EDITORIAL COMMENT

Readers would be interested in knowing that the response to the first Newsletter was rather encouraging. After my announcement in the major scholarly journals, I received about 300 inquiries and the consensus was one of support. The statistical accounting is below, as of May 3:

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I will send this issue to all who requested the initial one. But I earnestly request that those who feel the Newsletter is of value to join the Immigration History Group if they have not done so. Make out your check to the IHG and send it to me. The Group here ought to express its gratitude to Cleveland State University, especially Dean Soules and John Cary, History Department Chairman, for subsidizing these first two Newsletter issues. However, we ought to be at least partially self-supporting, so please send me your remittance immediately.

The IHG business meeting at the Philadelphia convention of the Organization of American Historians on April 18 finally produced a draft constitution. The document appears below and will be reprinted in the November, 1969 Newsletter for the consideration and approval of Group members at the American Historical Association meeting in Washington in December. Readers should know that the general philosophy of the Group heretofore has been to keep the administration as simple as possible.
"Constitution of Immigration History Group"

I. The organization is known as the Immigration History Group (Society?) with its official organ, The Immigration History Newsletter.

II. Its objective is to further the study of international migration and its consequences, with particular reference to the American experience.

III. Membership is open to all students of immigration, whatever their discipline. Dues are $3 per year.

IV. Group officers are composed of an Executive Secretary, Newsletter Editor, and Program Chairman, who are to be elected annually at a Group meeting or by mail ballot.

V. An Executive Council has charge of the general affairs of the Group, its decisions subject to approval at the annual meetings. The Council is composed of no more than six members, two elected each year for a three-year term.

VI. The Group will hold two regular meetings, one at the AHA convention, the other at the OAH convention.

For those who cannot attend the December AHA meeting, I would be happy to relay their criticisms and suggestions. Please note my address after June 15 will be Department of History, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

I would like to conclude with a valuable maxim to remember, "a news bulletin is only as good as its reporters."

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PAST MEETINGS

Case Studies in British Immigration

Under this title the Immigration History Group held a joint session of the American Historical Association meeting in New York last December. Rowland Berthoff chaired the panel and reported that A.L. Rowse of Oxford stressed the Cornish role in American mining. Maldwin Jones of the University of Manchester hypothesized that the Welsh immigrants' strong desire to assimilate might be a model of accommodation by other American groups. Arnold Schrier of the University of Cincinnati disagreed, strongly asserting that these British nationalities did not suffer the discrimination of white minorities.
Christian Jewish Relationships Around 1900

There was a joint meeting also at the AHA with the American Jewish Historical Society. John Appel focused on the attraction of Christian Science to the more aculturated Jews and the latter's abortive attempt at a "Jewish Science." Egal Feldman of Wisconsin State University, Superior, noted the Jewish admiration of the Social Gospelers but the insurmountable religious separatism held by the latter. Lloyd Gartner of CCNY pointed to a socio-economic class difference in Jewish-liberal Christian relations as well as Social Gospel hostility toward Judaism. Winthrop Hudson of Colgate Rochester Divinity School criticized Professor Appel's mistaking Christian Science for being fundamentalistic. It was actually more radically modern. Liberal Christian-Jewish divisions, he concluded, were essentially traditional and theological not involving anti-semitism.

Sociology of Slavic Peoples in the U.S.

The Southwestern Social Science Association held an ethnic panel at its April convention in Houston. Chaired by Stanford Gerber of Clark University, the session had seven participants. Victor Greene of Cleveland State University saw more identity than conflict between Southerners and their Slavic neighbors. Joseph Wieczerzak of Bronx, New York Community College described the evolution of Polish National Catholicism. Eugene Obidinski of Penn State University and Sister Therese Polzen of Lewis College, Lockport, Illinois, noted Polish American assimilation, acknowledging the value of Milton Gordon's theory. Rev. M. J. Madaj of St. Mary of the Lakes Seminary gave a brief history of Polish America while Kenneth Harding of the University of Pittsburgh explained the surprising ethnic durability in the Polish Hill district of his city.

Ethnicity: A Neglected Dimension of American History

At the April meeting of the Organization of American Historians, Rudolph Vecoli of the University of Minnesota read a paper criticizing historians for their assimilationist interpretation of the American social process. However, he did note belated recognition of the ethnic factor. Rowland Berthoff of Washington University objected to the notion of a WASP community, the group pressuring minorities to conform. Arthur Mann of the University of Chicago concluded that we still have the task of accounting for our national existence with its enormous heterogeneity.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Forthcoming panels include an IHG session at the American Historical Association this December which Carlton Qualey of Carleton College is arranging.

Another symposium is being projected at Brooklyn College's Center for Migration Studies (see below) in the near future on Labor and Immigration. Associate Director William Bernard is in charge.

The American Immigration and Citizenship Conference will hold its fifteenth anniversary conference on May 2 at the Hotel Plaza in New York. The subject is current U.S. immigration policy with major addresses by Senator Claiborne Pell (R.I.) and Rep. Michael Feighan (Ohio). Workshops and a business meeting will precede the speakers. Sonia Blumenthal is AICC Executive Secretary.
ETHNIC HISTORICAL SOCIETIES AND INSTITUTES

American Italian Historical Association

While the AIHA is completing only its third year, the sustained activity is remarkable. The Association held its First Annual Conference in the Casa Italiana at Columbia University October 26, 1968 on Italian American political life. Two practicing politicians spoke and papers were read by Luciano Torizzo of Oswego State College (SUNY) and Salvatore La Gumina, Nassau (NY) Community College. John Duff, Seton Hall College, Arthur Mann, University of Chicago and Rudolph Vecoli, AIHA President, the University of Minnesota, responded. The second conference will be on the Italian American novel this year. The Association has begun an Archives and Oral History project according to Jean Scarpaci, Editor of the AIHA Newsletter, Towson State College, Baltimore 21204.

American Jewish Historical Society

The Society opened its new headquarters adjacent to the Brandeis University campus last spring. It was offering a free manuscript catalogue as of last year with a library of 35,000 volumes. Its last Newsletter stressed the Society's international activities: a joint European meeting in July with its English counterpart and publication of a Jewish American historical series in Hebrew and English with the Israeli Institute of Contemporary Jewry. Bernard Wax is Director of the Society, Two Thornton Road, Waltham, Massachusetts 02154.

American Hungarian Studies Foundation

The Foundation is seeking to construct a Hungarian museum, library and research center near Rutgers University. It has just received a $10,000 gift from Miklos Sperling to encourage research in both Eastern European and Hungarian emigration to the United States. The Foundation President is August Molnar, 177 Somerset Street, Box 1084, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903.

Norwegian American Historical Association

The NAHA must be congratulated upon completing a description of its holdings according to Library of Congress standards. The listing will be in the National Union Catalogue of Manuscript Collections. The McKnight Foundation recently awarded its annual Prize to the Association's recent publication, Rasmus Bjorn Anderson: Pioneer Scholar. NAHA headquarters are at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota.

Polish American Historical Association

The deceased PAHA founder, Mieczyslaus Haiman, was honored at the 25th anniversary session of the organization in Chicago last December. PAHA head, Rev. M. J. Madaj, St. Mary's Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois, chaired a panel on the writing of ethnic history, with Rev. Joseph Swastek of St Mary's College, Orchard Lake, Michigan; Joseph Cada, St. Procopius College; John Zvetina, Loyola University, Chicago; and Thomas Remeikis, St. Joseph College, East Chicago, Indiana. The Association hopes to have a joint meeting with its Italian counterpart in Washington this December during the AHA sessions.
Polish Museum of America

This Archives, established by Haiman, still has the largest collection of Polish Americana in the nation. Joseph Zurawski of the Museum has sent me a list of about 25 researchers who consulted the library in 1968 for material on immigration. The address is 984 Milwaukee Avenue, 60622.

Slovak Institute

The Institute, the largest Slovak library in America, is now cataloging its 10,000 volumes. In addition it contains an extensive Slovak American newspaper collection and is maintained by the Slovak Benedictines. Rev. Andrew Pier is the Director at 2900 East Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio.

Swiss American Historical Association

Lukas F. Burckhardt, SAHA Newsletter editor, tells of the fervent desire for close American contact by Swiss scholars. The publication includes reviews of recent studies of Swiss Americans. Dr. Burckhardt is at 2900 Cathedral Avenue NW, Washington, D.C.

IMMIGRATION STUDY CENTERS AND ACQUISITIONS

At the moment there are two academic centers devoted to the study of immigration matters. The first one, established in 1964 by Timothy Smith, (now at Johns Hopkins), is at the University of Minnesota and concentrates on training students in the specialty. This Center for Immigration Studies includes an Immigrant Archives and has been building a collection emphasizing Eastern and Southern European immigration. One notable acquisition is the papers of Paul Fox, a Polish Protestant social worker and author of The Poles in America (1922). The Center also has considerable material on recent refugees. Rudolph Vecoli is present Director.

Brooklyn College began a similar program in 1965. This Center for Migration Studies hopes to develop a large collection but at present its stress has been on encouraging research, sponsoring meetings and publishing proceedings. The first annual symposium on Columbus Day, 1966, produced The Social Studies and Education in Human Relations. The 1967 conference is in Toward Cultural Democracy, a 173-page volume of papers which discuss the compatibility of pluralism and democracy. Clarence Senior is Director, William Bernard, Associate Director.

The Cleveland (Ohio) State University Library has announced the receipt of a part of the Theodore Andrica collection. Andrica has been the Nationalities Editor of The Cleveland Press for forty years and active in local nationality activities. The material includes minute books, jubilee albums, and newspaper clippings concerning ethnic associations since 1867. John Herling, Library Director, will answer inquiries.
IMMIGRATION HISTORY COURSES

Due to readers' suggestions, I have summarized below an outline of an immigration history course given by John Appel, James Madison College, Michigan State University, East Lansing. For the complete 10-page syllabus, those interested should contact Professor Appel.

Description: An American immigrant history survey containing analyses of assimilation, Americanization and anti-immigrant attitudes.


Supplementary: O.E. Rolvaag, Peder Victorious, (Harper and Row P 3070F); Abraham Cahan, Rise of David Levinsky (Harper TB 1028). (Both novels)

Course Outline by Weeks

I. Introduction, overview, immigrant historiography
II. Demographic factors, emigration causes, colonial views, voyage, old immigrants.
III. Disorganization and reorganization, immigrant institutions, school, church, press, etc.
IV. Native response, legislation, comparative reception in other countries.
V. Theories of assimilation, Melting Pot, later immigrant generations.
VI. Indices of assimilation, external charges, language contributions, effects on originating country.
VII. Recent groups, Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, Negroes, stereotypes.
VIII. Oriental arrivals, refugees, brain drain.
IX. Ethnic vote, retention of loyalties.

The course includes guest lecturers from other MSU departments, a mid-term and final exam, and two course papers, one on the assimilation process, the other showing "library roadwork". A list of possible topics is appended including special projects as designing teaching aids.

Recent, new, or forthcoming immigration history courses are being given by Theodore Saloutos, of UCLA; John Allswang, Los Angeles State College; Philip Benjamin, Temple University, Philadelphia; Victor Greene, Cleveland State University; John A. Peterson, Queens College, New York; and Don Klimovich and Leo Schelbert of the University of Illinois, Chicago Circle.

IMMIGRATION AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Readers must agree that the immigrant experience can be conveyed superbly by illustration as well as the written word. Fortunately, contemporary with the mass movement of peoples, photography was developing high artistic standards and concerning itself with depicting early 20th century society. It is no coincidence that the masterpiece of the father of artistic photography, Alfred Steiglitz, is The Steerage (1907).
Recent developments point to a renewed interest in the visual record. Jonathan Schwartz of Wayne State noted that the International Institute of Detroit exhibited 50 remarkable photographs entitled "The Immigrant in America" last February. Most of the works were by Lewis Hine and Jacob Riis around the turn of the century. Hine's studies are at the George Eastman House, Rochester, New York; Riis', the Museum of the City of New York.

Maxine Seller of Bucks County Community College, Newtown, Pennsylvania also notes the significance of the illustration. She is currently preparing a film unit on immigration for the Feature Films project of the American Historical Association.

John Appel's vast slide collection on ethnic stereotypes has attracted the attention of the New York State Historical Association. He was invited to give a summer seminar entitled "Ethnic Life in the U.S., the Pictorial Record" at Cooperstown in July.

PUBLISHERS' INTEREST IN ETHNICITY GROWS

I cannot overlook the large number of series appearing on immigration history and ethnic groups. Quite likely, we can be grateful to the explosion of Black Studies for stimulating renewed publishers' interest in nationalities.

Three projects are directed at below-college age students. The Lerner Publication Company of Minneapolis has come out with 20 volumes on groups including East Indian and Pakistani Americans. Alexander DeConde of the University of California, Santa Barbara, has just initiated a similar series for Wadsworth and would be interested in contacting ethnic scholars who would like to participate. Also, Mrs. June Morgan of Designers for Education, 3618 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio would like to obtain assistance in designing a secondary school course on ethnic groups using transparencies. A History of the Negro Contribution has already appeared.

Two publishers have decided to reissue out-of-print nationality studies. The Arno Press, Dept. AM, 330 Madison Avenue, New York, has now available its 42-volume American Immigration Collection which includes the standard works of Poerster, Blegen, Balch, Coolidge, Faust, Park, and others.

William Bernard, Sociology, of Brooklyn College is editing for Patterson Smith a republication of the famous Carnegie Americanization Series of the 1920's. Each of the ten volumes will have a new introduction written by an immigration specialist that updates the study and indicates its current significance. Academicians who wish to participate should write Professor Bernard.

Another project is open to original manuscripts on immigration history. Twayne Publishers has inaugurated its Immigrant Heritage of America series 'to provide an up-to-date reassessment of the nationalities' role in American life and related subjects. The general theme appears a rather broad one and prospective authors should contact the editor, Dr. Cecyle S. Neidle at Twayne, 31 Union Square West, New York 3, New York.

Finally, two other series are forthcoming, a Berkshire Studies in Minority History and one by Basic Books.
ETHNIC STUDIES ABROAD

Canada

The Inter-University Committee on Canadian Slavs has announced its Third National Conference to take place on the Glendon Campus of York University in Toronto in mid-June. The Committee's aim is "to encourage research on all aspects of Slavic life in Canada." W. Janischewskyj, Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Toronto, Toronto 5, is in charge of arrangements.

I have received additional information on the Canada Ethnica series mentioned in the last Newsletter. The publications are sponsored jointly by the Centennial Commission and the Ethnic Press Federation with J.B. Rudnyckyj, University of Manitoba, in charge. The following numbers on Canadian groups have appeared in the uncompleted series: Indians and Eskimos, Icelanders by W.J. Lindal, Germans by H.W. Debor, Ukrainians by O. Woycenko, Lithuanians by Pr. Gaida, Italians by A. Spada, Poles by L, Kos-Rabciewicz-Zubkowski, Japanese by E. Ide, Slovaks by Joseph Kirschbaum.

Poland

There is a Society of Poles Abroad which has published a yearbook, Problemy Polonii Zagranicznej for the past several years. Volume VI is about to appear and normally the yearbooks contain articles and book reviews concerning the nationality beyond the border. The 1968 issue ran to 280 pages, all in Polish. The editor, Dr. Janina Zurawicka, Palac Kultury i Nauki, Warsaw, welcomes correspondence in any language.

Sweden

Researchers in Swedish migration have the enormous advantage of the recently-constructed House of Emigrants (Emigrantinstitutet). The structure, dedicated in 1968 with much official recognition including that of Minnesota and Washington Governors, has a close affiliation with Lund University at Varjo. Currently the Institute is inventorying the archives of Swedish American religious congregations. Though only three years old, the Institute has already established an enviably close contact with American scholars, Reference: Ulf Beijbom, Curator, Box 36, 35103 Varjo.

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS OF READERS

Esther Jerabek, Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul; assembling a bibliography on Czechs and Slovaks in America.


Helena Polreich, 315 E. 86th St., apt. 5-P, N.Y., 10028; American economic history, particularly seeks information on Bohemian immigrant, Gustav Lindenthal, civil engineer.

Alex Boros, 2115-1 Presidential Parkway, Twinsburg, Ohio; Hungarian assimilation patterns 1848-present.
John Kosa, Harvard Medical School, Boston; ed., The Home of the Learned Man: Symposium on Immigrant Scholar in America (1968); immigration of physicians in forthcoming Journal of Medical Education.

Rose Mary Prosen, English, Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, Ohio; seeks advice on Slavic American literature project.

Joseph F. Kess, Linguistics, University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia; linguistic assimilation among Japanese in Hawaii and Slovenians in Cleveland.

Antanas Kucys, Modern Languages, University of Scranton, Scranton, Pa., work, St. George's (Lithuanian) Parish Shenandoah, Pa. (1968).

Frank Renkiewicz, History, St. Teresa College, Winona, Minnesota; Poles in South Bend, Indiana.

Joanna Ladomirska, Silesian Institute, Opole, Poland; "Z Dziejow Slaskaiej Emigracji do Ameryki" in Studia Slaskie, X, 1966. (Silesian Polish Emigration).

Jan Perkowski, Slavic Department, University of Texas, Austin; "Kashubian Idiolect in United States" (Polish subgroup) to appear in International Journal of American Linguistics, in 1969.

Richard Juliani, Sociology, Beaver College, Glenside, Pa.; Italians in South Philadelphia.


Francesco Cordasco, Montclair State College, Montclair N.J.; Puerto Rican Children in Mainland Schools (Scarecrow); Jacob Riis Revisited (Doubleday); introductory essay in Phyllis Williams, South Italian Folkways (Russell reprint), all 1968.


Jean Searpaci, History, Towson State College, Baltimore, Md.; dissertation, "Italian Immigrant in Louisiana's Sugar Parishes."

Malcolm Sylvester, 716 Conklin Court, Madison, Wisc.; giving paper on Italian socialists in America at Florence, Italy, conference on emigration.

Andrew Rolle, History, Occidental College, Los Angeles; The Immigrant Uproased (University of Oklahoma Press, 1968) on the Italians west of the Mississippi.


Melvin Dubofsky, History, University of Massachusetts, Amherst; "Success and Failure of Socialism in New York City, 1900-1918," Labor History (Fall 1968) on Jewish labor.

Robert Levinson, History, San Jose State College, San Jose, California; dissertation, "Jews in California Gold Rush" to be published shortly.

Robert Rockaway, 503 Church Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan; dissertation, "Jews in Detroit, 1850-1924".

Frederich Luebke, History, University of Nebraska, Lincoln; Immigrants and Politics: The Germans in Nebraska, 1880-1900 (to be published in October by University of Nebraska Press).

George Kellner, 519 High Street, Columbia, Mo.; writing dissertation on Germans in St. Louis, 1830-1860.

Sister Rose Olson, History, University of Kansas, dissertation on St. Louis Germans.


Charles C. Buell, 163 Summer St., Somerville, Mass.; thesis work on French Canadians in Massachusetts.


Donald T. Hata, Jr., 2716 Glenn Avenue, Los Angeles, 90023; dissertation applying Handlin's alienation thesis to early Japanese in California.

Ralph Bunch, Government, North Texas State University, Denton, Texas; dissertation on political attitudes of Japanese Americans in Portland, Oregon.

Evan Vlachos, Sociology, Colorado State University, Fort Collins; assimilation of Greek Americans.

Nicholas Tavuchis, Sociology, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y.; Pastors and Immigrants (Nijhoff, 1963) on Norwegian immigrants, also studying Greeks in U.S.


George Svejda, National Park Service, 801 19th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240; working on history of Castle Garden 1855-90.

Moses Rischin, History, San Francisco State College; currently on Fulbright in Sweden studying Marcus Hansen's historiography.


W. Bruce White, History, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; Military and the melting pot, army attitudes toward cultural pluralism.

John D. Buenker, History, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Ill.; immigrants and Progressivism and ethnic political behavior.


Louise Wade, 5422 S. Blackstone Ave., Chicago; studying Chicago's Back-of-the-Yar community.

William Hoglund, History, University of Connecticut, Storrs; assembled large dissertation bibliography on immigration subjects.

CLARIFICATION

My statement that the future of the *Immigration Research Digest* of the American Immigration and Citizenship Conference was uncertain and that Professor Hutchinson, *Digest* Editor, had resigned was inaccurate. Professor Hutchinson is assisting Professor Vecoli of Minnesota with the next issue.