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SPECIAL FALL ISSUE Sociology of Knowledge

The fall issue of the journal will be devoted exclusively to sociology of knowledge and related areas. Articles have been solicited from noted sociologists in the field and the response has been very favorable. We still have space for additional papers. If you are interested in sociology of knowledge or in social philosophy, please contribute a paper or review for publication before September 15th. And of course, we would like you subscription if you do not already subscribe.

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Note from the Issue Editor

This issue's venture into social inquiry has presented us with a special, if not unique, set of problems. However, just as those things which are new to the student of society are not necessarily new to the various disciplines, those problems new to the editor are quite likely not new to editorship. These articles were culled from a field of writing of fluid composition. From a sparse set of contributions, the population grew to a rich and varied number of papers, nearly all possessing attractive attributes, and thus leaving the editor with the embarrassment of a plethora of choices. The search for articles which might provide a neatly coherent, thematic issue of the journal did not produce such a body of works. Failing there, the editor's criteria became more idiosyncratic and, one might argue, arbitrary. There is, then, some remaining uncertainty regarding several of those articles not published, and it is our hope that some of them will appear in a later edition of the KANSAS JOURNAL OF SOCIOLOGY or elsewhere.

The articles in this issue demonstrate the range of issues and methods of concern to students of things social. We will not attempt to define all of these articles as strictly sociological, since there is considerable disagreement within sociology over the exact boundaries of "sociological" inquiry. There is in this issue no article on quantitative methods, but Harry Well's lead article is certainly of methodological import, and methodological issues abound in the other papers.

In short, we hope that this issue of the KANSAS JOURNAL OF SOCIOLOGY may bring some sharper insights, some new questions, or perhaps merely some support to all of us who claim to seek the evasive and often only tentatively held "truths" of social life.

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