

# Forum for History of Human Science NEWSLETTER

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## HUMAN SCIENCES WELL REPRESENTED AT HSS ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the History of Science Society will be held October 13-16, in New Orleans. A number of papers and sessions will be related to the history of the human sciences. The Forum is sponsoring the following session:

**The (Natural) Human and the (Human) Natural Sciences:**  
Margaret Schabas (York University),  
"Two Sides of the Same Coin: Economics as a Natural and/or Human Science",  
Henrika Kuklick (University of Pennsylvania), "Bulletins from the Field",  
Mitchell Ash (University of Iowa), "The Image of Physics: Refiguring Psychological Theory in the 1930s."

Other sessions of interest to historians of the human sciences (many of which involve the participation of Forum members) include the following:

**Science and (Homo) Sexualities:**  
**The Social, Biological, and Medical Construction of Sexual Orientation:** Joan Cadden (Keanyon College), chair; Bert Hansen (Baruch College), "100 Years of Homosexuality in the History of Science"; Anne Fausto-Sterling (Brown University), "The Social Construction of Intersexuality"; Garland Allen (Washington University), "The Biologizing of Homosexuality: Genetic and Homonal Theories of Sexual Orientation, 1930-1960"; Evelyn Hammonds (MIT), comment.  
**Culture Historicized: The Culture Concept in Intellectual and National Context, 1850-1950:** Leila Zenderland (California State University, Fullerton), chair and comment; Matti Bunzl (University of

## GREETINGS FROM THE CHAIR

by Mitchell Ash

Welcome to New Orleans--or should I say "Nawlins," or "Nawluhns," as the natives do? Anyway, if you've read the preliminary program in the July HHS Newsletter [editor's note: or the story on this page], then you already know the good news--that this year's HHS meeting includes a large number of papers relating to the history of the human sciences. Presenters and/or FHHS members attending are encouraged to write brief reports on these papers for inclusion in the FHHS Newsletter.

The single FHHS-sponsored session, entitled "The (Natural) Human and the (Human) Natural Sciences," chaired by Irving Velody (a sociologist at the University of Durham who is editor of the journal *History of the Human Sciences*), and featuring papers by Margaret Schabas, Henrika Kuklick, and yours truly, is an attempt to fulfill the desire for interdisciplinary discussions expressed at the FHHS meeting two years ago.

At this year's FHHS business meeting, a number of slots on the Steering Committee, including the position of chair, will be up for grabs. In addition, the Forum will present its first dissertation prize. Candidates, their friends, and many others will surely want to be present for this event. Unfortunately, the meetings of HSS interest groups have been placed yet again at an awkward spot in the program--7:30 to 9:30 Friday evening. To compensate for this, and to induce you to come, we plan to organize some refreshments, get through the agenda quickly, and adjourn soon enough to enjoy some New Orleans night life. See you there!

## FORUM BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

- (The following agenda is tentative. Suggestions from the floor will be welcomed.)
1. Officers' reports.
  2. Dissertation prize award, with discussion of rules for future competitions.
  3. Steering Committee elections.
  4. Discussion of procedure for FHHS sponsorship of sessions at the HSS meeting.
  5. Other project proposals.

The Forum for History of Human Science (FHHS) is an interest group affiliated with the History of Science Society (HSS), although its membership is not restricted to members of HSS. Its primary purpose is to ensure the adequate representation of the history of the human sciences within HSS by organizing events for the annual meetings such as panels, speakers, etc. The Forum also seeks to foster communication among historians of the various human sciences, defined inclusively, and to foster debate over issues of general interest to all historians of these disciplines. Those interested can join FHHS by sending \$10 to Richard von Mayrhauser, FHHS Corresponding Secretary, Department of History, Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA 16057.

The FHHS Newsletter appears at least twice a year and is sent to all members. It is composed on a Macintosh computer using Clarisworks software. The editor welcomes information and suggestions for future newsletters. Items may be submitted either in hard copy or on a 3.5" floppy disk formatted in any major word processing program, Macintosh or IBM, and sent to John I. Brooks III, Division of Social Sciences, Tekyo Loretto Heights University, 3001 South Federal Boulevard, Denver, Colorado 80236; fax (303) 937-4243.

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Chicago): "The Roots of the Anthropological Concept of Culture in 19th-Century German Thought"; John S. Gilkson (Arizona State University), "Culture in America: The Diffusion of the Anthropological Concept of Culture in the United States"; David K. van Keuren (Naval Research Laboratory), "Culture in Mid-Victorian Britain: Arnold, Tylor, and the Scripting of Culture Theory in 1860s Britain."

**Works in Progress: Science, Gender, and Sex:** Elizabeth Fee (Johns Hopkins University), chair; Evelleen Richards (University of Wollongong), "Charles Darwin, Alexander Walker, and the Selective Breeding of Women"; Stephanie H. Kenen (University of California, Berkeley), "Hormones and Homosexuality: Clifford Wright and Alfred Kinsey, 1935-1941"; Sheldon Kopperl (Grand Valley State University), "Leic Macy Hoobler: Nutrition and Gender Frontiers"; Elizabeth Watkins (Harvard University), "Science and the Sexual Revolution: Social Construction of the Pill in the 1960s"; C. Michelle Murphy (Harvard University), "Sick Bodies and Sick Buildings: Women Office Workers and the Production of Self."

**War, Science, and the Body:** Warwick Anderson (Harvard University), chair; Lisa Hirschbach (Harvard University), "Ghosts in the Military-Machine: Nerve Wounds in the Civil War Research Hospital"; Daniel Pick (University of London), "Shellshock, Trauma, and the Theory of the Unconscious"; Matthew Price (Stanford University), "Bodies and Souls: Jules Armar and the Science of Vocational Re-

education in the Aftermath of the Great War"; Hans Pols (University of Pennsylvania), "'When He Comes Home Nervous': Rehabilitation and the Psychoneurotic after World War II"; Angela Creager (Princeton University), "Blood Between Bodies: World War II and the Plasma Fractionation Project."

**Mind, Brain, and Culture: Constructing Mental Pathologies in the 19th and 20th Centuries:** Jan Goldstein (University of Chicago), chair; Stephen Jacyna (Wellcome Institute for History of Medicine), "Disciplinary Designs: Non-Verbal Representation in Nineteenth-Century Aphasiology"; John Carson (Wellcome Institute for History of Medicine), "Different Minds or Feeble Minds?: Individual Intellect and Nineteenth-Century Mental Science"; Elizabeth Lunbeck (Princeton University), "From Hysteria to Borderline: Genealogies of Female Disorder"; Gregory Mann (University of California, San Diego), "Psychoses in Color: Nervous Stains and the Moral Constitution of Neuropathological Knowledge in Late-Williamine Germany."

**Boys to Men: Scientific Constructions of Masculinity Across the Life Cycle:** Diana E. Long (University of Southern Maine), chair; Kathleen Jones (Virginia Polytechnic Institute), "How to Be a 'Real Boy': The Child Guidance Version of Boyhood During the Depression"; Heather Munro Prescott (Central Connecticut State University), "'Young Men, You Are Normal': Developmental Research and theories of Masculinity at Harvard and

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## R. T. Osborne Burt Collection Available

The University of Georgia and the University College, London, announce the availability in their libraries of a 19-volume collection of Sir Cyril Burt's published papers. The nearly complete collection, titled *The Burt Collection*, was compiled by R. Travis Osborne, Emeritus Professor, University of Georgia. The volumes are in chronological order; for example, volume 1 covers 1909-1912a (1912 continues in volume 2) and volume 19 covers 1968b-1972. Included are all Burt's papers cited by Burt's biographer, L. S. Hearnshaw (*Cyril Burt, Psychologist* [New York: Cornell University Press, 1979]), by Burt's recent defenders, R. B. Joyson (*The Burt Affair* [London: Rutledge, 1989]) and R. Fletcher (*Science, Ideology, and the Media: The Cyril Burt Scandal* [New Brunswick, N.J.: Transaction Publishers, 1991]), and by Charlotte Banks and P. L. Broadhurst, eds. (*Stephanos: Studies in Psychology, Presented to Cyril Burt* [New York: Barnes and Noble, 1965]). The few papers that could not be located by the time the volumes were assembled are identified within the appropriate volume. The set in the University of Georgia's library has call number BF109.B88A25; it is identified as *The Burt Collection*, compiled by R. T. Osborne; the author is shown in the catalog as Burt, Cyril Lodowic, Sir, 1883-1971. The set (same title) at the University College, London, is housed in the Psychology Section of the University's Library (Gower St., London WC1E 6BT) and is catalogued as The Osborne Collection of Burt Papers.

### NEWS OF MEMBERS

Paul Croce has a book coming out next year with the University of North Carolina Press. Its title is *Eclipse of Certainty: Science and Religion in the Era of William James*.

Several Forum members participated in the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians in Atlanta in April. Among those presenting papers and/or chairing and/or commenting were Ben Harris, Ellen Herman, Stephen Cross, and Leila Zenderland.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

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**Oct. 15:** Deadline for submission of paper proposals for the annual meeting of the American Association for the History of Medicine, to be held May 11-14, 1995, at the University of Pennsylvania. Abstracts must be typed, single-spaced, and no more than one page long. Send one original and six copies of the abstract to Dr. Mary Lindemann, Chair of the Program Committee, History Dept.,

Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh PA 15213. For registration information, contact Dr. Jonathan Erlen, Local Arrangements Chair, 123 Northview Dr., Pittsburgh PA 15209.

**Oct. 27-30:** The annual meeting of the Oral History Association will be held Oct. 27-30 in Albuquerque, N.M. For further information, contact Jan Barnhart, Executive Secretary, Oral History Association, P.O. Box 3968, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3968.

**Oct. 31:** Deadline, call for abstracts, for the annual conference of the American Men's Studies Association. The annual meeting, to be held Mar. 24-26, 1995, at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb Illinois, will center on the topic **The Construction and Experience of Masculinities across Time and Cultures**. For further information, contact Mark W. Muesse, Rhodes College, Dept. of Religious Studies, 2000 N. Parkway, Memphis TN 38112-1690; phone 901-726-3589; e-mail [muesse@vax.hnodes.edu](mailto:muesse@vax.hnodes.edu).

**Nov. 4-6:** The University of Michigan will sponsor a conference on **Psychoanalysis among the Disciplines**. For further information, contact George C. Rosenwald, Dept. of Psychology, University of Michigan, 580 Union Dr., Ann Arbor MI 48109.

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**Mar 17:** The Boston Colloquium for Philosophy of Science will hold a session on **Vision, Brain, and the Philosophy of Cognition** at Boston University. For further information, contact Alfred I. Tauber, Center for Philosophy and History of Science, Boston University, 745 Commonwealth Ave., Boston MA 02215; phone 617-353-2604, fax 617-353-6805, e-mail [atauber@acs.bu.edu](mailto:atauber@acs.bu.edu).

**Mar 29:** The Boston Colloquium for Philosophy of Science will present a lecture by Knud Haakonssen on **Natural Law, Natural Rights, and the**

## Kantor Books Available through Archives of American Psychology

The estate of Helene J. Kantor (1919-1993) has given The Archives of the History of American Psychology the inventory and copyrights of The Principia Press, long the publisher of the works of J. R. Kantor (1888-1984). The Archives is now prepared to respond, as The Principia Press, to orders from the list of books in print and in stock written by J. R. Kantor. Titles include *Principles of Psychology* (1924, 1926, 1949), *Psychology and Logic* (1945, 1950), *The Scientific Evolution of Psychological Linguistics* (1963, 1969), and (1977). Books are available at a very modest cost, and income from the sale of the inventory of the Press will be assigned to the Archives to support its programs. For a complete list of titles and prices, write The Principia Press, Archives of the History of American Psychology, The University of Akron, Akron OH 44325-4302; phone 216-972-7285.

**Enlightenment "Science" of Morals** at Boston University. For further information, contact Alfred I. Tauber, Center for Philosophy and History of Science, Boston University, 745 Commonwealth Ave., Boston MA 02215; phone 617-353-2604, fax 617-353-6805, e-mail [atauber@acs.bu.edu](mailto:atauber@acs.bu.edu).

**July 2-9:** The Australian Society for the History of Medicine is sponsoring an **International Conference on the History of Medicine and Health**, to be held on Norfolk Island, Australia. Conference themes include the history of penal systems and medical aspects of incarceration; military and garrison medicine and health; outpost medicine and health; and maritime medical history. Proposals are solicited. Contact John Thearle, Conference 95 Secretariat, Dept. of Child Health, Mater Children's Hospital, South Brisbane, Queensland 4101, Australia; fax 617-844-9069.

**July 11-14:** The British Centre for Durkheimian Studies is sponsoring a conference on **Durkheim's *Les formes élémentaires de la vie religieuse*** at Oxford. For information, contact W. S. F. Pickering, British Centre for Durkheimian Studies, Institute of Social and Cultural Anthropology, 51 Banbury Rd., Oxford OX2 6PE, U.K.

**Oct. 27-Nov. 1:** The **Third International History, Philosophy, and Science Teaching Conference** will be held at the University of Minnesota at Minneapolis in conjunction with the History of Science Society meeting. The conference organizers are particularly keen to encourage the production of units of work and lessons in the sciences and mathematics that incorporate historical and philosophical themes. These can be for elementary, secondary, or college level classes. Paper proposals are solicited. Contact Prof. Fred Finley, Dept. of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis MN 55455-0208, fax 612-624-8277; e-mail [finleyfrn@vx.us.umn.edu](mailto:finleyfrn@vx.us.umn.edu).

**Kohut: Letters Controversy--  
Jeffrey Masson Revisited?**

Ben Harris alerted the editor to an article on the publication of works by and about Heinz Kohut, the eminent psychoanalyst (*Chronicle of Higher Education*, Aug. 10, 1994, p. A10). Geoffrey Cocks, associate professor of German history at Williams College, was given access to Kohut's letters and has edited a collection entitled *The Curve of Life: Correspondence of Heinz Kohut, 1923-1981* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1994). Meanwhile, Charles Strozier, a former student of Kohut at the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis, was denied access to the same letters while pursuing a biography of Kohut. Reasons for his banishment were not given, but one cannot help but think of the earlier shenanigans involving Jeffrey Masson and the Freud papers. Oh, those zany shrinks!

**THE GREAT CONVERSATION--  
INFORMATION AGE UPDATE III**

(Thanks to the ever-alert Ben Harris for passing along the following.) Several Internet lists support the exchange of information in the history of science. These will be of varying interest to historians of the human sciences, but they might be worth subscribing to:

- ASEH-L@TTUVM I Am. Soc. of Environmental Historians
- Caduceus Medical history; e-mail to ibowman@uhmbeach
- COCTA-L Philosophy of the social sciences (to subscribe, send message to listserve@nosferatu.cas.usf.edu)
- EPP-L@BUACCA Albert Einstein Papers and Discussion
- HOPOS-L@UKCC History of Philosophy of Science [active]
- HOST History of Science and Tech (ejournal)
- HTech-L@SIVM History of Technology [active]
- MedSci-L@brownvn Medieval and Renaissance science
- SHOTHC-L@SIVM History of Computing

Perhaps the Forum should consider starting an e-mail list in the history of the human sciences. Alas! the editor is still stuck in the Gutenberg age, as promised Internet access keeps getting postponed at his institution for budgetary reasons.

**FHHS MEMBERSHIP COUPON**

The Forum is still trying to put together a membership directory. Richard von Mayrhauser, our corresponding secretary, is in charge of the project. If you have not given him the information below, please fill out the form, detach it, and send it to Richard, Dept. of History, Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock PA 16507. If you have provided this information, you might give it to someone interested in joining the Forum.

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Areas of Research and/or Teaching Interest \_\_\_\_\_

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- Phillips Andover Academy, 1938-1945"; Alison Li (University of Wisconsin), "The Hormones That Make the Man"; Diana E. Long and James Wong (University of Toronto), comment.
- Inverts, Perverts, and Other Deviants Under the Medical Gaze:** Robert A. Nye (Oregon State University), chair; Alice D. Dreger (Indiana University), "The Threat of the Hermaphrodite: The 'Problem' of Sexual Ambiguity in Nineteenth-Century France and England"; Vernon A. Rosario II (Harvard University), "Inversion's Histories/History's Inversions: Novelizing Homosexuality at the Fin-de-Siècle"; Jennifer Terry (Ohio State University), "The Seductive Power of Science in the Making of Deviant Subjectivities."
- Individual papers of interest to the reader include Allison Winter (California Institute of Technology), "Natural Law in the Drawing Room: Sciences of Mind Among the Victorian Aristocracy," in the session "Science, Class Relations, and Cultural Authority"; LeeAnn Hansen (California State University, Fullerton),
- "Metaphors of Mind and Society: The Origins of German Psychiatry in the Prussian Reform Era," in the session "Works in Progress: German Science in the Age of Goethe"; Joanne Wojak (University of Toronto), "The Politics of Heredity: Theories of Race Degeneration in the British Temperance and Eugenic Movements," and Benjamin Harris (University of Wisconsin, Parkside), "Science in the 'Sunday Worker': The Therapeutic Optimism of Dyson Carter", Paul Croce (Stetson University), "William James and 'The More': Science Embraces the Ineffable," in the session "The Knowledge of the Ineffable, the Invisible, and the Intuitive"; Edward Manier (University of Notre Dame), "Consensus Formation in Biology, Neuropsychology, and Psychology," and Jill Morawski (Wesleyan University), "Sex Matters? The Unending Search for a Valid Psychology of Sex Differences," in the session "Tempo and Mode in 20th-Century Science"; Bernadette Bensuade-Vincent (Université de Paris), "Towards the People's Control over Academic Science: François Raspail and Auguste Comte," and Jean Elizabeth Pedersen

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