tech recently gave his address to the Mid-South Sociological Society, meeting in Memphis. He identified some past "suicidal" behavior in sociology. He argued that the late 1960s provided a stern test for sociology—when it was challenged to give more attention to policy and practicality.

He suggested we met this challenge by further withdrawal into our own narrow disciplinary concerns. We insisted that those challenges could best be met by better grounding in theory and method. This was how we conceptualized student needs. "Practical" courses could be handled by other departments and colleges or by part-time "cheap" labor. We have been, of course, somewhat disappointed at the quality of training those students received when later they came to the significant courses we taught.

Chalfant also suggested that we have slighted our role in college and university affairs and avoided interdepartmental collaboration to save our energies for "purer" sociological enterprises. He claims that this has come back to haunt us in retrenchment since we have few "allies" as well as fewer students. He went on to suggest that we have been eminently successful in keeping the discipline pure, to the extent that, in many colleges, departments of sociology have no majors. Some administrators now suggest that departments with no students should have no faculty.

Chalfant claims he dreamed all this up so he would have something to say in a presidential address. Some of his audience told him it sounded like a nightmare. But Freud always said that dreams mean something. Thinking about that meaning keeps me awake since some of his dreams may have come true.—RRD

NSF Sociology Program Managers Offer Assistance to Colleagues

A program designed to nurture the development of basic research proposals in sociology is being conducted by the managers of the sociology program in the National Science Foundation.

The new program has been made possible, in part, by the upgrading of the second position in the program from assistant manager to associate manager status. James J. Zuiches, Michigan State University, assumed the associate manager position in August.

Roland Liebert, manager, outlined the components of the program as follows:

1. Assisting the development of proposals by evaluating short preliminary proposals.
2. Providing adequate information on proposal reviews conducted by panelists.
3. Visiting professional meetings and institutions to describe the sociology program at NSF and to explain how to apply for funds.
4. Channeling proposals to the proper programs in NSF or by facilitating an interdisciplinary review where appropriate.
5. Serving as major referral agents for inquiries about federal funding, any federal funding.

Liebert and Zuiches hope the new program will "encourage

creative people in the field to apply" for the \$4 million available from the program in 1980. They also hope the program will increase the number of "excellent proposals" submitted to the program. Liebert and Zuiches can be reached at: (202) 632-4304.

Liebert said, "We are not getting enough truly outstanding proposals in sociology. We have a lot of good proposals, but few excellent ones."

An excellent proposal shows "the significance of the research for larger bodies of knowledge." Liebert said the proposed research "should have implications for other times, places and sets of events than those under study."

Liebert further stated that the program "would much rather fund something if potentially significant...even if high risk...than to fund something that is a sure bet but trivial."

Zuiches stated that "the core of the program is theoretically focused empirical research." The program, however, funds purely theoretical investigations, statistical and methodological research, dissertations, conferences, symposia and travel.

"We have no methodological biases," Liebert said; "the key question is whether the methods are appropriate to the proposed task."

Proposals are reviewed on the following schedule: Received by February 28, reviewed by Panel in May, and may start July 1. Received by August 31, reviewed by Panel in October, and may start January 1. Received by December 31, reviewed by Panel in February, and may start May 1.

New NSF sociology panel members are John D. Kasarda, UNC-Chapel Hill; Joan Aldous, University of Notre Dame; and Marshall Meyer, UC-Riverside. Continuing members are Peter Rossi, University of Massachusetts-Amherst; Karen Cook, University of Washington; Nicholas Mullins, Indiana University; and Stanley Lieberman, University of Arizona.

1980 American Sociological Association Award For a Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship

Nominations are invited for the new ASA Award for a Distinguished Contribution to Scholarship which will be given for the first time in 1980. The Award is given for a single work, such as a book, monograph, or article, published in the last four calendar years, 1976-79. Submission deadline is February 28.

The winner of this award will be offered a lectureship known as the Sorokin Lecture. Regional and state sociological associations/societies may apply to ASA Council to receive this lecture at ASA expense after the Award is announced.

Nominations for the Award should include name of author, title of work, publisher, and date of work, and should be sent to: Alan C. Kerckhoff, Department of Sociology, Duke University, Durham, NC 27706.

Equipment Grants To Social Sciences

Twenty-seven social science departments have received grants from the National Science Foundation for the purchase of instructional scientific equipment.

Included in the group are one department of sociology and one department of sociology and anthropology.

The Department of Sociology at Reed College in Portland received \$3,475 for the purchase of computer terminals for improving instruction in social science courses.

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Georgia Southern College received a \$1,968 grant for its Anthropology Enrichment Project.

The awards were made through the Instructional Scientific Equipment Program, a major NSF program that focuses on strengthening laboratory and field work experiences through the application of appropriate educational technology in science classrooms. Each grantee institution must provide matching funds equal to at least 50% of the equipment costs.

Books Wanted For China

An effort is being made to collect books in sociology for shipment to the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in Peking to build a library of Western works that would assist the revival of sociology and the social sciences in China.

The effort is being conducted by the Joint Committee on Contemporary China of the Social Science Research Council. The Ford Foundation has set aside \$5000 toward the cost of shipping the books to China.

Martin K. Whyte, University of Michigan, Joint Committee member, urges authors to contribute one copy of each book they have published to the effort.

Books should be sent to Dr. Anne F. Thurston, Social Science Research Council, 605 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10016 before February 1.

The Joint Committee is sponsoring this effort with the expectation that the Chinese will reciprocate by providing American scholars with materials of interest to them, Whyte said.

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Organizational Meeting Held For Section on Minorities

An effort is underway to formally establish an ASA Section on Racial and Cultural Minorities to serve as a communication mechanism for all sociologists working in those substantive areas.

In order to attain Section status, two hundred ASA members must submit \$5.00 in dues for 1980 to the ASA Executive Office. The Section appeared on the membership renewal forms for 1980.

An organization meeting was held for the newly initiated Section during the Annual Meeting in Boston. At that meeting, attended by 30 persons, temporary officers were elected and three committees were appointed.

Elected were Charles U. Smith, Florida A&M University, Chair; Loretta J. Williams, University of Missouri-Columbia, Vice-Chair; and Rhoda L. Blumberg, Douglass College, Rutgers University, Secretary-Treasurer.

Appointed to the Nominating Committee were James Blackwell, University of Massachusetts-Boston, Chair; Leo Estrada, UCLA; and Albert Seals, Kentucky State University-Frankfort.

Appointed to the By-Laws Committee were Lewis M. Killian, University of Massachusetts-Amherst; and Marie Peters, University of Connecticut.

Appointed to the Program Committee were Elizabeth Higginbotham, University of Pittsburgh, Chair; Bonnie Dill,

Memphis State University; Lenora Greenbaum, Adelphi University; Ronald Lunceford, California State-Long Beach; John Moland, Southern University; Jeff Prager, UCLA; Wilhelmina Perry, Glassboro State College; and Shirley V. Brown, University of Maryland-Baltimore.

Further information on the Section may be obtained from Charles U. Smith, Director, Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences, Florida A&M University, P.O. Box 895, Tallahassee, FL 32307. Phone: (904) 599-3505.

ASA 75th Anniversary in 1980

Community gave its first annual award to Nels Anderson, University of New Brunswick, for his lifetime of concern for "the problems of community in urban industrial society" during its business meeting in Boston. Nominations for the second annual Community Award should be sent to Jacqueline Scherer, Department of Sociology, Oakland University, Rochester, MI 48063; or to Barry Wellman, Department of Sociology, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5S 1A1; or to David Popenoe, Department of Graduate Sociology, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ 08903.

Theory has established an annual Theory Prize for the outstanding short contribution to sociological theory. Contributions may be published or unpublished, and should consist of an article or book chapter which has appeared within the last two years. Such contributions may be domestic or foreign, and need not be confined to standard sociological publications. Nominations for the Prize are to be initiated by Section members. Any member may nominate by sending three copies of the contribution to Norbert Wiley, Chair, Theory Prize Awards Committee, Department of Sociology, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL 61801. Deadline is March 1. Self-nominations are not allowed.

Sociology of World Conflicts announced its 1980-81 election results: Elise Boulding, Dartmouth College, Chair; William Gamson, University of Michigan, Chair-elect; Henry Barbera, New York City, and Dee Richard Wernet, Jersey City, N.J., Council.

Medical Sociology announced its election results: Ronald Andersen, University of Chicago, Chair-elect; Marilyn Bergner, University of Washington, Secretary-Treasurer; Barbara Dohrenwend, Columbia University, Publications Committee Chair; Jan Howard, National Institutes of Health, Career & Employment Committee Chair; Margaret Zahn, Temple University, Teaching Committee Chair; Marshall Becker, University of Michigan, Jira Mercer, University of California-Riverside, and Bernice Pescosolido, Yale University, Council members-at-large; Howard Kelman, SUNY-Stony Brook, Jennie Kronenfeld, University of Alabama-Birmingham, Lois Cohen, National Institutes of Health, and Judith Ann Levy, Northwestern University, Nominations Committee.

World Conflicts Names Organizers

The Section on World Conflicts has announced organizers for its two sessions to be held during the 1980 ASA Annual Meeting in New York:

"International Conflict in Latin America and the Caribbean"—Ted Goertzel, Department of Sociology, Rutgers University, Camden, NJ 08102.

"World Conflict in the 1980s: Perspectives for Change"—Paula Rayman, Department of Sociology, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA 02154.

ALEX SIMIRENKO (1931-1979)

Alex Simirenko was born in Kiev, Ukraine in 1931. One April 27, 1979, this remarkable human being died after a protracted illness.

Alex's family, which included inventors, scientists, patrons of the arts, and social reformers, were descended from Cossack officers who in the late 18th century for participating in an uprising and refusing to take an oath of allegiance to Catherine the Great were stripped of their property and privileges and made serfs. In time they set up a water mill, bought themselves out of serfdom, and sent their children to France for engineering education. The Simirenkos established the first steam powered sugar refinery in the Ukraine, introduced steam navigation on the Dnieper, built a tool factory, financed and published the works of the great Ukrainian poet Taras Shevchenko, and vigorously supported the Ukrainian independence movement.

Alex was proud of his grandfather, Lev Simirenko's scientific contributions to plant breeding, and the development of the Reinette Simirenko apple. Lev, the Burbank of the Ukraine and Russia, was also a revolutionary who was sent to Siberia. Alex's father, Volodymyr Simirenko, was the leading horticulturalist in the Soviet Union in the 1920s and 30s, but in 1933 he was arrested for not following Marxian theories of biology. He was released for six months and then rearrested to vanish into the Gulag forever—though later posthumously partially rehabilitated. The family was forced to flee, eventually reaching Prague where Alex attended a Ukrainian school. He completed his secondary education in Bavaria.

Suffering the indignities of a D.P. camp (Augsburg) on top of earlier starvation and persecution irrevocably undermined Alex's health. His professional contributions astounded those who knew of his physical disabilities. In 1950 Alex arrived in Philadelphia, but soon his mother took him to the University of Minnesota to follow in the footsteps of his father and grandfather. Ill health forced him to suspend his studies, and it was while recuperating that he discovered his fascination for sociology.

In 1955 he returned to the University of Minnesota and received his BA (1957), MA (1958), and PhD (1961) under Don Martindale. He taught at the University of Nevada (1960-68), California State University at Northridge (1968-71), and Pennsylvania State University (1969-79). In 1968 he had a National Science Foundation Fellowship at Indiana University and in 1970-71 a Ford Research Fellowship. He wrote three major books: *Pilgrims, Colonists and Frontiersmen: An Ethnic Community in Transition* (1964), his dissertation on the Russian community in Minneapolis, *Soviet Sociology: History, Antecedents and Current Appraisals* (1966), and *Social Thought in the Soviet Union* (1971). He wrote an impressive number of articles, book reviews and papers, and served on numerous editorial boards, councils and governing boards. He was active in eight professional societies. At the time of his death he was under contract for two books (*Soviet Society and Transplanted Worlds*) and had just completed a study of Polish-American identification.

Alex was a reservoir of intellectual energy and cheerfulness. He had a phenomenal memory for people and places. He had something compelling to say about many topics, always focusing on essentials. His early ethnic community studies of three generations, successfully employing Mannheim's idea of generational cohorts as a theoretical starting point, anti-

pated later emphases in ethnic research.

Alex Simirenko insisted on the highest standards of scholarship. He gave enormous amounts of time to students, treating them as fellow scholars. He was constantly engaged in intense discussions with students and faculty, pouring out his knowledge of the sociological classics. He had an uncanny way of drawing inferences and establishing connections with the real world. A favorite pastime of his was to predict changes in the power structure of the sociological profession—and with amazing success.

Alex made fiercely loyal friends. He was so generous, warm, and intriguing, that friends never felt embarrassed to say that they loved this gem of a human being.

George A. Theodorson
 Pennsylvania State University
 K. Peter Etzkorn
 University of Missouri, St. Louis
 Wsevolod W. Isajiw
 University of Toronto

KAREN A. LAIDLAW 1949-1979

Dr. Karen Laidlaw, Assistant Professor of Sociology at Indiana University Northwest, died on August 6, 1979 from complications associated with a long standing illness. She was the first woman to receive a PhD in Sociology from Bowling Green State University, Ohio, in 1976; and although her professional career was a short one, it was highly productive. She worked imaginatively and tirelessly to create new ideas for the study of social change and modernization, and her work was well received in the critical forums where she shared her ideas with her fellow sociologists. At the time of her death she had presented and/or published over a dozen professional papers; her first book was in press, as were several other papers; and she was hard at work on a monograph dealing with the role of the military in Peruvian development.

Although she wrote and published much, Karen Laidlaw was not an "ivory tower" professor. She was very active in university affairs and was deeply involved with various local programs of physical and mental health. Her biggest contribution, however, was to her students. They always came first with her, and she was consistently available to them and willing to assist them in any way she could. She was reflective, conscientious, was highly valued by them. In all ways, the profession has lost a very promising young sociologist; and those of us who knew and worked with Karen have lost a valuable colleague and a very dear friend.

William E. Mihaló
 Indiana University Northwest
 Edward G. Stockwell
 Bowling Green State University

Deaths

Myron (Mike) Lewis, Milwaukee, WI. April 6, 1979.

Everett V. Stonequist, Professor Emeritus, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY. March 21, 1979.

Elijah L. White, Associate Director of the National Center for Health Statistics, Public Health Service, Washington, died in an automobile accident in Poland, April 12, 1979.

Ernest M. Banzet, Associate Professor Emeritus, Michigan State University, Frontenac, MO. April 17, 1979.

Human Resources Workshop

Four interdisciplinary workshops on employment and training policy research will be held between 1979-81 by the Program for Advanced Study of Human Resources at Howard University.

Applications are invited for the first workshop, April 6-11, 1980, from faculty at Black colleges and universities who have a strong research interest in human resources. Participants will receive travel and living expenses.

Reynold Madoo, Program Director, said the workshops are designed (1) to further the use of quantitative techniques in research on employment and training policy, (2) to identify critical areas of research needs, and (3) to establish a common framework of analysis for this research.

The workshops are supported by a grant from the Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor.

Interested faculty should contact Reynold Madoo, Program for Advanced Study of Human Resources, P.O. Box 1258, Howard University, Washington, DC 20059. Phone: (202) 636-7682

Argentinian Worker Wants Books To Continue Study

A 61-year-old workman in Argentina who began a self-study of sociology six years ago would like to receive more books to read from sociologists in this country because he feels "a strange wish to continue with this subject".

He has already done some reading in sociology, anthropology, and biology. If you wish to contribute to the development of this self-motivated learner, you may send your books to: Alejandro Bustamante, Lau Martin 994, 4700 Catamarca, Republic of Argentina.

Going Out of Sociology Sale. *ASR*, Volume 30-43; *AJS*, Volume 71, #3-84; *Social Forces*, Volume 46-57; *Social Problems*, Volume 13-25; *PSR*, Volume 11-20; *Urban Life*, Volume 1-7. Best offer for entire lot. Saul D. Feldman, 16000 Terrace Road, #2204, Cleveland, OH 44112. Phone: (216) 231-7900; 451-1077.

Wage War on Poor Writing! Critique grading method. Developed by sociologist; classroom proven. Money-back guarantee. \$6.95 pp.; includes special grading toolkit. Critical Products, Dept. AS, Box 1036, Ellensburg, WA 98926.

Stress and Mental Health: A Bibliography. Citations on psychological outcomes of stress. Topics include models, life events, suicide, environments, severe illness, work, psychoses, etc. Spans 1968-78 with a 2-page preface. *Stress and Physical Health* covers health variables such as heart disease, ulcers, asthma, stroke, and metabolic disease for 1965-77. Also available is *Stress and Substance Abuse*, having references on treatment modalities, anxiety arousal, life stress and change, methadone, etc. for 1968-78. Each booklet has about 500 entries and 30 pages. Order the set for \$19.95 + \$2.00 postage and handling (\$3.25 Canadian/1st class); or \$6.95 each + \$1.25 first book and \$.75 each additional (\$2.25 and \$1.00/1st class). HBRG, Inc., Dept. ASA-2, Box 17122, Irvine, CA 92713.

January 3-8. *American Association for the Advancement of Science.* Annual Meeting, San Francisco Hilton.

February 6-8. *Seventh National Institute on Minority Aging.* San Diego. Theme: "Looking Toward the 1981 White House Conference on Aging and Beyond: A Minority Perspective." Contact: Nancy E. Rollman, Conference Coordinator, University Center on Aging, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA 92182. Phone: (714) 265-6765 or 265-6640.

February 19-22. *Southern Gerontological Society.* First annual meeting. Atlanta Biltmore Hotel. Theme: "Aging in the South: Cooperation for Tomorrow." Contact: Dr. Glenn Hughes, Medical Towers Building, 1717 11th Avenue, North, Birmingham, AL 35294.

February 22-23. *Conference on Family Observation, Behavioral Assessment and Intervention.* Contact: Robert Lewis, Center for Family Studies, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85281. Phone: (602) 965-3872.

February 27-29. *Southern Conference on Corrections.* Silver Anniversary meeting. Tallahassee Hilton Hotel. Contact: Vernon Fox, School of Criminology, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306. Phone: (904) 644-4050.

March 2-6. *Environmental Design Research Association.* Eleventh annual conference. Charleston, S.C. Theme: "Optimizing Environments: Research, Practice, and Policy." Contact: Stephanie Sanders, Center for Metropolitan Affairs, College of Charleston, Charleston, SC 29401.

March 8. *Mid-Atlantic Slavic Conference of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies.* Rutgers University. Contact: Richard Wortman, Program Chair, Department of History, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08540.

Wallach Awards

The Institute for World Order in New York will present Ira D. and Miriam G. Wallach Awards of \$10,000, \$3,000, and two of \$1,000 each to authors of articles published between July 1, 1979 and December 31, 1980, which best demonstrate the advantage of an enduring peace system to all nations and groups of people. In addition, five awards of \$1,000 each will be presented to college and university students whose essays, even if unpublished, meet the criteria. Deadline is January 15, 1981. For guidelines write: The Wallach Awards Committee, The Institute for World Order, 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017.

Public Opinion

The American Association for Public Opinion Research is seeking papers from registered graduate or undergraduate students that deal with substantive or methodological issues in public opinion or public opinion research for its student paper competition. Prizes are first place \$200 and second place \$100. Papers from dissertations that have already earned a PhD and papers offered to a journal are not eligible. Winners will present their papers at the 35th Annual AAPOR Conference, Kings Island Inn, Cincinnati, May 29-June 1. Send three copies by January 31 to: Dr. J.R. Milavsky, NBC, Room 1640, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10020.

POSTDOCTORAL

University of Kentucky, College of Agriculture, Department of Sociology, invites applications for one 12-month, non-tenure track, renewable postdoctorate or research associate to do research and teaching related to the sociology of international agricultural development. Applicants must have a PhD in sociology or rural sociology or, if for research associate, must have passed qualifying examinations and have dissertation data in hand. Experience or training in international agricultural development and in qualitative or quantitative field methodology in a developing country is desirable. Salary is negotiable. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply. Send a letter of application, a vitae, and have three letters of reference sent to C. Milton Coughenour, Department of Sociology, S-205 Agricultural Science Center-North, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40546. Deadline for completed application is February 1.

Michigan State University, Center for Research on Populations and Natural Resources, invites applications for a fellowship beginning January 1980, or later, for one or two years. Stipend \$11,500 per annum. The program provides opportunities to enhance skills in the creation of an integrated demographic and resource data base that is useful to researchers, state agencies and community users. Activities include the analysis of impacts of rapid population growth and demographic change on the environment, the sociology of primary production, the development of fisheries and primary resources, and energy and demography. Fellows will serve on Center research projects. Send vitae, names of at least two references, samples of recently written work, a statement describing research interests, or requests for information to: Craig K. Harris, Department of Sociology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824.

University of Kentucky Medical Center, Department of Behavioral Science, announces the immediate availability of two NIMH supported traineeships in medical behavioral science. Applicants may be either social scientists desiring further research training for careers in mental health or behavioral medicine, or health professionals seeking behavioral science research orientation. Address inquiries to: Marion Pearsall, Department of Behavioral Science, College of Medicine, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40536.

Gerontological Society announces its new three-year Research Fellowship Program that takes 15 postdoctoral gerontologist-researchers from teaching positions in universities and places them in settings where they can undertake research projects on aging that are of immediate utility to agency directors. The 1980 program, subject to funding from the Administration on Aging, has the following theme: "Continuum of Long-Term Care: Health Care of the Elderly." The fellowships generally occur over a three-month period in the summer and are supported by a \$3,000 stipend. Contact: Suzanne Wood, Program Director, Gerontological Society, 1835 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20006.

PREDOCTORAL

University of Kentucky, College of Agriculture, Department of Sociology invites applications for one 12-month, non-tenure track, renewable research associate to do research and teaching related to the sociology of interna-

tional agricultural development. For more details see announcement above under postdoctoral.

University of Kentucky Medical Center, Department of Behavioral Science, has several predoctoral traineeships. For more details see announcement above under postdoctoral.

National Science Foundation, Division of Information Science & Technology is continuing its Special Research Initiation Awards for New Investigators in Information Science in Fiscal Year 1980. Deadline is February 6. For more details contact Dr. Edward C. Weiss, (202) 632-5818, or request Program Announcement NSF 78-82 from the Division of Information Science & Technology, NSF, Washington, DC 20550.

OTHER

The Ford Foundation, Office of European and International Affairs announces the second round of a fellowship program in the combined fields of international security-arms control and Soviet-East European area studies, and the third round of its fellowship program in international security-arms control. Deadline for the combined program is January 1. Deadline for the other program is February 1. Contact: Office of European and International Affairs, The Ford Foundation, 320 East 43rd Street, New York, NY 10017.

American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies, Research and Development Committee provides small grants to support conferences, workshops, exhibitions, and other collaborative research projects that promise to make significant contributions to the field of Russian and Soviet studies. There are no formal application dates. Contact: Brian D. Silver, Chairperson, Research and Development Committee, AAASS, c/o Russian and East European Studies Program, 103 International Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824. Phone: (517) 355-3277 or 355-6590.

The Wellesley College Center for Research on Women invites proposals for participation in the Faculty Development Program for men and women faculty who are engaged in undergraduate liberal arts teaching in New England. The program aims to bring new perspectives on men and women to the established academic disciplines by incorporating the results of scholarship on women into regular academic offerings. Deadline is January 15. Contact: Peggy McIntosh, Director, Faculty Development Program, Wellesley College Center for Research on Women, Wellesley, MA 02181. Phone: (617) 235-6360.

SSRC Survey Archive in England invites applications to its Visiting Fellowship Program for 1980-81 from social scientists interested in undertaking either substantive or methodological research based on the Archive's holdings, Britain's largest repository of machine readable survey data. Assistance is limited to office facilities, technical advice, data holdings, and computing facilities. Deadline is March 31, 1980. For applications and information write to: The Director, SSRC Survey Archive, University of Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, Essex, England CO4 3SQ.

PUBLICATIONS

Journal of Family Issues invites manuscripts for a special issue on "Remarriage" to appear in December 1980. Papers will be considered on all aspects of remarriage, including social and demographic analyses, historical treatments, qualitative analyses of the transitions to and adjustments associated with remarriage, and both qualitative and quantitative papers on the personal, interpersonal, familial and cultural dynamics of remarriage. Deadline is March 15, 1980. Send to: Frank Furstenberg, Department of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 19174.

Simgames: The Canadian Journal of Simulation and Gaming invites contributions for a special issue on "The Potential and Limitations of Computer Simulation in the Social Sciences". Topics of interest include the state-of-the-art, modeling, theoretical formulation, policy implications (especially in urban but also in other fields of application). Articles of no more than 20 pages should be submitted to: Guy LeCavalier, Co-Editor, Simgames, P.O. Box 370, Cote Saint Luc, Quebec, Canada H4V 2Y5.

Insurgent Sociologist solicits manuscripts for a thematic issue on "Race and Class in 20th Century Capitalist Development." Some suggested topics are labor migrations, interplay between race and class, class struggles and capitalist development, capitalist expansion into non-capitalist arenas. Deadline is February 15. Send three copies to: Binghamton Editorial Collective, *Insurgent Sociologist*, c/o Department of Sociology, SUNY-Binghamton, Binghamton, NY 13901.

Journal of Consumer Research invites authors to submit abstracts for a special issue on energy use and consumer behavior slated for publication in 1981. Topics include a synthesis of current knowledge of energy use and consumer behavior, theoretical models of the role of energy use in influencing consumer behavior, empirical studies of energy use and its effects on consumer behavior, and approaches to and methods of measuring energy use by consumers. Material should focus on micro aspects of consumer behavior, be interdisciplinary in scope, and be understandable to people in other disciplines. Authors of promising abstracts will be invited to prepare full manuscripts for review. Two copies of a 300-500 word abstract, plus two copies of a topical outline, should be sent by February 29, 1980 to: The Editor, *JCR*, University of Illinois-Chicago Circle, P.O. Box 6905, Chicago, IL 60680.

Historical Social Research, a new quarterly journal devoted to quantitative historical social research, invites submissions. Contact: Center for Historical Social Research, Universitätsstrasse 20, D-5000 Koeln 41, West Germany.

CONFERENCES

Association for the Sociology of Religion, Hyatt Grand Hotel, New York City, August 25-27. Theme: "Religion and the Political Order." Papers are invited on such topics as immanence and transcendence, the relationship between religion and the state, the changing function of religion, the resurgence of religion in international affairs, cults and secularization, religious vs. political movements, religious thought and practice under communist regimes, and religion and modernization. Deadline is February 1. Send three copies of abstracts or session proposals to: Roland Robertson, Department of Sociology, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; or

to: Thomas Robbins, Department of Sociology, Yale University, New Haven, CT 06520.

Fifth New England Undergraduate Research Conference in Sociology, Providence College, R.I., April 19. The Conference is designed to provide a forum in which undergraduate students who are engaged in original research in sociology can share their findings with students and faculty members from colleges and universities in the New England region. A cash prize of \$50.00 each will be awarded for the two most outstanding papers. Deadline is February 1. Send two copies of the paper and abstract plus a brief biographical sketch to: Dr. Josephine A. Ruggiero, Conference Coordinator, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Social Work, Providence College, Providence, RI 02918.

National Council of State Sociological Associations, 1980 ASA Annual Meeting, seeks papers on "community service" performances of college and university sociologists. Topics include the nature and types of service opportunities, criteria for evaluating the service performance of faculty, past or present exemplars—what they have learned and what can be learned from them, desired connections between the service activity of every academic sociologist and careers formed in sociological practice and clinical sociology, critique of the service requirements for sociology faculty, sociologists in state service networks. Send to: George K. Floro, Department of Sociology, UW-Eau Claire, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

Conference on Ethnic and Minority Studies, UW-LaCrosse, April 23-26, seeks papers that focus on the following themes: "Ethnicity and Politics" and "The Invisible Ethnic and Mental Health". Students invited to submit papers. Persons interested in serving as chairpersons or discussants should submit a resume. Deadline for all materials is January 15. Send four copies of papers to: George E. Carter, Institute for Minority Studies, UW-LaCrosse, LaCrosse, WI 54601. Phone: (608) 785-8225.

Health Care Administration Division, Academy of Management, Detroit Renaissance Center, August 10-13. Papers covering research on all aspects of health administration. Deadline January 15. Contact: Lt. Col. Keith W. Curtis, 6313 Beryl Road, Alexandria, VA 22312. Phone: (202) 767-4343.

Philosophy of the Social Sciences Conference, Toronto, October 18-20. Suggestions for this conference should be sent to: Jean Saindon, Department of Sociology, Atkinson College, York University, 4700 Keele Street, Downsview, Ontario, Canada M3J 2R7.

International Sociological Association Section on Deviance and Social Control, Conference Center, University of Ibadan, Nigeria, July 9-12, seeks abstracts and/or presenters around the program theme: "The Costs of Deviance and Crime." Send to: Femi Odekunle, Department of Sociology, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Nigeria, with a copy to: Paul C. Friday, Department of Sociology, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008.

Social Science History Association, Annual Meeting, SUNY-College at Brockport, November 7-9, invites participation as panelist, presenter, panel chair or discussant. Deadline is February 1. Send proposals to: Nancy H. Zingale, Department of Political Science, College of St. Thomas, St. Paul, NM 55105.

**ASA Problems of the Discipline
Deadline: Feb. 1
(see p. 12)**

**MINUTES OF THE 1979
ASA COUNCIL MEETING**

The fifth meeting of the 1979 ASA Council convened at 8:40 a.m., Thursday, August 30, 1979 in the Sheraton-Boston Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts. Members present were: Pauline Bart, Hubert M. Blalock, Jr., Elise Boulding, Ernest Q. Campbell, Herbert L. Costner, Irwin Deutscher, William A. Gamson, Charles Y. Glock, Amos H. Hawley, Richard J. Hill, Helen M. Hughes, Helena Z. Lopata, Joan Moore, Morris Rosenberg, Peter H. Rossi, James F. Short, Jr., and Immanuel Wallerstein. 1980 Council members present were: Renee C. Fox, Thomas Pettigrew, and William Foote Whyte. Present from the Executive Office were: Russell R. Dynes, Midge Miles, Alice F. Myers, Lawrence J. Rhoades, Paul R. Williams, and Janet L. Astner. Chair of the Committee on Publications, Jeffrey K. Hadden, was present during part of the meeting.

- 1. Approval of Agenda.** The agenda was approved as presented.
- 2. Report of President.** Blalock reported that the certification committee will have a report available in November for consideration by Council in January, and the report of the accreditation committee will go to the Teaching Committee before coming to Council.
- 3. Report of Secretary.** Short asked to defer his report until the appropriate committee reports.
- 4. Report of Executive Officer.** Following up on previous directives from Council, Dynes reported that eleven boxes of journals were shipped to the Chinese Sociological Association and that resolutions were sent to the Conference Board of Associated Research Councils. A response from the Board was distributed. Clarification was requested regarding handling procedures for incoming U.S. government intelligence files. It was the sense of Council that intelligence files on the ASA should go directly to the committee that requested them. Dynes informed Council that the National Institute of Mental Health has awarded ASA a five-year renewal grant to support the Minority Fellowship Program in the amount of \$1,400,000. A one-year extension of the National Institute of Education grant for the Research Skills Institute has been received and a summer workshop will be held on the West Coast in 1980.

5. Joint Meeting of the Committee on Executive Office and Budget (EOB) and the Committee on Publications. Secretary Short reported recommendations from voting members of the Publications Committee for action on three proposed ASA publications. In order to become an ASA publication and appear on the dues billing, the *Teaching Newsletter* originated by the Project on Teaching Undergraduate Sociology must be approved by the Publications Committee. Pending this review, the Committee recommended that the current status be continued.

MOTION: That the status quo of the *Teaching Newsletter* be maintained until the next meeting of the Publications Committee, and that this be considered an agenda item at that time. Carried.

A proposal for a theory publication was circulated prior to the meeting. The Committee on Publications recommended establishment of an annual theory publication and EOB approved a \$5,000 budget over the next two years for start-up costs. Jossey-Bass is interested in publishing an annual theory volume similar to *Sociological Methodology*. Discussion of the committee's recommendations confirmed that approval of an annual theory publication does not include endorsement of the format recommended in the proposal, and that the budget is for two years rather than \$5,000 each year. The mandate proposed for the new publication was presented to Council.

MOTION: That Council approve the establishment of an annual theory publication titled *Sociological Theory* constituting a new regular publication of the Association. Carried.

MOTION: That the following mandate for *Sociological Theory* be approved: *Sociological Theory* is an annual publication directed to those in the sociological community interested in theoretical innovation and continuity. It publishes papers about particular theoretical perspectives; concepts and hypotheses; metatheory and theory of methodology; the formalization of theory, including mathematical theory; history of theory; contemporary approaches to classical theories; overviews and critical assessments of theoretical perspectives; and other contributions. *Sociological Theory* welcomes contributions that suggest juxtapositions among different perspectives and that stimulate progressively more advanced work. Submitted papers will be evaluated with the assistance of an editorial board that reflects the diversity of sociological theory. Carried.

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The Publications Committee recommended against establishment of *Sociological Inventory* because of prohibitive costs and uncertainty over the journal's focus and constituency. Less than 25% of the sample of members surveyed returned the survey questionnaire. Findings, therefore, are relatively meaningless. Start-up costs for a quarterly journal would run up to \$50,000 the first year, primarily because of the rewriting factor incorporated into *Sociological Inventory*. Because of the interest evidenced by teachers on the survey responses, though of unknown representativeness, Council recommended that the Publications Committee consider the feasibility of a non-technical publication at a future date.

MOTION: To accept the report of the Committee on Publications recommending against establishment of *Sociological Inventory* at this time. Carried.

MOTION: To commend the members of the Committee on Publications for their work on this project and suggest that from time to time they consider this again. Carried.

6. Constitution and By-Laws Revision. Costner reported that the proposed changes are designed to accomplish the following purposes: (1) to make changes in the role of the Vice President and to continue the Past Vice President in an active role for one year; (2) to clarify the responsibilities of the Program Committee and the Council in planning the program for the Annual Meeting, especially in regard to the allocation of program time to Sections; (3) to incorporate into the By-Laws the guidelines for the presentation and submission of petitions for Members' Resolutions, as enacted by Council in September, 1977; and (4) to delete, correct and/or clarify miscellaneous features of the Constitution and By-Laws that have become obsolete or otherwise in need of change. Council reviewed the document and recommended that the process of membership referendum be initiated.

MOTION: To approve the proposed revisions of the Constitution and By-Laws for release to the membership. Carried.

7. Teaching Award Resolution. Following approval of an ASA teaching award during the June Council meeting, a resolution intended to encourage recognition of teaching was submitted which recommended that ASA join other sociological associations in honoring teaching accomplishments via a certificate signed by the ASA President or Executive Officer. ASA would not review the qualifications of the recipient; the initiating association would be responsible for the nominations, review, and selection. While wishing to encourage recognition of teaching, Council was hesitant about joining in a commendation without scrutinizing the selection process or recipient.

MOTION: That Council announce to regional and state sociological associations its willingness to join with them in honoring their members for outstanding accomplishment in the teaching of sociology, as signified by the signature of ASA's President and/or Executive Officer on a citation or certificate of this form: The American Sociological Association is pleased to join with (name of regional/state society) in recognizing (faculty member or department) for its/her/his outstanding accomplishments in the teaching of sociology, as determined by the (name of society).

Council review of this action will occur after two years. Carried.

8. Section on World Conflicts. Following Council's cancellation of World Conflicts' section status in June, the section was removed from the 1980 dues billing. World Conflicts subsequently held a membership drive and achieved the required number of members. A request was submitted to reinstate World Conflicts as a section.

MOTION: That Council restore World Conflicts to section status, that the insecure status of the Section be called to the attention of the Committee on Sections, and that the Committee be requested to address the issue of how this Section can collect dues for the upcoming year. Carried.

9. Annual Meeting Sites. Due to lack of time, consideration of future annual meeting locations was deferred to the 1980 Council meeting.

The last meeting of the 1979 Council adjourned at 10:25 a.m. on Thursday, August 30, 1979.

Respectfully submitted,

James F. Short, Jr.
Secretary

**MINUTES OF THE 1980
ASA COUNCIL MEETING**

The first meeting of the 1980 ASA Council convened at 8:40 a.m. on Saturday, September 1, 1979, at the Sheraton-Boston Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts. Members present were: Pauline Bart, Hubert M. Blalock, Jr., Ernest Q. Campbell, Herbert L. Costner, Arlene K. Daniels, Irwin Deutscher, Renee C. Fox, William Gamson, Helen M. Hughes,

Helena Z. Lopata, Thomas F. Pettigrew, Morris Rosenberg, Peter H. Rossi, James F. Short, Jr., Immanuel Wallerstein, William Foote Whyte, and Charles V. Willie. Present from the Executive Office were: Russell R. Dynes, Midge Miles, Alice F. Myers, Lawrence J. Rhoades, Doris Y. Wilkinson, Paul R. Williams, and Janet L. Astner. Rae Lesser Blumberg, member of the 1979 Committee on Committees, and Linda Bourque, Co-Chair of the Committee on Freedom of Research and Teaching, were present during parts of the meeting. President Peter Rossi chaired the meeting.

1. Approval of Agenda. The agenda was approved as presented.

2. Report of President. Rossi commented that the Presidential transition was reasonably successful and the current President is Peter Rossi.

3. Report of Secretary. Short reported several items from the Committee on Publications and the Committee on Executive Office and Budget (EOB). In response to a preliminary report on indexing ASA journals, the Committee on Publications approved in principle the desirability of indexing all ASA journals and recommended establishing a subcommittee to further explore the feasibility of indexing, including sources of funding. Council discussed the need for indexing and the budget appropriation. The subcommittee will determine the scope of the project and its financial implications and develop recommendations for review by the Publications Committee. A specific proposal with rationale may then be presented to Council by the Publications Committee.

MOTION: That a subcommittee of the Committee on Publications be set up to consult with experts in the area of information retrieval and indexing with a budget of \$3,000 to look into the possibility of establishing indexes for ASA journals that would include subject matter and authors, to investigate possible sources of funding, and report back to the Committee on Publications in one year. Carried.

The Publications Committee recommended to Council and EOB that the processing fee be dropped for comments submitted for publication. Handling procedures for comments vary from journal to journal, resulting in inconsistent applications of the processing fee.

MOTION: That the processing fee be dropped from comments submitted to ASA journals. Carried.

EOB has asked the Executive Office to prepare detailed cost figures and options for implementing the Teaching Services Program approved by Council in June. A full report will be made at the January Council meeting.

4. Report of Executive Officer. Dynes informed new Council members of the five-year renewal grant for the Minority Fellowship Program and the one-year extension for the Research Skills Institute which were announced at the 1979 Council Meeting.

5. Committee Reports. a. Committee on World Sociology—The Committee recommended that foreign nationals participating on the annual meeting program be exempted from the membership requirement. The Secretary was requested to inform the Committee that this is the current practice.

b. Committee on Sections—Deutscher reviewed the history of the Committee and its composition. The Convener of the Board of Section Chairs is the Section representative on the Committee on Sections. Currently, a new convener is elected each year. The Board requested the option of designating a representative other than the elected convener and extending the representative's term to two years to provide continuity. Yearly turnover places the Section's representative at a disadvantage.

MOTION: That the Board of Section Chairs have the option of appointing any member of the Board as its representative to the Committee on Sections; and that the Board have the option of electing its representatives to the Committee on Sections for either a one-year or two-year term. Carried.

Due to Council action taken in June, the Section on World Conflicts was deprived of section status and privileges and dropped from the 1980 ASA dues billing. Following attainment of the required number of members, the 1979 Council reinstated World Conflicts as a section. The Committee on Sections reviewed the predicament of the Section and recommended that 1980 dues for World Conflicts be collected via an insert in the dues mailing.

MOTION: To include the World Conflicts Section in the dues mailing via a card or any other device that is economic and expedient. Carried.

Groups forming a section have two years to acquire 200 members and qualify as a section. No ASA services are provided until section status is attained. The Committee recommended providing sections in formation with a mailing list of their members if they request one.

MOTION: That forming or reforming sections that have too few members to qualify

for ASA services be provided at their request with one mailing list of their members. Carried.

6. Ad Hoc Committee on Public Policy Publications. After considering such options as starting a new journal for policy relevant research, sponsoring conferences, accumulating an information file of sociologists with policy relevant expertise, and encouraging action by interdisciplinary organizations, the Committee recommended that no action be taken by ASA at this time and requested that the Committee be disbanded. In response to questions about the Committee's conclusion, Gamson reported that it was the consensus of the Committee that policy studies are essentially an interdisciplinary enterprise and a single disciplinary association would be a less than effective instrument. The Committee was mandated to consider publications in public policy; however, there are publications of this nature already in existence. It was pointed out that the reading of publications is not the primary method by which policy-making decisions are reached.

Council discussed other ways of linking sociologists to public policy-making via the ASA. The President agreed to prepare a document laying out alternatives for discussion at the next meeting and the Committee was disbanded.

d. Committee on Committees—Committee member Rae Blumberg presented the report of the Committee on Committees (COC). Council accepted the report and expressed thanks for the work of the Committee. It was noted that COC is an elected body of the Association and that, while Council has final authority for committee appointments, only with good reason should COC nominations be altered, e.g., as when COC nominees overlap with those of the Committee on Nominations.

Council proceeded to review the nominees for each committee, specifying chairs as necessary. It was the sense of Council that there is no impropriety in having journal editors serve on awards committees. The representation of racial and ethnic minorities, women, and community college members was considered. In order to ensure wider participation, simultaneous service on more than one committee is generally discouraged. Council liaisons to various committees are to be appointed by the President following the meeting. The following actions were taken on specific committees.

MOTION: To disband the Ad Hoc Committee on Election Procedures. Carried.

MOTION: That one member from each cohort of Council serve on the Council Subcommittee on Problems of the Discipline, with the senior member serving as chair. Carried.

6. Future Council Meetings. Dates for the meetings of the 1980 Council were reviewed. Normally, all Council meetings are held in Washington, DC.

MOTION: That the January meeting of the 1980 Council be held in San Francisco, and that all others be held in Washington, DC. Carried.

7. Business Meeting Resolutions. Resolved: That the Secretary of the Council convey to Hans Mauksch hearty best wishes for a speedy recovery, and a respectful request to study the health care system, in future, by methods other than participant observation!

MOTION: That this resolution be approved. Carried.

b. Resolved: That we commend the ASA Office on Careers, Minorities and Women for that office's Research Skills Institute.

MOTION: That this resolution be approved. Carried.

Remaining resolutions were deferred to a future Council meeting.

8. Report of the Committee on Freedom of Research and Teaching. Linda Bourque, Co-Chair of the Committee on Freedom of Research and Teaching (COFRAT), noted that a controversial case is still under consideration by the Committee and recommendations are not yet available. A request was made to appoint an extraordinary chair to assist a COFRAT subcommittee in investigating a new case. Recommendations for the chair were presented.

MOTION: To appoint a chair for COFRAT's subcommittee as requested. Carried.

A summary and relevant documents on COFRAT's investigation of the termination of a joint appointment by the Department of Sociology and the College of Medicine of the University of Vermont were presented to Council, accompanied by COFRAT's recommendation that the College of Medicine and upper University administration be censured for violations of academic freedom and failure to follow due process. After careful consideration of the documents on the case and thorough evaluation of the censure recommendations from COFRAT, Council took the following action.

MOTION: To accept the report and recommendations of COFRAT on this case, and that the following be adopted as a resolution of Council:

That the College of Medicine and higher administration of the University of Vermont be censured for violations of academic freedom and due process in the case of Dr. Howard Waitzkin, and that to remove this censure they:

(1) Offer to Dr. Waitzkin a full academic appointment in Sociology and the Medical School, particularly the Department of Medicine where his clinically related teaching can be pursued. This appointment should carry a salary commensurate with the current market.

(2) Conduct an internal study of joint appointments between the social sciences and professional schools, including outside consultation from the relevant disciplines, with the report to be issued as a general statement to the academic community, giving special attention to the possible need of disciplinary departments to be primary certifiers of faculty performance. It appears to us that changes since 1976 in the University of Vermont Handbook and the coordination process concerning reappointments should have gone far toward solving many of the due process problems associated with this case. Nevertheless, we believe that the problems of social scientists working in professional schools deserve further attention, since they are both scientific observers of and participants in the professional schools.

The ASA commends Dr. S. Frank Sampson and the Department of Sociology at the University of Vermont for their actions in support of Dr. Waitzkin. Carried unanimously.

MOTION: That after an appropriate interval to allow for response from the Medical School, the Executive Office be instructed to put out news releases to Boston and Vermont newspapers and other appropriate places. Carried.

MOTION: That the entire report with regard to the Waitzkin case be sent to the officers of the ASA Section on Medical Sociology with the recommendation that they make known to their members the relevant information. Carried.

9. Copyright Issue. A complaint concerning ASA's copyright policy for journal articles was tabled to the January meeting.

10. Annual Meeting Sites. A request for a delay in site selection for future ASA annual meetings had been circulated by the Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP). Council discussed SSSP's request in relation to recommendations for sites for 1983-1985.

MOTION: That the 1983 ASA Annual Meeting be held August 31-September 4, Wednesday through Sunday, in Detroit, Michigan. Carried.

Further consideration of site and date selection was deferred to the January Council meeting pending a report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Annual Meeting Sites.

11. Report of the Committee on the Profession. Campbell reported that the Committee on Professional Ethics has completed a working draft of the new Code of Ethics and requested that the draft be disseminated to the membership for comment.

MOTION: That Council authorize the Executive Office to disseminate a working draft of the new Code of Ethics to the membership of the American Sociological Association for discussion during 1979-80. The editor of FOOTNOTES is requested to publish the working draft; comments are to be solicited from members; and a hearing scheduled at the 1980 Annual Meeting. The Committee on Professional Ethics should collect reactions and consider revisions before submitting a final proposed Code to the Council. Carried.

The Committee's request for an investigation to consider the quality of existing data on the graduate training and employment of sociologists and the experience of graduate departments in the career training and placement of graduate students was tabled to the January Council meeting.

At the close of the meeting, Council members gave Alice Myers a standing ovation in recognition of her outstanding service to the Council and the Association. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m. on September 2, 1979.

Respectfully submitted,

James F. Short, Jr.
Secretary

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Referendum: Proposed Changes in ASA Constitution, By-Laws

The Council of the American Sociological Association at its meeting in Boston in August accepted the recommendation of its Subcommittee on Constitutional and By-Laws Revision to submit for referendum to the membership a number of changes. Most of the changes are "housekeeping" efforts to correct features of the Constitution and By-Laws which have become obsolete or appear unclear.

Below, the Constitution and By-Laws are printed with the amendments suggested and the rationale for each explained. A change in the responsibility and term of the Vice President is made to increase the term to three years by the addition of a Past Vice President. This makes that office consistent with that of other offices and provides added continuity. Other changes clarify the responsibilities of the Program Committee and incorporate guidelines for the submission of petitions to Council. Many of the changes eliminate inappropriate gender references in the present Constitution. Council has voted to recommend these changes to the membership.

The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds affirmative vote and By-Laws by a majority vote. Proposed amendments are to be communicated at least 50 days prior to the vote. Keep this copy of the suggested changes available. Ballots for the voting will be sent out in April.

CONSTITUTION American Sociological Association

Article I. Name

Section 1. The Association shall be known as the American Sociological Association.

Article II. Objectives

Section 1. The objectives of the Association shall be to stimulate and improve research, instruction, and discussion, and to encourage cooperative relations among persons engaged in the scientific study of society.

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Any persons interested in the objectives of said Association shall be eligible for membership. The forms and conditions of membership are set forth in the By-Laws, Article I.

Article IV. Officers

Section 1. The directly-elected officers of the Association shall be a President, a President-Elect, a Vice-President, a Vice-President-Elect, a Secretary, and the members of the Council. The President-Elect, Vice-President-Elect, and Secretary shall be elected directly by the voting membership. The President-Elect and the Vice-President-Elect shall serve for one year, and shall then automatically become President and Vice-President respectively for one-year terms. The Secretary shall be elected by the voting membership for a three-year term and is ineligible for re-election. He shall serve one year, prior to his three-year term, as Secretary-Elect, during which year he shall sit as a non-voting member of the Council.

Proposed Change: Constitution Article IV. Officers

Section 1. The officers of the Association directly elected by the voting membership shall be a President, a President-Elect, a Past President, a Vice-President, a Vice-President-Elect, a Past Vice-President, a Secretary, and the members of the Council. The President-Elect and the Vice-President-Elect shall serve for one year, and shall then automatically become President and Vice-President respectively for one-year terms. The Secretary shall be elected by the voting membership for a three-year term and is ineligible for re-election. The Secretary-Elect shall serve for one full year prior to the three-year term as Secretary, during which year the Secretary-Elect shall sit as a non-voting member of the Council.

Rationale: Constitution Article IV. Officers

Section 1. Removes a redundant sentence on directly elected officers. Includes the Past President and Past Vice-President as elected officers. Removes inappropriate masculine pronouns.

Section 2. The Association shall constitute a Council from among its members. The Council shall be the governing body of the

Association, except insofar as the Constitution and By-Laws delegate governmental functions to other officers or to committees.

Section 3. The Council shall consist of eighteen voting members: six *ex officio*, and twelve elected-at-large. The *ex officio* members shall be the President, Past President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Vice-President-Elect, and Secretary. The members-at-large shall be elected for staggered three-year terms, with four elected each year. No member-at-large shall be eligible for re-election to the Council as a member-at-large until one year after the expiration of his term, and no individual shall be eligible for re-election as a member-at-large of the Council after he has served two such terms.

Proposed Change: Article IV,

Section 3. The Council shall consist of a maximum of nineteen voting members: up to seven *ex officio*, and precisely twelve elected-at-large. The *ex officio* members shall be the President, Past President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Past Vice-President, Vice-President-Elect, and Secretary. The members-at-large shall be elected for staggered three-year terms, with four elected each year. No member-at-large shall be eligible for re-election to the Council as a member-at-large until one year after the expiration of the prior term, and no individual shall be eligible for re-election as a member-at-large of the Council after having served two such terms.

Rationale: Article IV,

Section 3. Includes the Past Vice-President as an *ex officio* voting member of the Council; thus a person elected Vice-President serves three years on Council as do other officers. Specifies a maximum number of *ex officio* members of Council, thus permitting some *ex officio* officers not to be replaced if replacement would be inappropriate (e.g., Past President). Removes inappropriate masculine pronouns.

Section 4. As the governing body of the Association, the Council shall be responsible for the formulation of policy and the general direction of the affairs of the Association. It shall have the power to fill vacancies in its elective membership occasioned by death, resignation, or failure to elect, such as appointees to hold office until replaced by officers elected at the next annual election. In the event of an anticipated absence of six or more months of a member of Council, the Council may appoint a temporary replacement to serve with all rights and responsibilities of regular membership for the term of the anticipated absence. The authority to interpret the Constitution and By-Laws resides in the Council. When the Council is not in session, the Secretary may make such provisional rulings as are necessary for the operation of the Association, subject to review by the Council at its next meeting. The Council shall appoint and may remove by

majority vote the Executive Officer and the Editors of the various journals sponsored by the Association.

Section 5. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum of the Council. When the Council is not in session, questions may be submitted by mail to all members of the Council for their vote.

Section 6. The other officers of the Association shall be elected by the Council, and shall be an Executive Officer and Editors of journals sponsored by the Association. The Executive Officer and the Editors shall be elected by the Council for terms to be fixed by the Council.

Article V. Official Publications

Section 1. The Association shall maintain a journal entitled the *American Sociological Review*.

Section 2. The Association shall issue such other regular or occasional publications as it deems necessary in the promotion of its objectives.

Article VI. Committees

Section 1. The Council may establish such committees as may be necessary for the conduct of the Association's affairs.

Article VII. Meetings

Section 1. The President shall call at least one convention each year, at a time and place to be determined by the Council. At each annual convention there shall be at least one Business Meeting at which the Officers and the Council shall report to the Association and respond to questions from the membership.

Section 2. At the Business Meeting, a majority of the voting members present may (a) place items on the agenda of that Business Meeting and (b) pass courtesy resolutions. If at least one hundred voting members are present, a majority can place items on the agenda of the Council.

Section 3. If Council disapproves a resolution passed by the Business Meeting for which at least 3% of the voting members of the Association voted affirmatively, this resolution and such alternatives as Council may propose will be submitted to the voting membership on a mail ballot. If endorsed by a majority of those voting on that ballot, the resolution or alternative will be considered to be an action of the Association.

Article VIII. Special Funds and Endowments

Section 1. The Association may solicit and receive special funds and endowments. Acceptance and expenditure of such funds shall be authorized by the Council.

Article IX. Amendments

Section 1. The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds affirmative vote of those voting in a referendum submitted by mail to the voting members of the Association.

Section 2. Amendments may be proposed by the Council or by petition of at least 3% of the voting members of the Association.

Section 3. All proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be communicated to the voting membership at least fifty days prior to the vote on the amendment.

BY-LAWS

Article I. Membership and Dues

Section 1. Persons who have been awarded the PhD degree in sociology or in closely related fields or who have completed at least three years of graduate study in such fields in good standing in accredited institutions are eligible to become Members. Persons lacking these qualifications may also become Members if they can present evidence of comparable professional competence and commitment to the field of sociology as determined by the Classification Committee. There shall also be a class of Associates of the American Sociological Association. Any person interested in the field of sociology is eligible to become an Associate.

Any undergraduate major or graduate student in sociology in an accredited institution may become a Student Associate. Persons who are not citizens of the United States may become International Members or International Associates provided they meet the qualifications of the counterpart Member or Associate categories.

The dues for Members, Associates, Student Associates, and International Associates shall be determined by the Council, subject to mail ballot by the Members.

Proposed Change: By-Laws

Article I. Membership and Dues

Section 1. Persons are eligible to be-

come Members if they have been awarded a PhD in sociology or in closely related fields or if they have completed all coursework for the PhD in such fields in good standing in accredited institutions. Persons lacking these qualifications may also become Members if they can present evidence of comparable professional competence and commitment to the field of sociology as determined by the Classification Committee. There shall also be a class of Associates of the American Sociological Association. Any person interested in the field of sociology is eligible to become an Associate.

Any undergraduate major or graduate student in sociology in a degree-granting institution may become a Student Associate.

Persons who are both non-citizens and also non-residents of the United States may become International Members or International Associates provided they meet the qualifications of the counterpart Member or Associate categories.

The dues for Members, Associates, Student Associates, and International Associates shall be determined by the Council, subject to mail ballot by the Members.

Rationale: By-Laws

Article I. Membership and Dues

Section 1. Changes eligibility for non-PhDs from three years of graduate study to completion of PhD course work. Changes eligibility for Student Associate from student major in an accredited institution to student major in a degree-granting institution. Changes eligibility for International Member or Associate from non-citizenship to non-citizenship and non-residence.

Section 2. Members and Associates shall have the right to attend all meetings of the Association and shall be entitled to one subscription to the Association's newsletter plus a free choice of as many other ASA publications as Council may authorize. Members and Associates shall have the right to initiate new business for the Association, submitting a proposal in writing to the Executive Officer. The Executive Officer shall refer the proposal to an appropriate committee of the American Sociological Association and the committee shall submit the proposal with its recommendation for action to the Council. Only Members of the Association shall have the right to vote and to hold elected office in the Association.

Section 3. Lower dues for new Members who continue as students shall be set by the Council for four years beyond the time of their initial eligibility for Member status.

Proposed Change: Article I,

Section 3. Delete

Rationale: Article I,

Section 3. Lower dues for such persons are, in essence, permitted by the modified dues structure now in effect.

Section 4. Any Member of the Association when retired by his institution, provided that he has paid dues to the Association for at least twenty years, may become an Emeritus Member of the Association. An Emeritus Member pays no dues but shall have all rights and privileges.

Proposed Change: Article I,

Section 4. Delete

Rationale: Article I,

Section 4. Lower dues for persons on reduced retirement incomes are provided for in the modified dues structure now in effect. The deletion of this Section would eliminate the category of Emeritus Member.

Section 5. Persons now designated as Life Members shall continue as such.

Proposed Change: Article I,

Sections 5-10. Re-number as Sections 3-8.

Rationale: Article I,

Section 5-10. To preserve number sequence if Sections 3 and 4 are deleted.

Section 6. Persons who desire membership in the Association without receiving its publications shall pay reduced dues as determined by the Executive Officer to reflect the approximate cost of the reduced service.

Section 7. Decisions concerning eligibility for membership in any class shall be made by the Classification Committee.

Section 8. Upon the failure to pay annual dues, the privileges of membership in the Association, including subscriptions to the Association's publications and the right to vote, shall be suspended on June 1, and membership shall be terminated on December 31 of the year following the last full-year payment of dues.

Proposed Change: Article I,

Section 8. Upon failure to pay annual dues, membership and the privileges of membership in the Association, including subscriptions to the Association's publications and the right to vote, shall be suspended on January 1 of the year following the last year for which a full payment of dues has been made.

Rationale: Article I,

Section 8. Current wording permits voting eligibility when dues are not current if the election is conducted prior to June 1.

Section 9. An application for membership received prior to October 1 in any year shall be dated back to January 1 of that year, and publications to which the person is entitled shall be sent to the member. An application for membership received on or after October 1 shall be dated forward to January 1 of the next year; all subsequent issues of the *Review* for the current year shall be sent to the member without charge. At the discretion of the Executive Officer, however, Student membership may be for a twelve-month period beginning with the start of the academic year.

Proposed Change: Article I,

Section 9. An application for membership received prior to October 1 in any year shall be dated back to January 1 of that year, and publications to which the person is entitled shall be sent to the member. An application for membership received on or after October 1 shall generally be dated forward to January 1 of the next year.

Rationale: Article I,

Section 9. Current wording refers to the *Review* as if that were necessarily the publication to which the member is entitled. Earlier date more accurately reflects preferences of new members.

Section 10. Dues of Members from other countries who are residing abroad may be reduced at the discretion of the Council.

Section 11. The provisions of Article I, Sections 1 through 14 in the original By-Laws (approved by membership action in 1966) are rescinded as of December 31, 1971. Article I, Sections 1 through 11, as above, shall be effective on January 1, 1972.

Proposed Change: Article I,

Section 11. Delete

Rationale: Article I,

Section 11. This "housekeeping" Section included in the prior amendment is no longer necessary or relevant.

Article II. Elections and Voting

Section 1. The President-Elect, Vice-President-Elect, Secretary-Elect, members of the Council, and Committees who are elected by the membership-at-large (Committee on Nominations, Committee on Committees, and Committee on Publications) shall be elected by a mail ballot of the members qualified to vote. The term of office shall begin one day prior to the date announced for the close of the Annual Meeting of the Association in the year during which they are elected.

Proposed Change:
Article II. Elections and Voting

Section 1.....The term of office shall begin one day prior to the date announced for the close of the Annual Meeting of the Association in the year during which they are elected, except that the term of office for members of the Committee on Committees and for members of the Committee on Nominations shall begin on the date announced for the beginning of the Annual Meeting of the Association in the year during which they are elected.

Rationale:
Article II. Elections and Voting

Section 1. Shifts the beginning of the term of office for members of two committees from the end to the beginning of the Annual Meeting so that the newly elected members of these committees can function in the meetings of these committees shortly after their election.

Section 2. For the Committee on Nominations, the twelve at-large members of the Council plus the Vice-President-Elect serving as chairman shall select twice as many names as there are vacancies to be filled for the elections to be held during the year after the Annual Meeting and shall place these on the ballot with the addition of as many blanks for direct membership nomination as there are vacancies to be filled.

Section 3. (a) The Committee on Nominations under the chairmanship of the Vice-President shall select two names each for the offices of President-Elect, Vice-President-Elect, and Secretary-Elect, and for each vacancy on the Council, the Committee on Publications, and the Committee on Committees. These names shall be placed on a ballot with additionally one blank space for each position to be filled so that any voting member may instead choose to make a write-in nomination.

(b) Prior to the time of the meeting of the Committee on Nominations, Members shall be invited to suggest names for nominations for all elective offices; the Committee shall be guided but not bound by the suggestions received.

Prior to the submission of the official ballot for the election, the nominees of the Committee on Nominations shall be made known to the Members. Within thirty days of the date of that notice, Members may propose additions to the ballot. A Member who is supported by 50 Members for nomination to Council, the Committee on Nominations, the Committee on Publications, or the Committee on Committees, or by at least 100 Members for nomination as President-Elect, Vice-President-Elect, or Secretary-Elect will be placed on the official ballot along with the nominees of the Committee on Nominations.

(c) The general election ballots shall be sent by first-class mail to the members eligible to vote not later than May 15 of each year. To be valid as votes they must be returned to the Executive Office by the date specified on the ballot, which shall be not less than thirty days from the date of mailing. Each member voting shall be required to place his signature upon the outer envelope in which the ballot is returned. Once eligibility is confirmed, the outer envelope will be set aside for safekeeping for at least eighteen months, and an inner envelope with the actual ballot will be delivered to tellers designated by the Executive Officer under authority granted by the Council.

Proposed Change: Article II,

Section 3c.....Each member voting shall be required to sign the outer envelope in which the ballot is returned....

Rationale: Article II,

Section 3(c). Removes inappropriate masculine pronouns.

Section 4. Any properly qualified person whose name is written in for a particular office on the first ballot by at least one-tenth of those returning ballots, and in no case by fewer than twenty-five persons, shall be considered as nominated for that office. The Executive Office shall then prepare a second ballot containing the names of the candidates for each of these offices. This ballot shall be sent to the membership within thirty days after the completion of the count of the original ballots and shall be returnable to the Executive Office within thirty days.

Section 5. In the event that no name written in is found on one-tenth or more of the ballots returned for any single office, the results of the first ballot shall determine the election for that office.

Section 6. For the positions of President-Elect, Vice-President-Elect, and Secretary-Elect, a majority vote is required before a candidate is declared elected. For other elected positions, including Council, the Committee on Nominations, the Committee on Publications, and the Committee on Committees, the candidate (or candidates when two or more vacancies are to be filled) receiving the largest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case of a tie vote the President of the Association, in the presence of witnesses chosen by the candidates concerned, shall decide by lot between them. For all positions other than President and President-Elect, if the elected person dies, resigns or becomes unable to complete the full term for which he was elected, the candidate who received the next highest number of votes shall be declared elected for the remainder of the term.

Proposed Change: Article II,

Section 6.....For all positions other than President, President-Elect, Past President and Past Vice-President, if the elected person dies, resigns, or becomes unable to complete the full term for which that person was elected, the candidate who received the next highest number of votes shall be declared elected for the remainder of the term, unless otherwise specified herein.

Rationale: Article II,

Section 6. It is inappropriate to replace a Past President or a Past Vice-President in the manner specified. Wording change also removes an inappropriate masculine pronoun.

Section 7. The Executive Officer shall be responsible for the conduct of elections and, with the assistance of tellers, for the tabulation of the ballots. He shall report the results of tabulations to the chairmen of the appropriate Committees. He may, with approval of the Council, employ tellers to assist him and he may seek outside review of election and counting procedures.

Proposed Change: Article II,

Section 7. The Executive Officer shall be responsible for the conduct of elections and, with the assistance of tellers, for the tabulation of ballots. The Executive Officer shall report the results of the tabulations to the Secretary and to the appropriate Committees. The Executive Officer may, with the approval of Council, arrange for outside review of election and counting procedures.

Rationale: Article II,

Section 7. This change (a) removes inappropriate masculine pronouns, (b) makes it unnecessary for the Executive Officer to have Council approval for being assisted by tellers in the tabulation of ballots, and (c) requires that the Executive Officer rather than the chair of the Committee on Nominations report election results to the Secretary. (See change in Section 8 below.)

Section 8. The chairman of the Committee on Nominations shall report the results of the ballot to the Secretary. The Executive Officer shall hold the ballots and other materials in safe custody for a period of at least eighteen months.

Proposed Change: Article II,

Section 8. The Executive Office shall hold the ballots and other materials in safe custody for a period of at least eighteen months.

Rationale: Article II,

Section 8. It seems unnecessarily cumbersome to require that the Executive Officer notify the chair of the Committee on Nominations who then reports the results to the Secretary.

Section 9. By direction of the Council, mail ballots, other than elections, may be conducted by the Executive Office in a manner to be specified by the Council.

Section 10. Voting members of the Association may take any action otherwise within the powers of the Council. Such an action by voting members requires the completion in sequence of the following steps:

(a) A written statement of the proposed action, hereinafter called the Members' Resolution, is signed by three percent of the voting members of the Association, and is received by the Secretary and distributed by him to the Council;

(b) The Members' Resolution is included on the agenda and discussed by the Council at its next scheduled meeting;

(c) If the Council disapproves the Members' Resolution, the Members' Resolution and any resolution of the Council alternative to it are published in *The American Sociologist*;

(d) A mail ballot containing the Members' Resolution and any alternative resolution of the Council is sent to the voting members of the Association;

(e) The Members' Resolution is endorsed by a majority of those voting on that ballot.

The Council shall consider the urgency of any issue brought for mail ballot by the voting members, and shall employ special mailing without regard to schedule of publications where it deems this justifiable.

Proposed Change: Article II,

Section 10. (a) A written statement of the proposed action, hereinafter called the Members' Resolution, is signed by three percent of the voting members of the Association. The introductions of all petitions circulated for the purpose of validating a Members' Resolution shall contain the following statement: "For signatures to be valid, the signer must be a voting member of the American Sociological Association as of December 31 of the year of signing. The signer's name must be written as it appears on the membership rolls of the Association, and signers must provide their addresses as they appear on the membership rolls of the Association. The date of signing shall be indicated."

(b) The Members' Resolution and the accompanying petition signatures are sent to the Executive Office of the Association, postmarked no later than December 31 of the year during which the signatures were affixed. All signatures for a given Members' Resolution must be affixed within a calendar year. Each page of the Members' Resolution and accompanying signatures must include the following statement: "This resolution (or these signatures) is submitted by _____, a voting member of the American Sociological Association."

(c) The Members' Resolution is received by the Secretary who shall verify the validity of the signatures and the requirement that the petition has been signed by three percent of the voting members of the Association. Following this verification, the Secretary shall distribute the Members' Resolution to the Council;

(d) The Members' Resolution is included on the agenda and discussed by the Council at its next scheduled meeting;

(e) If the Council disapproves the Members' Resolution, the Members' Resolution and any resolution of the Council alternative to it are published in an appropriate Association publication;

(f) A mail ballot containing the Members' Resolution and any alternative resolution of the Council is sent to the voting members of the Association; such a referendum will be mailed to the membership no more than once each year, and except under unusual circumstances as determined by the Council, that one referendum will accompany the annual election ballot.

(g) The Members' Resolution is endorsed by a majority of those voting on that ballot.

The Council shall consider...(continuation without change).

Rationale: Article II,

Section 10. Revisions in accord with the Petition Guidelines adopted by the Council in the fall of 1977. Wording is not identical with those guidelines. (See FOOTNOTES, Volume 5, Number 8, page 8; November, 1977.)

Section 11. The Secretary shall preserve a record of the results of all voting by the Association.

Proposed Change: Article II,

Section 11. Delete

Rationale: Article II,

Section 11. This function is assigned to the Executive Office by Article II, Section 8. This responsibility is more appropriately assigned to the Executive Office.

Article III. Officers

Section 1. The President of the Association shall preside at all meetings of the Association. He shall also be chairman of the Council. He shall have the authority to fill any vacancies that may occur on committees for the remainder of unexpired terms except as otherwise provided. He shall perform such other duties as may be assigned him by the Council. In the event of his death, resignation, or absence, his duties shall devolve successively upon the Vice-President, the President-Elect, and the Vice-President-Elect. The officer concerned shall become President if he is to serve a full term and shall become Acting President if he is to serve a partial term. In the event of the death, resignation, or absence of the President-Elect, his duties shall devolve on the Vice-President-Elect.

Proposed Change:

Article III. Officers

Section 1. The President of the Association shall preside at all meetings of the Association. The President shall also chair the Council and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to the President by the Council. The President shall have the authority to fill any vacancies that may occur on committees for the remainder of unexpired terms except as otherwise provided. In the event of the death, resignation, absence or inability to serve of the President, the duties of the President shall devolve successively upon the Vice-President, the President-Elect, and the Vice-President-Elect. The officer concerned shall become President if that officer is to serve a full term and shall become Acting President if only a partial term is to be served. In the event of the death, resignation, or absence of the President-Elect, the office and duties of the President-Elect shall devolve on the Vice-President-Elect.

Rationale:

Article III. Officers

Section 1. Removes inappropriate masculine pronouns.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall chair meetings of the Association and the Council in the absence of the President. He shall serve as chairman *ex officio* of the Committee on Regional Affairs, and he shall serve as chairman of the twelve at-large members of the Council when they meet to select candidates for the Committee on Nominations.

Proposed Change: Article III,

Section 2. The Vice-President shall chair meetings of the Association and the Council in the absence of the President. The Vice-President shall serve as chair of the Committee on Nominations. In the event of the death, resignation, or inability to serve of the Vice-President, or in the event that the Vice-President succeeds to the office of President or is elected to the office of President-Elect, the duties of the Vice-President shall devolve upon the Vice-President-Elect who shall serve the remainder of that term as Acting Vice-President and shall then serve as Vice-President for the term for which the Vice-President-Elect was originally elected.

If the Vice-President-Elect succeeds to the office of Acting Vice-President, the Council position of the Vice-President-Elect shall remain vacant until the next election.

Rationale: Article III,

Section 2. Removes inappropriate masculine pronouns. Provides for succession if the Vice-President is unable to serve. Clarifies position of chair of the Committee on Nominations.

Section 3. The Secretary shall be an advisory and recording officer of the Association. He shall provide liaison between the Executive Office on the one hand and the President and Council on the other at the request of

either. He shall serve *ex officio* with vote as chairman of the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget and as a member of the Publications and Program Committees. The Secretary shall record and report the transactions of the Association and the Council, shall work closely with various committees as herein specified, and shall perform such other duties as the Council may assign to him. Each year he shall provide the Association with a written report of his views on its organization and activities.

Proposed Change: Article III,

Section 3. The Secretary shall be an advisory and recording officer of the Association and shall provide liaison between the Executive Office on the one hand and the President and Council on the other at the request of either. The Secretary shall serve *ex officio* with vote as chair of the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget and as a member of the Publications and Program Committees. The Secretary shall record and report the transactions of the Association and the Council, shall work closely with various committees as herein specified, and shall perform such other duties as the Council may assign. Each year the Secretary shall provide the Association with a written report recording the Secretary's views on the organization and activities of the Association.

In the event of the death, resignation, or inability to serve of the Secretary, the office and duties of the Secretary shall devolve upon the Secretary-Elect, if there is a Secretary-Elect at that time. Otherwise, the Council shall elect a member of the Association to serve as Acting Secretary and to fulfill the duties of the Secretary until the next election, at which time a Secretary shall be elected in the prescribed way but without serving one year as Secretary-Elect.

Rationale: Article III,

Section 3. Removes inappropriate masculine pronouns. Provides for succession if the Secretary is unable to serve.

Section 4. The Executive Officer shall be the chief administrative officer of the Association and shall transact its business. He shall have charge of the central office of the Association. He shall have jurisdiction over and attend to the business details of the Association's publications. He shall, in consultation with the President, prepare tentative agenda for meetings of the Council, and, in consultation with the chairman, tentative agenda for meetings of the Publications Committee. These agenda shall be distributed to the appropriate members at least ten days prior to their meetings. Final agenda shall be approved by the Council and the Publications Committee for their respective meetings. In accordance with the Council's policies, the Executive Officer shall formulate plans for the accomplishment of the Association's objectives, and upon the approval of the Council, he shall be responsible for coordinating the public relations activities of the Association. All committees may look to him for assistance in their work; such assistance may include his presiding or arranging for another ASA member to preside temporarily at a committee meeting during the election of a chairman from among the voting members. He shall receive and have custody of the Association's funds, discharge its obligations, and maintain its accounts. The Executive Officer shall be responsible to the Council through the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget and its chairman, the Secretary. He shall make an annual report to the Council. He shall consult with the President and Secretary as questions of policy arise. He shall be a non-voting member of the Council and such committees as may be designated by the Council. While serving as Executive Officer he shall hold no other office in the Association.

Proposed Change: Article III,

Section 4. The Executive Officer shall be the chief administrative officer of the Association and shall transact its business. The Executive Officer shall have charge of the central office of the Association and shall have jurisdiction over and attend to the business details of the Association's publications. The Executive Officer shall, in consultation with the President, prepare tentative agenda for meetings of the Council, and, in consultation with the chair, tentative agenda for meetings of the Publications Committee. These

agenda shall be distributed to the appropriate members at least ten days prior to their meetings. Final agenda shall be approved by the Council and the Publications Committee for their respective meetings. In accordance with the Council's policies, the Executive Officer shall formulate plans for the accomplishment of the Association's objectives, and upon the approval of the Council, the Executive Officer shall be responsible for coordinating the public relations activities of the Association. All committees may look to the Executive Officer for assistance in their work; such assistance may include the Executive Officer presiding or arranging for another member to preside temporarily at a committee meeting during the election of a chair from among the voting members. The Executive Officer shall receive and have custody of the funds of the Association, discharge its obligations, and maintain its accounts. The Executive Officer shall be responsible to the Council through the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget and its chair, the Secretary. The Executive Officer shall make an annual report to the Council and shall be a non-voting member of the Council and such committees as may be designated by the Council. The Executive Officer shall consult with the President and Secretary as questions of policy arise and shall hold no other office in the Association while serving as Executive Officer.

Rationale: Article III,

Section 4. Removes inappropriate masculine pronouns.

Section 5. (a) The Council shall meet twice annually, at least once in conjunction with the annual convention of the Association and at least once between annual conventions. Special meetings of the Council may be called by the President or by a majority of the members of the Council.

(b) Meetings of the Council shall be conducted according to *Robert's Rules of Order*, the enforcement of which may be requested by any member of the Council.

(c) The Council shall appoint the Executive Officer, and the Editors of all publications of the Association. To make an appointment, a slate of candidates shall first be prepared and endorsed, in the case of the Executive Officer, by the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget, and with the case of an Editor, by the Committee on Publications. The slate of candidates shall be subject to approval by the Council, as shall their order of preference. The Council shall then instruct the Secretary to proceed with the necessary negotiations.

(d) The Council may make decisions to cooperate or affiliate with other societies and associations. When appropriate it shall elect representatives from this Association to such other societies or associations. It may also recognize other societies or associations as cooperating or affiliated organizations for purposes of planning programs or other activities.

(e) All actions taken by the Council must be communicated to the membership in the next possible issue of *The American Sociologist* or by such means as may be deemed necessary by the Council.

Proposed Change: Article III,

Section 5 (e). All actions taken by the Council must be communicated to the membership promptly in an appropriate publication of the Association, or by other means as deemed necessary by the Council.

Rationale: Article III,

Section 5(e). *The American Sociologist* is no longer the most appropriate medium since it does not go to all members.

(f) The Council may create such temporary committees not provided in the Constitution and By-Laws as may seem useful for promoting the work of the Association.

Proposed Change: Article III,

Section 5 (g). The Council shall make a timely designation of a portion of program time at each Annual Meeting for sessions to be organized by Sections of the Association and shall allocate to each Section an appropriate part of that program time.

Rationale: Article III,

Section 5(g). Substitutes a Council action for the cumbersome and probably unworkable procedure currently specified in Article V, Section 3 (see below).

Section 6. When the Council is not in session questions may be submitted to the members by mail for vote; a simple majority of those responding shall control decisions on such questions, providing that the response constitutes a quorum. The tally of votes shall be reported promptly to all members of the Council.

Article IV. Publications

Section 1. All the publications of the Association shall be under the general direction of the Committee on Publications, subject to the approval of the Council.

Section 2. The Board of Editors of the *American Sociological Review* shall be composed of an Editor elected by the Council, the Executive Officer, and not fewer than eighteen Associate Editors. Associate Editors shall be appointed by the Committee on Publications on the recommendation of the Editor for three-year terms, at least six of which shall expire each year. The number of Associate Editors beyond eighteen shall be determined by the Council. The Editor shall be selected with a view to technical competence. The Editor shall be Chairman of the Board.

Proposed Change:

Article IV. Publications

Section 2. Each regular ASA publication shall have an editor elected by the Council. The Committee on Publications shall submit a list to Council of nominees for each Editorship, to which list the Council may add or delete names.

Section 3. The composition and methods of selecting the Board of Editors for other publications shall be determined by the Council, provided that the Secretary and Executive Officer shall be members of the Board for whatever publication is to carry the reports of the Association's official business.

Proposed Change: Article IV,

Section 3. The Editorial Board of each regular ASA publication shall be composed of the Editor of that publication as chair and a set of Associate Editors. The number and composition of each Editorial Board shall be determined by the Council. Associate Editors shall be appointed by the Committee on Publications for three-year terms on the recommendation of the Editor. Approximately one-third of the terms for Associate Editors for each publication shall expire each year.

Section 4. The Editor of each of the official publications of the Association shall be responsible for the editorial management of the publication. He shall have the authority to appoint such book review or special-issue editors as he may deem necessary. He must work within the policies established by the Committee on Publications, and within the budget set by the Council.

Proposed Change: Article IV,

Section 4. The Editor of each of the official publications of the Association shall be responsible for the editorial management of the publication. The Editor shall have the authority to appoint such special issue editors as the Editor may deem necessary. Each Editor must work within the policies established by the Committee on Publications and within the budget set by Council.

Rationale:

Article IV. Publications

Section 4. Removes inappropriate masculine pronouns.

Section 5. The Editor of each publication shall have the right to reject for publication any paper or other communication that is submitted.

Section 6. Publication of official news and notes, and matters pertaining to the business affairs of the Association, shall be published in *The American Sociologist*.

Proposed Change: Article IV,

Section 6. Publication of official news and notes, and matters pertaining to the business affairs of the Association shall be published in an appropriate publication of the Association.

Rationale: Article IV,

Section 6. *The American Sociologist* is no longer the most appropriate medium since it does not go to all members.

Article V. Committees

Section 1. Committee on Publications:

(a) There shall be a Committee on Publications, consisting of the President, the Secretary, six members elected by the voting membership of the Association, two each year for staggered three-year terms, and the Editors of Association journals, the latter serving without vote. The Committee shall choose a chairman from among the elected members who have served at least one year on the Committee.

(b) The Committee on Publications shall be responsible for all proposals for the establishment of a new publication or for major modifications in an existing publication of the Association, subject to the approval of the Council.

Proposed Change:

Article V. Committees

Section 1..... and the Editors of the regular publications of the Association, the latter serving without vote....

Section 2. Committee on Nominations: The Committee on Nominations shall consist of twelve members, six elected by the voting membership of the Association each year for two-year terms. The twelve at-large members of the Council plus the Vice-President-Elect serving as chairman shall select twice as many names as there are vacancies to be filled, one member to be elected from each district identified as such on the ballot. Districts shall be clusters of states designated by the Executive Officer in such a way as to divide the fifty states and Canadian provinces into six territories approximately equal in their population of voting members of the Association. The Council shall from time to time re-examine the size of the districts and redistrict when necessary to preserve approximate equality.

Section 3. Program Committee: Each Program Committee shall be selected by Council two years before the Annual Meeting for which the Committee is responsible. The Program Committee shall consist of eight persons: The President-Elect, serving as chairman, the Secretary, and six other members of the Association selected as follows: Each year, the Council will appoint four members from a list presented by the President-Elect. Two of these members shall be appointed for two-year terms and two for one-year terms. Each Program Committee, therefore, will have two members from the previous Committee, four new members, and two elected officers of the Association, *ex officio*. Each Section shall appoint a committee for the purpose of cooperating with the Program Committee. The Program Committee shall consult each year with these committees in allocating blocks of program time to be organized by the Section themselves, and in organizing that portion of the program time that will be retained under the exclusive control of the Program Committee. The Program Committee shall consider requests from temporary and informal groups of Association members for opportunities to meet and discuss topics of special interest to them. Three sessions at each Annual Meeting, including the session devoted to the Presidential Address, may at this option be under the exclusive control of the President-Elect.

Proposed Change, Article V,

Section 3. Program Committee: Each Program Committee shall be selected by Council two years before the Annual Meeting for which the Committee is responsible. The Program Committee shall consist of nine persons: The President-Elect, serving as Chair, the Vice-President-Elect, the Secretary, and six other members of the Association selected as follows: Each year, the Council will appoint four members from a list presented by the President-Elect. Two of these members shall be appointed for two-year terms and two for one-year terms. The Program Committee shall consider requests from temporary and informal groups of Association members for opportunities to meet and discuss topics of special interest to them. Three

sessions at each Annual Meeting, including the session devoted to the Presidential Address, may at the option of the President-Elect, be under the exclusive control of the President-Elect.

Rationale:

Article V. Committees

Section 3. Includes the Vice-President-Elect as a member of the Program Committee. Deletes a cumbersome and probably unworkable procedure for allocating program time to Sections. Removes an inappropriate masculine pronoun.

Section 4. Classification Committee: The Council shall elect from among the voting members of the Association a Classification Committee of three members for staggered three-year terms. The Committee shall recommend to the Council criteria for the classification of memberships in accordance with the standards set out in Article I of these By-Laws; in consultation with the Secretary devise procedures for passing upon applications for membership; review the criteria in use from time to time; and exercise the powers specified in Article I of these By-Laws. The Committee shall choose a chairman from among the elected members who have served at least one year on the Committee.

Section 5. Committee on Training and Professional Standards: The Council shall elect a Committee on Training and Professional Standards of six members to serve staggered three-year terms. This Committee shall keep under constant review the standards for the profession. The Committee shall study current standards for professional training and research and from time to time submit its findings to the Council with recommendations. The Committee shall choose a chairman from among the elected members who have served at least one year on the Committee.

Proposed Change: Article V,

Section 5. Delete

Rationale: Article V,

Section 5. The Committee on Training and Professional Standards has been defunct de facto for some time.

Section 6. Committee on the Executive Office and Budget:

(a) The Council shall select a Committee on the Executive Office and Budget consisting of five members: The Secretary, the President-Elect, and three members elected by the Council for staggered three-year terms. The Secretary shall be chairman.

(b) The Committee shall have responsibility for the Executive Office, subject to the policies and directives of the Council, and shall report regularly to the Council. The Committee in cooperation with the President, the Executive Officer, and the chairman of the Committee on Publications, shall annually propose to the Council a budget for the ensuing year. At the end of the first half of each fiscal year it shall review the receipts and expenditures to date and if necessary make recommendations for adjustments in the budget. It shall, subject to Council policies, have the responsibility and authority for the investment and reinvestment of funds owned and held by the Association.

Section 7. Committee on Committees: The Committee on Committees shall consist of twelve members, six elected by the voting membership of the Association each year for two-year terms. The Committee shall elect a chairman from among those who are serving their second year as members of the Committee. The Committee on Nominations shall select twice as many names as there are vacancies to be filled, two from each of the six districts in which there are vacancies. The districts from which members are to be nominated shall be those designated by the Executive Officer according to Article V, Section 2, of the By-Laws. Subject to the instruction and approval of the Council, the Committee on Committees shall propose the names of members to serve on the various committees of the Association, other than those committees whose selection or membership is specified in the Constitution or By-Laws.

Section 8. Membership Committee: The President shall annually appoint a Membership Committee, duly representative of the various geographical areas of the country, to have the function of soliciting membership in the Association. A chairman shall be designated by the President.

Section 9. Committee on Regional Affairs: The Committee on Regional Affairs shall consist of the Vice-President of the Association, who shall serve as chairman *ex officio*, two other members elected by the Council to serve for two-year staggered terms, and one representative from each regional society. The term of office and method of selection

shall be determined by the regional societies. Newly formed regional societies may apply for representation by application to the Committee. This Committee shall advise the Council on regional affairs, help to advance the interests of sociology and the profession within regions, facilitate communications and otherwise promote cooperation between the regional societies and the Association.

Proposed Change: Article V,

Section 9. Delete

Rationale: Article V,

Section 9. The Committee on Regional Affairs has been defunct de facto for some time.

Section 10. Each committee shall work within the budget as approved by the Council, under the policies established by the Council, and shall make an annual report to the Council.

Section 11. Reports of committees shall be published and distributed to the membership before the Annual Meeting.

Proposed Change: Article V,

Section 11. Reports of the committees shall be published and distributed to the membership annually.

Rationale: Article V,

Section 11. Distribution before the Annual Meeting is not feasible.

Section 12. In the event of the anticipated or actual absence of one or more members of a committee at scheduled committee meetings, the President and the Secretary are empowered to appoint temporary members using the criteria for selection ordinarily employed in appointing members for the committee in question. The President and the Secretary are also empowered to designate temporary chairmen for all committees in the event of anticipated or actual absence of the regularly appointed chairman. Temporary members or chairmen of any committee shall have all the powers respectively of regular members or chairmen for the period of their temporary appointment.

Article VI. Sections

Section 1. A Section of the Association shall be formed when at least two hundred members with a sociological specialty agree to pay dues to a Section. A Section shall remain in operation as long as it maintains two hundred dues-paying members, and abides by The Manual on Sections of the ASA.

Section 2. A Section shall adopt By-Laws subject to approval by the Council. These By-Laws shall include provision for a committee of the Section for the purpose of cooperating with the Program Committee in planning the presentation of its field of interest in the Annual Meeting of the Association.

Section 3. A Section shall be entitled to cooperation from the Executive Office in matters of mailings to its members, and from the Program Committee in matters related to the Annual Meeting, and from the Association in such other ways as the Council may decide.

Article VII. Executive Office and Budget

Section 1. At the beginning of each fiscal year, a budget covering all anticipated expenditures and income of the Association for that fiscal year shall be submitted by the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget to the Council for approval. The Committee on the Executive Office and Budget shall review the budget at the end of the second quarter and shall submit proposed changes to the Council for approval.

Section 2. This budget shall be binding on the Executive Officer.

Section 3. A bond in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, the cost of which is borne by the Association, shall be required of the Executive Officer or other officer or appointee handling the funds of the Association.

Section 4. At the end of each fiscal year, the accounts of the Association shall be reviewed by the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget and shall be audited at the conclusion of each fiscal year by a certified public accountant approved by the Council. The report of this audit shall be published to the members of the Association in *The American Sociologist*.

Proposed Change:

Article VII. Executive Office and Budget

Section 4. At the end of each fiscal year, the accounts of the Association shall be reviewed by the Committee on the Executive Office and Budget and shall

be audited at the conclusion of each fiscal year by a certified public accountant approved by the Council. The report of this audit shall be published in an appropriate Association publication.

Rationale:
Article VII. Executive Office and Budget

Section 4. *The American Sociologist* is no longer the most appropriate medium since it does not go to all members.

Article VIII. Amendments

Section 1. The By-Laws may be amended by a majority affirmative vote of those voting in a referendum submitted by mail to the voting members of the Association.

Section 2. Amendments may be proposed by majority vote of the Council or by petition of at least three percent of the voting members of the Association.

Effective January 1, 1976

Proposed Change:

Article II and Article VI

All Sections. Substitution of word "chair" for "chairman".

Rationale:

Article II and Article VI

All Sections. Removes inappropriate masculine terms.

Daniel Bell, Harvard University, has been appointed to a non-partisan, independent commission created by President Carter to develop a national agenda for the 1980s. The commission will explore such problems as inflation, energy, productivity, equal rights and the quality of life. Its report is due by December 31, 1980.

James Short, Secretary of ASA, received the Sutherland Award from the American Society of Criminology during its meeting in Philadelphia in November.

Sidney M. Stahl, Purdue University, will spend Spring 1980 in Geneva assisting the World Health Organization to design an international study of the behavioral science content in various health professions.

F. Marian Bishop, School of Primary Medical Care, Huntsville, received a Certificate of Excellence from the Society of the Teachers of Family Medicine for her outstanding contribution to family medicine at the 1979 STEM Annual Meeting.

Wendell Bell, Yale University, is serving as President of the Caribbean Studies Association. His term continues through the next annual conference which will be held May 1980 in Curacao, Netherlands Antilles.

Lee H. Bowker, UW-Milwaukee, has been named Director of the Center for Advanced Studies in Human Services at that University.

Walter Jewell, University of New Haven, from professor of sociology to secretary of the university.

Donald J. Hernandez, University of South Carolina, and **Richard C. Rockwell**, Boys Town Center for the Study of Youth Development, Omaha, have joined the Social Science Research Council as staff associates in the Center for Coordination of Research on Social Indicators in Washington.

Glen H. Elder, Jr., Boys Town Center for the Study of Youth Development, Omaha, has received the Burgess Award from the National Council on Family Relations for his research on the family.

Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences publishes empirical, theoretical, and methodological articles of interest to behavioral scientists working with Hispanic populations. Cross-cultural comparisons are stressed. Contact: Amado M. Padilla, Editor, HJBS, Department of Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

Combined Retrospective Index to Book Reviews in Scholarly Journals, 1886-1974, indexes book reviews in 459 social science periodicals. The 15-volume index is published by Carrollton Press, Inc., 1911 Fort Myer Drive, Arlington, VA 22209.

The 1979 Employment and Training Report of the President can be obtained for \$7.00 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

Employment and Earnings, United States, has been revised by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. The volume contains 967 pages of detailed industrial statistics on the Nation's workforce, including employment, hours, earnings, and labor turnover data from the monthly survey of establishments. Available for \$13.00 from regional offices of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Checks payable to Superintendent of Documents.

Scholars' Guide to Washington, D.C. for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, prepared by Michael Grow of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars is available from the Smithsonian Institution Press, Washington, DC 20013, for \$7.95 in paperback.

Human Services in the Rural Environment is a bi-monthly newsletter which provides an exchange for practitioners and educators in rural/non-metropolitan areas. Send inquiries to: Joanne Jankovic, Executive Editor, School of Social Work, University of Tennessee, 2012 Lake Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37916.

Consumers Guide to Federal Publications, a free guide describing the services provided by the U.S. Superintendent of Documents is now available from C.A. LaBarre, Assistant Public Printer, Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20401. Persons outside the continental U.S. should ask for the *International Buying Guide to U.S. Government Publications*.

Economies of Size in Local Government: An Annotated Bibliography (RDRR No. 9) is available upon request from Jerome M. Stam, Leader, State and Local Government Program Area, Economic Development Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economics, Statistics, and Cooperative Services, Washington, D.C. 20250.

The Urban Interest is a new journal of urban policy and administration being published at the University of Kansas. The journal is devoted to research on urban problems with an emphasis on making this research more accessible to local officials. Contact: Cheryl Swanson, Editor, *The Urban Interest*, Department of Political Science, Lawrence, KS 66045.

Report of the National Commission on Employment and Unemployment Statistics is a comprehensive and wide-ranging analysis containing 88 specific recommendations for improving the way employed and unemployed persons are counted. Available from: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, for \$5.50 softcover and \$9.00 hardcover.

Sampling Rare Populations: An Alternative Method by Solomon Dutka, chairman of Audits & Surveys, Inc., a marketing research firm, discusses the problem of sampling rare populations and the emergence of multiplicity sampling as a solution. The 12-page booklet is available for \$1.00 per copy from Audits & Surveys, Inc., One Park Avenue, New York, NY 10016.

Humanities in Society is a quarterly journal that examines the ways in which the humanities have changed in our times, how they differ from society to society, and the relation of academic disciplines that interpret human activity to those professions that shape it. The journal is published by the Center for the Humanities, 303 Doheny Memorial Library, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA 90007.

Public Opinion About Energy: A Literature Review presents results of 115 surveys on citizen attitudes toward energy and different energy alternatives as well as their expectations about the nation's future energy situation. Compiled by Barbara Farhar, a sociologist, and Patricia Weis of the Department of Energy's Solar Energy Research Institute. Send \$14.00 check to National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161. Specify document #SERI/TR-53-155.

Red Feather Institute offers three papers expressing critical dimensions in political sociology. These are free to members of the profession. Included are: (1) *T.V. News and the Suppression of Reflexivity* by Peter Dahlgren; (2) *The Suppression of Conflict in Contemporary Children's Literature* by Richard Wunderlich; and (3) *The Public Sphere and the State in Capitalist Society* by T.R. Young. Request from Red Feather Institute, Route 1, Livermore, CO 80536.

Social Stratification Chart that uses a system of colors and symbols to provide information on occupation, income, and wealth of Americans while showing how those variables are distributed according to race, sex, and type of household was displayed at the ASA Annual Meeting in Boston. Forty-page booklet and transparencies are also available. Contact: Social Graphics Co., 1120 Riverside Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21230.

Social Work Programs Approved

Social work programs in two departments of sociology and social work or social services have recently been accredited by the Council on Social Work Education in New York.

Bill Verkler, Chair, Department of Sociology and Social Services, Harding College, announced that his department's program is the first to be accredited in Arkansas by the Council.

Milton R. Charles, Chair, Department of Sociology/Social Work, UW-Superior, also announced the accreditation of his department's program in social work.

The Council on Social Work Education has accredited approximately 200 social work programs in this country.

Sexism in Sociology

Members of the ASA Committee on the Status of Women in Sociology greatly appreciated the useful article on women in sociology prepared by Executive Associate Doris Wilkinson for the April, 1979 FOOTNOTES. Based on National Research Council data about cohorts earning their doctorates between 1934 and 1976, Wilkinson's report provides valuable documentation that affirmative action is *not* ameliorating women's position in academe:

(1) Within the academic community, men are more likely than women of their cohort to be granted tenure; and (2) Men of cohorts after 1955 are more likely to receive promotions to associate and full professor than are women of their cohort.

These data are difficult to interpret, because the National Research Council survey does not include information on interrupted career patterns and quality and quantity of publications. However, Jonathan Cole's *Fair Science: Women in the Scientific Community* (Free Press, 1979) contains these and other possible explanatory variables for biological, chemical, and physical scientists, as well as for sociologists. He finds that controlling for work experience and quantity and quality of publications still leaves a "significant difference" between patterns granting tenure to men and women. That residual discrepancy represents discrimination.

Wilkinson's report also demonstrates that affirmative action has not been hampering men's employment, as is so frequently maintained by opponents of current law. Rather,

(3) In recent cohorts of PhD sociologists, a higher percentage of women than men are not employed;

(4) Although in earlier cohorts, women are more likely than men to hold non-academic jobs, under recent conditions of decreasing employment opportunities, new male PhD's have been edging women out of non-academic work; and

(5) Now men are much more likely to get positions in government or industry than women are.

These last findings probably reflect the common sociological pattern for newly valued positions to go increasingly to members of the dominant social group, especially as jobs become scarce.

In sum, Wilkinson's article must be read as affirming continued institutional sexism within our field, a problem that extends to other disciplines as well.

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Sociology & NIMH Training Programs

This letter is written by the now defunct Social Sciences Fellowship Training Review Committee at NIMH. Due to the reorganization at this time at NIMH—to separate the review function from the award administering function—a new structure for the peer review of individual predoctoral and postdoctoral fellowship applications, and institutional training grants, will be created in the near future. We do not know in detail what this new structure will be or who will serve on the appropriate review committees. We do, however, have several concerns about sociology and the NIMH training program that should be communicated to the members of the American Sociological Association.

First, the staff position last occupied by Dr. Lucy Cohen, an anthropologist, to run the individual fellowship program has remained unfilled for 19 months after several commitments and promises to fill it without delay. Now there is immediate danger that the position may never be filled or that it will be occupied by neither a sociologist or anthropologist.

Secondly, there is a great deal more that individual members can do for the improvement of the programs, especially the fellowship programs at NIMH. (a) The number of applications to NIMH for predoctoral and postdoctoral fellowships has decreased far below the level of several years ago, both in total numbers and in numbers approved and funded.

Though the bottom line of funds has steadily diminished during the past 3 years, the number of predoctoral and postdoctoral applications submitted in the past several years is far lower than it ought to be. (b) The quality of application has also decreased perilously. We see a number of reasons for this decline. First, perhaps fewer good students apply for NIMH predoctoral and postdoctoral fellowships and predoctoral research work support. Second, perhaps more importantly, we perceive a disturbing decline in careful supervision by some of the applicants' sponsors that has accelerated this decline in the quality of applications and may be jeopardizing the overall sympathy and support within NIMH for the concerns of sociology and anthropology.

For Social Science Fellowship Training Committee,
 William T. Liu, University of Illinois, Chicago
 Roberta G. Simmons, University of Minnesota

Problems of Discipline Grants Support Collaborative Scholarship

An opportunity to exercise collaborative scholarship on a disciplinary or an interdisciplinary level is being extended to members of the profession by the ASA Problems of the Discipline Grants Program.

The grants program, established by ASA Council in 1974, funds small groups of social scientists, three of whom must be ASA members, to work on the synthesis, integration and evaluation of the knowledge base and methodology of the profession.

Consequently, the program is especially interested in receiving proposals that:

1. are of a stocktaking, integrative, synthesizing, and/or evaluative nature, with respect to given areas of sociological knowledge;
2. involve theoretical and/or methodological issues that promise to have implications of general interest to the entire profession and beyond a narrowly defined substantive field;
3. indicate a concern for drawing together several theoretical and/or methodological approaches, as for example those that cut across several different substantive fields.

Grant applications, therefore, may request funding for scholarly projects that seek to promote the unity and cumulative ability of the discipline through collaborative work that stresses exposition, interpretation, synthesis, assimilation and critical appraisal.

Applications may be submitted by groups of scholars from a single

department, from several departments on a single campus, from several departments on several campuses. Since the projects need not involve research, narrowly defined, "teaching scholars" in "teaching departments" may apply.

The first deadline for the 1980 calendar year is February 1. Other deadlines are May 1, August 1, and November 1. Grants generally do not exceed \$1,500.

Official guidelines and further details on the program are presented below.

Purpose and Guidelines

The purpose of the Program is to make grants to small groups of social scientists to facilitate intellectual exchange and to move their efforts into a more productive future. Proposals may be brief but they should set forth an objective, a modus operandi, the implications of the project for the development of sociology as a discipline, plans for disseminating results, and a budget.

The Committee does not wish to suggest theoretical, methodological, or substantive priorities or specific modes of operation, but applicants may be guided by the following considerations. Preferences will be given to:

- (1) Proposals that involve theoretical and/or methodological issues that promise to have implications of general interest to the entire profession and beyond a

narrowly defined substantive field.

- (2) Proposals that indicate a concern for drawing together several theoretical and/or methodological approaches, as for example those that cut across several different substantive fields.

- (3) Proposals that are of a stocktaking, integrative, synthesizing, and/or evaluative nature, with respect to a given area of sociological knowledge.

- (4) Groups of scholars who have established effective communication and have a shared focus on the problems they wish to address.

- (5) Groups that can specify mechanisms for preparing for the proposed conferences by the exchange of materials prior to their meetings.

- (6) Groups that can describe procedures to follow-up their meetings and present their results and conclusions to appropriate audiences.

- (7) Groups that can find ways to economize on travel and other expenses.

Grants will generally not exceed \$1,500. Grants will not be given for travel to or related expenses involved in attending the ASA Annual Meeting or for travel outside of North America.

Applicants must send five copies of their proposals to the ASA Executive Office, 1722 N Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036. Applications should come from small groups of social sci-

tists at least three of whom must be ASA members.

Submission deadlines are February 1, May 1, August 1 and November 1. Proposals will be reviewed four times per year, and under normal conditions, decisions will be announced within three months following receipt of the application.

Under unusual circumstances,

Workshop Locations Listed

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Location: Cleveland, Ohio

Coordinator: Ted Wagenaar, Department of Sociology, Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056

Location: Lexington, Kentucky

Coordinator: Michael Brooks, Department of Sociology, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY 40506

Location: Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Coordinator: William Mayrl, Department of Sociology, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI 53201

Location: Kansas City, Kansas

Coordinator: Tim Diamond, Department of Family Medicine, TD3-W Medical Center, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO 65212

Location: Champaign-Urbana, Illinois

Coordinator: Sharon McPherron, Human Sciences Division, St. Louis Community College, 3400 Pershall Road, St. Louis, MO 63135

Location: Waco, Texas

grants will be made to previous recipients and previous grants will be awarded additional support; however, priority will be given to new proposals from those who have not received support under the Program. All groups receiving support will be required to submit a report of progress one year following the date of their award.

Coordinator: Nancy Saunders, Department of Sociology, San Antonio College, 1300 San Pedro, Box 602, San Antonio, TX 78284

Location: Portland, Oregon

Coordinator: Kelly Hancock, Department of Sociology, Portland State University, Box 751, Portland, OR 97207

Location: Los Angeles, California

Coordinator: Dean S. Dorn, Department of Sociology, California State University-Sacramento, 6000 Jay Street, Sacramento, CA 95819

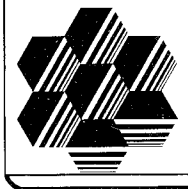
Information on the workshops may also be obtained from the national coordinator of the series: Gail Woodstock, Department of Family and Community Medicine, TD3-W Medical Center, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO 65212.

Individuals, departments, or associations that wish to become involved in the "April: Teaching Sociology Month" observance should write to Hans O. Mauksch, Projects Director, at the address given for the national coordinator.

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