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INSTITUTIONAL NEWS

University of Alabama Cooperates in Educational Improvement Programs

The latest project of improvement of education in Latin American schools pursued by the University of Alabama College of Education is a program of cooperation with three binational schools in Ecuador. The five-year program of teacher education and improvement services includes in-service education for teachers in the participating schools, educational consultation for upgrading the school curricula, providing for graduate degrees and certification for the teachers, and developing professional guides and reports aimed at resolving persistent problems faced by the schools. Similar programs have been developed for schools in Colombia, the Dominican Republic, and Haiti by the university. Information is available from the project director, Paul G. Orr, dean, College of Education, University of Alabama, University 34586.

B.O.L.S.A. Establishes Publications Fund

The Bank of London & South America, Ltd., has established a trust fund to encourage and assist the study of Latin American affairs by financing the publication of original studies in economic, political, social, and cultural fields. Preference will be given to works which bear on contemporary affairs in Latin America and particularly on economic matters. An advisory committee to the trustees of the fund will undertake decisions for support of a work; members of the committee are R. A. Humphreys, Institute of Latin American Studies, London, chairman; David Huelin, Economic Intelligence Department, BOLSA; David Joslin, University of Cambridge; P. E. Russell, University of Oxford; and Harold Blakemore. Requests for information and application forms may be addressed to Mr. Blakemore, Latin American Publications Fund, Institute of Latin American Studies, 31 Tavistock Square, London W. C. 1, England.

Brazilian Center of Demographic Study Created

Within the Instituto Brasileiro de Estatístico, the Centro Brasileiro de Estudos Demográficos was created to pursue research on population, coordinate

symposia and courses on demography, produce scholarly publications, and to provide technical collaboration to other organs of the institute in an effort to improve the state of population statistics in Brazil. Director of the center is João Lyra Madeira. Requests for information may be addressed to the director, Centro Brasileiro de Estudos Demográficos, Av. Franklin Roosevelt, 166, Rio de Janeiro, GB, Brazil.

Center of Amazonian Social and Cultural Studies Organized

In 1968, the Department of Anthropology of the Museo Paraense "Emilio Goeldi" enlarged its field of activities through the organization of the Centro de Estudos Sociais e Culturais da Amazônia (CESCA). Under the direction of Eduardo Galvão, the center has as its purposes the training of professional personnel in regional development and the pursuit of research on the area. CESCA cooperates in some projects with the area development agency, Superintendency of Amazonian Development (SUDAM). A major task during the first year of operations for CESCA was the sponsorship of an intensive course, conducted from July to December 1968, in social research on Amazonia; some 30 post-graduate students from the University of Pará and government institutions were participants. Further information is available from Eduardo Galvão, Centro de Estudos Sociais e Culturais da Amazônia, Museo Paraense "Emilio Goeldi," Caixa Postal 399, Belém, Pará, Brazil.

CLACSO Plans Yearly Publications

The executive committee of the Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales has approved the yearly publication of "Readings," volumes containing articles by Latin American social scientists in the various disciplines of study. Editorial committees of three persons have been established for each discipline to be represented in the annual volumes. Members of the economic history committee are Alvaro Jara, chairman, Enrique Florescano, and Germán Cerrera Damas; members of the committee on economics are Miguel Wionczek, chairman, Carlos F. Díaz Alejandro, and Aldo Arnaudo. Editorial committees for sociology and political science are currently being formed. Further information may be requested from Aldo Ferrer, Executive Secretary, CLACSO, Florida 142, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

University of Denver Hosts Latin American Forum

A series of addresses, informal colloquia, and seminars, and an art exhibit were featured during International '69: Latin America, held at the University of Denver May 12–23, 1969. Speakers and their topics were: Julio Cotler,

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Instituto de Estudios Peruanos, Lima, on History of Imperialism in Latin America; William Furlong, Utah State University, on Latin American Political Backgrounds and Systems; Donald Wood, Varig Airlines, on Images of Brazil; Fernando Belaúnde Terry, Peru, on Impact of Technological Education on National Development; Horacio Flores de la Peña, UNAM, on Education and Economic Development; Risieri Frondizi, visiting professor at University of Texas, from Buenos Aires, on University Autonomy and Social Responsibility; John de Abate, Universidad de Oriente, Venezuela, on University Reform and Student Power; Ismael Escobar, IDB, on Educational Trends in Latin America; José Fulco, University of California, Santa Barbara, on University-Government Relationships; Taylor Peck, LASA, on Role of Higher Education in Social Development; Robert White, Peace Corps, on Peace Corps in Latin America; Ela Bacalao, Hospital de la Maternidad, Caracas, on Population Explosion and Family Planning Education; and Marcelo Alonso, Pan American Union, on Science, Government and Development. Panel discussions were held on academic freedom and politics, U. S. foreign policy, people-to-people programs, and education. For information, write J. Richard Paullin, International '69: Latin America, University of Denver, Denver, Colorado 80210.

Latin American Studies Program Created at Italian University

The Instituto di Studi Latino-Americani, under the directorship of Attilio Napoleone, was created during 1967 at the Libera Università Internazionale Degli Studi Sociali Pro Deo, Rome. Principle objective of the institute is to promote and develop Latin American studies in Europe and to contribute constructively through research experience to European thought on social, political, and economic aspects of Latin America. Activities such as conferences, debates, and exchange of ideas between European and Latin American scholars, as well as establishment of a documentation section on contemporary Latin America, are sponsored by the institute. Information is available from the director, Instituto di Studi Latino-Americani, Viale Pola, 12, 00198 Roma, Italy.

LSU Latin American Studies Institute Initiates Publications Series

The purpose of the series, Working Papers, initiated in 1969 by the Latin American Studies Institute of Louisiana State University, is to share with colleagues and other academic institutions some of the ideas and findings provided by LASI research and interest in Latin America. The papers are essentially preliminary forms of later formal publications. Information on this series and other activities may be requested from the Institute, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803.

Caribbean Research Center Established

A recently-established research unit of the University of Montreal is the Centre de Recherches Caraïbes. Located in the French West Indies, the center is designed to pursue research in the fields of physical anthropology, ethnology, linguistics, demography, and contemporary economic trends. Director is Jean Benoist. Information may be requested from the director, Centre de Recherches Caraïbes, Sainte-Marie, Martinique, F.W.I.

New York University Sponsors Lectures

Faculty seminars on Latin America were sponsored during November-December 1968 by the Brazilian Institute and the Ibero-American Language and Area Center, New York University. Speakers and their topics were: June Nash on Witchcraft and Social Change in Indian Communities of Chiapas, México; Nicolas Sánchez-Albornoz on Population and Self-Identity in Latin America; S. M. Miller on Social Mobility, Education, and Economic Development in Latin America; John A. Coleman on The Literary Image of Underdevelopment; and Kalman H. Silvert on Latin America in the World in the Year 2000. Two seminar sessions entitled Perspectives on the Cuban Revolution: 1968, were sponsored during April 1969, by the Ibero-American Language and Area Center. The first had panelists Stephen L. Fogg on Integration of Peasants and Youth, Lois Reivich on The Changing Role of Women, and Philip Wolfson, M.D. on Public Health and the Medical Sector; during the second session, panelists were Norman Diamond on Political Education of Students and Workers and William Resnick on The Popular Tribunals and the Legal System.

Curriculum and Resources on Andean Countries Strengthened at University of Pittsburgh

The University of Pittsburgh's Center for International Studies is supporting a program which involves faculty members, representing different disciplines, specialists in Andean studies, who have formed a group to identify and provide a focus for their common interests. The group, coordinated by Cole Blasier, will assess possibilities for strengthening curriculum and library resources on the countries of Bolivia, Ecuador, and Peru, and will prepare a proposal in the field of Andean studies to be submitted to the U. S. Office of Education. Information is available from Professor Blasier, 216 Social Science Building, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213.

Linguistics Section of Mexico's National Anthropological Museum Reports

The Sección de Lingüística was created in 1968 within the Museo Nacional de Antropología by the Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia of Mexico. Under the directorship of Leonardo Manrique Casteñeda, the section has developed a program of research and working projects. The purposes served by the section include: enlarging the collections of the museum concerning pre-Hispanic and disappearing languages, through formation of archives of materials on the structure and use of the various dialects; pursuing research of the material accumulated; and organizing and conserving the tapes, pre-Hispanic writings, colonial maps and materials, and exhibited materials with which the section is charged. The section is currently preparing maps of geographic distribution and density of languages and illustrative materials on functions, variety, evolution, and history of language for permanent exhibition in the museum. Temporary exhibitions are also being prepared on such subjects as Maya writing, reconstruction of the proto-Mixtecan culture, and the Tarascan language. Information may be requested from Manrique C., jefe, Sección de Lingüística, Museo Nacional de Antropología, México, D. F., México.

Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies Formed

In April 1969, the Society for Spanish and Portuguese Historical Studies was formed by the participants of the 2nd Symposium on Spanish Emigration. The society will address itself to coordination of studies and to communication of research between members. A semi-annual newsletter is to be published. Information is available from the General Secretary, Clara E. Lida, Department of History, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut 06457.

University of the West Indies Institute Reports Activities

Major social science research institute at the Jamaica campus of the University of the West Indies is the Institute of Social and Economic Research, which is directed by Alister McIntyre. Research interests have been in the areas of Caribbean economic integration, social stratification and family structure, and political systems and public administration in the Caribbean region. A quarterly journal, *Social and Economic Studies*, is published as a vehicle for reporting Caribbean research, and the Institute publishes monographs and special reports as well. In addition to research, recent activities have centered on the promotion of collaboration in research and publishing between research institutes and libraries of the Caribbean region, and the establishment of a Caribbean Data Bank. For information, write Professor McIntyre, Institute of Social and Economic Research, University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica.