Footnotes

New Sociology Research Grants Down Sharply at NIMH

Seventy-five research grants totaling $8,277,605 have been awarded to sociologists by the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) this year. This represents a dramatic decline from last year when there were one hundred and one awards for a total of $11 million. The total NIMH budget for extra mural research declined by about 9 percent during this period.

The change in the situation over the past year is indicated most clearly by comparing the number of new grants in 1980-81 with the number of new awards in 1981-82.

Last year, there were forty-six new grants and fifty-five continuations or supplements to ongoing research. This year, according to the information provided by NIMH, there were only fourteen new awards with the remaining sixty-one grants being continuations and renewals.

The decline in new awards is evident in virtually all programs that support sociological research. For example, the general Behavioral Sciences Research area, there were fifteen new awards in 1980-81 and only one this year. The number of new awards in Work and Mental Health (formerly the Metropolitan Program) declined from nine to two. Compared to last year when there were three new grants, no new awards to sociologists were announced this year for the Center for Studies of Mental Health of the Aging. The outlook for the broader area of social science research by NIMH during the upcoming year remains very unclear. The Institute’s total research budget for the 1982 fiscal year will be less than the 1981 budget, and it is this latter budget from which current projects are being supported. Therefore, it is not unreasonable to expect further reductions in the amount of money that is awarded.

The recipients of new awards and continuations, along with their project titles and amounts of support, are listed below according to the general NIMH program area in which the grant is administered.

**AGING**

**Continuations**

Robert C. Atchley, Miami University, "Impact of Retirement on Aging and Adaptation," $60,391.


Erdman B. Palmore, Duke University, "Mental Illness and Social Support Among the Very Old," $172,500.

Walter S. Paukstel, Benjamin Rose Institute, Cleveland, OH, "Caring for Elders and Mental Health of Family Members," $125,152.

**BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES RESEARCH**

**New**

Robert M. Hauser, University of Chicago, "Socioeconomic Mobility in America," $496,933.


Erdman B. Palmore, Duke University, "Mental Illness and Social Support Among the Very Old," $172,500.

Walter S. Paukstel, Benjamin Rose Institute, Cleveland, OH, "Caring for Elders and Mental Health of Family Members," $125,152.

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**Registry of Retired Sociologists**

A new and updated edition of the "Registry of Retired Sociologists" is available at no charge from the ASA Executive Office, 1723 18th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036. The registry contains the names, addresses, and teaching and research specialties of 105 sociologists who are available for short-term academic or non-academic employment.

**Four New Titles Added To Rose Monograph Series**

During the last two years, four new titles have been added to the ASA Rose Monograph Series. There are now twenty-eight publications available through the Series. One monograph was published in 1980 and three were published during 1981.

The Rose Monograph Series was established in 1980 with a fund set up by Arnold and Caroline Rose to publish high quality research monographs and theoretical studies in sociology. It was published by the ASA until 1977 when publication arrangements were made with Cambridge University Press. Suzanne Keller, Princeton University, is the current editor of the Series. Ernest Q. Campbell, Vanderbilt University, will assume editorial responsibility for the publications later this year. The annual report of the Series Editor was published in the March FOOTNOTES. A statement by Campbell regarding the Series is published elsewhere in this issue.

The following descriptions of recent monographs are based on statements provided by the authors.

**RECENT MONOGRAPHS**

Sociological Explanation as Translation by Stephen P. Turner (1980) deals with the logic of explaining a practice, and the question of how this type of explanation compares on the one hand to standard philosophical models of "understanding" and explanation by reference to empirical generalizations, and, on the other hand, how it relates to the nuts and bolts statistical reasoning found in sociology and to the "sociological perspective." The primary strategy of the book is to show that explanation practice does not require "theories" but is more akin to translation—a notion which is also a central theme of recent philosophy from Quine to Davidson and Putnam. Although the book is abstract, the book keeps close to familiar examples of sociological work, and reviewers have praised the discussion for its lucidity.

Manufacturing Green Gold: Capital, Labor, and Technology in the U.S. Furniture Industry by William H. Friesland, Amy E. Barton, and Robert J. Thomas (1981) is concerned with the emergence of a sociology of agriculture and the comparative analysis of production systems. It is also specifically involved with the utilization of social analysis for purposes of apicification by projecting the con...
The proposal of the ASA Council from its January meeting (FOOTNOTES, March 1982, page 1) to modify the definition of Association membership, if approved in referendum, may serve to self-destruct the ASA as a discipline and professional organization of sociologists.

The aim of the Council’s proposal as stated is “to shift the focus of membership qualifications away from ‘status’ or ‘credentials’ to commitment to the purposes of the Association.” The purposes stated in the Constitution are “to stimulate research, instruction, and discussion and to encourage cooperative relations among persons engaged in the scientific study of society.” Council assumes and states that, “Given this eminently sensible aim, it is difficult for Council to understand why only those with a PhD in Sociology, the closely related field of Sociology or related fields are qualified to pursue it (the above objectives).” Thus, the new wording is intended to establish a positive basis that includes all those subscribing to the purposes of the Association.

Some questions may be raised regarding Council’s proposal. What criteria, what means of assessing, and by whom, does Council propose to determine commitment to purposes? What constitutes subscribing to the purposes of the Association?

Council further proposes that student membership no longer be limited to students in a sociology curriculum. Does Council now conclude that a curriculum in sociology is a distinct discipline with special scientific knowledge and skills useful for society? It proposes to send the ASA to the “streets of academia” to humble whom is willing and able to commit and subscribe for ASA’s survival.

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Debert S. Elliott, Behavioral Research Institute, Boulder, CO, "Dynamics of Delinquency Behavior—A National Survey," $236,000.

Peggy C. Giordano, Bowling Green State University, "Changing Patterns of Female Delinquency," $172,931.


Jan E. Schreiner, Science Research Institute, Boston, MA, "Evaluation of Competency Assessment Procedures," $164,263.


Continuations


Janice A. Egeland, University of Miami, "A Study of Affective Disorders Among Older Ochom Amish," $198,996.

Ralph R. Freehills, University of California-Los Angeles, "Epidemiology of Depression and Help-Seeking Behavior," $131,000.


Jerome K. Myers, Yale University, "Epidemiological Catchment Area Program," $250,000.

Kenneth Polk, University of Oregon, "Cohort Careers and the Vietnam Experience," $100,839.


MINORITY GROUP MENTAL HEALTH

New


Robert E. Roberts, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, "New Mexican Mental Health System," $72,275.

Continuations


Lloyd H. Rogers, Fordham University, "Epidemiology of Urban Community Health," $248,544.

PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY

Continuations

Robert C. Smith, Texas Research Institute of Mental Sciences, Houston, TX, "Receptor Change Due to Aging and Psychotropic Drugs," $41,625.


J. John Palen, Virginia Commonwealth University, "Neighborhood Revitalization in the White and African American Community," $20,216.

Garland White, Old Dominion University, "Home Ownership and the Perception of Well-Being," $74,146.

RESEARCH CAREER AWARDS

New


Continuations

Mary R. Jackson, University of Michigan, "Intergroup Attitudes and Group Consciousness," $30,215.

David H. Knorr, Indiana University, "A Analytical Model of Voluntary Assortments," $40,824.

Robert E. Roberts, University of Texas Health Science Center, "Mexican American and Social Factors and Disease," $40,954.


For additional information about NIMH research support activities, including information about the application deadlines and requirements, contact: National Institute of Mental Health, Public Inquiries, Parklawn Building, Room 9C-5, 6600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20852.

It was just the day for organizing something, or for writing a notice signed rabbit or seeing what everybody thought about it.

—Rabbit in "Winnie the Pooh"

There are hundreds, perhaps thousands of "sociology"... This attests to the complexity of social life as well as the discriminating tastes of sociologists. Yet there are still critical issues in sociology of committees. Stimmel is not very helpful. Yet a committee to a sociologist what water is to a fish.

As a participant observes on college campuses over the years, I have developed some generalizations. (They are really not generalizations but strategies and therapies.) Some are true under all conditions; others are true in times when participation and representation are valued. Here is my initial list to provoke intellectual discussion, or other kinds, too.

• The longer a committee exists, the less it does. (Derivative: Ad hoc committees are better than standing committees which sit too long.)

• The longer a committee worries over whether it has a “representative” membership, the less it does.

• However, committee membership should never be homogeneous. It is always necessary to have one obstructionist per committee so other members will gang up on that person and move quickly through the agenda. (This person is not difficult to find — based on the principle that for every PhD, there is an equal and opposite PhD.)

• Short committee meetings accomplish more than long committee meetings. (This is based on the principle — what the ass will endure, the mind will oblige.)

• When any member suggests a committee should do something, appoint a subcommittee; when any member suggests a committee should do something, appoint a person to head the subcommittee.

• The more you do on a committee, the less others will do.

• The length of the agenda is inversely related to the length of a meeting.

• The best way to participate as a committee member is to volunteer for the first trivial or enjoyable task.

• Preferably no more than two members of a committee should be familiar with Roberts’ Rules so other members will be offered a clear choice.

I can think of others but perhaps you can too. You could send them to me and you might qualify to be a member of the committee on the sociology of committees. Hearing no more business, I adjourn. —RRD
NIA Behavioral Research Program Outline

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household work organizations, educational and religious institutions, political institutions, health and welfare institutions.

(3) Social and Cultural Aging. Research in this area focuses on changes and stabilizations in aging in the health, behavior, personality, and attachment characteristics in relation to the social environment.

(4) Cognitive and Biopsychological Aging. This subprogram targets the identification and specification of cognitive, intellectual, and perceptual changes and disabilities that, interacting with biological processes, occur with aging.

Further information about the program may be obtained by calling or writing to Behavioral Science Research, National Institute on Aging, Building 31C, Room 5C05, Bethesda, MD 20892; (301) 496-3136.

A number of currently funded research projects are helping to fill in the reality of social and psychological factors involved in aging. Projects of particular interest to sociologists include:

- Jane Aldous, University of Notre Dame: "Family Size and Later Kin Contacts: A Pilot Study"
- Vern L. Bengston, University of Southern California: "Aging Parents: Dimensions of Intergenerational Solidarity"
- James R. Birger, University of Virginia, University of Michigan, and the Michigan Migration Project, 1955-65 and 1965-70
- Raymond Beattie, Hellenic College: "The Effect of Retirement on Physical Health"
- Marilyn B. S. Bresler, University of California-Santa Barbara: "Aging and the Family"
- Leonard C. Caufield, Portland State University: "Ethnicity and Aging: Creative Adaptation"
- Frances M. Cady, Wright Institute: "Aging and Life Quality"
- Andrew J. Cherlin, Johns Hopkins University: "Grandparent-Parent-Grandchild Relations After Divorce"
- Frances Cohen, University of Southern California: "Asthma in the Elderly: Disability and Coping"
- Philip E. Converse, University of Michigan: "Social Support and Psychological Well-Being"
- Marader A. Davis, University of Texas, El Paso: "Liking and Attitudes Toward the Elderly"
- Margaret E. Dimond, the University of Utah: "Bereavement in the Elderly: Factors in Adaptation"
- Martin Glaser, New York University School of Medicine, Presbyterian Home and Hospital, "Supportive Networks and Coping in Bereaved Elderly"
- David L. Featherman, University of Wisconsin, "Social Change, Age-Graded Life Events, and Aging"
- John C. Flanagan, American Institutes for Research, "New Insights to Improve the Quality of Life at Age 65 or Older"
- Gary S. Fiske, Cornell University: "Discrete Data Analysis of the Retirement Decision"
- Lorenza Garber, University of Florida: "The Study of Human Issues, Cultural and Historical Contexts of Hans Indian Aging"
- Janet D. Giffith, Research Triangle Institute, "Family Relationships and Well-Being in the Older Years"
- Melissa A. Hardy, Florida State University: "Occupation and Industry Differences in Retirement"
- Tenar K. Hansen, Clark University: "Aging and Generational Relations About Change"
- Marie R. Heag, Case Western Reserve University, "Social Behavioral Research Initiatives in the Newer "C" Cultures—A Topical Ethnography"
- Mark C. Hayward, Battelle Menlo Research, "Determinants and the Retirement Decision"
- John C. Hefner, University of Virginia, "Race Differences in Owner Overlife Over the Cycle"
- Regula A. Hergov, University of Michigan, "Survey Methodology and the Aged: Secondary Analysis"
- Karen E. Jedynak, University of Michigan, "Three Generation Life-Cycle Analysis of Black Aging"
- Kent M. Jennings, University of Michigan, "Aging and the Development of Socio-Political Orientation"
- Fred J. Kent, University of Arizona, "Attitudes Toward the Elderly"
- Robert L. Kim, Michigan State University, "Supports of the Elderly: Family/Friend/Professional" and "Aging and Social Support: A U.S./37nbtz Comparison"
- Stephen J. Kunitz, University of Rochester, "Family Organization and Health Status of Elderly Navajos"
- Jan W. Kuzma, Loma Linda University, "Determinants of Aging Among Seventh Day Adventists"
- William W. Lamers, University of Southern California, "Explanations of Changing State Policies for the Elderly"
- Jiang Liang, West Virginia University, "Structural Models of Life Satisfaction Among the Aged"
- Gary M. Mellen, Duke University, "Inflation and the Economic Welfare of the Elderly"
- Kenneth G. Monto, Duke University, "Demographic Study of Multiple Causes of Death"
- Kyrinok S. Mariles, University of Texas, "Family Relations in Three Generations of Chicanos"
- Elizabeth Midsky, University of Detroit, "Altruism and Helping Among the Aged"/"Altruism Among the Elderly"
- Leon T. Mortimer, University of Minnesota, "Work Experience and Psychological Development in the Very Old"
- Max E. Galen, "Changing Geographic Distribution of the Elderly"
- Charles H. McColl, University of Texas, "Institutional Risk Factors in Nursing Home Mortality"
- Sonia M. McKinley, Boston Hospital for Women, "A Demographic Investigation of the Menopause"
- Marc L. Merlow, Northwestern University, "A Legal and Social Justice: An Economic Analysis"
- Sandra J. Newman, University of Copenhagen, "Causes and Effects of Life-Cycle Lock-In Among the Aged"
- Mary R. Nolteini, Manhattan College, "Psychosocial Aspects of Adult Sibling Relationships"
- Martha C. O'Connor, University of Florida, "Psychosocial and Biologic Adaptation to Aging in Women"
- Carmine N. Niedbalski, University of California-San Francisco, "Father-Child Relations in Late Life"
- Ernemann D. Palmore, Duke University, "Determinants and Consequences of Retirement"
- Fred C. Pampel, University of Iowa, "A Cross-National Study of Retirement Leveseon"n G. Paulson, University of California-San Francisco, "Biocultural Risks in Longevity—Sameas in California"
- Janie B. Parise, State University of Iowa, "Race, Life Change, and Powerlessness Among Older Men"
- Judith Rodin, Yale University, "Dietary Habits, Social Factors, Stress and Health"
- Iris Resnik, University of Pennsylvania, "An Examination of the Puerto Rican Longevity Advantage" and "Demography of the Extreme Aged"
- Gerard R. Reuthe, University of Iowa, "Retirement Decision-Making: Determinants of Migration"
- Atlantic W. Seabrook, University of Arizona, " Widowhood and Aging: The American Southwest, 1881-1979"
- Gordon F. Streib, University of Florida, "Structure and Aging Process of Retirement Communities"
- Raymond J. Strunk, Urban Institute, "In-Place Housing Adjustments by Elderly Homeowners"
- Donald J. Stuif, University of Kansas, "Aging Among the Menonales of Kansas and Nebraska"
- Richard M. Susan, University of California-San Francisco, "The Impact of the Economic Cycle on the Elderly"
- Caroline B. Thomas, Johns Hopkins University, "Factors in Coping with Grief in the Elderly"
- Adam B. Ulin, Harvard University, "Retirement and Aging in Chief-Executive Officer Settings"
- Wayne M. Usui, University of Louisville, "Environments and Social Interaction"
- Maurice D. Velkley, Jr., University of Southern California, "The Demography of Aging"
- David J. Wolf, University of Kentucky, "Aging Among the Scottish-Irish of Northeastern Kentucky"
- Max W. Appaloosa, Duke University, "Longitudinal Models of Correlates of Aging and Aging Patterns"
- "Management of Medical Technologies and Health Care Proces- s控制 and the "Costs of Care" will be offered during the period of August 26-2, 1982. Enrollment is suggested for health care administrators, policy-makers, and policy-makers who face real-world challenges and who can use their skills to improve the quality of care that patients receive. The program is open to all professionals interested in the field of medical technologies, including medical doctors, nurses, and health care administrators.

Teaching Resources Center Catalogue

A complete listing of all materials currently offered by the ASA Teaching Resources Center is available upon request from the ASA Educational Office, 1722 N. Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036; (202) 334-1300.

International Sociological Asociation X World Congress of Sociology August 16-21, 1982 Mexico City

The scientific program for the World Congress is now complete and a preliminary version will be found in the Spring number of the ISA Bulletin. We are looking forward to a very interesting and successful World Congress.

At this relatively late date, we have only one important reminder for those of you who are planning to attend the World Congress: August is the high season for tourist travel. Therefore, we advise that you do not leave your schedules and hotel reservations too late. In particular, you should not arrive in Mexico City without a hotel reservation; if you do, you may find yourself lodged miles away from the Congress site. For those of you who are familiar with the famous traffic jams of Mexico City, we should not have to add anything: for those of you who have not experienced them yet, it means that a fifteen-minute trip can take hours. Thus, we urge you to plan your travel, your pre-registration, and your hotel reservations as early as you can manage.

In the U.S., you may handle all of these arrangements through: Association Travel Coordinators, Inc., 5128 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20007-3775; (202) 233-1800.

In Canada, these arrangements may be made through: Bel-Air Travel, Inc., 2515 Mountain Street, Montreal, P.Q., Canada H3G 2A3; (514) 844-8817.

The International Sociological Association handles travel not accommodations. Pre-registration may be made through its secretariat: ISA Secretariat, C.P. 719, Succ. "A," Montreal, P.Q., Canada H3C 2V2; (514) 282-3107, which is also available for other official communications. The Secretariat will also have an information service to be located in the Palacio de Mineria, No. 5 Tacuba Street, 06000 Mexico, D.F. Note that this is not a mailing address, but rather the place where we hope to meet you.

Kurt Janssens
Assistant Secretary, ISA

A Travel Grants Committee has been appointed to process applications for money to assist with travel to the upcoming International Sociological Association meetings in Mexico City. The Committee is chaired by Edward G. Dager, University of Maryland. The members are: Richard O. Holmes, Morgan State University; Karen K. Petersen, University of Colorado, Boulder; James T. Rice, Georgetown University; and Hav C. Tippus, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

Carla B. Howroyd, Professional Assistant, is now responsible for processing your travel expenses. Please address her any question you may have concerning your registration and travel arrangements. Mrs. Howroyd will be on hand to assist you at the nursery school on site during the Mexican Congress.

The "Dynamics of Health Service System: Strategic Planning for Complex Health Organizations" will be offered from August 9-13, 1982. This program is intended primarily for responsible health care administrators, actuaries, and educators interested in pursuing new approaches to health system problems. For further information, please contact the direction of Professor Edward B. Roberts, David Samoff Professor of Management and Chair of the Health Management area at the MIT Sloan School of Management. Other faculty participants include: MIT, Tufts University School of Medicine, Michigan State University School of Medicine, Blue Cross, Hewlett-Packard, Digital Equipment Corporation, and Pugh-Beards Associates Inc.

Continuing medical education credit for both programs is being offered by the Office of Continuing Medical Education at Tufts University School of Medicine. A detailed description of the program is available upon request from the Director of the Summer Session, Room E19-316, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA 02139.
Fly to San Francisco...

Arrangements have been made with American Airlines and our travel coordinator, Convention & Group Travel Associates, for special discounts of 20% off regular coach fare on travel to the 1982 ASA Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

If you wish to take advantage of this special fare, it is recommended that you contact the travel services desk of American Airlines at 800-433-1790 from anywhere in the continental U.S. except Texas. In Texas, call 800-792-1160. These numbers may be reached Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in your local time zone.

When you call, ask the convention specialist to pull up STAR FILE #5178. This file contains all pertinent information about our meeting. The convention specialist will explain the variety of reduced fares available to you and make the lowest cost for you. Even in cities not serviced by American Airlines, American convention personnel will be available to customers on other airlines offering you the lowest cost and most convenient flights to San Francisco.

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...And Stay With Us

We are often approached by members who proudly proclaim that they pay attention to the hotels that are listed on the ASA Hotel Reservation form; since they are familiar with the convention and group travel agents, they are forced to accept a lower cost. This is because the service is so expensive, it is better to do it yourself. To the extent that the service is gratuitous, the cost is increased. The service is not a substitute for checking the hotels yourself.

In 1981, when ASA met in Toronto, two hotels were needed to meet the requirements of the members. The hotel was too expensive, but it was the best hotel. The hotel was the only hotel available. In 1982, the program included 236 sessions and 1,632 participants. In addition to the 236 sessions, there were 36 special meetings, 50 committee meetings, and 42 meetings of other groups. Along with support space needed for the Employment Service, Book Exhibits, Business Meetings, Paper Sales, Child Care, etc., ASA utilized 38 public rooms for the duration of the five-day meeting. They also included the total public space available in both the Sheraton Centre Hotel and the Hotel Toronto.

Such accommodations are available only in large convention hotels in major cities. Were the ASA to plan to use large properties in less expensive cities, one result would be that the program would have to be seriously curtailed.

The more important fact, however, relates to why ASA urges its members to use the ASA-designated hotels. Hotels derive their major income from their sleeping rooms. When booking a hotel for an Annual Meeting, the ASA contracts to fill a specified number of sleeping rooms during the nights of the convention. In return, the hotel "gives" the ASA all of its public space during certain hours of the day at no charge. This is at a direct cost to the hotel; for example, there are costs involved in lighting and air conditioning, and the hotel continues to be responsible for hosing, maintenance, security, etc.

How would the ASA and its members benefit if our room commitment were not met? Hotels allocate public space in direct proportion to the number of sleeping rooms actually used. If rooms are not filled according to commitment, daily rental fees must be charged for use of the sleeping rooms. Since the Annual Meeting should be self-sustaining, it would then be necessary to realize the increased costs for rental fees from members who want to attend, resulting in reduced registration fees, increased charges for services provided during the Annual Meeting, such as the Employment Service and Child Care, and even some reduction in services. It would be necessary to charge other groups who wish to meet in conjunction with the ASA Annual Meeting. It is obvious that keeping the annual meeting fees necessary to the meeting and the estimated time during which each child will use the Service. If you do not pre-register your child for Child Care Service by July 15, the ASA cannot guarantee the child the child's hotel rate. It is necessary to charge the parents who want to pre-register each child and estimate the hotel rate during which each child will use the Service. If you do not pre-register your child for Child Care Service by July 15, the ASA cannot guarantee the child the child's hotel rate. It is necessary to charge the parents who want to pre-register each child and estimate the hotel rate during which each child will use the Service. If you do not pre-register your child for Child Care Service, you must vacate the hotel for the morning during which you wish to use the Child Care Service. If you wish to use the Child Care Service, you must re-register at least 2 days in advance. Further details about child care may be obtained from the ASA Meeting Registration Service.

There will be hundreds of sessions. If you need direction, there is a Plenary on American Sociological Society — The Decades Ahead — which will feature Nelson Polsby, Norman Birnbaum, Alice S. Rossi, Michael Crozier and Morris Janowitz. If you need to make a point, another Plenary will feature Alan Touraine, Maureen des Sciences de l"Homme, Paris on "Is There a Central Point in a Social System?" A few have questioned whether President Erving Goffman exists, implying that the precise and provocative writing we all know was created by a mythical scholar. You can choose whether to come to the Presidential Address.

So, come to San Francisco. Find out what's new in Sociology. Notice that your old friends are getting older. Notice how many good papers there are. Notice how many interesting sessions there will be. Reinforce your pleasant memories of the city and the meetings. To do all of that, you can't stay home, you have to come to the Annual Meeting. — ERD

Annual Meeting September 6-10
San Francisco Hilton Hotel

Bring the Kids...

Child Care at the 1982 meeting will be provided by personnel from Bristol-Hermon Agency, located at the University of Minnesota. Child Care will be available during daytime program sessions (8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.) for children three months and older.

Payment this year will again be by the day and half-day, rather than by the hour — $5 per child for a half-day (8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.) and $10 per child for an entire day. Children may come for shorter periods, but the half-day fee will still apply. In order to provide more use, discourage frequent dropping in and out (which is difficult for both children and staff), and simplify payment.

For the San Francisco meeting, as in Toronto, a determined effort is being made to maintain the quality of the program. This is a costly venture and must be heavily subsidized by the Association. In response, parents who support this commitment should help in the following ways:

(1) PRE-REGISTER. A $10 non-refundable registration fee per family is required. This fee will be credited to your use of the Service. Although state laws vary, the child will be hired depends upon the ages of the children as well as the number of children expected to use the Service. In order for us to hire the necessary personnel and rent adequate equipment, parents must pre-register each child and estimate the hotel rate during which each child will use the Service. If you do not pre-register your child for Child Care Service by July 15, the ASA cannot guarantee the child's hotel rate. It is necessary to charge the parents who want to pre-register each child and estimate the hotel rate during which each child will use the Service. If you do not pre-register your child for Child Care Service, you must vacate the hotel for the morning during which you wish to use the Child Care Service. If you wish to use the Child Care Service, you must re-register at least 2 days in advance. Further details about child care may be obtained from the ASA Meeting Registration Service.

(2) Be responsible about fee payments. You represent only a very small part of the total cost.

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The Council
American Sociological Association

We have examined the balance sheets of American Sociological Association (a District of Columbia corporation, not-for-profit) as of December 31, 1981 and 1980 and the related statements of revenues and expenditures, as presented in the financial statements. In our opinion, the balance sheets for the years then ended are fairly stated in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis.

Alexander Grant & Company
Washington, D.C.
February 27, 1982

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Unrestricted Restricted (note B)

CURRENT ASSETS
Cash $29,350 $218,035
Certificates of deposit plus accrued interest 809,727 264,949
839,087 482,384

Accounts receivable 24,808 20,302
Advertising and mailing lists 45,510
Restricted funds (note B) 95,120

Less allowance for doubtful accounts receivable 5,000 30,610
Inventories—at cost 5,000
Prepaid expenses 60,355
Total current assets 944,723 482,564

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT—at cost (note A)
Building and improvements 203,283
Office furniture and equipment 68,138 271,421

Less accumulated depreciation 128,952 142,469
Lent 39,000 381,469
$1,126,201 $482,384

LIABILITIES

Unrestricted Restricted (note B)
CURRENT LIABILITIES
Accounts payable $103,672 $20,502
Trade—unrestricted funds (note B) $11,602 $25,502
Deferred income (note A2) 662,357 2,300
Income taxes payable (note A3) — —
Total current liabilities 780,131 20,502

UNEXPENDED GRANTS AND RESTRICTED FUNDS (note B) 462,482

ASSOCIATION EQUITY
$1,126,201 $482,384

STATEMENTS OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

Revenues

Member dues $41,204
Section dues 44,428
Subscriptions 341,196
Advances to authors 50,247
Sales—back issues 7,005
Sales—other publications 66,410
Annual Meeting 102,829
Applied sociological conference 4,450

Total revenue 28,629 25,783

Reimbursements of administrative costs (note B) 119,759
Mailing list rentals 9,973
Interest 8,180
Printed permissions 2,742
Processing fees 29,052
Other income —
Total revenue 1,123,202

Expenditures

Publications $353,998
Journal printing and mailing $140,280
Journal editorial and clerical $80,126
Total publications 574,396

Annual Meeting 80,895
General and administrative 634,882
Total expenditures 1,279,373

Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures before income taxes (46,751)
Income taxes (note A3) 2,524
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES $(49,275)

STATEMENT OF ASSOCIATION EQUITY

Balance at January 1, 1980 $410,412
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures $15,067
Balance at December 31, 1980 395,345
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures (49,275)
Balance at December 31, 1981 $346,070

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE A—SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES
A summary of the Association’s significant accounting policies consistently applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows.

1. Property, Plant and Equipment
Depreciation is provided for in amounts sufficient to relate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated useful lives, principally on a straight-line basis without regard to salvage values.

2. Deferred Income
Deferred income consists of amounts received in advance for the following:
(a) Member and section dues which are applicable to subsequent periods.
(b) Subscriptions to periodicals which are to be issued in future years.

3. Income Taxes
The Association is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, except for mailing list rentals that resulted in Federal and District of Columbia income tax due of approximately $2,500 at December 31, 1980.

NOTE B—RESTRICTED ASSETS
These funds are held by American Sociological Association, as custodian, to be used for specified purposes and are, therefore, restricted. At December 31, 1981, the following amounts remained in Unexpended Grants or Restricted Funds.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Restricted fund</th>
<th>Cash &amp; investments</th>
<th>Less amounts due to ASA</th>
<th>Unexpended restricted fund balances</th>
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<td>HHS—National Institute of Mental Health</td>
<td>$23,112</td>
<td>$18,063</td>
<td>$5,049</td>
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<td>Lilly Foundation</td>
<td>28,633</td>
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<td>Rose Monograph Series</td>
<td>289,699 (4,189)</td>
<td>285,510</td>
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<td>Cornerstone Fund</td>
<td>6,000</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>6,000</td>
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<td>Minority Fellowship</td>
<td>1,879</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>1,879</td>
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<td>Program Fund</td>
<td>—</td>
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<td>—</td>
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<td>Fonds for the Advancement of the Discipline</td>
<td>89,522</td>
<td>—</td>
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<td>Teaching Endowment Fund</td>
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<td>—</td>
<td>458</td>
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<td>Teaching Resource Center</td>
<td>(988)</td>
<td>(988)</td>
<td>—</td>
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<td>Fyvion Soknian Award</td>
<td>11,928</td>
<td>(250)</td>
<td>11,678</td>
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<td>Dissertation Fund</td>
<td>3,188</td>
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<td>449,947 (20,202)</td>
<td>429,445</td>
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NOTE D—FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS
Certain grants and cost reimbursable contracts provide for the allowance of costs by budget categories as set forth in the grants or contracts including reimbursable expenditures which were $28,959 and $31,941 for the years ended December 31, 1981 and 1980, respectively. The expenditures made by the Association under the terms of these grants and contracts are subject to audit. To date, the Association has not been notified of any unallowable costs relating to grants or contracts in force. It is proper to allow costs and it is not necessary to establish a provision for unallowable costs.

A summary of the restricted fund activity is:

1981
Unexpended restricted fund balances at beginning of year $344,737
Receipts of grants, supporting contributions and revenue from investments 627,893
Expenditures (310,094) Unexpended restricted fund balances at end of year $462,482

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Ten New Minority Fellows Selected

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through the Center for Minority Group Mental Health Programs, are due to expire at the end of the 1983-84 academic year.

The total number of students having received ASA Minority Fellowship support during the nine years of the program will total 189. Of these, forty-four have received their PhDs and another 61 are still receiving support. The number of PhD completions is expected to increase by ten or more at the end of the current term.

At its recent meeting in Washington, D.C., the Committee on the Minority Fellowship Program discussed mechanisms that might be used to continue the program even if NHIM support is discontinued. Although member contributions have been encouraging, there is little likelihood that the program can continue without government assistance or major foundation support. Efforts are being made, in cooperation with several other professional associations that have similar programs, to create interest among private foundations.

Among the persons selected to begin receiving fellowships next year, if money becomes available, are nine students who will be continuing their graduate studies and one who is just beginning. All of the alternates are already in graduate programs. Additional information about the recently selected fellows and alternates is included in the accompanying table.

1982-1983
NEWLY SELECTED ASA FELLOWS

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<td>Lawrence Bobo</td>
<td>Black</td>
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<td>Black</td>
<td>B.A./California-San Diego</td>
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<td>Sharon Donaldson</td>
<td>Black</td>
<td>B.A.-MA/Pennsylvania</td>
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<td>Cedric Herling</td>
<td>Black</td>
<td>B.A./Iowa State</td>
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<td>Carol Lujan</td>
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<td>B.A./Florida State</td>
<td>California-Irvine</td>
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<td>Theodore Manley</td>
<td>Black</td>
<td>B.A./Wayne State</td>
<td>California</td>
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<td>John Martinez</td>
<td>Chinese</td>
<td>B.A.-MA/California State</td>
<td>Florida</td>
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<td>Rosa Masuado</td>
<td>Japanese</td>
<td>B.A./California-Santa Barbara</td>
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<td>Mary Rojas</td>
<td>Hispanic</td>
<td>B.S./Syracuse</td>
<td>New York</td>
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<td>David Torres</td>
<td>Chinese</td>
<td>B.A./Southwestern State Texas</td>
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<td>Jacqueline Pope</td>
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Floyd Cooper, President

ASAP NEWS

1982 Brookdale Awards

The Gerontological Society of America announces the 1982 Brookdale Awards for Distinguished Contributions to Gerontology. These two awards will be made with each award receiving $2,000.

Ravy Glassman, Syracuse University, has been awarded a Brookdale Fellowship at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago. She will hold the Fellowship for two years.

Gilbert D. Nas, University of California, Berkeley, has been awarded a Brookdale Fellowship at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. He will hold the Fellowship for two years.


JESSIE BERNARD AWARD SELECTION

The first portion of the 1981 Selection meeting was devoted to clarification of the object of the Bernard Award. The following points were made.

1. Difficulty is possible in work and publication. Committees might want to include an award in both categories in an award year in which there were significant numbers of candidates in each category. It was agreed that in the future, the chair will write back to nominees of the award with an explanation of the clarification of the key words (e.g., half-dozen articles and/or two books) that have constituted the judgment of the object of the person whose work is being considered.

2. Two very different ends might be served by the award: (a) recognition of work that has already made a considerable contribution to the goals of the award; and (b) identification of significant work that, as a consequence of receiving the award, will draw wider attention. Some members of the committee felt that this process should be given to recognizing the past contributions of a minority of the best work that is already well known.

Today, the award, with a prize of $1500, is intended to be an award in both categories: (a) recognition of work that has already made a considerable contribution to the goals of the award; and (b) identification of significant work that, as a consequence of receiving the award, will draw wider attention. Some members of the committee felt that this process should be given to recognizing the past contributions of a minority of the best work that is already well known.

MINORITY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Minority Fellowship Program was once again able to fund ten new fellowship appointments, and renewal of existing fellowships is available. At the time of the Toronto Convention, the number of minority Ph.Ds in the social sciences had increased to over 5000. This represented about 68% of the total number of Ph.Ds awarded in the social sciences in 1981.

Problems of the Discipline

During the 1980-81 academic year, the Committee on Problems of the Discipline met three times to review new grant proposals submitted by members of the Association. Members of the Committee, including William Brinton, Russell Dynes, Matilda White Riley, Morris Rosenberg, and George Foster, reviewed the proposals and offered advice on how to support them in an amount up to $500 to enable groups of scholars to meet in order to exchange ideas topics of common interest. Although proposals dealing with new or relatively unexplored topics were particularly welcome, proposals on topics of current interest were viewed with particular favor by the Committee, any meeting that can be planned on a programmatic scale is eligible for support. The Committee reviewed 20 proposals for up to $500 support of six. For some reason, there was an increase in the number of proposals submitted in May and August. It is expected that this will continue its efforts to support further. The President's Committee on Sociology Undergraduate is eligible for support. The topic of the discipline is generally more imaginative and the discussion of the most valuable knowledge at modest cost.

Several years ago, the Committee supported a number of workshops dealing with important sociological issues. The intention was to bring together a group of scholars to exchange ideas on large issues in the field; funding was to be sought from external sources. For various reasons, these efforts have not been successful, and the Committee considered it inadvisable to continue these efforts.

Committee Reports

Committee on Awards

The Committee on Awards met at the Annual Meeting in Chicago to consider nominations for the 1981 award. The committee will ask the Board of Directors for approval on clarification of whether, it is permissible for the committee members, can nominate works for consideration of the award.

Inez G. Haste Chair

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The President's Committee on Sociology Undergraduate is not only in conjunction with an ongoing overall evaluation of the Association's publication program, but also a subcommittee to be chaired. The Committee also reviewed and approved editorial board nominations for the positions of editors.

The full Committee and subcommittee continued to work during the year on the following publications policies:

1. Indexing. The Committee on Problems of the Discipline met three times to review new grant proposals submitted by members of the Association. The Committee, including William Brinton, Russell Dynes, Matilda White Riley, Morris Rosenberg, and George Foster, reviewed the proposals and offered advice on how to support them in an amount up to $500 to enable groups of scholars to meet in order to exchange ideas on topics of common interest. Although proposals dealing with new or relatively unexplored topics were particularly welcome, proposals on topics of current interest were viewed with particular favor by the Committee, any meeting that can be planned on a programmatic scale is eligible for support.

2. Status of the ASA Teaching Newsletter. In line with a previously approved timetable, the clear anchored grant committee of members of the Committee on Publications and the Committee on Education, participated in the evaluation of the Newsletter.

3. Publications Manual. Designed primarily to ease editorial transition problems, to aid in the efficient publication of the American Sociologist, and to orient new Committee on Publications members, a draft of the Manual was completed and circulated to all editors and voting members for comments and suggestions. The final draft is expected to be available early in 1982.

4. Evaluation of ASA Publications. A systematic evaluation of the Association’s publication program was started in 1979 and continued in 1980-81 as the voting members of the various sections were circulated to all members by mail on three occasions. Each voting member was asked for the most recent volumes of TANS, TIBSS, SPQ, and SO. By the time of the August meetings, voting members had expressed serious concerns with the integration of a fragmented publications list, while at the same time they supported the specialization of the discipline.

5. Committee on Women. The Committee on Women continued to reexamine the definition of gender in light of new data on the status of sociology in Canada. The Committee also continues to meet to discuss issues of importance to women in sociology.

6. Committee on Appointments. The Committee on Appointments continued to work on the promotion of women in sociology. The Committee also continues to meet to discuss issues of importance to women in sociology.

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deliberations. Editorial staffs of sociology journals and regional societies also received many requested copies of the resumes. Sets are being sent to the remaining editors of major ASA and other sociology publications.

The Committee also co-sponsored the Fourth Annual Student Reception at the 1982 ASA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Committee on Racial & Ethnic Minorities and the Committee on Teaching. At this event, over 240 people received the reception which can best be described as lively. The Committee is grateful at this time to all the sponsors of this reception and to the presence of so many Committee members who joined in conversations with great enthusiasm.

During the past year, the Committee has engaged in cooperative contact with the ASA, the Committee on Ethnic Minorities, Publications, Applied Sociology, Executive Office & Budget, as well as with the Sociological Practice Section, the editors of FOOTNOTES, regional committees on the status of women in sociology, Sociologists for Women in Society, and other national and professional organizations. It also has reported to requests from individuals and groups within ASA, the media, and other special interest groups. As such, it has been necessary to remind people that as a standing committee of the ASA, this Committee’s charge is to the Association to public statements only on those issues that Council shall have taken up for advocacy.

Finally, the Committee wishes to publicly thank Cath Howery and Lowry Cowser who have left the University of Wisconsin on behalf of the status of women in sociology. Our Association is a stronger, more vibrant, better informed institution because of their generosity and competence.

Joyce A. Kenney
Chair

WORLD SOCIOLOGY

During the 1981 year, the Committee gave most of its attention to the new system of liaison between the Association and national and regional societies. Details of the system were published in the 1981 February FOOTNOTES issue. In 1982, the Committee has received a substantial number of inquiries and applications for the positions established under the system (for continental regions of the world) and Liaison representative (for individual national and regional societies). Because of the shortage of funds the Committee was unable to meet in the Spring as is customary; therefore, the applications for positions were processed only at the August meeting in Toronto. Initial appointments will be announced in a forthcoming issue of FOOTNOTES. The new Liaison appointees will be available to foreign sociologists as a point of contact within the ASA and to American sociologists as a point of contact within the foreign sociological communities. The following Liaison Coordinators for world regions were appointed for the current three-year period: South, Southwest, and Australasia, Joseph W. Elder (University of Michigan); Latin America, Luis Cordero (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Canada, Thelma McCormick (York University); Latin America, Louis Goodman (Yale University, Geneva, Richard Tomison (University of Arizona); Arab World, Janet Abu-Lughod (Columbia University); Asia, East Asia, William Liu (University of Illinois-Chicago Circle); Africa, David Willey (Michigan State University). Appointments were not made for Eastern Europe and the Non-Arab Middle East.

The Committee also gave support to various academic efforts to maintain, the 20th century image of sociology and research abroad by American sociologists—through NSF, NEH, U.S. Department of Education, and the Fullbright Programs of U.S. ICA.

In cooperation with the ASA Teaching Project, the Committee has begun a new project concerning international and global issues content in the pedagogical sociology curriculum. Professor Michael Armer is seeking innovative syllabi of sociology courses in departments. Support for the undergraduate portion of this project is being provided by the U.S. Department of Education under a grant provided through the National Council on Foreign Language and International Studies. It has been received by the President’s Commission on Foreign Language and International Studies.

The Committee also (a) requested the Association to organize the “International Reunion” for foreign sociologists visiting the Annual Meeting in Toronto; (b) forwarded a request to the ASA Committee on Professional Ethics a statement concerning the ethics of sociologists working abroad for possible inclusion in the new ASA sociological ethics statement; (c) received various foreign visitors at the Annual Meeting and asked that they request for information about foreign sociologists and American sociologists with international experience to various members for response; (d) requested that the ASA Committee on Problems of the Social Status of Support and Assistance for the Development of a West Coast conference on some international sociological issues that was cosponsored by the International Sociological Association. It was necessary to remind people that as a standing committee of the ASA, this Committee’s charge is to the Association to public statements only on those issues that Council shall have taken up for advocacy.

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Representative Reports

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SLAVERY STUDIES

The Association met in September at Aillarom, California. The national officers were elected as follows: President, Julian L. Sutherland; President-elect, John B. Atkinson will assume the duties of Executive Secretary in 1982. New officers include Wayne S. Vasinich, Stanford University, President; Leon S. Lipton, Yale Law School, Vice President; President-elect, and Gregory Grossman, California-Berkeley, Past President. The articles of incorporation were amended, as were the by-laws in order to separate the Current Digest of the Soviet Press from the AASS, making it an independent publication.

Joseph H.oka

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF LEARNED SOCIETIES

The 1981 Annual Meeting of the American Council of Learned Societies was held on April 5-7 in Washington. The meeting focused on the Congress of the American Sociological Association, in attendance. Since my report as the Committee’s Chair is now my final report as delegate, I have allowed myself to be somewhat less than routine in matters for which failing I ask, if not forgivable, at least understandable.

All of the business was conducted during the morning session of the second day; most of the activities of the conference were convivial or social. Virtually the entire time of the conference which was not devoted to social activities was spent in reports on the rapidly shrinking support for the federal government for research in the social and behavioral sciences. What I found disarming about the discussion of this admittedly distressing topic was the overwhelming tendency on the part of the conference delegates to approach it as if it were another of those bylines whose sole concern was to defend whatever interest eradiated their respective disciplines. The research is important; so is the school lunch program. Language instruction is important; so is the defense of the words of one Charles Darwin is important; so is social security. In every case the question was raised, “in no case were they raised within the context that support for a whole range of federal programs such as the school lunch program? One shrummings from suggesting that scholarly organizations must consider the economic effects of cuts even if the evidence of the last meeting of the ACSLS was that a political choice had been made. The example shows that the management of the national association had already established the cuts are inevitable, so fight among yourselves as to who will suffer most.

Sigmund Diamond
Representative

Chair

COMMITTEE ON PROBLEMS OF DRUG ABUSE

The Committee on Problems of Drug Abuse was founded on July 13-17, 1981 in San Francisco, and its interim business meeting on December 24-25 is scheduled for New York. The Committee will hold its semiannual meeting of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology in San Francisco on December 24-25.

The Executive Committee announced that the 1982 annual meeting will be held in Chicago. The Executive Secretary will invite the Committee to 1983 meeting of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology in San Francisco on December 24-25.

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The Grants Program of the CFDH, which has emphasized detecting addiction treatment and support and other activities, will be expanded to include scientific and behavioral services. The by-laws of the organization must be modified to make the affiliations with organizations such as the American Sociological Association, in attendance. Since my report as the Committee’s Chair is now my final report as delegate, I have allowed myself to be somewhat less than routine in matters for which failing I ask, if not forgivable, at least understandable.

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RESEARCH ON CONSUMER BEHAVIOR, POLICY BOARD

As an example of the professional association’s work in consumer behavior, the Journal of Consumer Research, the ASA representative on the Editorial Policy Board, has recently been invited to serve on the ASA representative participa...
Section Reports

ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY

The Section on Environmental Sociology continued to be a very visible Section in 1981-1982. A lengthy and informative newsletter and sponsoring some sessions at the Toronto ASA meeting. Of particular note was the accomplishment of the Section's Ad hoc Committee on Environmental Setting, chaired by William R. Freudenreich, the Committee completed a set of recommendations designed to improve the ties between academic environmental and environmental sociologists. The recommendations were passed at the Section Business Meeting and are being implemented. Two other items deserving mention were the decisions made at the Section Business Meeting to examine the advisability of establishing a section award for distinguished environmental sociologists, and to explore the possibility of the Section sponsoring a "Fellow in Environmental Sociology." Committees are currently exploring these two issues.

In terms of leadership, William Michelson ended a two-year term as Chair and was replaced by Chair-Elect, John S. Barlow, who in turn was replaced by William H. Rutten and Arthur Shostak completed three-year terms on the Council. The Chair of the Section's Ad hoc Committee, was elected Chair-Elect, and Kurt Finneran and Richard P. Cole were elected to two-year terms on the Council. The editor of the newsletter, Environmental Sociology, is Eugene A. Bess, who replaces A.R. Brown, who retired in 1980.

RACE AND ETHNIC MINORITIES

1. Membership. As of the most recent printout from the American Sociological Association, the Section on Racial and Ethnic Minorities had 268 members.

2. Official Name of the Section. The official name of the Section is Racial and Ethnic Minorities (RERM) rather than Racial and Ethnic Minorities Committee as used by some. The acronym (REMM) and Mission for the newsletter were designed by Charles U. Smith.

3. Election Results. A total of 91 ballots were cast in the Chair, Charles U. Smith. Elected were: John Moland, Chair-Elect; Ruth Simmons Hamlet and G. Franklin Edwards, Council Members.

4. SREM Program in Toronto. The Toronto meeting of SREM consisted of several roundtable discussions. Below are summaries of these sessions.

Rodolfo Alvarez (UCLA) joined in a discussion with Barbara Dixon, Mamila Myshkin and Clifford Picakal in a discussion on issues of institutional discrimination.

F. James Davis (Illinois State) said he spoke of some of the ways in which the policies of the Canadian government are discriminatory.

Mary Hayward (Battelle, Seattle) discussed the role of politics in the discussion of minority issues.


The Politics of Migration Policies, by Daniel Kofult, offers a time series of data on the movements and characteristics of migrants as well as comparisons of migration policies by which countries respond to this diverse demographic realities. The text represents a reference work offering standard and comprehensive information on the migration of peoples worldwide. It is intended to provide a comprehensive, up-to-date, and systematic survey of the literature on migration.

Margaret Mead Award

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Sandoz Prize

Sandoz Ltd., of Basel, Switzerland, the international manufacturer of pharmaceuticals, chemicals and other products, established the biennial Sandoz Prize for Gecological Research. Beginning in 1981, the Sandoz Prize will be awarded every other year for outstanding research in any area of gilcology or genetics with special recognition given to multidisciplinary programs. The prize will be worth 20,000 Swiss Francs (approx. U.S. $12,000). The winner will be selected by a jury consisting of the Executive Committee on the International Society for Ecological Research. Individuals, research teams and institutions are invited to submit applications. For information, write to: M. Bergener, M.D., Secretary General, International Association for Ecosystenology, Rheinische Landesbank, Wilhelm-Greisiger-Str. 23, D-5000 Cologne 95, Germany.

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Award for Distinguished Contributions to Teaching

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Nominations Invited

Nominations for elected and appointed positions within the ASA are invited from members by the Committee on Nominations and the Committee on Committees.

Nominations should include information on the nominees that is relevant to the positions for which the individual is being nominated. Special attention will be given to nominees who are women and members of minority groups.

Nominations should be sent to Susan R. Oates, Executive Director, ASA, 1722 N Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

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