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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

- 9:00 a.m.-Noon** EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, 1977-78
Continental Parlor 1
- 1:00-5:00 p.m.** REGISTRATION
Ballroom Floor, West Lounge
- 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.**
SESSION 1: Quantitative Studies in the Sociology of Religion—Continental Parlor 1
Convener: James T. Richardson,
University of Nevada, Reno
- "Vertical Occupational Mobility and Church Attendance"—
Thomas J. Keil and Anthony J. Blasi, University of Louisville
- "The Moral and Religious Beliefs of Catholic Adolescents: Scale Development and Structure"—Chris Murray, Centre for Youth Studies, Faculty of Education, University of Manchester, England
- "Factors Related to the Response of Roman Catholic Clergy to a Proposed Marriage Preparation Policy"—Sarah Brabant and Wilmer MacNair, University of Southwestern Louisiana
- Discussant: Hart M. Nelsen,
Catholic University of America
- SESSION 2 Theoretical Studies in the Sociology of Religion—Continental Parlor 2
Convener: Richard L. Means, Kalamazoo College
- "Religion in a World Without Boundaries"—Jack Curtis, University of San Francisco, and Joe Tamney, Ball State University
- "Initiations and the Pursuit of Innocence"—Frederick B. Bird, Concordia University, Montreal, and Francis R. Westley, McGill University, Montreal
- "Empiricism, Symbolic Realism, and the Mystique of the Extreme"—Jack Balswick and Ira Robinson, University of Georgia; Barbara C. Karcher, Kennesaw College
- "Social Change and Organizational Dilemmas of Deinstitutionalization"—Helen Rose Ebaugh, University of Houston
- 8:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m.**
SESSION 3: Research Stimulation and Coordination: An Open Discussion
Continental Parlor 1 and 2
Chair: Carroll J. Bourg, Fisk University

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

9:00-Noon Registration continues,
Ballroom Floor, West Lounge

9:00-10:30 a.m.

SESSION 4 Theoretical Studies in the Sociology of
Religion—Continental Parlor 1
Convener Richard L. Means, Kalamazoo College
Chair: Joseph P. Fitzpatrick, Fordham University

"Theoretical Barriers to the Understanding of Evangelical
Christianity"—R. Stephen Warner, University of Illinois at
Chicago Circle

"Maintaining World Construction: The Pausibility Factor in
Berger's Approach to the Study of Religion"—John H. Morgan,
Princeton University

"Transcendence and Theory in the Sociology of Religion"—
Gary Bouma, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia

"Black Folk Religion as a Cultural System"—
Joseph Michael Ryan, Gwynedd-Mercy College

SESSION 5 Thematic Session
Continental Parlor 2
Chair: Esther Heffernan, Edgewood College

"Religion - Based Support for President Carter's Human Rights
and Foreign Policy Position"—Paul Sites, Kent State University
and Samuel Mueller, University of Akron

"Religion, Public Policy, and the Education of Native Peoples of
Canada"—Helen Ralston, R.S.C.J., St. Mary's University,
Halifax, Canada

"Continuity in the Measurement of Civil Religion"—
Ronald C. Wimberly, North Carolina State University

"Bureaucratic Sectarianism and Religious Innovation in a
Secular State: the Utamil Nadu Deviga Peravai,—
Frank Preseler, Kalamazoo College

10:45-12:15

SESSION 6: Thematic Session
Continental Parlor 1
Chair: Kenneth Westhues, University of Waterloo,
Ontario, Canada

"Rationality, Moral Development, and the Use of
Religious Documents"—James R. Kelly, Fordham University

"Who's Wrong or What's Wrong:
Sociological Insights on Responsibility in Social Morality"—
Brian J. O'Connell, St. John's University

"Religious Responses to Third World Development"—
Graham M. S. Dann, University of West Indies, Barbados

SESSION 7: Thematic Session

Chair: Robert J. McNamara, Loyola University of Chicago

"Religion and the Law: Is There a Necessary Connection?"—
Rosemary Bannan, DePaul University

"Legislation, Social Policy, and Sociology: A Paradigm
for Research"—James H. Stewart, St. Olaf's College

"Religion and Public Policy: Keep Them Separate"—
William Silverman, Kean College of New Jersey

"Civil Religion in Selected Denominations"—
Paul Sites, Kent State University and Samuel A. Mueller,
University of Akron

1:45-3:30 p.m.

Annual Business Meeting and Presidential Address:—
"Religious Tradition and Urban Community"—
Thomas M. Gannon, Loyola University of Chicago
Continental Parlor 1 and 2

3:45-5:15 p.m.

SESSION 8: Thematic Plenary Session
Continental Parlor 1 and 2

Chair: John Hickey, Loyola University of Chicago

"Religion and Public Policy in England"—
Graham Howes, Trinity College, Cambridge, England

"Religion and Public Policy in Nigeria: The Sharia Case"—
Joseph Schuyler, University of Lagos

"World Affairs, National Policy and Religious Unrest"—
Robert Wuthnow, Princeton University

5:30-7:00

Reception ("No host refreshments")
Continental Parlor 3

8:30-10:00 p.m.

SESSION 9: Plenary Session
Continental Parlor 1 and 2

Chair: James R. Kelly, Fordham University

"Sociological Theory and Religious Truth"—
Benton Johnson (SA, 38, 4:368-388), University of Oregon

Panelists:

Dick Anthony, University of California, Berkeley

Robert Bellah, University of California, Berkeley

William Garrett, St. Michael's College

Charles Y. Glock, University of California, Berkeley

David Stagaman, Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

9:00 a.m.-Noon

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