

SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP: ANNUAL REPORT, 1980

Submitted by Eric Sheppard, Chairperson

I. Statement of Purpose

To analyze geographical phenomena critically, questioning the implications of geographical research for the well-being of social classes. To investigate the issue of radical change toward a more collective society.

II. Officers

Chairperson:

Eric Sheppard (1980-82)
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Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3A 2K6

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Valparaiso, IN 46383

III. Accomplishments (1979-80)

A. Organization of the Specialty Group

B. First Circular sent to all members (January 1980)

C. Holding of an organizational meeting in Louisville (April 1980):

1. Election of officers

2. Discussion of plans for the next year

IV. Forthcoming Activities (1980-81)

A. In Los Angeles, April 1981, we have organized

1. Two special sessions presenting geographical research on various

topics from a socialist perspective.

2. A second annual organizational meeting
3. A scheduled field trip organized through Gerry Hale

These were a direct result of suggestions from the Louisville meeting.

B. Two circulars to be sent to all members with two immediate purposes

1. Providing information about the Los Angeles meetings
2. Soliciting debate on, and participation in, the proposal of one or more AAG Resource Papers for the revised series

C. Lobbying of the AAG council on questions concerning the structure of rebates to be provided to specialty groups.

V. Future Plans

An increased participation and interaction among geographers with an interest in socialist perspectives is the major objective. Possible means of effecting this include: publishing a regular newsletter if funds permit; encouraging new people to participate in specialty group sponsored sessions at meetings; expansion of debate on practical issues faced by socialist geographers; collection of papers for a special issue in an academic geography journal; consideration of the possibility of publishing AAG Resource Papers, or a geography textbook; and expansion of specialty group meetings to include meetings at regional AAG conferences.

VI. Membership

The latest mailing list includes 105 members. The number who will contribute enthusiastically is hard to determine at this early point in our existence. However a major priority is to be sure the group is organized in such a way as to ensure that as many members as possible will take part. The level of enthusiasm among those 35 or so members I have personal contact with is very high.

VII. Financial Report

- A. Income: None. No rebate has been received from the AAG Central office to date to cover 1980.
- B. Expenses: \$19.25, mailing costs
- C. Anticipated Expenses (1980-81): \$40, mailing costs; \$25, duplicating costs; total: \$65

VIII. Special Requests

AAG Council members should have received a letter dated 30 July 1980 requesting reconsideration of the subsidy structure for specialty groups. Any council members who were elected since that date can obtain a copy of this by writing to Eric Sheppard.

cc / e/s 10/20/80

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Bucknell University
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III. Accomplishments (1980-81)

A. In Los Angeles, April 1981

1. Two special sessions presenting geographical research on various topics from a socialist perspectives.
2. A workshop and field trip, sponsored by the UCLA SGSG members, on "Community, Redevelopment, Response".
3. A second annual meeting with approximately fifty-two (52) SGSG members present (see minutes attached).

B. Two circulars sent to all members with information about the LA meetings and soliciting debate on, and participation in, the proposal of one or more AAG Resource papers for the revised series.

1. One member of SGSG, Briavel Holcomb, is collaborating on one of the Resource Papers scheduled for 1981 on urban revitalization.

- C. Lobbying of the AAG council on several questions:
 - 1. Concerning the structure of rebates to be provided to speciality groups. This lobbying led the council to provide a contribution of 50 cents per member to the speciality groups (including student members).
 - 2. Concerning the McWethy letter to Departmental Chairs and Applied Geographers. Rose and Harvey composed a letter urging the AAG Council to represent all geographers in their lobbying efforts for research funding.
 - 3. Concerning the structure of the AAG annual meeting, a letter composed to reflect the SGG's concern that the AAG annual meeting structure remain open.
- IV. Forthcoming Activities (1981-82)
 - A. In San Antonio, April 1982, we have organized:
 - 1. A few special sessions presenting geographical research on various topics from a socialist perspective.
 - 2. Three panel discussions:
 - a. Jim Blaut (U. of IL, Chicago Circle) - "Asiatic Mode of Production"
 - b. Nanda Shrestha (U. of Indiana) - "Underdevelopment and the Third World"
 - c. Neil Smith (Johns Hopkins University) - on an issue of contemporary political relevance in 1982 (to be announced).
 - B. Two circulars to be sent to all members with two immediate purposes:
 - 1. providing information about the San Antonio meetings.
 - 2. soliciting debate on, and participation in, the proposal of more AAG Resource Papers for the revised series, and the possibilities of developing alternative research funding for socialist geographers.
 - C. Lobbying the AAG council on questions of relevance to socialist geographers.

V. Future Plans

An increased participation and interaction among geographers with an interest in socialist perspectives is the major objective. Possible means of effecting this include: publishing a regular newsletter if funds permit; encouraging new people to participate in specialty group sponsored sessions at meetings; expansion of debate on practical issues faced by socialist geographers; collection of papers for a special issue in an academic geography journal; consideration of the possibility of publishing AAG Resource Papers, or a geography textbook; and expansion of specialty group meetings to include meetings at regional AAG conferences.

VI. Membership

The latest mailing list includes 77 members, but this was as of January 28, 1981, and many members may not have renewed their membership with the AAG at that date. Again, the number who will contribute enthusiastically is hard to determine at this point in our existence. However, a major priority is to be sure the group is organized in such a way as to ensure that as many members as possible will take part. The level of enthusiasm was indicated by the large turn out at our second annual meeting. There were about 52 members present and the meeting was held at 10:00 P.M. when many a geographer was enjoying the night life offered in L.A.

VII. Financial Report

A. Income: \$25.00

B. Expenses: \$16.45, mailing costs (but this was highly subsidized by the Department of Geography at the University of Minnesota.)

C. Anticipated Expenses: (1981-82) \$55, mailing costs; \$35, duplicating costs; total: \$90.

NEWSLETTER

The AAG Specialty Group on

SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY

Second Annual Meeting

This will be held during the AAG meetings in Los Angeles. This is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 9 p.m. We would like as many people as possible to attend to ensure the group reflects the interests of its membership and not just those of an active minority.

AGENDA

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Election of Officers (see below)
- 3) Discussion of the question of a constitution
- 4) Discussion of what the specialty group should be doing
- 5) Other business (I would be delighted to receive suggestions at any time).

Election of Officers (Los Angeles)

Currently the board of directors consists of Eric Sheppard (1980-82), chair; Mickey Lauria (1980-82), secretary-treasurer; Ruth Fincher (1980-81), Gerry Hale (1980-81), and Dick Hansis (1980-81), directors. Elections will be held to replace the last three.

Sessions in Los Angeles

Two special sessions have been organized by myself on an ad hoc basis. They are scheduled for Tuesday, April 21 at 8:15 a.m. (Socialist Approaches 1), and 10:15 a.m. (Socialist Approaches 2: Regional Issues) in San Gabriel B. I hope you will find them interesting. Details are provided below.

Socialist Geography 1:

- J. Blaut, "Nationalism as an Autonomous Force."
M. Rosner and S. Ruddick, "Political Praxis and Theories of State Structure."
R. Rosenberg, "Public Facilities, Health Care and Class Struggle."
L. Wolf, "The Origin of Capitalism: A Problem in Cultural Geography."
M. Bouman, "Bourneville and Port Sunlight: Into the Future or Back to the Past?"

Socialist Geography 2 - Regional Issues:

- R. Hansis, "Regional Development and Cities in Southern Italy."
G. Clark, "The Employment Relation and the Spatial Division of Labor."
E. Sheppard, "Regional Production and Development under Capitalism."
L. Barth, "Spatial Differentiation and Capital Mobility: The Case of the Niagara, Ontario Fruit Industry."

There is also an annual meeting scheduled (see above). I hope at that meeting we can discuss a more equitable and complete procedure for paper submissions and refereeing to be used at future AAG special sessions. In particular I would like a procedure that broadens the group of participants by encouraging all members; that maintains paper quality; and that reduces the number (increasing the length) of papers in each session, allowing more space for discussion.

Finally, but by no means least is a workshop, sponsored by us, titled "Community, Redevelopment, Response," on Monday, April 20, 10:15-4:30 organized by Gerry Hale, Margaret Fitzsimmons and Ed Soja of UCLA. Enroll now!

Other Achievements

(a) Annual Report (1980). This was submitted to the AAG last year summarising our activities. Copies will be available in Los Angeles.

(b) Contributions for Student Members. Last July we wrote a letter to the AAG council asking that contributions be given to specialty groups reflecting the number of student members as well as full members. This request was granted at the AAG council meeting of October 16-17. Henceforth the AAG will provide a contribution of 50 cents per member to specialty groups.

(c) Resource Papers. In the previous circular, I asked for SGGG people to consider writing resource papers for the AAG series. I called them "research monographs," but I meant resource papers. I hope we can discuss this further in Los Angeles and start contacts to develop outlines for submission to the AAG resource paper committee. Already one of our members, Briavel Holcomb, is collaborating on one of the papers scheduled for 1981; on urban revitalization.

Budget

Thus far, contributions from the AAG have covered mailing costs. Whether this will continue to be the case will depend on the number of mailings and other activities scheduled for next year. Once again I hope that this will be discussed in Los Angeles.

Membership

The list of 1981 AAG members that are also members of this specialty group totalled 77 as of January 28th. This is below the critical figure of 100 needed for our official survival. I shall send this newsletter out to the 1980 and 1981 members since I am sure subscriptions were not all paid by January 28. In addition if you know of any members who should be on our mailing list but are not, please ask them to notify me. I only receive information from the AAG once a year. Also if you know of any potential members, please encourage them to join or to contact me. We need more than one hundred!

See you all in Los Angeles, I hope.

Eric

Eric Sheppard

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND CITIES IN SOUTHERN ITALY

Richard Hansis, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383

Urban centers in southern Italy are conditioned by and are shapers of the region in which they are located. An underdeveloped part of the country which is presently suffering the effects of a capitalist world crisis, southern Italy plays a role in the national and international division of labor. Acting as an areal reserve for labor in the 1950's, it now serves as a spatial reserve for industry. This industrial development is concentrated in a few metropolitan areas of the south leading to a polarization of space. Employment in the southern cities industrial activities has not kept pace with population growth or the expropriation of small proprietors by modern industry. Investment in these cities has been mainly concentrated in land and middle and upper-class housing speculation, a speculation which has been aided by the clientelistic relations of politicians and bureaucrats.

THE EMPLOYMENT RELATION AND SPATIAL DIVISION OF LABOR

Gordon L. Clark, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 02138

The relationship between labor and capital is one of mutual antagonism and interdependence. Conflict occurs between labor and capital over control of the production process and conditions of employment. However, both classes need one another in order to produce and sustain a livelihood. The spatial division of labor reflects conflict and interdependence. Spatial decentralization of production processes may be an explicit bargaining strategy of the firm designed to control the power of labor to reinforce the authority of capital. Small and relatively depressed local labor markets are favored locations for firms producing standardized commodities. Firms that require specific skills and technical expertise are more dependent upon the locational preferences of labor. One strategy of such firms is to internalize their labor markets so as to reduce dependence upon particular local labor markets.

REGIONAL PRODUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT UNDER CAPITALISM

Eric Sheppard, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis 55455

Drawing on recent attempts to analytically model the relations of production as represented in Marx' transformation problem, there exist possibilities for extending this analysis to a multi-regional economy. The results allow comparison with other (Sraffian) production-oriented models of capitalist economies. In a dynamic context, the general equilibrium implications of these models are untenable since uneven development is precluded. However, by introducing social and behavioral relations, a theory of population, and inter-regional interactions, then links between the myriad causes of uneven development can be identified. The importance of this last factor in generating inequalities is of particular interest.

SPATIAL DIFFERENTIATION AND CAPITAL MOBILITY: THE CASE OF THE NIAGARA, ONTARIO FRUIT INDUSTRY

Lawrence Barth, McGill University, Montreal, P.Q., H3A 2K6, CANADA

Capital accumulation both requires and engenders spatial differentiation and capital mobility. In advanced capitalist societies, these processes, which are inherent aspects of urbanization and regional development, are themselves sources of uneven development both spatially and temporally. This paper examines the roles that spatial differentiation (within the Niagara region and compared to other fruit producing regions) and capital mobility (on the part of fruit processors) play in the decline of tender tree fruit acreage in the Niagara peninsula of Ontario.

NATIONALISM AS AN AUTONOMOUS FORCE

J.M. Blaut, University of Illinois at Chicago Circle, Chicago, IL 60680

Traditional Marxist theory describes nationalism, or national struggle, as a form of class struggle. Some theorists (Bauer, Renner, Nairn, Davis, Poulantzas, Debray, and others) have rejected this position, arguing instead that nationalism is an autonomous force and thus, in effect, a second motor of history. The present paper seeks to refute such views and to strengthen the traditional theory by providing it with a general model deriving national struggle from class struggle in any class-based mode of production.

POLITICAL PRAXIS AND THEORIES OF STATE STRUCTURE

Ruth Fincher, McGill University, Montreal, P.Q., H3A 2K6, CANADA
Susan Ruddick, McGill University, Montreal, P.Q., H3A 2K6, CANADA

Recent work within the Marxian paradigm has focused on the potential of the state for the radical transformation of capitalist social relations. Its questions have generally been posed at the spatial scale of the social formation, over time periods defined by the restructuring of the relations of production. This paper concerns the usefulness of such theory in identifying avenues of political praxis at the local level and in a more immediate time frame. It considers these issues in the light of recent developments within community organizations and other elements of the state apparatus at the local level.

PUBLIC FACILITIES, HEALTH CARE AND CLASS STRUGGLE

Mark Rosenberg, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, K1N 6N5, CANADA

In the past, the provision of public facilities in general and health care in particular were considered important issues by those pursuing progressive perspectives in geography. With some noted exceptions, these topics are little discussed now. This paper suggests why there has been this decline in interest and argues that renewed efforts must be made to develop the analysis of the provision of public facilities and health care in the context of class struggle.

THE ORIGIN OF CAPITALISM: A PROBLEM IN CULTURAL GEOGRAPHY

Laurence G. Wolf, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio 45221

The origin of capitalism has been variously attributed to an entrepreneurial spirit, to science and technology, to climate, and to advantageous location, among other causal factors. Single-factor reductionism is rejected, as is uniformitarian global economic evolution. The argument is instead put forth that capitalism emerged in Western Europe because of a unique conjuncture of trends and relationships which did not, and probably could not, occur anywhere else. The implications of the "loose" structure of western feudalism have been generally underappreciated. Combined with the peculiarly rational/practical nature of Western intellectual life and successful oversea conquests, the bourgeoisie was able to escape the fetters which were normal in the then Advanced Countries.

BOURNVILLE AND PORT SUNLIGHT: INTO THE FUTURE OR BACK TO THE PAST?

Mark Bouman, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

The model villages of Bournville and Port Sunlight, England, were constructed in the late 19th century by industrial philanthropists along principles that combined romantic architecture with a new vision of the potential scale of town planning. These villages were more than mere predecessors to the Garden City Movement, for they reveal questions about the ideological underpinnings of urban form and architecture, the relationship between corporations and their employees, and attitudes toward the city that can fruitfully be asked today. The central problem, then, is whether these villages should still be considered as usable "models."

MINUTES OF THE THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHERS SPECIALITY
GROUP OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHERS, 4-26-82, San Antonio, Texas.

Eric Sheppard (SGSG, Chair) was unable to attend the meetings, thus Mickey Lauria (SGSG, Secretary/Treasurer) chaired the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 5:50 p.m. with forty two (42) members present. Mickey explained the agenda and asked for any additions or questions.

1. Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Financial Report

A. Income	-	\$60.50	(\$25 1981 membership dues, \$35.50 1982 membership dues)
B. Expenses	-	\$16.45	mailing costs 1981 (highly subsidized by U. of MN. (Geography))
	-	\$99.85	mailing and reproduction costs of two newsletters (highly subsidized by U. of IA, Planning)
C. Balance	-	(\$55.80)	

The one way to help rectify these shortfalls is to have all members get their dues in one time.

Secretary's Report

A. In conjunction with Eric Sheppard a letter was sent to the AAG Council expressing the SGSG's concerns about the screening of papers for the AAG annual meeting. We received many replies from councilors. The council decided not to screen papers, but rather to have two sets of abstracts, one short one for publication in the AAG Abstracts, another longer (900-1200 words) one in order to force submitters to think out their presentations before their flight to the convention.

B. In conjunction with Eric Sheppard a note was submitted to the AAG Newsletter concerning the activities of the SGSG.

C. After receiving the 1982 membership list. I sent out a note to thirty seven (37) people in different Geography departments across the U.S. I chose SGSG members in 1981 that were not listed on the 1982 membership list. The note inquired about their 1982 membership and asked them to encourage any other interested members of their department to join the SGSG. I received a dozen responses. Half of which stated that they had joined on time. I then sent a note to Pat McWethy with a concern about the system of marking membership and requesting that the end of March be the date at which membership lists and dues are transferred to the Speciality Groups. This would help the Speciality Groups by allowing them to get dues for members joining late.

D. In conjunction with Eric Sheppard I sent out two newsletters. The newsletters were produced in Iowa because Eric was in Wein.

2. SGSG 1982-83 Proposed Activities

A. Produce two newsletters

B. Submit a note for the AAG Newsletter concerning special sessions at the AAG Annual Meeting in Denver.

C. Special Sessions for Denver

- 1) Larry Barth and Margaret Fitzsimmons will organize a SGSG special session on "Marxist Perspectives on the Political Economy of the Environment"
- 2) Michael Storper will organize a SGSG special session on "Labor and the Reproduction of Labor Power"
- 3) Jim Blaut, Bob McNea, and Larry Wolf will organize a special session on "The Motor of History: Class, Gender, or Energy?"
- 4) Nanda Shrestha will organize a SGSG special session on "Socialist Perspectives on Third World Development"

3. Election of Councilors and Officers

Jim Lyons (Clark), Margaret Fitzsimmons (UCLA), and Paul Susman (Bucknell) have one year remaining of their two year terms. Mickey Lauria's (Iowa) and Eric Shepard's two year terms have expired. Mickey Lauria was reelected and Neil Smith (Columbia) was elected to fill the two vacating positions. Margaret Fitzsimmons and Mickey Lauria were elected Chair and Secretary/Treasurer respectively.

4. Announcements

A. Jim Blaut announced that the USG Annual General Meeting would be held Tuesday (4-27-82) night at 6:00 p.m. in the Convention Center Room C.

B. Dick Peet requested volunteers for staffing the Antipode Table in the non-commercial book section at the convention.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Mickey Lauria *MC*
Secretary/Treasurer

SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP

The socialist Geography Specialty Group is organizing special sessions for the 1983 AAG Annual Meeting in Denver. Those persons interested in organizing special paper sessions, workshops or panels should contact:

Margaret Fitzsimmons, Chair
Socialist Geography Specialty Group
School of Architecture and Urban Planning
University of California
Los Angeles, CA 90024

At the annual meeting (1982) four such sessions were proposed. Those persons interested in participating in these sessions should contact the organizers.

1. "Marxist Perspectives on the Political Economy of the Environment"
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Los Angeles, CA 90024
2. "Labor and the Reproduction of Labor Power"
Organizer - Michael Storper
School of Architecture and
Urban Planning
University of California
Los Angeles, CA 90024
3. "The Motor of History: Class, Gender, or Energy?"
Organizers - Jim Blaut
Department of Geography
University of Illinois at
Chicago Circle
Chicago, IL
Bob McNee and Larry Wolf
Department of Geography
University of Cincinnati
Cincinnati, OH 45221
4. "Socialist Perspectives on Third World Development"
Organizer - Nanda Shrestha
Department of Geography
Indiana University
Bloomington, IN 47401

Socialist geography specialty group/AAG
SSSG NEWSLETTER

Spring 1985

WE'RE BACK!! THOUGH DECERTIFIED IN 1984 BY THE AAG FOR LACK OF AN ANNUAL REPORT, WE ARE ALIVE AND WELL IN 1985 HAVING GATHERED THE NECESSARY NUMBER OF PETITION SIGNATURES. WE APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS OF OUR PAST PRESIDENT NEIL SMITH, IN INITIATING THE DRIVE FOR RECERTIFICATION.

MINUTES FROM THE SSSG BUSINESS MEETING AT THE DETROIT AAG, 1985

Submitted by: SSSG Secretary-Treasurer Michael Helman, Syracuse University

1. Approximately 44 attending:
 - a. We approved by unanimous voice count a new name for our specialty group -- The Socialist Geography Specialty Group. The name change from The Socialist Geographers Specialty Group was thought to better reflect our vocation rather than our avocation, and is in line with the titles of other specialty groups.
 2. a. Jim Blaut led a lively discussion of our relationship with the USA (Union of Socialist Geographers). At the business meeting we generally agreed that the SSSG would focus primarily on the organization of special sessions and the coordination of programs for the annual AAG meetings, while the USA should be the primary focus for the expression of our avocation (see item 1a above).
 - b. We are very interested in increasing our membership. In 1985, we will be listed in the dues membership form as a specialty group once again. We hope that enough new members will join to warrant certification and (at long last, as we were in the 'red') some financial remuneration.
 - c. We have to update our mailing lists. Please let us know of any additions or deletions which you think we ought to make to our current lists.

3. NEW ELECTIONS FOR 1985--86:

- President: Myrna M. Breilbart, Hampshire College, Amherst, Massachusetts.
Secretary-Treasurer: Michael Helman, Syracuse University, New York.
Councillors: Richard Peat, Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts.
David Harvey, Johns Hopkins, Baltimore Maryland.
Suzanne Mockenzig, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada.
James Blaut, University of Chicago, Chicago Circle.
El Saïa, Graduate Program in Architecture & Planning, UCLA.
Julie Graham, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts.

4. ANTIPODE

Announcements were made concerning the change in editorship/publication of the journal (see item below for details). The members passed a formal vote of appreciation for the "invaluable efforts of Dick Feet and his staff over the last 15 years! (Feet and Dick's goal have been realized during those years and the future looks quite promising).

5. REGIONAL MEETING COMMENTS:

a. Mike Starper, responding to our de-orientation problems and the discussion of our relationship with USG noted that we may have become the victims of our own "success", as today socialists are found (and are presenting papers) in several of the other specialty groups of the AAG -- notably The Political and Urban Specialty Groups. The dialogue on our "identity" crisis thus continues and readers are encouraged to voice their opinions on what the goals and purposes of our specialty group should be, and how we can preserve an independent identity while cooperating with the other groups (or members in them) who share our interests.

b. In response to the above concern, several members of SSSG and other specialty groups have proposed joint sponsorship of paper sessions at the upcoming 1986 meeting. In particular, The Political Geography Specialty Group is interested (contact Fred Shelley, at the University of Oklahoma). Moreover, the opportunity exists for SSSG- Antipode or SSSG- Society & Space special sessions (contact respective editors and see note below on the 1986 AAG)

DETROIT MEETING SESSIONS 1985:

SSSG- sponsor ed sessions at the 1985 meetings were well attended! These included:

- a. "The Socialization of Space" with papers presented by Mike Heimann, Andy Mair and Kevin Cox. Neil Smith was a discussant. (Papers are available from participants)
- b. "Geography & Central America", a panel session chaired by Andy Mair where Victor Rubio, a representative of the FMLN/FDR of El Salvador spoke. Rubio was sponsored by SSSG and addressed the political situation, chances for a negotiated settlement, and need for continuing support from academics and professionals here in the States to bolster the people in their struggle against the U.S.- sponsored puppet regime. Richard Walker, discussant, summarized the U.S.- based on-campus effort of FACHRES-CA (Faculty for Human Rights in El Salvador and Central America). Readers are encouraged to get involved by contacting FACHRES-CA at 613 Esleman Hall, The University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, California 94720.
- c. "Centralization and the new Middle Class" led by Neil Smith and David Harvey.

FINANCES:

Our last newsletter netted \$61.24 in voluntary contributions. This went to help defray the costs of producing and mailing the letter to approximately 100 people on our mailing list. In addition, SSSG helped to cover some of the expenses for Victor Rubio's participation in the Detroit meetings. Needless to say, without any financial help from the AAG (due to our temporary decentralization) we are in the red again and could use some aid in covering the expense of this newsletter (and future ones). SSSG members are thus encouraged to send at least \$2.00 (tax-exempt) or more to Mike Heimann (Treasurer) at the Dept. of Geography, Syracuse University, Rm. 343 H.B. Cruise, Syracuse, New York 13210. This check must be in \$'s drawn on a U.S. bank and made out to Mike Heimann. Cash (well-concealed in wrapping) is also welcome.

At the SSSG business meeting in Detroit we passed the hat and collected about \$60.00. Some of this went to pay off the aforementioned deficit and the rest went into the refreshments for the

SOSSO party. The party was a huge success with an obscene number of people squeezed into Nell's and David Harvey's hotel room!! From official accounts, ours was the loudest and best-attended party at the conference, breaking up in the wee hours of the morning. Never one to miss an opportunity to build up our financial reserves, Mike Hejman collected the empty bottles (smuggled into the hotel earlier!) and collected \$9.40 in deposits! This \$9.40 now constitutes our meager account.

NEWS from ANNAPOLIS

SUBMITTED BY RICHARD PEET

Beginning in 1986, Antipode is to be published by Basil Blackwell's of Oxford, England and edited by Eric Sheppard, Department of Geography, University of Minnesota (U.S.A.) and Joe Docherty, Department of Geography, St. Andrews University (Scotland). The editor's are actively seeking high quality manuscripts dealing with urgent social and theoretical issues. If there is a book you want to review or if you want to be notified should one be received in your field, please contact Dick Hearnish, book review editor, Valpariso University, Valpariso, Indiana. The Journal also needs your continued financial support through subscriptions or sustaining agreements. The last two issues of 1985 will be a Best of Antipode special containing 25 of the leading papers, reviews, and pure diatribes, of the last 16(1) years. We sure hope you enjoy it. Let's hear from you!

MAY 1986 240 MEETING, MINNESOTA

Just a reminder that submissions of abstracts, participation forms, intentions to chair sessions etc. were due at the AAOG office in Washington D.C. no later than SEPTEMBER 25, 1985.

We (the officers of the SOSSO) cannot assume responsibility for registration, but we can facilitate the sharing of information between our members. If you can fill out and return the form on the next page to Myrna M. Breitbart, School of Social Science, Hampshire College, Amherst, Mass. 01060 by mid-July, and we receive enough information, we will try to get out a brief news-letter in early August listing the names of those SOSSO members who intend to present papers, chair sessions etc. Those of you looking for sessions to participate in, but as yet uncommitted, may then be able to contact participants before the deadline. It is of course critical that you provide as much information as possible on the form and return it promptly.

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

PLEASE SEND EITHER MICHAEL HEJMAN OR MYRNA M. BREITBART ANY ITEMS YOU WISH TO HAVE INCLUDED IN FUTURE NEWSLETTERS FROM THE SOSSO. THANKS.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

MYRNA M. BREITBART
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1986 AAG ANNUAL MEETING SURVEY
PLEASE RETURN BY JULY 15TH

YOUR NAME & AFFILIATION:

ADDRESS:

PHONE *:

FORM OF PARTICIPATION DESIRED/ALREADY REGISTERED FOR:

(Check any items that apply):

Individual or co-authored paper

Title or Subject: _____

Individual or co-authored poster session

Title or Subject: _____

Session Chair

Title or Subject: _____

Session Discussant

Title or Subject: _____

Workshop Organizer

Title or Subject: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Are you already part of a larger session that has been organized? If so, who is organizing it and is there room for more, participants? Do you want to be part of a larger session or organize one yourself? If so, what larger context/topic area do you see this fitting within?

SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP

SUMMER UPDATE

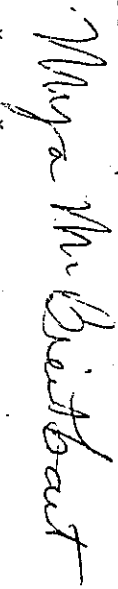
(August 1985)

In our spring newsletter, a detachable survey was included in the hope that members planning to participate in the 1986 AAG meetings would let others know of planned sessions. The response was disappointing in terms of the number of responses, but not entirely unexpected given summer holidays.

In fairness to those who did respond, I am including the results below. Please remember to finalize your workshop or paper plans before the September 25th AAG deadline.

All the Best,

Myrna M. Breitbart



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Blaut, Jim. Geography Department, University of Illinois at Chicago Circle,
Chicago, Ill. 60680. (312) 278-4746.

Will be giving a paper entitled "Class Relations Across a Political Boundary" [a general theory of spatial differentiation in all class-based societies]. Jim is also available to chair a session or be a discussant.

Heiman, Michael. Syracuse University, 343 H.B. Crouse, Dept. of Geography,
Syracuse, N.Y. 13210. (315) 423-2605/6.

Will be giving a paper on the role of the State through urban and regional planning in attempting to resolve conflicts which arise when production activities "invade" areas formally set aside for consumption (residential and recreational activities. Michael also expects to chair or organize a session on "The Mode of Consumption and the Crisis in Production" to be co-sponsored by the Political Geography Specialty Group. There is still room in this session for other participants. Michael would be willing to combine this session with any others dealing with theory and/or empirical work on production/consumption ideology, planning etc.

Higgins, Bryan R., State University of New York, Dept. of Geography, Plattsburgh, N.Y. 12901. (518) 564-2105, work (802) 372-4402(home).

Will be giving a paper entitled "The Politics of Development in Nicaragua Libre". He would also like to be part of a session on Central America or international development whether sponsored by SSSG or PGGG.

He would be willing to organize a session along these lines.

Isin, Engin F., 666 Spadina Ave. Apt. 2414, Toronto, Ontario M5S 2H8, (416) 920-9432.

Will be giving a paper entitled "Is a Philosophy "for" Geography as Critique Possible?"

Storper, Michael. UCLA, Urban Planning, Los Angeles, Calif. 90024. (213) 825-2718.

Will be giving a paper entitled "Time in Economic Geography". This paper will be part of a session organized by Trevor Barnes of the University of British Columbia. He is not sure whether the session is full or not.

***PLEASE NOTE THAT IN ORDER FOR THE SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP TO REMAIN ELIGIBLE FOR AAG MEMBERSHIP WE MUST SPONSOR OR CO-SPONSOR A SESSION AT THE UPCOMING MEETINGS IN MINNESOTA. THOUGH TIME IS RUNNING OUT, PLEASE CONSIDER ORGANIZING SUCH A SESSION OR, IF YOU ARE ALREADY PART OF ANOTHER SESSION, GETTING THAT GROUP TO CO-SPONSOR IT WITH SSSG (LIKELY CANDIDATE GROUPS FOR CO-SPONSORSHIP ARE THE POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP, THE URBAN GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP, AND THE WOMEN IN GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP.)

SGSG NEWSLETTER

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THE MINNEAPOLIS BUSINESS MEETING

The SGSG held its annual business meeting in Minneapolis on May 5, 1986 with over half of the membership present (44 out of 63). Micky Lauria, now at the University of New Orleans, was elected President of the Specialty Group and Gerard Toal (Gearóid Ó Tuathail) Secretary-Treasurer. The SGSG has 6 Councilors which together with the President and the Secretary-Treasurer comprise the Board of Directors of SGSG. Each is elected for a two-year term. Next year, the tenure of Richard Peet, David Harvey and Suzanne Mackenzie will expire. The 1986-88 Councilors are James Blaut, Ed Soja and Julie Graham.

The SGSG sponsored five special sessions at Minneapolis. This is an increase of two from the Detroit meetings. It is to be hoped that the group continues to expand its sponsorship and co-sponsorship of special sessions at the Portland meeting. If you are organized or involved in any session for the meetings, arrange for SGSG sponsorship or co-sponsorship. We need a high visibility.

THE SGSG NEWSLETTER

This year the SGSG Newsletter will attempt to establish a stable format and distribution routine. We hope to produce the SGSG Newsletter three times a year (in August, November, and March). To do so we need money and news items from you and your colleagues. Our annual rebate for 1986 was \$47.25, which is sufficient to support one mailing to all members. However, in order to fund two other newsletters and an SGSG party at Portland, we need dues from the membership. These dues are voluntary but necessary if the SGSG is to survive and thrive. Following the PGSG's example, I have enclosed a separate sheet for news items and dues in this Newsletter. The Newsletter depends on your response. Items of news can include both academic and activist matters. Sharing information on community and university activism will be a high priority for the Newsletter.

THE PORTLAND MEETINGS

The deadline for the submission of papers and special panels for the 1987 annual meetings of the AAG in Portland, Oregon is 26 September 1986. At present

We have four special sessions in the planning stage. I am sure there are others that have not yet come to the attention of the Newsletter. If you are interested in participating in or coordinating a special session, please let the Newsletter know what you have come up with.

The proposed sessions are as follows:

1. Industrial Change in the Twentieth Century and Urban Regional Change in the United States. Contact: Dick Walker at the University of California, Berkeley. (Session involving Phil Scranton)
2. Political Change in the City. Contact: Neil Smith at Rutgers University. (Session involving Marshall Berman)
3. Geopolitics and Regional Powers. Contact: Gearóid Ó Tuathail, Syracuse University. (Session involving Herman van der Ulustan and possibly John O'Loughlin)
4. Political Geography and Peace Science. Contact: Fred Shelley, University of Southern California.

There were a number of very interesting special themes proposed at the Minneapolis meeting, including Sex-Gender Systems and the Mode of Production, Radical Ideology, and Peace Studies. Questions such as South Africa, Central America and Star Wars are all suitable for possible panel discussions. If people are involved in pursuing these themes, let me know. Remember, the SGSSG can invite two non-Canadian and non-U.S. citizens who will be permitted to register as guests for only \$15.00.

ANTIPODE NEWS

Most members should know by now that Antipode has new editors, a new publisher and a new look. There may have been a bit of a delay sending out the first issue but subscribers should have it by now. The second issue, September 1986, has articles by John Pickles on Geographic Theory, David Slater on Socialism, Democracy and the Territorial Imperative, Jo Ford and Nicky Gregson on Patriarchy. The issue also includes a regular section on Debates and Book Reviews.

During the next nine months, Eric Shepard (the U.S. editor) will be in south-east Asia. As an interim arrangement during his absence, Neil Smith will act as U.S. Coordinator--arranging for referees' comments on submitted papers and working with the authors on revisions. Joe Doherty will do the final editing, however, with Eric reciprocating in kind when he returns at the end of March 1987.

Papers are being submitted at a rate that is providing enough acceptable manuscripts, but not at a rate to ensure that only the very best will be published. There will be a special issue (April, 1987) devoted to Southern Europe, but the editors have no plans for other special issues and generally will not be encouraging them. That does not, however, preclude having issues that publish two to four articles focused on a topic.

MOVING & SHAKING

Micky Lauria has accepted a position at the University of New Orleans in the School of Urban and Regional Studies. Neil Smith has accepted a position at Rutgers and is currently touring and lecturing in Australia and India. David Harvey has accepted the Halford Mackinder Chair in Geography at Oxford University and no doubt is having a chuckle at his official title.

SGSG enthusiastically endorsed and participated in the special fund-raising dinner held for Antipode on May 6th in Minneapolis. SGSG also endorses the quarterly journal of SERGE (Socially and Ecologically Responsible Geographers), Transition, as an avenue for commentary by members.

James Blaut and Dick Peet will coordinate a dinner-meeting of the Union of Socialist Geographers at the upcoming 1987 conference. Jim was floating the idea of a geographer's trip to Cuba. Those interested in such an idea can contact him.

NEWS FOR SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP NEWSLETTER

Academic

Activist

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space in the city, including his book City Trenches. He is currently working on a book to be called Marxism and the City.

3. Phil Scranton, History, teaches at Rutgers University-Camden. His current research focuses on changing labor processes and ownership patterns in the Philadelphia textile industry. This is a continuation of early work reported in Proprietary Capitalism. He has an article appearing in the next issue of Antipode.

The following are sessions in which the SSGG is directly involved as either sponsor or co-sponsor:

1. Industrialism and Urbanization: Cross-disciplinary perspectives. The sessions features papers from Richard Walker, Phillip Scranton, Ira Katznelson with Ed. Soja and Sy Adler, an urbanist and Marxist historian at Portland State, as discussants. This session was organized by Neil Smith.
2. The Study of Geopolitics. The session features papers by Herman van der Wursten and Tom Nierop on regional powers and dominance relations, Gearoid O Tuathail on how southern Africa was and is made geopolitical, and Ladis Kristof on the difference, if any, between geopolitics and political geography. Andrew Kirby is the chair and John O'Loughlin and Michael D. Ward, Political Science, Boulder-Colorado, are discussants.
3. Geographical Models of Peace and War. The session features two jointly authored papers from John O'Loughlin and Arthur Geddis, and Andrew Kirby and Michael D. Ward. George Modelski, Herman van der Wursten and Thomas Hall, Sociology, University of Oklahoma, are the discussants.
4. The Geography of Apartheid. Two sessions have been organized by John Pickles and include Jeff Woods. John is attempting to get either a local National African Congress official or the Director of the ANC office in Washington to attend the sessions but I have not received any further information to date.

The middle two sessions are being co-sponsored by the PGSSG and the Ad-Hoc Working Group on Nuclear War. The latter group, Bryan Higgins writes, are also organizing a poster session on integrating War and Peace into geography courses.

The above sessions are what I have definite information on. Many other SSGG members are giving papers and participating in panel discussions and as discussants. Mickey Lauria is part of a panel discussion on public policy and geography sponsored by the PGSSG along with Rex Honey, Richard Peet, Marv Waterstone and James Bohland. Jim Blaut is giving a paper entitled "The Myth of Emptiness" which discusses the assertion that colonized people were absent, few, nomadic, propertyless and stateless at the time of conquest. Bob Mc Nee is presenting a paper titled "An Existentialist View of Cincinnati's Gay Life-World." Richard Hansis is presenting a paper on debt and its impacts on Brazil. Michael Heiman is to present a paper "The Ideology of Nature: Nineteenth Century Hudson Valley Images." John Agnew, Neil Smith, Clark Archer and Ken Martis are involved in a PGSSG panel discussion/session organized by Fred Shelley on whether there is a new political sectionalism or not in American politics. John Mercer is presenting a paper entitled "Residence and Race: A cross national perspective on Asian immigrants." Lata Chatterjee is presenting a paper on women and development. Ray Bromley, SUNY at Albany, has

organized a session on the general theme of the impact of federal budget cuts on cities and the quality of life within cities.

Those who wish to use the SSGS Newsletter to help promote and publicize their paper or session at Portland to SSGS members can still do so by sending me information before February 15th 1987.

There will be an USG session at Portland although it will not formally be on the AAG program. The likely time will be during the weekend at the end of the session. Both Mickey Lauria and Jim Blaut are working on (i) a general paper session and (ii) a general symposium on the role of radical geographers vis "a vis the Central American conflicts. Plans should have firmed up by the March Newsletter. Those interested in getting involved or in inviting some activists to speak please contact either Mickey or Jim. The USG dinner-meeting is going ahead as planned.

FIELDTRIP!!!! At present there are three suggested itineraries for a SSGS fieldtrip in Portland. The first is to a labor controlled lumber region at Kalama-Longview in south Washington. The second is to a socialist labor community in Astoria, Oregon. Finally a third possibility is a tour of the new light commuter system in Portland, Oregon which would focus on questions of transportation and labor at the local level. Jim Efling of the University of Washington supplied the above information but is unfortunately unable to lead a fieldtrip. We are thus looking for volunteers from the West coast. The trip is meant to be informal and loosely structured with people driving their own cars and discussion being centered around pre-arranged stop points.

A final point relates to a suggestion by Thomas Klak, University of Wisconsin, that socialist geographers make available to each other syllabi for progressive courses in geography. This seems a good idea so I would ask all SSGS members to bring some syllabi that they use to share at the annual business meeting. We will make this part of the agenda.

ANTIPODE

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MOVING AND SHAKING

Jim Blaut has a book The National Question and Colonialism coming out in 1987 published by Zed Press. Another book, La Question nacional en Puerto Rico (Impresora Nacional) is also due out in early or mid 1987. Blaut has also an article "Diffusionism: A Uniformitarian Critique" coming out in the Annals in March 1987. Vera Chouinard has accepted a position at Mc Master University in the Department of Geography. She fills the position, I believe, vacated by the move of Michael Dear to USC. Michael Helman has a book, Coastal Recreation in California: Policy, Management, Access, coming out late this year. John Mercer returned over the summer to Syracuse after a year's research leave which he spent at the Center for Urban and Community Studies at the University of Toronto and at the Centre for Housing Research at Glasgow University. The book both Michael Goldberg and he wrote, The Myth of the North American City:

Continentalism Challenged was published this year by UBC Press. John Agnew has a book Place and Politics: the Geographical Mediation of State and Society due to be published by Allen and Unwin next year. Proinsias Breathnach (Fran Walsh) writes from St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, Ireland that he is interested in doing some teaching in America this summer and if anybody knows of some opportunity to let him know.

Activism

SGSG is somewhat unique among the specialty groups of the AAG in that its members are organized around an *explicitly* political perspective. Other groups are, of course, implicitly political. This new section in the SGSG Newsletter is an attempt to place social/political activism, outside the formal constrictures of the classroom, on the agenda of the SGSG. An important element of any socialist specialty group must be to challenge the myopia academia can engender. To help further this end I wish to spotlight the different activities of geographers outside the classroom. This issue focuses on the activities of some geography graduate students at John Hopkins University who have tried by a number of different strategies to get their university to divest itself of companies profiting from apartheid (\$60-\$70 million of a \$350 million endowment). Please send me information on your own activities for the March issue.

THE JOHN HOPKINS STORY: Three of the major leaders of the Coalition for a Free South Africa at JH are graduate students in Geography. On May 23rd of this year two of these students received first and second degree burns after three members of a fraternity fire bombed the shanty they were sleeping in. The incident provoked a strong reaction on campus resulting in attempted murder charges being filed against members of the Delta Upsilon fraternity, a large divestiture rally at JH and the President of JH making the statement that the burning was an outrage, that the shanties represented free speech and that those who opposed them were the "moral enemies" of the university. In August, however, the university in a move similar to that at Cornell University banned the construction of shanties on campus. The three students who fire bombed the shanties came to trial, portrayed their action as a drunken joke and received probation. A divestiture petition signed by 70 faculty members and a student referendum in favor of divestiture failed to get the Board of Trustees to divest. Shanties were re-built at the beginning of the fall semester, a number of students were named as being in contempt of court, the police were called and 14 people were arrested and spent the night in jail. This action provoked a large rally in which faculty helped build shanties. A special meeting of the Board of Trustees resulted in an acceptance of shanty construction and a promise to re-consider the question of divestiture. On October 27th the Board of Trustees announced a policy of "selective divestment" from companies which withhold information on their operations in South Africa or directly supply the "security" forces. This common strategic move by Trustees (Syracuse Trustees made a similar move) led to the occupation of the Administration Building at JH (renamed Mandela Hall) by 50-60 people in support of divestiture. Normal business operations were not interfered with and while the occupation was successful in gaining local and national attention for the issue the occupation and not divestiture became the major issue on campus. Because of this the occupation, which lasted for ten days, ended at the beginning of November. The group are currently focusing their attention on Maryland National Bank which not only has connections with

South Africa but has also repeatedly failed to invest in low income communities in Baltimore (i.e. red lining). The group has been successful in forging links with community and union organizations in Baltimore resulting in one union including a demand for divestment in their contract negotiations. At present they and groups at other universities have filed a law suit against their Trustees claiming a "conflict of interest" case against Trustees who are also directly associated with companies that profit from apartheid.

The above can obviously not do justice to the details of the divestiture campaign at JH or at an other university. Those who are interested and wish to learn what tactics worked for certain groups and which ones did not should contact either Patrick Bond at JH (64012548 at JHUVM on BITNET) or myself. I am currently the graduate representative to the Syracuse University Board of Trustees. One final note; Rutgers graduate students are putting together "a student-run and student-orientated conference" March 13-14th 1987. The general theme is "Megalopolis twenty-five years later". Those interested should get in contact with the Rutgers Association of Geography Students.

ACTIVISM:

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SGSG ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING IN PORTLAND.

The annual SGSG business meeting is scheduled to take place between 6:40 p.m. and 7:40 p.m. on Thursday, April 23rd. The actual location within the conference hotel has not yet been specified. Our meeting conflicts with that of the Political Geography Specialty Group so there may be an attempt to change the time. Check the final program when you get to Portland.

Mickey Lauria has been informed that Gary L. Gaile and Cort J. Willmott plan to edit a volume, sponsored by the AAG, entitled Geography in America. The editors plan to make use of the specialty group structure to access the state of the discipline and they have requested that each specialty group contribute a chapter describing and evaluating the state of its subdisciplinary area with an eye towards the challenges of the next decade. They have requested that we discuss the nature of our specialty group's chapter and select the author(s) who will write the chapter on our behalf. This is one issue people should be prepared to discuss at the annual business meeting.

Another function of the annual meeting is the election of officers to co-ordinate the activities of the specialty group (and to meet AAG regulations). Mickey Lauria remains as President but the terms of David Harvey, Suzanne Mackenzie and Dick Peet as councilors expires. The position of Secretary/Treasurer/Newsletter editor is also up for election, as I shall be retiring from the position in June. The following is a tentative agenda:

- 1 Report of President and Secretary.
- 2 Elections of three new councilors.
- 3 Election of Secretary/Treasurer/Newsletter Editor.
- 4 Selection of author of SGSG chapter in Geography in America.
- 5 Report on Antipode.
- 6 SGSG 1987-88 Activities.
- 7 SGSG at the 1988 AAG Meeting.

Attendance at the annual business meeting is strongly encouraged. The secret location of the famous annual SGSG party will be revealed to all those assembled so don't miss it.

THE U.S.G. IN PORTLAND

The Union of Socialist Geographers is planning two special sessions, a field trip and a dinner party for the upcoming AAG meeting in Portland. The first of the two special sessions will be held Wednesday evening, April 22nd,

from 7:00pm to 10:00 pm. It will be a workshop on "Teaching Political Economy in Geography." People are encouraged to come prepared to discuss their ideas and problems encountered in teaching progressive courses. Attendees are encouraged to bring copies of their syllabi.

The field trip is scheduled to begin at 9:00am on Thursday April 23rd. Participants should meet at the Hilton. Sy Adler will lead a tour and discussion of a worker-owned plywood mill very close to downtown Portland. It is one of the oldest mills with a progressive reputation and a history of cooperation with the surrounding community. Because this is an operating mill participation will be limited to twenty four. Those interested should ring Sy Adler, Department of Urban Studies and Planning, Portland State University, at (503) 229-4016 or talk to those at the Antipode desk on Wednesday.

The second session will be held on Saturday evening, April 25th, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. It will be an open paper session on "Contributions to Radical Geography." People interested in presenting their ideas are encouraged to contact Jim Blaut, 312 278-4746 (evenings), about this. Following the paper session on Saturday will be a dinner party. People are to meet at the session meeting room.

SGSG SPONSERED SESSIONS AT PORTLAND

Most SGSG members are involved in sessions not directly sponsored by our specialty group. Briefly those that are sponsored and co-sponsored by us are:

- 1 The Geography of Apartheid II. Thursday afternoon.
- 2 The Geography of Peace and War I and II. Friday morning and afternoon.
- 3 Industrialization and Urbanization: Cross Disciplinary Perspectives. Friday afternoon.

SGSG members are very well represented in the list of participants at Portland. Mickey Lauria reports that we have 89 members for 1988 in the SGSG, one less than this year. Our rebate money for 1987-88 is \$66.75 which is up from the \$47.25 of 1986-87.

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CONFERENCES

The Institute of British Geographers annual conference was in Portsmouth from the 6th to the 9th of January 1987. There was one special session organized by the Antipode group on "Thatcher's Britain: the International Dimension." Peter Taylor gave a talk on Thatcher, the Falklands war and its importance in maintaining Thatcher in power. Andrew Mair then gave

a talk on Reagan's America. In the discussion that followed a number of geographers and local socialist activists debated the relative differences between Thatcherism and Reaganism (e.g. the failure of fundamentalism in Britain), the value of using "ism" labels and the merits of protectionism.

On March 13th and 14th the Rutgers's geography graduate students sponsored an East Coast Graduate Student Conference. About forty graduate students from universities ranging from McGill to Ohio State to Syracuse took part. Many of the papers given at the conference were either informed by or explicitly Marxist in their approach. All those that took part felt it was a worthwhile event and plans are afoot to hold a second one.

MOVING AND SHAKING

Peter Taylor has just accepted a position at Boston University and will move there in the fall of 1988. David Harvey presented a paper to a Symposium at the Yale School of Architecture, 6-7th February 1987, on "Flexible accumulation through urbanization: reflections on "post-modernism" in the American city." Jonathan Crush's book The Struggle for Swazi Labour is due to be published in mid-1987. He also writes that Geoforum has recently published a special issue on South Africa. Michael Heiman has received a major fellowship from the Rockefeller Institute of Government, SUNY Albany, covering research and salary for the 1987-8 academic year. Research will be on the geopolitics of hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facility siting. Richard Walker and Michael Stoper have a book coming out at the end of 1987 on industrial dynamics and location. No definitive title has been decided upon yet. Richard Walker writes that anyone wishing to join and help out with FACHRES (Faculty for Human Rights in El Salvador and Central America) and FAA (Faculty Against Apartheid) should contact him at Berkeley.

ACTIVISM

The following is the first of a series of invited articles by geographers who are actively applying their research to practical political problems faced by socialist movements or parties. The following piece was written by John Mercer, Department of Geography, Syracuse University.

Rules of the Game and the Playground.

Continentalist arguments not withstanding, there are many notable differences between Canada and the United States. Although I have written extensively on these differences, especially at the level of the urban, one cross-national difference not previously remarked upon is the strength and vitality of the socialist movement in Canada in comparison to its weak condition in the U.S. The Canadian socialist movement is represented in a partisan sense by the New Democratic Party (NDP) which, although never gaining office nationally, has formed the government in three of the four western provinces (the exception being Alberta). Currently it is the government in Manitoba and the major or only opposition party in all other Western provinces. My own involvement and research has to do with the NDP in British Columbia.

The NDP (and its precursor, the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation) has contested the BC provincial general elections since 1933. Only once, from 1972 to 1975, did it form the government. But recent elections have shown a two party system in BC with the NDP's share of the votes cast being quite

close to that of its principal protagonist, the Social Credit Party (SC). My campaign work for the NDP in more than one Vancouver constituency and casual observation suggested that the party was participating in an electoral system that was constructed to the advantage of the governing SC party, thereby making a socialist victory more difficult to achieve.

A more detailed examination of the elections in 1972, 1975, 1979 and 1983 has confirmed this view. One aspect of electoral abuse in a system of single member constituencies (as is used in BC, but with one important exception) is an electoral bias, the difference between a party's share of the total vote and its share of the total seats in the legislature body. Except for 1972 when the NDP electoral bias was substantially positive in its sole victory, the party's bias has been consistently negative, whereas the SC has had a consistently positive bias. Why has the NDP usually gained proportionately fewer seats than its share of the total votes cast?

Examination of the geography of the constituency system provides certain clues:

- 1) the non-metropolitan areas, which generally support SC, have substantially more seats in the legislative body than their population warrants. The principle embodied in the "one person-one vote" motion is severely compromised. Geographically large electoral districts had, for example, less than 22,000 registered voters in 1983 (4 such districts, 3 were held by SC). In contrast, six Vancouver city and Victoria districts contained between 50 and 60,000 registered voters. Two rapidly growing suburban districts had about 62,000 and 103,000 electors respectively. These gross disparities had been allowed to persist over a number of elections.
- 2) In 1983, the BC system contained seven double member constituencies, all located in the metropolitan areas. Although it is possible that the two seats could divide between competing parties, this rarely happens. Yet examination of polling stations results indicates that if these 50,000 plus districts here divided into two single member constituencies, more equivalent in size to most other districts, more often than not the NDP would have won one of the seats instead of seeing the SC take both. It was to the government's advantage to maintain these large double-member constituencies. Indeed more such constituencies were created and used in the Fall 1986 election. Not surprisingly, SC did well in the new double member districts.
- 3) shifts in electoral boundaries over this series of elections were nearly always to the advantage of the governing party. Gerrymandering was apparent, even blatant.

- 4) there was no non-partisan mechanism in place for boundary adjustments. Changes were made upon the recommendation of a Commission appointed by the government (in one instance, a former SC party candidate whose impartiality was at least in doubt).

Based on this work (as yet unpublished) I made representations to influential NDP members that a legal challenge be mounted against the lack of fairness of this system, under Canada's new Constitution Act, which became law in 1982. It is probably politically sensible that this was not done by the socialist party itself. In the Fall of 1986, the BC Supreme Court ruled that it was legally proper for the BC Civil Liberties Union, a non-partisan body (but upon whose board sits a prominent NDP member well aware of my arguments) to bring suit against the government over the structure of the electoral system, an action whose legality was naturally challenged by the government. Perhaps the outcome of this legal attack will be a more-even handed electoral system in British Columbia. There is then a chance that the socialist party can win again under a less obviously rigged system. Political geography need not always serve anti-socialist ends, as once was the charge.

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I hope this finds all of you surviving, and perhaps even enjoying, the fall semester.

The SGSSG finances are out of the red (ha, ha), thanks to the dues of 22 members. This is good, but not great. There are still almost 100 of you newsletter-receiving people whose \$4 we need. Please send a check made out to me, Leyl  Vural, for the SGSSG.

Also, please remember to send any news - academic or activist - or any thoughts and ideas you'd like to share with other SGSSG members to me for the March newsletter. Without your input, the newsletter will be boring, boring.

The Phoenix Meetings

Sessions:

Here is the list of sessions that the SGSSG has sponsored. (If I have omitted anything, please let me know so that the March newsletter will be complete.)

1. People without History: Toward a Reconstruction of Geography's Past.

Cosponsored with the Political Geography Specialty Group.

Organizer: Eric Sheppard, Department of Geography, University of Minnesota.

This will be a panel session with:

Chair: Andrew Kirby
Janis Monk
MaryBeth Pudup
Eric Sheppard
Neil Smith

2. Critical Theory and Geopolitics.

Cosponsored with the Political Geography Specialty Group.

Organizer: Geor d O Tuathail, Center for International Studies, University of Southern California.

Papers:

"A Critical Theory of Geopolitics," Geaóid Ó Tuathail.

"Geopolitical Transition - The World Economy at Mid-Century," Peter Taylor, University of New Castle upon Tyne.

Discussants:

John Agnew, Syracuse University

Richard Ashley, Political Science, Arizona State University. Dr.

Ashley is the leading critic of neorealism in international relations.

3. State and Institutional Involvement in Urban redevelopment.

Cosponsored with the Urban Geography Specialty Group.

Organizer: Leyla Vural

Papers:

"Local Social Relations and the UDAG Program: Lewiston, Maine," Richard Kujawa, University of Iowa.

"Disinvestment - Reinvestment -- Agents of Change in the Gentrification of Hoboken, New Jersey," Tanya Steinberg, Rutgers University.

"Indicators of Disinvestment and Reinvestment in the Gentrification of the Lower East Side," Neil Smith (Rutgers), Betsy Duncan (Columbia University, Department of Planning) and Laura Reid (Rutgers).

"Class, Sexuality and the Urban Landscape: Gay Males and Gentrification in a New Orleans Neighborhood," Lawrence Knopp (University of Iowa) and Mickey Lauria (University of New Orleans).

4. Restructuring Human Geography (V and VI): What's left to do?

Organizer: Richard Walker, University of California, Berkeley.

Members in two panel sessions will consider the direction of leftist geographers' thinking and research. This promises to be a contentious and stimulating discussion as panelists try to determine whether the left - individually and collectively - has continued the search for truth and liberation or whether it has fallen into empiricism, sexism, depoliticization, or...post-modernism (what is that again?)!

Panel I:

Chair: Ed Soja

Allen Scott

Susan Christopherson

John Whiteman

Dick Walker

Panel II:

Chair: Allan Pred

Michael Storper

Margaret Fitzsimmons

Gordon Clark

Neil Smith

5. Post-Fordist Industrialization.

Sponsored by the Industrial Geography Specialty Group. This will be a one-day workshop on Wednesday, April 6.

Organizer: Michael Storper, UCLA, Graduate School of Architecture and Urban Planning.

Speakers:

Erica Schoenberger, Johns Hopkins University.
Andrew Sayer, Sussex University.
John Holmes, Queens University.
Allen Scott, UCLA
Richard Florida, Carnegie Mellon

Distinguished Lectures in the Historical Geography of Social Change:

The Historical Geography Specialty Group is sponsoring a lecture series that should appeal to a wide range of AAG-ers. Professor G. William Skinner, Anthropology Department, Stanford University, will be this year's guest, giving two lectures. The first, "Retrospective," will reflect on Skinner's work on China, central places, and core-periphery structures within regional systems; Discussants: John Marshall, York University and Marwyn Samuels, Syracuse University. The second lecture, "Prospective," updates Skinner's comparative research of agrarian societies in China, Japan and France; Discussants: John Agnew, Syracuse University and Leonard Hochberg, Stanford University.

Professor Skinner will have meals with those who'd like to meet and speak with him. If you are interested, write for reservations to Carville Earle, Department of Geography, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio 45056. Include your meal of preference.

Immanuel Wallerstein is the tentative distinguished guest for the 1989 AAG.

Protesting Governor Meacham

Wilbur Zelinsky is organizing a protest in Phoenix to express our outrage at Governor Meacham's rescinding of Martin Luther King Day. If you would like to help and/or participate, please contact Professor Zelinsky at the Department of Geography, Pennsylvania State University, 302 Walker Building, University Park, PA 16802. (814) 865-3433.

Los Angeles Electoral Geography Conference

The IGU Study Group on the World Political Map, the AAG Political Geography Specialty Group and the Department of Geography at the University of Southern California are sponsoring an international conference on electoral geography. It will be held in Los Angeles on April 3-5, 1988, immediately prior to Phoenix. The purpose of the conference is to present and discuss research papers. The papers should be theoretical and not restricted to description, as the conference will seek to establish and reinforce links between electoral geography and social theory. If you would like to present your work, send a 100-to-200 word abstract to Fred

Shelley, Department of Geography, USC, Los Angeles CA 90089-0663 (213-743-2366) by December 31, 1987. Also contact Fred if you'd like to be a discussant or simply attend. Students and nongeographers are very welcome. There is no registration fee. Fred will send you all the info about the conference schedule and organization, exact location, and transportation to Phoenix (apparently it is easy and cheap). Thus far, the active participants include: Peter Taylor, R.J. Johnston, John Agnew, Mickey Lauria, Gordon Clark, and John O'Loughlin.

About the SGSG and SGSSG-ers

Bryan Higgins, Department of Geography, State University of New York (SUNY), Plattsburgh, NY 12901 would like to have contact with any SGSSG-ers who has worked for, or done research on, urban planning in Latin America. Bryan is an associate planner with Delft University's study on Slum and Squatter Settlement Upgrading. He spent last summer working for the Alcaldia of Managua, Nicaragua.

Peter Taylor will be in the United States for about two weeks in April, before and after Phoenix. He will be available to give talks. If you'd like to arrange something, please contact Gearold O'Tuathail, Center for International Studies, Denney Research Building, USC, Los Angeles, CA 90089. (213)743-8598.

I ask you to read Robert Aangeenbrug's letter in the November, 1987 issue (page 2) of the AAG newsletter. It is not clear what Aangeenbrug's warning translates into in practice, but we probably should be concerned and pay particular attention, as it is all too often that leftist ideas are the only ones that are recognized as "political" and therefore unacceptable and/or dangerous.

Socialism in Canada

Thanks to Gerald Walker, Department of Geography, York University, Toronto for the following brief essay on the situation of the socialist party in Canada.

The Canadian socialist movement has been institutionalized for the last two generations around the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation and its successor, the New Democratic Party (NDP). The party has formed the government for much of the time since World War II in Saskatchewan, is the present governing party in Manitoba and ruled briefly in British Columbia during the 1970s. The New Democrats are the official opposition in Ontario, where they survived a recent Liberal tidal wave that swept the Tories almost off the map of the province they had ruled for almost a half century.

In the past three years, the federal New Democrats became the

most popular party in Canada. In 1984, the Tories annihilated the Liberals. The New Democrats lost a few seats, but survived. The party leader, Ed Broadbent, came out of the 1984 election as a very popular figure. Most of the last two years he has been the most popular national party leader. Also, in the polls, the New Democrats have been the most popular party since 1986, popular support ranging from the mid 40% to the high 30% mark.

Yet these auguries have produced few results to date. In 1986 and 1987, elections have been held in British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and New Brunswick. In B.C. and Saskatchewan, the NDP were strong contenders, but the conservatives won fairly easily. In Ontario, the NDP survived the Liberal deluge of September, 1987, and in spite of losing several seats, it became the opposition. In New Brunswick, where traditionally the NDP is weak, the Liberals took every seat in the legislature. The Manitoba NDP did survive an election, though with a reduced majority. Federal by-elections recently returned NDP members from Newfoundland, Ontario and the Yukon. The NDP is increasingly popular, but that popularity has a heterogeneity of causes which does not translate easily into political power.

Perhaps more intriguing are recent poll results indicating that almost 30% of the Canadian electorate would favor some form of socialist government. This suggests some underlying reality to the other polls in which the NDP is the most popular party. The party is firmly social democratic, humane but not very radical. For all practical purposes it is an urban populist party, anchored in reformist trade unions. The party is opposed strongly to extensions of the cold war, and favors Canada leaving NATO. Socialist issues are secondary to national survival in Canada, even among socialists.

The current NDP strategy is to become the opposition federally and to broaden the party organization and constituency to form the government within a decade. Sentiment in the country is running for the socialists. Traditional support for issues of social justice and redistribution are working for the party.

Socialism is alive, and feeling well in Canada. Whether the movement is capable of forming the federal government, and whether the NDP would be able to institute socialist reconstruction is another matter.

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SGSG NEWSLETTER

Socialist Geography Specialty Group
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AAG Baltimore

Baltimore being of direct import to socialist geographers, we have particularly exciting plans for this year's annual meetings.

Radical geographers and the Baltimore Left

A series of events, designed to bring together radical geographers and members of the Baltimore Left community are planned for the weekend prior to the main meetings of the AAG in Baltimore, March 18 and 19, 1989.

An "alternative bus tour" of the city will be laid on by some of the left community on the Saturday. Though this is part of the official AAG program, socialist geographers might like to take special note of it.

On the Saturday evening, David Montgomery, a labor historian currently teaching at Yale, has agreed to come and give a lecture on some aspect of labor history in the Progressive Action Center (1443 Gorsuch Avenue, at the intersection of Kirk and Gorsuch). Invitations will be issued to many members of the Baltimore Left and this should be a good occasion to fraternize since we will lay on a little wine and cheese party afterwards.

On the Sunday evening, at the Center, there will be a discussion panel on Rainbow Politics, national and local, with several members of the Rainbow Group (so far Vincent Navarro and Jack O'Dell from the national office and Mary Bennis and Cliff DuRand together with several other community leaders in Baltimore have agreed to participate). This will be followed by a party.

The Progressive Action Center is an old library purchased by members of the Baltimore Left community and converted into a political action center that houses the Alternative Press Center, the Workers Action Press, the Central America Solidarity Committee, and several other political groups, including the local Rainbow. It also boasts a day-care center and provides some living space. (From David Harvey)

Sessions

This is a partial list of the SSGG-sponsored sessions. Please send me information on any sessions that have been left out.

- 1) Author Meets the Critics: Sidney Plotkin on "Keep Out: The Struggle for Land Use Control"
Organizer and Moderator: Michael Heiman - Syracuse with:
Sidney Plotkin - Vassar, political science
Harvey Jacobs - University of Wisconsin at Madison, urban and regional planning
Robert Nelson - USDI, Office of Program Analysis
Stephanie Pincetti - UCLA, city and regional planning
Frank Popper - Rutgers, urban studies
The book is published by the University of California Press, and is available in paperback, 1987.
- 2) Regional Development Theory Reconsidered
Sponsored by the Industrial Geography Specialty Group (IGSG).
Paper session organized by Richard Walker and Allen Scott with:
Richard Florida, Carnegie Mellon
Andy Mair, University of West Virginia
John Rees, University of North Carolina
Charles Sabel, MIT
Anno Saxenian, UC - Berkeley
Erik Swyngdouw, Oxford
- 3) The Changing Face of Capitalism
cosponsored with the IGSG.
Panel discussion organized by Richard Walker with:
Meric Gertler, University of Toronto
David Harvey, Oxford
Charles Sabel
Erica Schoenberger, Johns Hopkins
Richard Walker, UC - Berkeley
- 4) Technology and Regional Industrialization
Paper session organized by Richard Walker with:
Chris Debresson, Concordia
Richard Florida
Amy Glasmeier, Texas
Tim Lewington, Syracuse
John Rees
Richard Walker
- 5) Industrialization and Regional Development in the American Past
Paper session organized by Richard Walker with:
David Meyer, Brown
Brian Page, UC - Berkeley
Charles Post, Brooklyn
MaryBeth Pudup, University of West Virginia
Allen Pred (discussant), UC - Berkeley

- 6) Debating Development #1
Paper session organized by Michael Watts and Stuart Corbridge
with:
Abdi Samatar, Iowa
Rebecca Morales, UCLA
Ray Bromley, SUNY - Albany
Stuart Corbridge, Cambridge
Nigel Thrift (discussant), Bristol
- 7) Debating Development #2
Paper session with:
Piers Blaikie, East Anglia
Barbara Harriss, Oxford
Suzanna Hecht, UCLA
Judith Carney, CIMMYT, Mexico
Stephen Bunker (discussant), Johns Hopkins
- 8) Debating Development #3
Roundtable discussion led by Michael Watts and John Pickles

About the SSSG and SSSG-ers

The Rutgers Association of Geography Students is organizing its second Student Conference. The conference will be held at Rutgers on February 17-19, 1989. Everyone is welcome to attend and to participate. If you will join us, please send a note by December 15, 1988. Paper presenters send an abstract by January 13, 1989. For more information, write to Neal Devine at the Rutgers Geography Department.

Mickey Lauria will be spending much of 1989 in Europe. He hopes to travel through southern Europe in January and February. He will be teaching in Political Science and Planning at the Universität Innsbruck from March through June, and hopes to travel through northern Europe in July and August.

Brian Higgins, from SUNY-Plattsburgh, is spending his sabbatical in Nicaragua on a Fulbright Central American Research Grant. He is working with the Nicaraguan Institute for Territorial Studies (INETER) and the mayor's office in Managua.

Life Spaces: Gender, Household, Employment. This book, edited by Caroline Andrew and Beth Moore Milroy, has just come out from the University of British Columbia Press. With 8 chapters, most written from a "feminist-socialist" perspective, the book includes Suzanne Mackenzie on gender sensitive theory, Damaris Rose and Paul Villeneuve on women workers and the inner city, Gerda Wekerle on women's housing coops, and Jean Wolfe and Grace Strachan on women in urban reform.

"The Restless Analyst." See the Journal of Geography in Higher Education for this interview with David Harvey. Edited by Linda Peake and Peter Jackson, vol. 12, no. 1, (1988), pp. 5-20.

Sweet or Sour? The London-based Association for Curriculum Development in Geography recently published this study of Tate & Lyle, a British/Jamaican transnational company. The study was written by Neil Larkin and John Widdowson and is available from ACD, P.O. 563, London N16-8XD, England (ISBN 185401 000X). Price 6.95 pounds including postage.

Antipode Report

The 20th volume of Antipode has just been completed, with articles on literature and everyday life (Robinson), land rent (Barnes), an obituary for John Bradbury, and the continued debate between Michael Watts and Stuart Corbridge concerning development. We have had a significant financial crisis during the last six months. Due to the inability of the co-editors to raise a \$8000 a year subsidy from readers that Blackwell had demanded for the first three years of publication, as part of the original contract under which they agreed to publish the journal, Blackwell felt it was necessary to raise the subscription rates substantially. In return they cancelled \$15,000 of the \$20,000 debt that we still owed them. An additional condition is that the journal retain sufficient subscribers this year to maintain adequate income for Blackwell, otherwise they will cancel the journal in 1990. I am sure many subscribers are upset about the new subscription rates. However, we are now caught in the anarchy of the marketplace. If many people cancel, and if no alternative strategy for publishing the journal can be found (and we welcome suggestions, and any initiatives), then we will be out of business. Joe and I think that the journal is doing well in terms of quality, and that our long term strategy of making it a journal whose quality even the mainstream cannot ignore is gradually developing. We still need more quality contributions, so please think of this as a place for publication and recommend to us any papers you see presented or in manuscript form that would be suitable for publication. We need the collective support of the radical geography community now as much as ever! (Eric Sheppard, Co-editor)

News from Minnesota

As the white army closes in, there is considerable activity in the geography department at Minnesota of interest to radical geographers. Four books are in various stages of completion. Helga Leitner is working towards a book manuscript on the political economy of downtown redevelopment in American cities. Roger Miller has a book on the lives of rural to urban migrants in nineteenth century Stockholm half done. Phillip Porter recently has finished a manuscript of peasant societies in East Africa. Eric Sheppard together with Trevor Barnes (University of British Columbia) has a manuscript on the logic of commodity production and class struggle in a capitalist space economy also approaching completion.

Graduate students are also active. Deborah Karasov completed a thesis last year on the social and political underpinnings of conflict over a major redevelopment plan in Jerusalem, using the work of Habermas to develop an alternative approach to cultural geography and the ideology of landscape. Tae-kyung Koh just has finished a draft of her thesis on a structuralist interpretation of downtown development in Chicago. Other theses are approaching completion: an analysis of the changing economic and spatial organization of the U.S. computer manufacturing industry based on the theoretical ideas of Markusen and Webber (Yeong-ki Beck); an analysis of the post-war investment strategies of West German steel corporations and the context of Federal state and EEC actions and global restructuring (Claire Pavlik); and an examination of strategies pursued by families that are coping with large-scale job loss in the Minnesota Iron Range (Lisa Thornquist). Byron Miller is beginning a thesis on the impact of investment in defense on economic development in selected communities and the social movements that developed to contest this; Paul Plummer is working towards a thesis on corporate investment and oligopolistic competition. We also have new students who have started theses this year with interests in disadvantaged minorities; the effect of restructuring on women in affected workers' families, and the political economy of urbanization in Latin America.

We had the West Lakes meetings in St. Paul last month, with a number of the above people participating and with an additional pair of stimulating sessions on political economic research on the Third World. Our departmental reading group is critically engaged with modernism and post-modernism, and with the recent work of Lipietz. In addition an interdisciplinary History and Society Program is engaged this year in an analysis of comparative method and case study analysis as tools for political economic analysis in the social sciences, including a spring quarter devoted to the advantages and disadvantages of locality research. Gerard Toal -- a.k.a. Gearoid O'Tuathail -- (from Syracuse) is spending at least part of the year here, and short term visitors will include David Harvey and Allen Scott. (Eric Sheppard and Helga Leitner)

About the Newsletter

There are nearly 100 of you newsletter-receiving lefties out there who have not contributed this year's dues yet. If you do not put your politics where your checkbook is and send a \$4 "donation" soon, the SSGG will join the ranks of the insolvent radical groups and the newsletter will be history. Don't let this happen! Few demonstrations of commitment are as easy as sending a check, made out to Leyla Vural, to me at the Geography Department, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J. 08903.

Also, send news -- we'll print those items the New York Times doesn't think fit -- to me by February 10.

SUMMER SOCIAL SCIENCE PROGRAM

June 5-July 28, 1989
Santiago, Chile

Objective: Introduce young social scientists to outstanding Latin American scholars and contemporary social science issues.

Study Site: Santiago, Chile (pop. 4.6 million) is an exceptional place to study social science issues. A wide array of public and private research institutions are located in Santiago, including the Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA), the Latin American Demographic Center (CELADE), and the Latin American Center for Research and Planning Studies (CIEPLAN).

Courses: 44:193 Latin America in the International Political Economy, 3 s.h., will analyze the structural conditions of regional development. It will cover import-substitution, industrialization strategies, regional integration schemes, the role of ECLA, debt repayment, and other topics. Professors French-Davis and Muñoz.

44:192 The State and Society in the Southern Cone, 3 s.h., will deal with the determinants of the rise of authoritarianism and the transition to democracy in Brazil, Uruguay, and Argentina, with special reference to Chile. Particular attention will be paid to the relationship between regimes and elements of civil society such as political parties, the Church, and the labor movement. Professor Garretón.

44:194 Independent Study, arr. Students will produce a paper based on library or field research. Possible topics include social services delivery systems, authoritarianism, regional planning, urban studies, public health problems, and related topics. Professor Scarpaci.

Sponsoring Institutions

- The University of Iowa
- Institute of International Studies, University of Chile
- Latin American Faculty of the Social Sciences (FLACSO)

Teaching Faculty

- Ricardo French-Davis (Ph.D. Chicago)
- Heraldo Muñoz (Ph.D. Denver)
- Manuel Antonio Garretón (Ph.D. Ecole des Etudes des Sciences Sociales)
- Joseph L. Scarpaci (Ph.D. Florida)

Eligibility Requirements

- Proficiency in Spanish
- Graduate or advanced undergraduate

Application Deadline

March 15, 1989

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AAG Meetings in Baltimore

Alternative History Tour of Baltimore

Sign up for an unconventional tour of the city, organized by Erica Schoenberger. The first bus is already booked, but in the tradition of the market, if there is sufficient demand, there will be sufficient supply and a second bus will be ordered. The four-hour tour leaves from the Hyatt Hotel at 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 18.

Progressive Action Center

At 8 p.m. on Saturday come to the Progressive Action Center as we mix socialists, feminists, marxists and radicals in geography with the B'town left. David Montgomery, the Yale labor historian, will speak on "The American Labor Movement: Past and Future." Wine and cheese, informal discussion and dancing will follow.

On Sunday evening a panel discussion on Rainbow Coalition Politics has been scheduled tentatively. Look for details on Saturday. The Center is located at 1443 Gorsuch Avenue, at the intersection of Kirk and Gorsuch. Cabfare from the Hyatt/Sheraton is inexpensive if you share with others.

The SGSG Business Meeting

Our business meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 20 from 3:20 - 4:35 p.m. Check the final schedule for the room and please try and join us. At the meeting we need to:

1. elect a new chair
2. elect a new secretary-treasurer/newsletter editor
3. elect three new councilors to reelect/replace Gearoid O'Tuathail, Richard Peet and Suzanne Mackenzie.
4. begin planning for the SGSG at the 1990 AAG meetings in Toronto

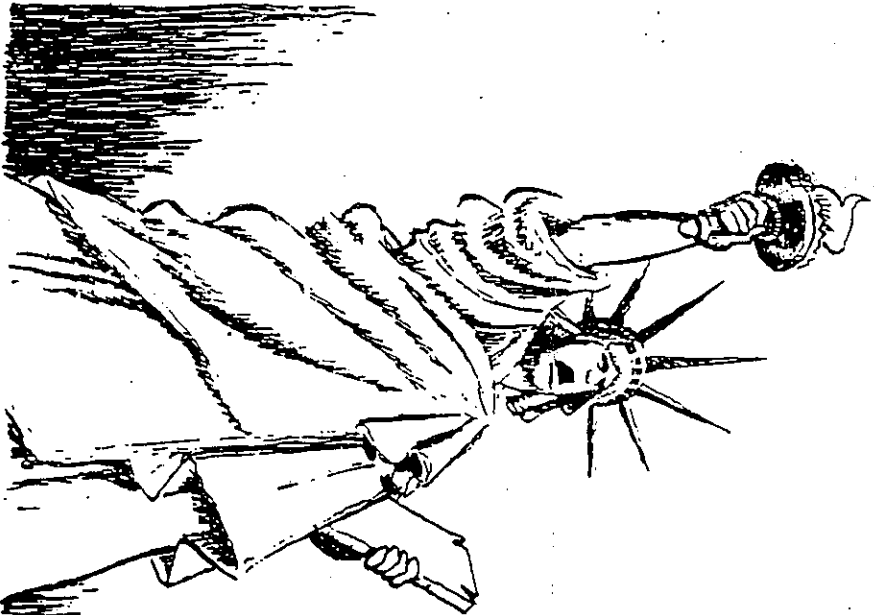
If you are reluctant to come because other business meetings you have attended were deadly, fear not, the SGSG meetings always add a little levity to AAG bureaucracy.

SGSG-Sponsored Sessions

1. Industrialization and Regional Development in the American Past Monday, 7:40-9:20 a.m.
Organizer/Chair: Richard Walker, UC-Berkeley with papers by:
David Meyer, Brown University
Mary Beth Pudup, West Virginia University
Brian Page, UC-Berkeley
Charles Post
Discussant: Allan Pred, UC-Berkeley
2. Socialist Transition in the Third World I Monday, 7:40-9:20
Organizer/Chair: John Brohman, Simon Frazer University with
papers by:
David Drakakis-Smith, University of Keele, Zimbabwe
Daniel Weiner, University of Toledo
James Lewis, University of Durham, PDR Yemen
Nigel Thrift, University of Bristol
Discussant: Ben Wisner, Hampshire College
3. Socialist Transition in the Third World II Monday, 9:35-11:15
With papers by:
John Brohman
David Slater, CEDLA, Amsterdam
Bryan Higgins, SUNY-Plattsburgh
Discussant: John Brohman
4. Changing Face of Capitalism Monday, 11:30-1:10
Organizer: Richard Walker; Chair: Allen Scott, UCLA
Panel discussion with:
Charles Sabel, MIT
David Harvey, University of Oxford
Erica Schoenberger, Johns Hopkins University
Meric Gertler, University of Toronto
Richard Walker
5. Author Meets Critics: Sidney Plotkin on "Keep Out: The Struggle for Land Use Control" Monday, 1:25-3:05
Organizer/Chair: Michael Helman, Syracuse University
Sidney Plotkin, Vassar College
Robert Nelson, U.S. Dept. of Interior
Stephanie Pincetl, UCLA
Harvey Jacobs, University of Wisconsin-Madison

6. Debating Development I Wednesday, 9:35-11:15
 Organizers: Michael Watts, UC-Berkeley and Stuart Corbridge,
 Cambridge University; Chair: Michael Watts
 With papers by:
 Stuart Corbridge
 Rebecca Morales, UCIA
 Abdi Samatar, University of Iowa
 Ray Bromley, SUNY-Albany
 Discussant: Nigel Thrift, University of Bristol
7. Debating Development II Wednesday, 11:30-1:10
 Chair: Stuart Corbridge
 With papers by:
 Barbara Harriss, Institute of Agricultural Economics
 Susanah Hecht, UCLA
 Piers Blaikie, School of Development Studies
 Judith Carney, CIMMYT
 Discussant: Stephen Bunker, University of Wisconsin
8. Debating Development III Wednesday, 1:25-3:05
 Chairs: Michael Watts and Stuart Corbridge
 Panel discussion with:
 Michael Watts
 John Pickles
 Stuart Corbridge
 Nanda Shrestha

SGSG members are, of course, represented throughout the meetings.



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Charm City? or is it B'town

Thank you to Neil Smith for the following short piece about Baltimore to help get us in the mood.

Unaccustomed as I am to public pontifications about the merits of Baltimore, a city that rivals San Francisco, New York and D.C. in the extent and intensity of its gentrification, I have to admit that it's a great place. Known in the 1950s as the "Armpit of America," late in the 1970s Baltimore was dubbed "Charm City" by its long time Mayor William Donald Schaffer. And the name stuck. In surveying the landscape of the city, the hardest task for socialists and others of a critical persuasion is to separate this Chamber of Commerce hype from the real charm of B'town, as the locals call it with affection. The "charm" that attracts capital is rather different from the charm that attracts people.

The best place to start is Federal Hill, a short walk to the south from the could-be-anywhere Hyatt/Sheraton moonbase. From the top of the hill you can actually see the waves of reinvestment that began in Baltimore's Inner Harbor and that have swept down the inlet from west to east. Where glitz shifts to grime is the very sharp gentrification and restructuring "frontier"; the National Aquarium, a postmodern cardboard condo, and a failed entertainment emporium give way to a large obsolete chemical plant, Domino Sugar, Bethlehem steel shipyards, Proctor and Gamble. The running debate is whether these remnants of large scale inner city industry should be discarded for marina redevelopment or retained in museum plastic as guarantors of authenticity (genuine chemical-in-a-can odors to be added later to ensure and enhance the effect).

But it's the neighborhoods and bars that make B'town. Don't miss Fells Point. This is an old wharf area where until a couple of years ago Saturday night bar hoppers still confronted the somewhat offputting prospect of train hoppers rumbling down Thames Street from the cement depot. It's gentrified to hell now but deliciously tempting. There are more yuppies here now than sailors, but still a few pool tables around. Bertha's Mussels (owned by a Scottish ex-pat couple) are the best in B'town, by popular assent; John Stevens, once the best of local bars and a long time JHU geography hangout, has gone from a sawdust pool bar to a classical music, wine and sushi joint. Still, it does serve the best bay-seasoned shrimp of anywhere around. Go early, it gets crowded. Tell Chuck, the owner, that David Harvey sent you.

Maryland is for crabs, they say, and where else but O'Brickey's in white ethnic (Polish, Irish, Ukrainian, Scottish, German) East Baltimore (it's expensive but a working class fixture) or Stirling's up on 25th Street near Hopkins. If it's crabcakes you want, go to the Irish Pub, but be warned about the politics here. The local constabulary is generally in

attendance. Little Italy for Italian food, strangely enough; just for your eating pleasure, the 19th century placed this culinary neighborhood between the hotels and Fells Point. My favorite bar, I guess, is a place called the Dead End in Fells Point. Unpolished and probably genetically incapable of gentrification, this old wooden besplattered bar generally lives up to its name and is definitely only for those ready to walk on the wild side. It's a regular B'town row house with a bikers clientele and great rock and roll. If you want to get sweaty dancing on a Saturday night while illicit fortunes are made and lost in the backroom pool tables, this is your destination. When they rudely evict you at 12:45 a.m., just do a random walk down the road to John Stevens which is open til 2 or 3. Watch for the railway cars.

For those with more sophisticated post-mod pretensions, the Charles (on Charles Street) is the place. This is where John Waters of Polyester fame, Just in the Dust, etc. hangs out. So did Divine, Waters' leading lady/man, when s/he ventured out of Fells Point.

But what about politics, I here you ask? For that, go back to moonbase and take a look around the Inner Harbor. The city floated several hundred million dollars in bonds and otherwise bypassed the democratic process to remake this downtown into a bourgeois playground. It was actively but unsuccessfully fought by the Welfare Rights organization which demanded that the money be used for low-income housing. The conversion of B'town into Charm City has pushed the African-American working class out to the east and west which were already large poor inner city black reserves. Substantial but selective suburbanization of the Black working class has also been going on. The new Convention Center was the scene of a couple of energetic events in the early 1980s. We rampaged against candidate Reagan in one of the 1980 presidential debates, and a friend of mine, whose name was Kilreagan, kept getting arrested for nothing else than his name. He was a favorite target of Charm City's Red Squad.

Many remember the 1981 demonstration against Phyllis Shifty -- nee Schlaflly -- who has made a career of preaching to women not to have careers. It was an enthusiastic demonstration of support organized by Ladies Against Women (LAW) and it featured many white-gloved ladies. One woman wore a sign: "I'd rather be ironing." Another arrived barefoot and pregnant -- and quite contented. Many ladies' auxiliary groups supported the demonstration. One group of especially moral ladies sticks in my mind: the Coalition of Ladies Against Promiscuity (CLAP). Every time Phyllis Shifty issued a particularly apt exhortation of working class women and feminists, the delighted Ladies Against Women, CLAP and others yelled and squealed and cheered so loudly that she could not continue.

The B'town left is fairly cohesive, although it might not always seem so. The high point of your visit to B'town will be a trip to the Progressive Action Center. See you there on Saturday night! (Details on page 1)



ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP

June 1989 - June 1990

I. Officers

The Socialist Geography Specialty Group (SGSG) elected new officers at our annual business meeting, which we held in Toronto on April 21, 1990. Approximately 30 members were present.

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II. Accomplishments for 1989-1990

A. The SGSG sponsored a record 14 sessions at the annual AAG meetings in Toronto in April, 1990. As usual, the sessions were well-attended, and often overflowing.

At the meetings, the SGSG cosponsored plenary speaker, Rosalyn Deutsch. We also sponsored guest scholars who participated in SGSG-organized paper sessions.

B. The SGSG sent out two newsletters (August, 1989 and March, 1990) to 149 SGSG members and friends.

C. The SGSG business meeting in Toronto brought 25 members together. We elected new officers, made preliminary plans for Miami, and discussed initiating a paper contest among graduate students. (The meeting took place concurrent with an SGSG-sponsored session and the Industrial Geography Specialty Group business meeting. These overlaps did not help this year's attendance.)

III. Activities Scheduled for 1990-1991

A. Annual Meetings

The SGSG has a tentative list of sessions planned for the 1991 annual meetings in Miami. This list includes:

- Confronting Racism
- Politics of the Caribbean and Central America
- Concepts of the Other
- Putting Progressive Politics into Action
- Geopolitics of Eastern Europe
- The Palestinian Struggle
- Peasant Movements in the Third World

B. Newsletter

The SGSG newsletter will be issued 2-3 times this year, depending on the need to disseminate information and budgetary constraints.

IV. Future Plans

At the business meeting in Toronto, the SGSG decided to begin SGSG-sponsored awards for graduate student papers. The awards will be announced in the SGSG newsletter and SGSG members will encourage participation through word of mouth. The Chair of the SGSG and the Councilors will work together in evaluating the

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papers. The winner(s) will be announced at the AAG Annual Meetings. We will seek a contribution from a publisher so that we can award a book.

The SGSG will continue to sponsor and cosponsor sessions at the annual meetings.

V. Membership and Participation

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VI. Financial Report

A. Income for 1989-1990

\$122.03	Carry-over from 1988-1989
<u>\$105.00</u>	Collected as voluntary dues from SGSG members
\$227.03	TOTAL INCOME

B. Expenses for 1989-1990

\$189.30	(Two newsletters mailed to 149 AAG members and phone calls)
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C. Income for 1990-1991

\$37.73	Carry-over from 1989-1990
<u>\$119.70</u>	AAG Rebate

\$157.43 PLUS VOLUNTARY DUES TO BE COLLECTED=1990-1991 income

VII. Special Requests

This year's request is the same as last year's. The SGSG sponsored sessions are usually very popular. They are attended in greater numbers than the size of the specialty group itself might suggest. We consistently find that we are assigned to rooms that are far too small to accommodate the audience. Please ask the program coordinators to assign the SGSG sessions to larger rooms in Miami. Thanks.

Please send the 1990 AAG rebate to Scott Salmon, SGSG Secretary-Treasurer.

Submitted by: Leyla Vural, 5/19/90

S.G.S.G. NEWSLETTER

March, 1990 Issue.

The Socialist Geography Specialty Group
of the Association of American Geographers.

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Greetings once again! Thanks to those 24 of you who sent in your membership dues for the 89/90 year. Unfortunately this was not sufficient to enable us to produce three issues of the newsletter so we have scaled back to two issues for this year. According to the AAG's specialty group analysis the SGSSG has a membership of 149 -this amounts to about \$90 in copying and postage per issue. As the empiricists would say, let the numbers speak for themselves!

AAG MEETINGS IN TORONTO

Once again we will be stepping inside Space Station Sheraton for the annual AAG experience - some 500 sessions, panels, and meetings in about three days! This year the SGSSG has a very high profile - we are sponsoring a record 14 sessions and SGSSG-ers are well represented throughout the meetings as, no doubt, we will be in the informal sessions!

THE SGSSG BUSINESS MEETING

Our business meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 21 from 3.40pm to 5.40 pm. Please check the final program for any schedule changes and the room and do try and join us! At this meeting we need to hold elections for the positions of:

Chair/President
Secretary/ Treasurer/ Newsletter Editor
Councillors (three council positions must be filled at this meeting).

We will also hear the reports of the President and Secretary /Treasurer and an update regarding Antipode. This meeting provides one of the only opportunities for collective planning of the SGSSG's activities for 1990/91. It also provides an opportunity to catch up with one another and find out where this years party will be held! (It would also please your treasurer greatly if you could bring your checkbooks so we can collect the annual \$4 SGSSG dues at this meeting!)

SGSG SPONSORED SESSIONS

The following are the sessions sponsored by the SGSG at Toronto:

FRIDAY, APRIL 20th.

1. Engaging Racism 11.00 am - 12.40pm

Organizers/ Chairs: J.M. Blaut, U. of Illinois-Chicago
Ben Wisner, Hampshire College

Papers by:

Ben Wisner
Mickey Lauria, U. of New Orleans
Bryan Higgins, SUNY
J.M. Blaut

2. Money makes the World Go Round: The Geopolitics of International

Finance (with Political GSG) 11.00am - 12.40pm

Organizer/Chair: Susan Roberts, Syracuse University.

Panelists:

Stuart Corbridge, Cambridge U.
Gearoid O. Tuathail Virginia P.I.
Paul Susman, Bucknell U.
Nigel Thrift, U. of Bristol
Barney Warf, Kent State U.

3. Environmental Politics (with PGSSG) 11.00am - 12.40pm

Organizer: Robert Lake, Rutgers U.

Chair: Michael Heiman, Dickinson Col.

Papers by:

Marvin Waterstone, U. of Arizona
Robert Lake & Rebecca Johns, Rutgers U.
Stephanie Pincetl, UCLA.
Scott Carlin & Jacque Emel, Clark U.
Discussant: Margaret FitzSimmons UCLA

4. Modes of Regulation: Contradictions, Ruptures and Interventions.

12.55pm - 2.35pm.

Organizer: Julie Graham, U.Mass

Chair: Margaret Fitzimmons, UCLA

Panelists:

Cindi Katz, CUNY
Tim Lewington, Syracuse U.
Julie Graham

5. Gender, Class and Organizing: Putting Progressive Politics into

Practice (with Geographic Perspectives on Women SG) 4.45pm - 6.25pm

Organizers: Leyla Vural, Rutgers U, Melissa Gilbert, Clark U.

Chair: Leyla Vural

Papers by:

Susanna Fried, Rutgers U.
Alan Paul & Rika Uto, UCLA
Leyla Vural
Melissa Gilbert
P.A. Crang, Cambridge U.

6. Our Differences: A Postmodern Response to Harvey and Soja

(with Urban, Political and GP on Women SG's) 6.45pm - 8.30pm

Organizer/Chair: Neil Smith, Rutgers U.

Papers by:

Rosalyn Deutsche, School of Art, Cooper Union.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21.

7. Author meets Critics: Ed Soja's Postmodern Geographies

(with Urban GSG) 11.05am - 12.45pm

Organizer/Chair: Neil Smith, Rutgers U.

Panelists:

Derek Gregory UBC

Andrew Kirby, U. of Arizona

Liz Bondi, Edinburgh U.

Michael Dear, USC

Ed Soja, UCLA.

8. Ecopolitical Economy of Underdevelopment I.

(with Cultural Ecology SG) 11.05am - 12.45pm

Organizers: Lakshman Yapa, Penn. State U. & Ben Wisner, Hampshire Col.

Chair: Anthony De Souza, National Geographic Soc.

Papers by:

Stephen Bunker, U of Wisconsin - Madison

Margaret FitzSimmons UCLA

Nanda Shrestha U. of Wisconsin - Madison

Ben Wisner

9. Radical Perspectives of the Global Village

(with Regional Development & Planning SG's) 11.05am - 12.45pm

Organizer/Chair: Bryan Higgins, SUNY

Papers by:

Bryon Miller, U. of Minnesota

Bryan Higgins

Rod Burgess, Johns Hopkins U.

10. The Caribbean Under Global Restructuring 1.45pm - 3.25pm

Organizer: Dennis Conway, Indiana U, Bloomington

Chair: Thomas Boswell, U. of Miami

Papers by:

Paul Susman, Bucknell U.

Susan Roberts, Syracuse U.

Thomas Klak, Ohio State U.

Dennis Conway

11. Ecopolitical Economy of Underdevelopment II.

(with Cultural Ecology SG) 1.45pm - 3.25pm

Organizers: Lakshman Yapa & Ben Wisner

Chair: Richard Morrill, U. of Washington

Papers by:

Diana Liverman, U. of Wisconsin

Robert Maguire, Inter-American Foundation

Lakshman Yapa, Penn. State U.

Discussants: Dianne Rocheleau, Clark U.

Eric Sheppard, U. of Minnesota

***** SGSG BUSINESS MEETING: 3.40pm - 5.20pm *****

SUNDAY, APRIL 22

12. Marxism, Post-Marxism, and Human Geography I: Social and Political

7.40am - 9.20am

Organizers: Eric Sheppard, U. of Minnesota
Derek Gregory, UBC

Chair: Eric Sheppard

Papers by:

Derek Gregory
Mickey Lauria

Discussant: Vera Chouinard, McMaster U.

13. Marxism, Post-Marxism, and Human Geography II: Economic

(with Antipode) 9.35am - 11.15am

Chair: Derek Gregory, UBC

Papers by:

Michael Webber, U. of Melbourne
Julie Graham, U. Mass.

Discussant: Eric Sheppard, U. of Minnesota

14. Restructuring the City

(with Urban GSG) 9.35am - 11.15am

Organizer: Scott Salmon, Syracuse U.

Chair: Helga Leitner, U. of Minnesota

Papers by:

Scott Salmon
William Mallett, Cornell U.

Andrew Herod, Rutgers U.

A.G. Phipps, U. of Windsor

Discussants: Andrew Kirby, U. of Arizona

Helga Leitner, U. of Minnesota

RANDOM NOTES

For those of you who have been enquiring about E-mail communication, my Bitnet number is listed at the head of the first page. I am perfectly willing to use this newsletter to provide a directory of SGSG Bitnet addresses. If you wish to have your Bitnet number listed in the next issue please advise me. Incidentally, if this newsletter appears to have traveled a circuitous route to reach you (or perhaps you are reading someone else's copy!), it might be time for an address update! I will bring a copy of our mailing list to the SGSG business meeting so you can check your listing but if you already know the address I have for you is incorrect please let me know -we can hardly afford to be losing newsletters in the mail!

*** Manuscripts Invited for I.G.C. (1992) Special Publication.**

The Publications Committee for the 1992 International Geographical Congress invites the submission of papers for the special Congress publication, Geographical Snapshots of North America. The objectives of this publication are to 1) represent the breadth of analytical and philosophical approaches, and topical interests, of North American geographers, and 2) provide interpretations about North America that are of research / teaching value to North American and visiting foreign geographers. It is intended that the papers will be published as a book and distributed to the estimated 4,000 Congress registrants. Potential contributors should be warned, however, that while "emphasizing the diversity of theoretical, analytical and descriptive approaches to understanding the human and physical geography of Nth. America" contributions are "expected to adhere to a common focus on the symbolic significance that designated points and lines have for interpreting North America"

More information is available from the editor or (preferably!) - Donald G. Janelle
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*** Announcing a New Series: UCLA Research Papers in Economic Geography**

Number 1: Allen J. Scott, The Technopoles of Southern California

After a brief identification of California's pathway (via flexible production organization) to industrialization and regional growth, the emergence of the aircraft industry in the region in the 1920's and 1930's is described. The formation of a post-War aerospace-electronics industry is then discussed in detail. The geography of Southern California's contemporary technopoles is outlined, with particular emphasis on the aircraft, electronics, biotechnology and medical device industries. The functional role of inter-firm linkages and local labor markets in the high technology industrial development of Southern California is analyzed and the paper ends with a few brief allusions to the strengths and vulnerabilities of high technology industry in the region.

Copies, at \$5 each (checks payable to "The Regents of the University of California") can be obtained from:

UCLA Research Papers in Economic and Urban Geography,
UCLA, 405 Hilgard Avenue,
Los Angeles, CA., 90024.

*** A Call for Papers and Participants:**

LABOUR MOVEMENT RESEARCH: STRATEGIES FOR THE 21st CENTURY

A Conference of International Labour Movement Researchers and Policy Makers

September 26-28 1990,
University of New South Wales
Kensington NSW 2033, Australia

Action-oriented research has become integral to the labor movement's political and industrial strategy around the world. This conference aims to respond to some of the challenges facing the international labor movement and to begin the task of developing networks of researchers and themes for research co-operation in the future. In a world

where markets and capital are increasingly integrated, international information sharing will be crucial to the success of future labor struggles. The conference will emphasize three main themes, which will form the basis for plenary sessions:

1. Towards a new unionism: Future challenges for Trade Unions in the 1990's and beyond.
2. The implication for the Labour Movement of Giant Trading Blocs in Europe and the Asia-Pacific region.
3. Responsible economic development and its implications for the Labour Movement.

The conference will also include workshops dealing with a range of related issues:

- * The changing structure of trade unionism
- * Youth and trade unions
- * Women, work and unions
- * The international network of finance capital and its implications for the labour movement.
- * The labour movement and the environment
- * Strategies for global labour solidarity and co-operation
- * The role of international labour research
- * The future of the public sector
- * Superannuation and investment funds
- * Research and the rank and file - strategies for participation and co-operation

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* About SGGG-ers

University of Cincinnati emeritus Prof. Laurence G. Wolf writes of his activities as a member of the "To the Root(s)" publishing collective, the Cincinnati Chapter of the Lesbian and Gay Academic Union, as a liaison between the Cincinnati "Rainbow" and the Gay and Lesbian March Activists, and as a member of "Interweave" (the committee for gay and lesbian concerns associated with St. John's Unitarian Church). He participated in the Pride Day parade honoring the 20th anniversary of the Stonewall Riot in New York City as a member of MACT (Men of All Colors Together) and the Radical Faeries. He also attended the ISOSC (International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilization) annual meeting in Berkeley (June '89) as that organizations sole geographer. He advises us that he continues his wide, critical reading of Marxist and Green literature and his research into the origins of capitalism and the geography of civilizations. Andy Jonas writes that he has moved to a new location: the Graduate School of Geography, Clark University and, most recently, word that Leyla Vural (current SGGG Pres!) has taken up a fulltime position with the International Ladies Garment Workers Union!

* **Conference Report: Marxism Now: Traditions and Difference** held at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, November 30th - December 2nd 1989.

Given the current political climate in the U.S. and the storm clouds of change gathering in Eastern Europe the timing was certainly apt for a conference aiming to explore the twin poles of tradition and difference within contemporary and future Marxisms. Sponsored by the journal *Rethinking Marxism*, this interdisciplinary conference drew some two thousand people to the Amherst campus. If the historical context highlighted the contrasts between the diverse currents of Western Marxism and that which solidified as state doctrine in the "East", few speakers did more than allude to the events unfolding in Central Europe. Rather the emphasis was squarely on the diversity of the "Western" tradition and notably the recent rethinking of fundamental Marxist notions inspired both by the ideas of postmodernism and by the desire for issues of gender and race to be incorporated more centrally into the Marxist discourse. Despite the thematic motif the conference was run along conventional lines and given the degree of participation, requiring as many as nine concurrent panels in the seven scheduled sessions, the all too familiar frustrations of choice were soon experienced -ironically a problem more acute in this context because of the high caliber of so many of the offerings.

Geographers were well represented amongst the participants and many of us found ourselves fielding questions about the nature of a Marxist geography. The growing interest in the role of space amongst Marxists of all hues was reflected in a well attended session entitled "The Rediscovery of Space" wherein Eric Sheppard, Ed Soja, and Neil Smith, gave a spirited account of the importance of geography to the Marxist project. Despite their differing perspectives each argued less for a 'Marxification' of geography and more for a 'spatialization' of Marxism. More importantly perhaps, a number of the presentations elsewhere at the conference emphasized the significance of space in developing a historical materialist understanding of social change.

Despite the somewhat depressing scenario of national politics this conference was a refreshing reminder of the intellectual vitality of Marxism in the U.S. Indeed, the conference themes of tradition and difference were amply reflected in the program, liberally sprinkled with luminaries as well as lesser lights from a range of disciplinary backgrounds, and in the variety of issues addressed; this was especially evident in regard to theoretical developments and in the priority accorded to discussions of race and gender. Even given the challenge presented to traditional conceptions of historical materialism by postmodern and feminist perspectives, the enduring impression was of a continuing commitment to the Marxist political project (albeit broadly defined!) but also of the creative and diverse ways in which this project is being pursued. Many sessions, including the plenaries, emphasized the relevance of Marxism for the political struggles facing the left in the 1990's, nevertheless the conference was not without its measure of elitism, which in its worst excesses bordered on sheer obscurantism, surely a worrying sign for those of us hoping to broaden the Marxist political project. However, the atmosphere of the conference was, with rare exception, comradely and constructive rather than confrontational and sectarian, practically demonstrating that even the highly contested terrain that Marxism has become still allows for constructive dialogue.

Scott Salmon
Tim Lewington

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP

June 1 1990 - May 31 1991

I. Officers

The Socialist Geography Specialty Group (SGSG) elected a new Chair and three new Councilors at the annual business meeting in Miami on April 15, 1991. The current board of directors is:

<i>Chair</i> (1991-92)	Michael Helman	Environmental Studies Dickinson College Carlisle, PA 17013
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1991-93	Larry Knopp	Geography University of Minnesota, Duluth Duluth, MN
1991-93	Pamela Moss*	Geography McMaster University Hamilton, Ont. Canada

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II. Activities during 1990-91

A. The SGSG sponsored 13 sessions at the Miami meetings, many of which were arranged in cooperation with other specialty groups. These were on the following topics:

Restructuring rural apartheid in South Africa

The post-apartheid city in South Africa

State, territory and democratization in southern Africa

Eco-political economy: Latin America

Eco-political economy: Africa

Eco-political economy: South Asia

Flexible accumulation and Caribbean development

The political ecology of population-resource relations in Nepal

State, territory and society

Geography and film

Land, economy and the urban landscape

Perspectives on space and ideology (2 sessions)

These were all paper sessions, with an average of four papers plus a discussant per session.

B. The SGSG was a co-sponsor of the special lecture by Catherine Stimpson: "Spacing out and closing in: Some Notes on the Politics of Location."

C. One newsletter was distributed during the year, to approximately 150 individuals.

D. We had an active annual business meeting in Toronto at which a number of initiatives were discussed (see below).

III New activities. (1991-92)

A. Plans for San Diego

Thus far, concrete plans have been initiated for four sessions in San Diego:

On Nature — Society relationships

On grass roots environmental activism

On gay/lesbian issues

An author meets critics' session on *City of Quartz* by Mike Davis (Verso, 1990)

In each case an organizer and potential participants have been identified. A number of other ideas for sessions are under discussion.

B. Best student paper award

Plans are complete for an annual award to be initiated in San Diego. This will be the Socialist Geography Specialty Group Award, given to the author(s) of the best paper presented at the AAG annual meeting by a student member of the SGSSG. Those wishing to apply for the award will have to provide a written version of their AAG paper to the SGSSG by March 1. All entries will be read and judged by a committee of three councillors, including one student. The prize is a one year subscription to Antipode, and will be awarded at the AAG awards banquet.

C. Peer reviewing for student papers

A program will be initiated that provides advice to students who intend to submit a paper for publication in a refereed journal. A list of volunteers will be made available in the SGSSG newsletter, who are will to provide this kind of advice. Students who have written a paper that they intend to submit for publication will be able to pick a name from this list, to whom they can send the final draft of their paper for feedback prior to submitting it to a journal.

D. SGSSG Newsletter

Two newsletters will be published this year. A short newsletter is planned for the early summer providing information on the annual business meeting, plans for San Diego, and the initiatives described above. A longer one will appear prior to the San Diego meetings detailing plans for the meeting, providing news from SGSSG members, and updating members on relevant developments in the AAG during the year.

IV. Membership

The membership of the SGSSG has grown substantially in the past twelve months, from 133 to 177 members. The group remains cohesive, with broad participation from the membership in its activities.

V. Financial Report

A.	<i>Income for 1990-91</i>	\$37.73
	Balance from 1989-90	\$119.70
	AAG Rebate	\$54.00
	Voluntary dues 1990-91	\$211.43
	TOTAL	
B.	<i>Expenses for 1990-91</i>	
	Newsletter production and mailing	\$70.00
A.	<i>Income for 1991-92</i>	
	Balance from 1990-91	\$141.43
	Forthcoming 1991-92 AAG Rebate	\$119.70
	TOTAL	\$261.13

VI. Special Issues (arising from the business meeting)

The membership of the SGSSG is unanimously opposed to the suggestion that the AAG no longer provide a \$0.90 subsidy per member, and instead maintain centralized collection of specialty group dues. If this policy is adopted against our wishes, we wish to have the right to collect our own dues from those who check off the SGSSG on the annual membership renewal form. We would also wish to negotiate with the AAG about the disbursement of the approximately \$150 that we would otherwise have received as our membership subsidy.

The membership of the SGSSG is unanimously opposed to the proposal to initiate page charges in AAG journals, on the grounds that costless publication of quality research in Association journals should be a public good available to all members irrespective of their financial situation.

The membership of the SGSSG is unanimously opposed to any policy that might require specialty group sponsored sessions to restrict their speakers to 15 minute presentations, on the grounds that this undermines the original purpose of such sessions to provide a forum for more extended debate of issues that are of substantial interest to a significant number of AAG members.

The membership of the SGSSG requests that specialty group business meetings not be held at 8 a.m., since this greatly affects attendance, and that such business meetings be scheduled so that specialty groups that are co-sponsoring sessions do not have their business meetings at the same time.

The membership of the SGSSG is strongly supportive of the idea of there being a student representative on the AAG Council.

Please send the 1991 AAG rebate to Scott Salmon, SGSSG treasurer.

Submitted by: Eric Sheppard (SGSSG Chair, 1990-91), May 30, 1991

S.G.S.G. NEWSLETTER

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HI folks! No you weren't dropped from the SGSg mailing list - there simply hasn't been enough material forthcoming from members to justify a newsletter -until now! This does not mean, however, that the SGSg has been idle ...

MIAMI'S VICE?

This year the AAG's multi-ring circus takes our act to Miami, a city whose most recognizable image might once have related to the sartorial elegance of its fictional vice cops but which has been earning itself a slightly more ugly reputation in recent years, one which is now perhaps more readily associated with, among other things, riots, racial conflict, and the dubious distinction of, being the only city in the US to have officially snubbed Nelson Mandela.

The SGSg has extended invitations to several "non-member" participants to enable them to take part in the Miami conference. Dhiru Soni and Marcelinus Martin Bosman are both participating in the SGSg sponsored sessions concerning South Africa while Catherine Stimpson is delivering a plenary lecture -see below for details.

THE SGSg BUSINESS MEETING

Our business meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 15 from 8:00am to 9:40am. I realize this will be considered horrendously early by many of you but it is important that those who consider themselves Socialist/Radical/Progressive geographers make the effort to turn up - especially in light of what has been a fairly low level of involvement on the part of members over the last year. This meeting provides virtually the only forum for collective planning for the SGSg's activities for 1991/92 and we hope that you will take the opportunity to get involved.

Apart from reports from SGSg members, President, Secretary, Antipode, etc. we also need to hold elections for the positions of:

President
Secretary / Treasurer
(ie. Newsletter Editor)
Councilors (3)

Once again, it would please your treasurer greatly if you could bring your checkbooks so we can collect the annual \$4 SGSg dues!

**** Please check the final program for the room assignment****

STUDENT REPRESENTATION WITHIN
THE AAG

A number of SGSG members (including myself) have been involved in attempts to expand student involvement and representation within the discipline. Perhaps the most glaring reflection of student disenfranchisement within the discipline as a whole is to be found in its professional association. At present the AAG does not allow for student involvement beyond the specialty group level - which is in most cases limited to paper presentations in sponsored conference sessions. In an attempt to rectify this Neil Smith has agreed to place a formal motion for the creation of student positions on the AAG Council at its Miami meeting. Unfortunately it seems that this motion will fail for lack of support, it appears that other Council members don't want to include student geographers in the Association's decision making. However, given that student members comprise one quarter of the Association many of us believe that they are entitled to direct representation in the political hierarchy of their own professional organization. I feel strongly that the issue of student participation should not die at Miami, regardless of the outcome of the Council's deliberations, so I urge SGSG members think the issue over and make their views known -preferably to Councilors (and Councilors to be!).

SGSG SPONSORED SESSIONS

The following are the sessions sponsored by the SGSG at Miami:

South Africa I: Restructuring Rural Apartheid
Sun., April 14, 8:00-9:40 am
Organizers: John Pickles, Univ. of Kentucky & Daniel Wiener, West Virginia Univ.

Chairs: John Pickles, Marcellus Bosman, Univ. of Kentucky
Participants: Daniel Weiner; Claudia Reintges, Rhodes Univ.; Owen Crankshaw, Nat. Inst. of Personnel Research and Geoffrey Woods, Marywood College
Discussant: Michael Watts Univ. of California

South Africa II: Constructing and Deconstructing the Post-Apartheid City?
Sun., April 14, 9:50am-12:00pm

Chair: Dhiru Soni, University of Durban-Westville
Participants: Susan Parnell, Univ. of Witwatersrand; Trevor Mills, Univ. of Natal; Jennifer Robinson, Univ. of Natal; Udesch Pillay, Univ of Minnesota and Jonathan Crush, Queens Univ.
Discussant: Kevin Cox, Ohio State Univ.

South Africa III: State, Territory and Democratization in Southern Africa
Sun., April 14, 1:00-2:40pm

Chair: Susan Parnell Univ. of Witwatersrand
Participants: Marcellus Bosman, Univ. of Kentucky
Brij Maharaaj Univ. of Zululand
Dhiru Soni, Univ. of Durban-Westville
James Sidway, Univ. of London
Discussant: Daniel Wiener, West Virginia Univ.

* All three South Africa sessions co-sponsored with the Africa S.G.

State, Territory and Society.
Sun., April 14, 4:40-6:20pm

Organizer/Chair: Kevin Cox,
Ohio State Univ.

Participants: Kevin Cox, Ohio
State Univ. Andy Wood, Ohio
State Univ. Murray Low, Ohio
State Univ. Peter Taylor, Univ
of Newcastle upon Tyne

Discussant: Edward Soja, Uni-
versity of California-Los Ange-
les

* Co-sponsored with the Politti-
cal S.G.

New Directions in Geography:

Geography and Film.

Sun., April 14, 4:40-6:00pm

Organizers: Gerald Macdonald,
Villanova Univ. Jill Yesko,
Syracuse Univ.

Chair: Leo Zonn, East Carolina
Univ.

Participants: Jean Palmer-
Moloney, Colorado Mt. College/
Summit HS Gerald Macdonald,
Villanova Univ.; Stuart Altken,
San Diego State Univ.; John
Paul Jones III, Univ. of Ken-
tucky; Wolfgang Natter, Univ.
of Kentucky Jill Yesko, Syra-
cuse Univ.
Discussant: Leo Zonn, East Car-
olina Univ.

Special Lecture

Organizer: Neil Smith, Rutgers
Univ.

*Co-sponsored with the Politti-
cal and Urban Specialty Groups.
Sun., April 14, 8:00-9:30pm

Chair: Cindi Katz, City Univer-
sity of New York

Catherine Stimpson, Rutgers

Univ: "Spacing Out and Closing
In: Some Notes on the Politics
Of Location"

Dr Stimpson is the past presi-
dent of the Modern Languages
Association, Graduate Dean, and
Vice Provost of Rutgers Univer-
sity. She may be best recog-
nized by geographers as the
author of Women and the Ameri-
can City and as co-founder of

the feminist journal Signs.
She has been a prominent par-
ticipant in debates within the
humanities concerning the defi-
nition of a multicultural canon
and her talk in Miami will no
doubt broach some of the issues
raised in the course of that
debate. In particular, her
lecture will address questions
of spatial metaphor and the
connection to more material
conceptions of space.

Socialist Geography Specialty

Group Business Meeting

Mon., April 15, 8:00am

Land, Economy and the Urban
Landscape

Mon., April 15, 9:50-11:30am

Organizer: Richard Walker,
Univ. of California-Berkeley
*Co-sponsored with the Urban
Geography Specialty Group

Chairs: Mona Domosh, Florida
Atlantic Univ. and Richard
Walker

Participants: Deryck Holds-
worth, Penn. State Univ.
Andrew Herod, Rutgers Univ.;
Anne Haila, Helsinki Univ. of
Technology and Richard Walker
Discussants: Mona Domosh, Flo-
rida Atlantic Univ. and Paul
Knox, Virginia Polytechnic
Institute.

Eco-Political Economy I: Latin

America

Mon., April 15, 9:50-11:30am

Organizers: Lakshman Yapa,
Penn. State Univ. and Ben Wis-
ner, Hampshire College
Co-sponsored with the Cultural
Ecology Specialty Group

Chair: Anthony de Souza,

National Geographic Society
Participants: Stephen Bunker,
Univ. of Wisconsin; Robert
Maguire, Inter-American Founda-
tion; Lori Ann Thrupp, World
Resource Institute; and Anthony
Bebington, Cambridge Univ.
Discussant: Diana Liverman,
Penn. State Univ.

Perspectives on Space and Ideology I

Mon., April 15, 1:00-2:40pm
Organizers: Pamela Moss, McMaster Univ. and David Wilson, Univ. of Illinois

Chair: Glenda Laws, Penn. State Univ.

Participants: James Elfin, Indiana Univ. Indianapolis; Diane Whalley, Univ. of North Texas; Lawrence Knopp, Univ. Minnesota and David Wilson, Univ. of Illinois
Discussant: Barney Warf, Kent State Univ.

Perspectives on Space and Ideology II
Mon., April 15, 2:50-4:30pm

Chair: John Jakle, Univ. of Illinois

Participants: John Eyles, McMaster Univ.; Lynn Staeheli, Univ. of Colorado; Pamela Moss, McMaster Univ. and Michael Helman, Dickinson College
Discussant: Audrey Kobayashi, McGill Univ.

Eco-Political Economy II: Africa

*Co-sponsored with the Cultural Ecology and Africa Specialty Group
Mon., April 15, 2:50-4:30pm

Chair: Phillip Porter, Univ. of Minnesota

Participants: David Campbell, Michigan State Univ.; Dianne Rocheleau, Clark Univ. and Ben Wisner, Hampshire College
Discussant: Abdi Samatar, Univ. of Iowa

Eco-Political Economy III:

South Asia
Tue., April 16, 8:00-9:40am

Chair: Richard Peet, Clark Univ.

Participants: Madhu Suri Prakash, Penn. State Univ. and Lakshman Yapa, Penn. State Univ.
Discussant: Gustavo Esteva,

Comite Promotor de Investigacion

Flexible Accumulation and Caribbean Development

Organizers: Gerald Thomas, West Virginia Univ. and Susan Roberts, Syracuse Univ.
Tue., April 16, 2:50-4:30pm

Chair: Gerald Thomas

Participants: David Ramphall, Louisiana State Univ. Susan Roberts; Deborah Berman-Santana, Univ. of California-Berkeley; Gerald Thomas and Nancy Rosenbaum, Univ. of Kentucky
Discussant: Anthony Maingot, Florida International Univ.

The Political Ecology of Population-Resource Relations in Nepal

Organizer: Nanda Shrestha Univ. of Wisconsin-Whitewater
*Co-sponsored with the Population and South Asia Specialty Groups
Tue., April 16, 2:50-4:30pm

Chair: Barry Bishop, National Geographic Society

Participants: David Zurich, Eastern Kentucky Univ.; John Metz, Northern Kentucky Univ.; Dennis Conway, Indiana Univ.; and Nanda Shrestha
Discussant: P.P. Karan, Univ. of Kentucky.

UNION OF SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHERS

At the last SSSG Business meeting there was some discussion regarding the re-activation of the Union of Socialist Geographers, basically to once again provide radical geographers with a forum outside the aegis of the AAG. However, as the discussion progressed, it quickly became apparent that many present were not familiar with the history and purpose of the original Union. It was decided that before any formal action was undertaken SSSG members should be informed about

the aims and objectives of the original USG. The following is an outline of the USG as printed in one of the last newsletters (April 1981):

The Union of Socialist Geographers was organized in Toronto in 1974. The consensus of those gathered in Toronto was that an organization - the USG - be formed to improve communication among those geographers who agree with the principles in the organizations aims:

The purpose of the union is to work for the radical restructuring of our societies in accord with the principles of social justice. As geographers and as people union members seek to contribute to this process in two complementary ways:

1. Organizing and working for radical change in our communities, and
2. developing geographic theory to contribute to revolutionary struggle.

Thus union members subscribe to the principle: From each according to ability, to each according to need. They declare that the development of a humane, non-alienating society requires, as its most fundamental step, socialization of the ownership of the means of production.

The USG had over 150 members in Africa, Europe, Asia and Latin America as well as in North America and published a newsletter several times a year. Several active groups existed in both Canada, the United States, Ireland, and Britain, involving academic and non-academic geographers, who were meeting alternate years during the AAG and CAG meetings and during IBG annual meetings. However, the USG became increasingly inactive as the SSGS became institutionalized. In the last four years little has happened with the USG

except for occasional newsletters organized by Chrysta Rodrigue, until an ad-hoc group at the Toronto SSGS meeting undertook to represent the USG until more formal arrangements could be made.

STUDENT SUPPORT

In an effort to provide further support for students carrying out research in radical geography, it has been proposed that a list of volunteers be developed from more senior SSGS members whom students could draw on for feedback on papers that they have prepared for publication. The idea being that once a student has prepared a paper they could send it to one of these individuals to receive an external evaluation/critique and suggestions for improvement before submitting to the anonymous refereeing process employed by most journals. Any individuals willing to forward their names for such a list should send a note to me or volunteer at the SSGS business meeting in Miami.

At the last business meeting it was decided that the SSGS should award a prize for the best graduate student paper presented at the annual conference. At that meeting we resolved that a publisher should be approached to contribute a book to be awarded to the winner, however, this has not transpired and Eric Sheppard has suggested that we make a cash presentation (of not less than \$50) instead. Given that this sum is about half what other groups award for student papers yet still amounts to somewhere between one half and a third of the SSGS's annual operating budget, it occurs to me that running a student paper competition may well necessitate some trade-off's (between award or newsletter for eg.) in future years. If we are to institute

such an award (and I believe we should) it seems important that it should be a consistently annual event and not an "as funds permit" affair. As treasurer/secretary I don't feel I have the right to commit us to this kind of expenditure without pointing out the implications ... I would be pleased to hear your opinions and/or alternative suggestions at the business meeting.

ANTIPODE

(Brief) News from Antipode continues to be good! Since the transition to Blackwells the journal has continued to attract the attention of both authors and readers. So much so that the growing stream of high quality manuscripts to the journal has prompted an expansion to four issues a year: January, April, July and October. In addition, Antipode will now be listed in the Social Science Citation Index.

These developments reflect the growing reputation and maturity of the journal and underscore the continuing relevance and interest in the contributions of radical geography. It is also an auspicious moment for Dick Walker to take over as the journal's new American co-editor. I would like to take this opportunity to thank (and congratulate!) Eric Sheppard for his successful efforts on behalf of "our" journal and to wish Dick well in his new job! All manuscripts etc., should now be sent to him...

One final note - the AAG has informed us that their membership for 1990 currently stands at 6,270 (down from 6,321 in 1989), of which, 177 claimed membership in the Socialist Geography Specialty Group (up from 168 in 1989!) - let me see at \$4 each that's...

Well that's all there is folks
- hope we'll see you in Miami!

S.G.S.G. NEWSLETTER

July, 1991 Issue.

The Socialist Geography Specialty Group
of The Association of American Geographers.

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Greetings! I hope you are all enjoying (or at least tolerating!) the summer heat wave that seems to be covering the continental U.S. Disheartening as the prospect may be to some of you, it's time to begin thinking about the AAG Annual Conference again -and that's why you're hearing from me. In this sizzling hot issue of the SGSG newsletter I will be appraising you of some plans afoot for San Diego and some schemes already underway within the AAG and elsewhere.

SAN DIEGO SESSIONS

What follows amounts to what I know about SGSG sessions that have so far been planned for the San Diego meetings (more info. welcomed!). If you are planning a session for San Diego and feel you might be interested in SGSG (co) sponsorship please contact me.

Author Meets the Critics: City of Quartz (Verso 1990) author Mike Davis faces his readers.

Contact:
Helga Leitner

Geography
University of Minnesota
Minneapolis MN 55455

"Teaching" Environmental Issues.
A panel session focussing on the successes and frustrations encountered in the attempt to bring students out of the classroom and into the "field" and community for on-site training as critical environmental geographers. This panel seeks to provide a forum for sharing successful strategies and addressing common institutional, funding, commitment and pedagogic problems.

Contact:
Michael Heiman
Environmental Studies
Dickinson College
Carlisle, PA 17013
Ph. (607) 255-2809
til 8/7/91
then: (717) 245-1338

Nature - Society Relationships.
Contact:
Margaret Fitzsimmons
Graduate School of
Arch. and Urban Planning
UCLA
405 Hilgard Ave.
Los Angeles CA 90024

Class, Gender and Race:

Labor Restructuring in the 1990's

A venue for critical perspectives (including those concerned with methodological issues) integrating analyses of class/race/gender in restructuring, possibly including case studies on the differential impact of industrial and occupational change on different labor market groups

contacts:

Mark Drayse or Jane Pollard
Ph. (213) 825 1071
& (213) 656 4361 -respectively
or c/-

Graduate School of
Arch. and Urban Planning

UCLA

405 Hilgard Ave.
Los Angeles CA 90024
Fax (213)206 5566

Grassroots Community Activism

A panel session involving several major minority leaders from Southern California involved with successful battles against redlining, LA incinerator proposals, and toxic chemical emissions.

Contact:

Stephanie Pincetti
Graduate School of
Arch. and Urban Planning
UCLA

405 Hilgard Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90024

Gay and Lesbian Issues.

Contact:

Larry Knopp
Geography
University of Minnesota
Duluth, MN
Bitnet: LKNOPP@UMDUL

Financial Services and

Regional Development

A session concerned with the restructuring of financial service industries, and provisionally encompassing the urban and regional consequences of such

restructuring, comparative perspectives on differing forms of international financial

(de)regulation and the links between financial restructuring and social/reproduction in financial districts.

Contact:

Jane Pollard
Graduate School of Arch.
and Urban Planning

UCLA

405 Hilgard Ave.
Los Angeles CA 90024
Ph. (213)656 4361 or
Fax (213) 206 5566

Once again the AAG is stipulating a fifteen minute time limit for paper presentations at this meeting, however, the possibility of circumventing such restrictions exists within specialty group sponsored sessions! Ron Abler has advised us that specialty group sessions are not exempt from the fifteen minute limit, although, "the AAG office does not want to become involved in policing every session every specialty group sponsors." He suggests that if we wish to "invite a distinguished guest for a major address or to pursue an issue at greater length than is possible with fifteen-minute papers" we should consider scheduling an evening session, "the AAG office staff will be pleased to reserve the space you need."

MIAMI BUSINESS MEETING

Some personnel changes took place amongst the officers of the SGSG, we elected a new Chair: Michael Heiman, currently prof. of Environmental Studies at Dickinson College, in Carlisle PA, and three new councilors: Trevor Barnes, Larry Knopp, and Pamela Moss who

joined continuing councilors Cindi Katz, Tim Lewington, and Richard Walker. I have agreed to serve for one more year as Secretary/Treasurer.

During the meeting members expressed unanimous opposition to the proposal to initiate page charges in AAG Journals (rates in the area of \$40 have been suggested), on the grounds that costless publication of quality research in Association Journals should be a public good available to all members irrespective of their financial situation. The SSSG also resolved to oppose the aforementioned 15 minute restriction for papers presented in specialty group sponsored sessions on the basis that such limitations undermine the very purpose of these sessions, that is; to provide a forum for extended debate of issues that are of substantial interest to AAG members. The SSSG also resolved to express its unanimous opposition to the proposal to restructure specialty group dues collection procedures - see Dues Blues below for more on this.

The meeting was officially advised that the motion for student representation on the AAG Council had been defeated at the Miami meeting of that Council by a margin of 16 to 1! Nonetheless, the SSSG reaffirmed its commitment to the principle of student representation on the Council!

Finally, the meeting resolved to request that specialty group business meetings not be scheduled at 8.00am in future - since such timetabling greatly affects attendance!

DUES BLUES

Many of you may have heard rumors that plans are afoot to change AAG specialty group funding arrangements. There is a suggestion that the AAG end the current arrangement and impose a centralized dues collection system. In effect, this would mean that the AAG would no longer provide a \$0.90 per member subsidy to specialty groups and that dues would no longer be voluntary. Instead the AAG would collect specialty group dues with the annual AAG membership and then disburse those funds to specialty groups. Given that such an arrangement seems likely to discourage the less wealthy from participating in specialty groups, appears to extend the AAG's fiscal control over specialty groups and raises questions regarding the disbursement of the @ \$150 that we would once have received as our membership subsidy, the SSSG resolved (at the Miami business meeting) to oppose such measures. Moreover, if the rebate is terminated against our wishes we have requested the right to collect our own dues from those who check off the SSSG box on the annual membership renewal form. I will keep you posted on developments.....

STUDENT PAPER PRIZE!

The SSSG is instituting an annual student paper competition: The Socialist Geography Specialty Group Award, to be awarded to the author(s) of the best paper presented at the AAG annual meeting by a student member of the SSSG. Students

wishing to be considered for this most prestigious award must provide a written version of their AAG paper (preferably no more than 15 pages!) to Trevor Barnes, Geography, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6T 1Z2 by March 1st., 1992. The prize? The winner will receive a year's subscription to Antipode to be presented at the AAG annual awards banquet.

Please post the attached flyer in a prominent place in your department (preferably one frequented by students!) and bring this to the attention of anyone you think might be interested.

PRE-PUBLICATION PEER REVIEW

In an attempt to assist student members who wish to submit a paper to a refereed journal the SSGS is instituting a peer review process. Listed below are number of individuals who have expressed their willingness to read and provide feedback on student papers. If you have a paper you think may be worthy of publication, but are reluctant to send off "cold", consider choosing a name from this list and sending them a final draft for some constructive feedback before journal submission.

Larry Knopp
Dept. of Geography
University of Minnesota
Duluth MN

Eric Sheppard
Dept. of Geography
University of Minnesota

Minneapolis MN 55455

Trevor Barnes
Dept. of Geography
Univ. of British Columbia
Vancouver, B.C. CANADA V6T 1Z2

Damaris Rose
Inst Natl La Recherche Science
Univ. Quebec
3465 Rue Durocher
Montreal PQ CANADA H2X 2LG

Richard Kujawa
Dept. of Economics
St. Michaels College
Winoski Park
Colchester VT 05439

*If there is anyone else who would be prepared to serve as a peer-reviewer- your assistance would be greatly appreciated -please contact me!

MORE MEMBERS!

As of this mailing our newsletter is being sent out to an additional 44 members (a total of 177), who have indicated to the AAG that they wish to be included in the SSGS! The downside of this is that we receive no AAG rebate for those (44) who joined after January 1st., nevertheless, they will be receiving this newsletter! So please, those of you who haven't paid dues for awhile - how about it?

P.S. Congratulations to Margaret Fitzsimons on her well deserved tenure award at UCLA and to Richard Peet on his recent appointment as co-editor of the journal Economic Geography.

SGSG NEWSLETTER: SUMMER 1994

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Newsletter of the Socialist Geography Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers

STUDENT PAPER AWARD

Students that presented papers at the San Francisco Annual Meeting are encouraged to submit their manuscripts for the SGSG best paper award. The award will be made at the 1995 Chicago meeting. The winner receives a 1 year subscription to Antipode. Interested people should send their papers to either Pamela Moss, University of Victoria, or Andrew Herod, University of Georgia, or Christine Rodrigue, California State University at Chico.

SGSG GRANT

The Socialist Geography Specialty Group will be awarding travel funds to be used for hotel accommodations at the 1995 Chicago meeting. The award, to be provided on a competitive basis, will be targeted for needy graduate or undergraduate students. For further information, please contact Pamela Moss at the University of Victoria, Canada.

SGSG SPECIAL SPONSORED SESSIONS

SGSG members to date report a flurry of special sessions being organized for the annual meeting in Chicago. The list will undoubtedly grow as the deadline for putting together special sessions draws near. Nevertheless here is our list so far (with complete listing of sessions to follow in the next newsletter).

"Employment, Praxis, and Feminist Research"

Organizer: Ann Oberhauser

Co-Sponsor: Socialist Geography Specialty Group
and Geographic Perspectives On Women

"Race, Gender, Theory, and Praxis"

Organizer: Melissa Gilbert

Co-Sponsor: Socialist Geography Specialty Group and

Geographic Perspectives on Women
"Trade Unions and Geography 1-4"

Organizer: Andy Herod

Co-Sponsors: Socialist Geography Specialty Group,
Industrial Geography Specialty Group,
Geographic Perspectives On Women, and
Political Geography Specialty Group

"Perspectives On Urban Growth Coalitions In the
1990s"

Organizer: David Wilson

Co-Sponsors: Socialist Geography Specialty Group,
Urban Geography Specialty Group

SPECIAL SESSION INVITE

Laura Pulido and Mike Heiman are sponsoring a series of paper sessions at the next AAG convention in Chicago on Environmental Racism. A wide range of subject matter will be relevant here, including spatial analysis, policy and regulation, the environmental justice movement, and larger questions about race, racism, ethnicity, class, and the environment. Interested contributors should contact them at Department of Geography, U.S.C., 213-740-0050. They are aiming for an August 15 deadline for submission of abstracts.

NOTE FROM MICHAEL HEIMAN

Mike Heiman of Dickinson College reports that he will be traveling the U.S. this coming year on a sabbatical research project. He will be trying to understand the institutional basis for the outcome of environmental discrimination (through such regulatory tools as emissions trading, the use of quantitative risk assessment, negotiation procedures). He has been invited to a dozen such impacted communities this year, and would be happy to give a seminar on the topic to interested

SGSG member institutions. He can be reached at Heiman@Dickinson.EDU or by mail at Environmental Studies, James Center, Dickinson College, Carlisle, PA 17013.

**URBAN DESIGN AND PLANNING IN
HAVANA, CUBA**

Joe Scarpaci has just completed the fourth Urban Design and Planning in Cuba program. It included 2 weeks of touring and lectures in Havana, then three days in Trinidad, Cuba and a wrap-up session in the National Film School in San Antonio de los Baños. Havana field trips were a combination of cycling (bikes brought from the states) and mini-bus.

Plans are underway for another trip in June 1995, for three weeks. For more information contact Joe on e-mail: SCARP@VTVM1.CC.VT.EDU or JLS, Urban Affairs and Planning, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA 24061-0113. FAX 703/231-3367 phone/voice mail: 703/231-7504. Serious scholars concerned about the fate of the Revolution encouraged to apply!

NOTE OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The SGSG gratefully acknowledges the generous \$25,000 contribution of Lawrence Wolf, Professor Emeritus of the University of Cincinnati, to help cover costs of producing this newsletter.

If you have any questions regarding the newsletter please feel free to contact me at the above address. Thanks to all of you who submitted materials to the newsletter!

SOCIALIST GEOGRAPHY SPECIALTY GROUP NEWSLETTER

David Wilson, Editor

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Greetings! After a fairly slow start to the year, the SGSSG seems to be picking up momentum. This is most obviously reflected in the activity sponsored by the group at the AAG meetings - a large and interesting slate of sessions are being have been organized for Pittsburgh (you will find them listed in the pages that follow). There is also a great deal of activity taking place outside the AAG meetings and you will also find a series of conference listings of interest to SGSSG members listed in this newsletter. In addition, the SGSSG has recently forged links with some like-minded groups elsewhere - the Humanist Sociologists (an independent left organization within the American Sociological Association) and the Social and Cultural Geography Research Group of the RGS/IBG (& thanks to Duncan Fuller for his initiative & willingness to share resources). All these are signs of a positive and expanding role for the group - hopefully we can build on this momentum, at the AAG meetings and in the year ahead.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank our two outgoing board members, long time (& long suffering!) Secretary David Wilson and Councilor Tom Herman. One of the realities of the SGSSG organization is that a relatively small group of people end up doing a large share of the work and both David and Tom have done more than their share with unfailing good humor! We now have a large slate of candidates standing to fill these two vacant positions and a ballot is included in this newsletter. Please be sure to vote!

Finally a reminder that the SGSSG business meeting is currently scheduled for Wednesday April 5, 6:00-7:15 pm (check the final program for room assignment) - I hope to see you all there.

BEST STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION (\$150)

Open to all SGSSG student members - this has been expanded to include all student members who have presented a paper at a professional meeting in the last year (i.e. since the last AAG meetings). Please send an e-copy of your paper (preferably as an MS Word attachment) to salmonsc@muohio.edu or send three paper copies to:

Scott Salmon

SGSSG Student Paper Competition

Department of Geography

Miami University

Oxford, OH 45056

The winner will also be invited to attend the AAG Awards Luncheon at the AAG meetings in Pittsburgh (held on Saturday April 8).

STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD \$75 (TWO)

An award to support student travel to the AAG meetings in Pittsburgh – open to all SGSSG student members. Please email a descriptive paragraph making your case for support to salmoussc@muohio.edu (& please indicate if you are receiving support from any other source).

All entries for both competitions must be received by March 31, 2000. The results will be announced at the SGSSG Business meetings in Pittsburgh.

MEMBER UPDATES

Upon a general solicitation, a number of SGSSG members graciously forwarded information on their activities.

Linda Peake reports:

I have been on sabbatical in Guyana this year continuing to work with Red Thread Women's Development Programme. We are currently finishing off a research project on domestic violence, funded by the IDB. The IDB are interested in the Red Thread methodology of training grass roots' women to conduct their own research and hope to be able to incorporate it into other projects they are funding within the Caribbean. For those wishing to know more about the methodology or Red Thread (which was formed in the 1980s by women members of the Working People's Alliance) or Guyana, see Peake, L. and Trotz, A. (1999) Gender, Ethnicity and Place: Women and Identities in Guyana. (Routledge).

Pamela Moss reports:

I am now a member of the Faculty of Human and Social Development at the University of Victoria. I supervise graduate work of students training in the professional fields of nursing, social work, child and youth care, and, more widely, community studies. I teach marxist, feminist, and post-structuralist geographies in the context of human services.

Vera Chouinard reports:

In terms of my publications, the following may be of interest: (1999) "Body Politics: Disabled Women's Activism in Canada and Beyond" in R. Butler and H. Parr (eds). *Mind and Body Spaces: Geographies of Illness, Impairment and Disability*; V. Chouinard (2000) "Geographies of Legal Resistance: Legal Clinic Struggles to Empower Marginalized Groups" special issue of *Historical Geography* (forthcoming). V. Chouinard (2000) "Getting Ethical: for Inclusive and Engaged Geographies of Disability," *Ethics, Place and Culture* (latest issue).

BEST BOOKS

Members recommend books they've found stimulating for the benefit of others.

Clyde Woods has written a great big feast of a book (which I have reviewed for Political Geography) on racism, the blues and economic regional development in the southern United States. A must read for those who want to know more about what Clinton did before he became president or where Elvis got his material from! Its called Development Arrested. Race, Power and the Blues in the Mississippi Delta (Verso. 1998).

(Linda Peake)

I would mention several recent works by the Italian Marxist Antonio Negri. Although a bit dated, Labor of Dionysus: A Critique of the State-Form (written with Michael Hardt) is still a valuable read (Minnesota, 1994). And, more recently, Insurgencies: Constituent Power and the Modern State (Minnesota 1999). And finally, for contextual info about Negri and the Italian Marxist tradition: Radical Thought in Italy: A Potential Politics (Minnesota, 1996).

(Jeff Popke)

Vanderbilt, Tom (1998) The Sneaker Book: Anatomy of an Industry and an Icon (New York: The New Press).

Weiss, Gail (1999) Body Images: Embodiment as Intercorporality (New York: Routledge).

(Pamela Moss)

CONFERENCES

MARXISM 2000

September 21-24 at U Mass-Amherst. Deadline for submissions in June 1. Special invitees include Julie Graham, David Harvey, and Mike Davis, among many others.

Lots more details can be found at the conference web site at:

<http://www.nd.edu/~remarks/Marxism2000/>

ALTERNATIVE GEOGRAPHIES: SECOND INTERNATIONAL GEOGRAPHY
CONFERENCE, TAEJU, SOUTH KOREA
9-13 August 2000

SPACE STILL AVAILABLE!

After the uprising in Seattle and the many other demonstrations around the world against the World Trade Organization, the 2nd International Critical Geography Conference, takes on increased significance and importance.

Following the successful inaugural International Critical Geography (ICG) conference in Vancouver in August 1997, attended by 300 people from 30 countries, this 2nd ICG Conference is a major international meeting. It takes place at the University of Taegu, South Korea, from 9

to 13 August 2000.

The program for the Taegu meeting is being finalized and there is still some space for sessions and papers. Several exciting plenary sessions have been organized; a film session focusing on political film in South Korea, poetry readings; discussions of political movements, as well as much much more.

If you would still like to participate, please return the form below to:

Neil Smith, Center for Place Culture and Politics
CUNY Graduate Center
365 Fifth Avenue
NY NY 10016
US

Please make cheques for conference fees payable to:

"CUNY Grad Center -- ICG"

Local Organizer: Byung-Doo Choi

Program Committee:
Caroline Desbiens (Canada)
Joe Painter (UK)
Blanca Ramirez (Mexico)
Claudia Minca (Italy)
Byung-Doo Choi (South Korea)
Neil Smith (U.S.)

CONFERENCE FEES

A.. FULL FEES: (NOTE** this includes shared accommodation and meals):

Faculty	US\$ 200
Students	US\$ 100

Fees without accommodation (includes meals):

Faculty	US\$ 170
Students	US\$ 70

B. REDUCED FEES for participants from non-OECD countries
(NOTE** this includes shared accommodation and meals):

Faculty	US\$ 120
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Students US\$ 70

C. REDUCED FEES (non-OECD countries and Korea - no accommodation or meals):

Faculty US\$ 100

Students US\$ 50

REGISTRATION FORM

2ND INTERNATIONAL CRITICAL GEOGRAPHY CONFERENCE
TAEJU, SOUTH KOREA

9-13 August 2000

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Are you proposing to organize a session? No _____

Yes _____ Title _____

Participants:

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

PLEASE ATTACH ABSTRACTS FOR EACH PAPER

Are you presenting a paper? No _____
Yes _____

Title: _____

PLEASE ATTACH ABSTRACT

Registration Form - continued

Conference Fees

A. FULL (with accommodation and meals)

Faculty:

\$US 200 _____

Students:

\$US 100 _____

(Without accommodation)

Faculty

US\$ 170 _____

Students

US\$ 70 _____

B. REDUCED (includes shared accommodation and meals):

Faculty

US\$

120 _____

Students

US\$

70 _____

C. REDUCED (no accommodation or meals):

Faculty

US\$ 100

Students

US\$ 50

Field Trips _____ US\$ 50 _____

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US \$ _____

GLOBALIZATION AND THIRD WORLD DEVELOPMENT IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY

April 9-11, 2000

The Year 2000 University of Georgia Conference

Opening Address:

Georgia Congresswoman, Cynthia McKinney

Keynote Presentation:

Dr L. Yapa, Geography, Pennsylvania State University: 'The Globalization of Poverty in a Postmodern World.'

Conference Aims

The objective of the conference is to place Third World development in the next century within the general context of the ongoing globalization process. The papers and discussions will focus on several substantive themes including the following: nature of globalization and Third World development; impacts of globalization on different Third World settings; neoliberalism, the market and the state in the emerging global order; demise of the welfare state and ascendancy of liberal democracy; Third world women in the new global agenda; education, technology and the Third World in the emerging global arena; sustainable development, environmentalism and the new global agenda.

The conference aims to assemble Third World scholars from a variety of fields in a forum that provides focused intellectual discourse on the Third World in the emerging global order. Papers submitted for the conference can be either of an empirical or theoretical nature.

Location

The conference will be held at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education on the campus of the University of Georgia in Athens. Athens, located about 65 miles northeast of Atlanta, is connected to the state capital by state highways 361 and 78 (both four lane highways), and interstate 85. Driving time from Athens to downtown Atlanta (CNN, Coca-Cola, Underground,

Martin Luther King Memorial, Carter Center etc.) is about one hour fifteen minutes.

Shuttle service from Atlanta's Hartsfield Airport to Athens is provided by the AAA Airport Express (telephone: 770-725-5573; 404-767-2000). The shuttle departs from Hartsfield for Athens everyday at 9.15 a.m, 11.45 a.m, 2.15 p.m, 4.45 p.m, 7.15 p.m, 9.45 p.m, and 11.30 p.m (the trip from the airport to the Georgia Center is approx. 1hr 30 minutes).

It is also possible to fly directly into Athens through Charlotte NC by US Air.

Participation and Format

The conference will start on Sunday 9th April with a keynote address by Georgia Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney (to be confirmed), followed by lunch. The Plenary presentation by Dr. Yapa will follow lunch. The rest of the conference on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday will comprise of paper sessions. The conference will end on Tuesday. The program will be finalized after abstracts have been received and reviewed by the organizing committee.

Accommodations

Arrangements for accommodations should be made directly with:

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Conference Rate: \$80.00/day (includes group lunch each day). If you have special dietary requirements, please communicate this to the Center when making your reservations.

Reservation deadline: Please book your room by March 15th to get the conference rate.

Registration Fee: \$25 payable at registration which starts on April 8th.

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PROGRAM
Sunday, April 9

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Welcome - Vernon Meentemeyer, Chair, Department of Geography

10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Opening Plenary Address - Georgia Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney (To be Confirmed)

12:15 - 1:30 p.m.

Lunch

1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Keynote Paper - Lakshman Yapa (Pennsylvania State University)
The Globalization of Poverty in a Postmodern World

3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

Break

Session 1. 4:15 - 5:45 p.m.: Chair: B. I. Logan

Gabriel Wilner: The Law of Globalization and the Imperatives of International Development Law and Policy (University of Georgia)

Brian Nickerson: The Globalization of Environmental Policy: The Prospects for International Wildlife Law in Africa (Iona University)

Charlie Mather: Maps, measurements and landmines: professionalizing the global land mines crisis (University of Witwatersrand)

Monday, April 10

Session 2. 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.: Chair: K. Mengisteab

Padraig Carmody: The Liberalization of Underdevelopment or the Criminalization of the State: Contrasting Explanations of Africa's Economic Crisis under Globalization (University of Vermont)

Alejandro Arias: The Third World in the Twenty First Century: Searching for Sustainable Globalization? (Universidad de Los Andes, Merida, Venezuela)

John Pickles: Specters that haunt: globalism, neo-liberalism, and tribalism in post-Cold War geopolitics (University of Kentucky)

Timothy M. Shaw: From Anarchy to Renaissance in Africa in the New Millennium: new regionalisms as responses to globalizations (Dalhousie University)

Break: 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Session 3. 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Chair: James O. Wheeler

Jan Nijman: The Impacts of Economic Liberalization on the Urban Economy of Mumbai (University of Miami)

Selima Sultana & S. Neelomi: The Impacts of Globalization on Urban Policy in Dhaka: Towards A Sustainable City (University of Georgia and Jahangirnagar University, Dhaka, Bangladesh)

Susan Walcott: Science Parks as High Tech Growth Engines in Metropolitan Shanghai: Magnets for Global Capital (Georgia State University)

Bimal Kanti Paul: Flow of External Assistance and Tug-of-War between Bangladesh Government and Non-government Organizations (NGOs): A Case Study (University of Kansas)

Lunch: 12:30 - 1:45 p.m.

Session 4. 1:45 - 3:15 p.m. Chair: J. Nyangoro

Bruce E. Davis: Education and Technology in the Third World: Paradigms and Pressures from Globalization (Central Washington University)

Raymond Greene, S. George, and W. Greene: Geopolis: Telecommerce, Global Transportation And The New Global City (University of Georgia, Alabama State University, Secretariat of Guinea, Sierra Leone/ Libena Flight Information Region)

Derik Mulenga: Africa in the Global Information Economy: Limitations and Potentials in the New Millennium (Pennsylvania State University)

Break: 3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

Session 5. 3:45 - 5:15 p.m.: Chair: Jan Nijman

Elaine R. Hartwick: Commodity Chains and Globalization: Towards a New Politics (Framingham State College)

Mueni Wa Muiu: Hegemony & Globalization: Recolonizing Africa in the 21st century (Howard University)

Julius Nyangoro: Globalization, the State, and Economic Development in Africa (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill)

Kidane Mengisteab: Globalization and the Struggle for Democratization in Africa (Old Dominion University)

Lunch. 12:30 - 1:45 p.m.

Session 8. 1:45 - 3:45 p.m.: Chair: Lakshman Yapa

Nikolas Heynen: Neoliberalism and Restructuring in Latin America and Africa: A Destructive Global Discipline? (Indiana University)

Marina Karides: Shifts in Neo-liberal Development Strategies, Same Ideology, Different Programs: The Case of Trinidad and Tobago (University of Georgia)

Richard Peet: Neoliberalism: In South Africa (Clark University)

J. Henry Owusu: The Role of the State and Efficiency in Export-Oriented Industrial Production in Sub-Saharan Africa: The Case of Ghana's Formal Wood Processing Industry (University of Connecticut)

AAG PITTSBURGH SPONSORED SESSIONS

Wednesday, April 5

29. New Voices in Critical Geography 1: Perspectives on Young People and Education (Sponsored by Socialist Geography Specialty Group)
Organizer: Thomas Herman, San Diego State University
Chair: Thomas Herman, San Diego State University
8:00 Melina A. Patterson, Rutgers University, Visions of Radical Education: Equality and Identity in Alternative Schools
8:20 Robert M. Vanderbeck, University of Sheffield, Knowledge, Power, and Social Exclusion: Gypsy / Traveler Young People and the Spaces of Education
8:40 Thomas Herman, San Diego State University, Community Schools: Place Based Support Networks for Students and Their Families
9:00 Felicity J. Callard, Johns Hopkins University, The Obstinate Psyche: Resisting Resistance
9:20 Tim Freytag, University of Heidelberg, The Educational Attainment of the Hispanic Population in New Mexico

61. Race, Space, Place, and Environment 1: Race and Society, Race and Space (Sponsored by Qualitative Research, Geographic Perspectives on Women, Cultural Geography, American Ethnic Geography, Political Geography, Historical Geography, Sexuality and Space, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)

Susan M. Roberts: Geographies of Context and Connection: Representations of Working Children (University of Kentucky)

Johnathan Walker: The State and Globalization of Labor: Labor Export and Import in Taiwan's Economic Restructuring and Development (University of Georgia)

Tuesday, April 11

Session 6. 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.: Chair: B. I. Logan

William G. Moseley: Between the Market and Mother Nature: Environmental Change, Economic Incentives and Livelihood Adaptation Among the Bambara of Southern Mali (University of Georgia)
Kent Glazer: The Enactment and Contestation of Global Cultural Scripts in Malian Development Efforts, 1960-99 (Emory University)

W. Van De Berg: Tourism and Globalization: Ecotourism and the Political Ecology of the River Systems of Nepal (University of Georgia)

Jan Erik Nilsen: Energy and Development - the Norwegian Experience as a Model (Adger College, Norway)

Break. 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Session 7a. 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Chair: Guy Martin

Tonic Maruata: Adult Education and Globalization: What Does the Future Hold for Third World Communities? (University of Botswana)

Jean-Baptiste Meyer: The Global Knowledge Society: Friend or Foe of Development? (Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (France) and the University of Cape Town)

Ronald W. Ward: Globalization and the Internationalization of Skills: The Case of Expatriates in Zimbabwe's Institutions of Higher Education (University of Georgia)

Wapula Raditloaneng: Beating the odds: Globalization, poverty and adult education in Sub-Saharan Africa (Pennsylvania State University)

Session 7b. 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Chair: Timothy Shaw

Guy Martin: France's African Policy in Transition: Economic Disengagement and Redeployment (University of Virginia)

Organizers: Perry L. Carter, University of Kentucky, David L. Butler, University of Cincinnati

Chair: David L. Butler, University of Cincinnati

8:00 James Hay, University of Illinois, Don't Fence Whom In?: The Cultural Economy of a Free Range City

8:20 Matthew Gandy, University College London, Redefining Space, Place, and Nature: Radical Political Activism in New York City's Puerto Rican Community 1969-1972

8:40 Jonathan Leib, Florida State University, Jim Crow, Civil Defense, and the Cold War: Preserving Segregated Savannah in the Event of Armageddon

9:00 Perry L. Carter, University of Kentucky, The Production and Maintenance of Racialized Spaces: Racial Segregation on College Campuses

95. New Voices in Critical Geography II (Sponsored by Socialist Geography Specialty Group)

Organizer: Thomas Herman, San Diego State University

Chair: Dianne Rocheleau, Clark University

10:00 Jean Lavigne, University of Kentucky, Trailer Parks and Trophy Homes: Class Relations in the New West

10:20 Christine Mitchell, Clark University, Vulnerability, Resistance, Risk, and Power: Differential Response to Development Interventions

10:40 Ethan Yorgason, Syracuse University, Shall We Never Have Done Admiring Our Brigham Youngs?: The Unconsummated Mormon/Socialist Alliance

11:00 Chris Lukinbeal, San Diego University, Revealing Cinematic Space: "On Location" in San Diego

11:20 Naoko Kubo, Clark University, Carbon Futures in Principle, Policy, and Practice

97. Race, Space, Place, and Environment II. Spatial Manifestations of Racial Inequality (Sponsored by Qualitative Research, Geographic Perspectives on Women, Cultural Geography, American Ethnic Geography, Political Geography, Historical Geography, Sexuality and Space, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)

Organizers: Perry L. Carter, University of Kentucky, David L. Butler, University of Cincinnati

Chair: James M. Blaut, University of Illinois-Chicago

10:00 James M. Blaut, University of Illinois-Chicago, Race, Class, and Empire

10:20 Bobby M. Wilson, University of Alabama-Birmingham, The Social

Implication of Postmodernity for the Black Consumer

10:40 Joe T. Darden, Michigan State University, Residential Segregation and Neighborhood Socioeconomic Inequality: The Chinese in Toronto

11:00 Stephanie J. Garcia, Southwest Texas State University, Evaluating Environmental Equity: Is It All in the Method?

129. Reframing Women's Resistance (Sponsored by Urban Geography and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)

Organizers: Gerda R. Wekerle, York University, Melissa Gilbert, Temple

University

Chair: Gerda R. Wekerle, York University

2:00 Laura Paulido, University of Southern California, Gender Relations

Among Revolutionaries of Color

12:20 Lydla A. Savage, University of Southern Maine, Women and Unions: The

Harvard Union of Clerical and Technical Workers

12:40 Gerda R. Wekerle, York University, Contesting Crime: Feminists

Approaching Urban Safety vs the Law and Order Agenda

Discussant: Joni Seager, University of Vermont

135. Race, Space, Place, and Environment III. The Built Environment and the History of Racialized Spaces (Sponsored by Qualitative Research, Geographic

- perspectives on Women, Cultural Geography, American Ethnic Geography, Political Geography, Historical Geography, Sexuality and Space, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)
- Organizer: Perry L. Carter, University of Kentucky
Chair: Clyde Woods, Pennsylvania State University
12:00 Joseph Heathcott, Washington University, Modernity, Public Housing, and the Urban Landscape in Postwar America
12:30 Gregory K. Dreicer, New School University, Architecture of Segregation: Making Public History
1:00 Discussants: David Delaney, University of Massachusetts, Doris Wilkinson, University of Kentucky, Richard H. Schein, University of Kentucky
168. Race, Space, Place, and Environment IV: Borders and Identity (Sponsored by Qualitative Research, Geographic Perspectives on Women, Cultural Geography, American Ethnic Geography, Political Geography, Historical Geography, Sexuality and Space, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)
Organizers: Perry L. Carter, University of Kentucky, David L. Butler, University of Cincinnati
Chair: Patricia Price, Florida International University
2:00 Ellen R. Hansen, Emporia State University, Gender and Identity at the US-Mexico Border
2:20 Patricia Price, Florida International University, Inscribing the Border: Schizophrenia and the Aesthetics of Aztlan
2:40 Divya P. Tolia, University College London, Iconographics of Identity: Landscapes of Diasporic Belongings
3:00 Wun Fung Chan, University of Birmingham, Worlding a Multicultural City: Some Tensions in a City of Presence and Intertextuality
3:20 Eric J. Riser, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Race, Place, and the American Colonization Society: Mapping Identity and 19th Century Representations of Africa
175. Aesthetics and Capital Accumulation: Explorations in the Economic Geography of Cultural Products Industries (Sponsored by Economic Geography and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)
Organizers: Jeff Boggs, Univ of California-Los Angeles, Nicholas D.Velluzzi, University of Washington
Chair: Jeff Boggs, Univ of California-Los Angeles
4:00 Jeff Boggs, Univ of California-Los Angeles, Restructuring in the German Publishing Industry Since Reunification
4:16 Norma M. Rantisi, University of Toronto, Unpacking the Garment District's "Institutional Milieu": How NYC's Apparel Industry Stays in Fashion
4:32 Allen J. Scott, University of California-Los Angeles, Observations on the Cultural Economy of Paris
4:48 Nicholas D. Velluzzi, University of Washington, Knowledge Coordination, Regional Competency, and Industrial Organization: The Case of Special Effects Production in Hollywood
5:04 Tara Vinodral, Queen's University, Death of a Theatre Company? Restructuring, the Entertainment Industry, and a Story from the Theatre
Discussant: Michael Storper, University of California-Los Angeles
- Thursday, April 6
235. Speaking of Space: Placing Identity and Language 1: Theoretical Stories (Sponsored by Urban Geography, Cultural Geography, Geographic Perspectives on Women, Sexuality and Space, Qualitative Research, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)
Organizer: Susan P. Mains, University of Kentucky
Chair: Susan P. Mains, University of Kentucky
8:00 Lawrence Berg, University of Victoria, Narrating Identity: The Spatial

- Politics of Naming
- 8:20 Tobie Saad, University of Kentucky, Excremental Geographica?
- 8:40 Tom Delph Janiurek, University of Wales-Lampeter, The Space That Talk Makes: The Conversational Performance of Space
- 9:00 Susan P. Mains, University of Kentucky, Far Too Close?: Intimate Geographics of Speech and Sexuality
- 9:20 Allan Pred, University of California-Berkeley, Unspeakable Spaces: Geographies of the Unspoken, the Taken-for-Granted, the Forgotten
278. Speaking of Space: Placing Identity and Language II: Rethinking National and Colonial Identities (Sponsored by Urban Geography, Cultural Geography, Geographic Perspectives on Women, Sexuality and Space, Qualitative Research, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)
- Organizer: Susan P. Mains, University of Kentucky
- Chair: Sabine Gaag, University of Dundee
- 10:00 Anna Minna Pavulans, University of Oregon, Redefining Belonging: The Politics of Language and Citizenship in Latvia
- 10:20 Catherine Nolin Hanlon, Queen's University, Finola Shankar, Queen's University, Gendered Spaces of Terror and Assault: The Testimonio of REMHI and the Commission for Historical Clarification for Guatemala
- 10:40 Sabine Gaag, University of Dundee, English as a "Lingua Franca"
- Examining Positionality and the Crossing of Linguistic Boundaries
- 11:00 Gerald Thomas, Clarion University of Pennsylvania, Johnny Was a Good Man: Duppy Conquering the Colonial Story
- 11:20 Mary Gilmartin, University of Kentucky, Unsettled Communities: Language and Change in Northern Ireland and South Africa
319. Speaking of Space: Placing Identity and Language III: Sites of Identity (Re)Creation (Sponsored by Urban Geography, Cultural Geography, Geographic Perspectives on Women, Sexuality and Space, Qualitative Research, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)
- Organizer: Susan P. Mains, University of Kentucky
- Chair: Luiza Bialasiewicz, University of Colorado-Boulder
- 2:00 Luiza Bialasiewicz, University of Colorado-Boulder, (Re)placing Europe's Eastern Frontier: Back to a Galicia Felix
- 2:20 Jeffrey N. Fugate, University of Kentucky, Powerful Music: Activist Musicians in Appalachia
- 2:40 Deborah Martin, University of Georgia, Constructing Place-Identity: The Role of Local and Mainstream Newspapers in Representing an Inner City Neighborhood
- 3:00 Jeff Hopkins, University of Western Ontario, Gloria Leckie, Western Ontario University, Place Identities of Central Public Libraries in an Information Society
- 3:20 Han Suk Ock, Kangwon National University, An Understanding of Fengsui Landscape in Korea
348. Tourism and Development:
- Critical Perspectives I (Sponsored by Socialist Geography, Political Geography, and Recreation, Tourism, and Sport Specialty Groups)
- Organizers: Byron Miller, University of Cincinnati, Theano S. Terkenli, University of Aegean
- Chairs: Byron Miller, University of Cincinnati, Theano S. Terkenli, University of Aegean
- 2:00 Steven Tufts, York University, We Make It Work: Competing Tourism Development Narratives in the Making of A Hospitality Workforce
- 2:20 Theano S. Terkenli, University of Aegean, Meanings and Messages of Development: A Tourism Geography of Heronissos, Crete
- 2:40 Byron Miller, University of Cincinnati, Spaces of Empowerment? State Decentralization and the Political Dynamics of Tourism Based Development on Crete

3:00 Raymond P. Baruffalo, University of Kentucky, Winners or Losers?: The Shifting Political Interest of the Casino Industry in a Mississippi County
Discussant: Jim Glassman, Syracuse University

356. Speaking of Space: Placing Identity and Language IV: Discussion (Sponsored by Urban Geography, Cultural Geography, Geographic Perspectives on Women, Sexuality and Space, Qualitative Research, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)

Organizer: Susan P. Mains, University of Kentucky

Chair: Susan P. Mains, University of Kentucky

Panelists: Susan P. Mains, University of Kentucky, John Paul Jones III, University of Kentucky, Sallie Marston, University of Arizona, Gunnar Olsson, Uppsala University, Wolfgang Natter, University of Kentucky, Allan Pred, University of California-Berkeley

Friday, April 7

430. Labor and Spatial Strategy (Sponsored by Socialist Geography Specialty Group)

Organizers: Andrew Herod, University of Georgia, Christian Berndt, Universitaet Eichstaett

Chair: Andrew Herod, University of Georgia

8:00 Andrew Curnbers, University of Aberdeen, A New Space of Collective Resistance? The Political Economy of Union Renewal in the UK Oil Industry

8:20 Thomas Estabrook, University of Massachusetts-Lowell, The Discourse of Just Transition: Labor's Clean Production Strategies

8:40 Nikolaas C. Heynen, Indiana University, Mark E. Resinger, Indiana University, Bringing Justice to the Fields: Migrant Agriculture Workers

Labor Unions in the United States
9:00 Christian Berndt, Universitaet Eichstaett, Nescafe and Tortillas:

Mexican Labor Between NAFTA and Tradition

9:20 Andrew Herod, University of Georgia, Labor Union Organizing Under Just-in-time Production: Strategic Workers, Spatial Strategy, and the Geography of the 1998 General Motors/UAW Dispute

456. Poststructural Political Ecologies (Sponsored by Cultural Geography and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)

Organizers: Sunita P. Reddy, Wittenberg University, Dianne Rocheleau, Clark University

Chair: Dianne Rocheleau, Clark University

10:00 Salvatore Engel Di Mauro, Rutgers University, State Socialism, Capitalism, and Gendered Soil Management

10:20 Michael K. Goodman, Univ of California-Santa Cruz, Consuming Nature and Nature of Consuming: Reflections on Consumption in the Age of Ecology

10:40 Sunita P. Reddy, Wittenberg University, The Alternative Space of the Commons: Community, Identity, and Power in Highland Guatemala

11:00 Arturo Escobar, University of Massachusetts, Social Movements and the

Politics of Political Ecology Theory and Practice
Discussant: Richard Schroeder, Rutgers University

497. Environmental Studies and Geography in Academe: Cooptation or Cooperation? (Sponsored by Contemporary Agriculture and Rural Land Use, Environmental Perception and Behavioral Geography, Geography, Education, and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)

Organizer: Gigi Berardi, Western Washington University

Chair: Gigi Berardi, Western Washington University

Panelists: Gigi Berardi, Western Washington University, Jochen Albrecht, University of Auckland, Jan Curry-Roper,

Calvin College, David A. Padgett, Tennessee State University, Michael K.

Helman, Dickinson College

521. Race, Identities, and Representation in America's Cities (Sponsored by Urban Geography, Socialist Geography, and Political Geography Specialty Groups)

Organizers: David Wilson, University of Illinois, Harald Bauder, University of British Columbia

Chair: Wolfgang Natter, University of Kentucky

2:00 David Wilson, University of Illinois, Constructing "Black-on-Black"

Violence: The Neoliberal Discourse

2:20 Dennis Grammenos, Northeastern Illinois University, Brave New City:

Representation and Ideology in Chicago's Near West Side

2:40 Katherine Jones, University of Kentucky, Representation, Race, and the

Neighborhood: A New Telling of an Old Story in Lexington, KY

3:00 Harald Bauder, University of British Columbia, Placing Structure: The Local Production of Inner City Youth Identities

Discussant: Robert A. Beauregard, New School for Social Research

647. Race, Space, Place, and Environment V. Native Peoples and Colonization

(Sponsored by Qualitative Research, Geographic Perspectives on Women,

Cultural Geography, American Ethnic Geography, Political Geography, Historical Geography, Sexuality and Space, and Socialist Geography Specialty

Groups)

Organizers: Perry L. Carter, University of Kentucky, David L. Butler,

University of Cincinnati

Chair: Devi Sarinjeive, Vista University

10:00 Devi Sarinjeive, Vista University, African Spaces, Apartheid Spaces in

Gordimer's "A World of Strangers"

10:20 Sophie Oldfield, University of Cape Town and University of Minnesota, Race, Crime, and Policing: Mosaics of Urban Identity, Locality, and Post-

Apartheid Social Regulation

10:40 Diane Shaw, Carnegie Mellon University, Circulating Ladies, Standing

Loafers, and Stragglng Indians: 19th Century Spatial Culture of Public Space

in Upstate New York

11:00 Morgan M. Robertson, University of Wisconsin, Joel Walnwright,

University of Minnesota, "Who Deems What is Sacred?" Science and Colonialism

in Downtown Minneapolis

11:20 Christina Dando, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Constructing a Plain/s View with Reservation

682. Race, Space, Place, and Environment VI: The Invisibility of Whiteness

in Geographic Research and Race (Sponsored by Qualitative Research,

Geographic Perspectives on Women, Cultural Geography, American Ethnic

Geography, Political Geography, Historical Geography, Sexuality and Space,

and Socialist Geography Specialty Groups)

Organizer: Perry L. Carter, University of Kentucky

Chair: Perry L. Carter, University of Kentucky

Panelists: Peter Jackson, University of Sheffield, Joe T. Darden, Michigan

State University, Mark Purcell, University of Washington, Gerald Thomas,

Clarion University of Pennsylvania, Audrey Kobayashi, Queen's University

712. Author Meets the Critics: Byron Miller's Geography and Social Movements (Sponsored by Political Geography, Socialist Geography, and Urban Geography Specialty Groups)

Organizer: David Wilson, University of Illinois

Chair: David Wilson, University of Illinois

Panelists: Kevin R. Cox, Ohio State University, Sallie Marston, University

of Arizona, Harald Bauder, University of British Columbia, Steve Herbert,

Indiana University, Gerard Toal, Virginia Tech, Byron Miller, University of

Cincinnati

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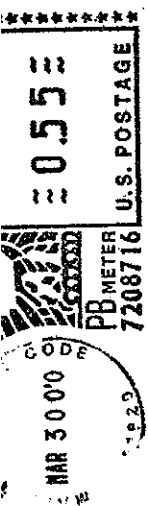
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