Squeezing the Accordion Into the Academy
By Donald R. Cressey, University of California, Santa Barbara

Over tuna-fish sandwiches at our faculty club a few years ago, the chairman of the department of music on my campus told me his colleagues had just admitted an accordion player to their graduate program. I responded by saying I thought it was about time those old fogies accepted someone who played a working-class instrument. Then I suggested that the chairman keep his eyes open for a harmonica player and a guy who twangs a jew's harp.

It was no joke. Only students who are accomplished performers are admitted to our graduate program in music. Even candidates who plan to specialize in music history must be able to play an instrument reasonably well. Until now, no one had dared to audition on anything but a "respectable" musical instrument.

The chairman immediately acknowledged the lowly status of the accordion. With equal immediacy, however, he denied that it was class prejudice that kept players of this common instrument out of our graduate program: "We don't recognize the accordion because there's no literature for the instrument," he noted.

When I encouraged him to explain, he simply insisted that every subject offered up for discussion in the academy should have an intellectual history. "I call that literature," he continued. "It includes criticism, debates, theories, controversies."

My friend really wasn't presenting a new approach to music or anything else. He was just repeating an old saw to the effect that academic life should be intellectual life. Still, his use of "literature" opened my eyes. I was writing Theft of the Nation at the time (Cressey, 1969). It dawned on me that there was no academic tradition of research and theory pertaining to organized crime.

After toying with this insight for a day or two, I decided that I either had to abandon my manuscript or else write a book that would represent a first step in the development of an organized-crime literature. I chose to try the latter. To me, "starting" or "creating" a literature meant producing pages that would be accepted as scholarship by academicians. I decided to take a stab at making the study of organized crime academically respectable.

VIVE LA DIFFÉRÈNCE!
Notes on Montréal
from
André Normand

Welcome!
First of all, and most important, welcome to Montréal! We hope that you are completely seduced by her many charms.

One of the things that is bound to strike you is the diversity of Montréal—the old and new, the mountain and the river, the many peoples who maintain their language and culture, yet are "Montréalais."

According to recent statistics, Metropolitan Montréal comprises 3,000,000 people, of which 2,000,000 are French and 438,500 are English. But, Italians, Germans, Spaniards, Poles, Asians—and many other groups—have made Montréal their home also. A walk up St. Lawrence Boulevard, or as it is probably known "The Main" will give you a make-believe trip to Greece, Portugal, or even Hungary.

Historically speaking...
Montréal owes its discovery and name to a French sea captain, Jacques Cartier, who, in 1535, spent a winter...
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Department of Criminology, University of Ottawa

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AROUND THE ASC

Ron Clarke, of Temple University, will be moving to Rutgers University this summer. Formerly of the British Home Office Research Unit, Clarke will be Distinguished Professor and Dean of the College of Criminal Justice, taking over that job from ASC president Don Gottfredson.

.nanette davis, Portland State University, is looking for chapter contributions on female prostitution in specific (especially Third World) countries for an on-going edited book, International Handbook of Prostitution, to be published by Greenwood Press. Interested members should contact her at the Department of Sociology, Portland State University, P.O. Box 751, Portland, Oregon 97207.

Belinda McCarty and Robert Langworthy, University of Alabama at Birmingham, are compiling a book of research into the problems of research into the problems of criminal justice and punishment of the elderly. The authors are attempting to identify the special needs of elderly offenders and to find ways to make the criminal justice system more responsive to them.

Anthony Lukin, of Lukin and Associates, a crisis management, consulting and research firm, has designed a Masters of Public Administration degree in criminal justice studies to be offered as a distance learning program through City University, Bellevue, Washington. The degree course is designed for criminal justice practitioners who cannot participate in classroom programs.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Submissions are invited for the next issue of Journal of Justice Issues, published by the Florida Criminal Justice Educators and Trainers Association. Send articles to W. Clinton Terry, Editor, Department of Criminal Justice, Florida International University, Secretariat, Florida Criminal Justice Education and Trainers Association, North Miami, FL 33181.
"Street" Crime Rate at Lowest Level in 13-Year History of NCS

The latest victimization data from the National Crime Survey show that an estimated 700,000 fewer crimes were committed in 1985 compared with 1984. The decline continues the downward trend recorded since 1981. Over the five-year period, violent crimes decreased 12 percent, personal thefts 15 percent, and household crimes 18 percent. The full report, *Criminal Victimization 1985* is available free from the National Institute of Justice/NCJRS, Box 6000, Rockville, MD 20850.

Family Research Laboratory To Host Meetings on Family Violence

The Family Research Laboratory of the University of New Hampshire will host two conferences on family violence at the Durham campus. The Third National Conference For Family Violence Researchers will be held July 6-9. Presentations on current research findings, theory, and methodology will be on the agenda. For further information contact Dr. Angela Browne at (603) 862-2991 or (603) 862-1888.

A second conference on family violence for practitioners and policymakers will be held July 9-11. The purpose of this conference is to make available the results of research in a form that is relevant for practitioners and administrators, and to provide the opportunity for interaction and discussion of policy and practice issues. If you or someone you know is interested in this conference, contact Nanci Burns, Conference Chair, at (603) 862-4081, or (603) 862-1888.

Turk and Conflict Theory: An Autobiographical Reflection

*Austin T. Turk, University of Toronto*

Werner Stark once argued there are only two fundamental forms of social theorizing: organicist or mechanistic. Either way, one had to see human lives and relations as fitting all together in some kind of system. I never could believe that, especially when the system was depicted as essentially benign. Growing up a working class boy in a small segregated Georgia town, I learned early that life is neither easy nor just for most folks; that irrationality and contradiction are very much part (maybe the biggest part) of social reality; that access to resources and opportunities have no necessary association with ability or character; that the meaning of justice in theory is debatable, and of justice in practice manipulable; and that whatever degree of freedom, equality, brotherhood, or security exist in a society are hardworn and tenuous. It was easy to understand why so many white and black people I knew resorted to otherworldly religions, alcohol, sex, or other available ways of facing or escaping everyday realities. It was not easy to resist becoming merely a cynic. My good fortune was to be born into an unusually caring family who instilled too strong a sense of responsibility and basic optimism for cynicism to take root.

Because I was a bright, amiable, hardworking kid, several of my teachers were insistent that I should go on to college. So off I went to the only affordable place, the state university forty miles away. The details of how I "worked my way through" are irrelevant, excepting one: during the summers, holidays, and occasional weekends of 1954 through August of 1955, I was employed by my hometown police department. That experience left me with an appreciation of the problematic and interpretive nature of criminal law enforcement, yet also an appreciation of society's need for a police force to restrain both predation and vigilantism. And it left me with a critical sympathy for both those trying to be good officers and those whose "trouble with the law" arises from misfortune more than malice.

Having much to learn, I was a voracious student of everything. Eventually having to "declare a major," I opted for the social sciences [sociology and anthropology], which seemed to offer the most promising avenues to understanding things of increasingly vital personal concern — most notably, racial and class discrimination, war and interpersonal violence, crime and other deviance, and the historical emergence and change of social patterns. My roommate for two years was a Chinese from Hanoi, from whom was acquired more awareness and understanding of colonialism and of racial conflicts other than black-white. I also discovered South Africa, a place apparently much like the American South which I knew.

Again, concerned teachers persuaded me to go on. this time to graduate school — first to Kentucky for a masters degree, then on to Wisconsin for the doctorate. My NIMH-supported doctoral research on urban delinquency resulted in a fledgling attempt to construct a theory that defined delinquency as "illegitimation" by the authorities, and explained rate variations as a function of value conflicts between youth and adults — and between lower class and dominant middle class cultures. The year following completion of my degree, Howie Becker taught us to call my approach "labeling theory." Wisconsin provided intellectually stimulating exposures to practicing Marxists as well as theoretical Marxism. I was challenged but not convinced, and found ingredients for a more realistic and viable perspective in the works of Max Weber, Georg Simmel, Wright Mills, Anatol Rapoport, Ralf Dahrendorf, Thorsten Sellin, and George Vold.

In the 1960s I spent much time in South Africa, experiencing and studying first-hand the contradictory and ultimately futile struggle by white supremacists to establish a grossly discriminatory yet legitimate order. Along with the American civil rights and Vietnam struggles, South Africa provided abundant evidence that political-legal conflicts involve civil as well as criminal law, administrative bureaucracies as well as police and courts, and informal as well as formal control efforts.
International Course
In Criminology
to be Held in Montréal

The International Centre for Comparative Criminology will hold a one-week seminar on "New Technologies in Criminal Justice," August 17-21. The seminar is sponsored by the International Society of Criminology (Paris), and will consist of both formal lectures and workshops. The course will be directed by Alfred Blumstein and Marc LeBlanc, and will focus on three kinds of technological developments: identification (lie detecting, blood and urine screening, fingerprinting and voice identification); control (electronic surveillance and monitoring of people and places); and support (use of computers, videos, and other devices for collection and processing of data).

For more information contact either Marc LeBlanc or Pierre Tremblay, International Centre for Comparative Criminology, Lionel-Groulx Building, University of Montréal. P.O. Box 6128, Station A, Montréal, Québec H3C 3J7, or phone (514) 343-7065/343-6619.

Fourth Annual Correctional Symposium Announced

A national symposium for correctional caseworkers, administrators, and other interested practitioners and researchers will be held in Lexington, Kentucky, November 10-12, 1987. The symposium will focus on effective and innovative programs in the areas of correctional casework and classification. Topics will include special need offenders, co-correctional operations dealing with high security female offenders, self help and personal development group programs.

Persons interested in presenting papers or participating in a workshop should submit a brief abstract of the paper/presentation (with at least one learning objective), indicate the length of the presentation and whether audiovisual equipment is needed, and include a brief biographical sketch and a resume. All materials should be submitted by April 30, 1987, to Bruce Wolford or Charles Reedy, Eastern Kentucky University, 202 Perkins Building, Richmond, KY 40475-0951. For information, call (606) 622-1497.

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Actually, a variant of this goal had been in the back of my mind for a couple of years. While doing research on organized crime for President Johnson’s Crime Commission I had asked myself, over and over again, “What is organized about organized crime?” To get an answer, I’d been reading sociological, anthropological, and business administration studies of what “being organized” means. That is akin to trying to develop an organized-crime literature.

While in Washington working for the Commission I stayed at the Cosmos Club, which isn’t as classy as it sounds. There, I sometimes shared a dining-room table with an elderly resident who had retired from the State Department. He listened to my stories about what the Commission’s Task Force on Organized Crime was doing, and not doing, then told me it was my duty to write a “pattern-setting document.” He meant by that a paper that couldn’t be ignored. He had once written a State Department paper of this kind, he said, and he told me about it. I don’t remember its title or subject matter, but I was impressed by the characterization. Consequently, I tried to write a “pattern-setting document” for the Commission. I didn’t succeed (Cressey, 1967). The “white-paper” I helped write wasn’t fresh enough to become pattern-setting either (President’s Commission, 1967).

I had been looking at the writing of Theft of the Nation as another chance to try for a pattern-setting document. My principal objective had been to teach lawyers, legislators, and law-enforcement personnel that organization, not people, is the important variable in organized-crime operations. I was finding that I could influence this broad audience by referring to organized crime as "fungible," a legal term which means, simply enough, replaceable or interchangeable. I hoped that conceptualization in such terms would help change the cops-and-robbers character of thinking about organized crime, making my writing memorable.

The musician’s comments about the lack of literature for the accordion convinced me that I must narrow my audience and focus on academicians. I could see, for example, that characterizing Vito Genovese and other organized-crime figures as cogs in machines wouldn’t help establish the fundamentals of literature. To reach that goal I had to show academics that studying criminal organization is just like studying any other organization. I set out to do so.

Because I had been a university dean of arts, literature, and science (1962-1967), I was familiar with the ongoing controversy about what is and what isn’t an academic subject. In the United States, the Morrill Act (1862) had radically altered the academic curriculum of the time. It did so by establishing colleges of agriculture and mechanical arts. Because agriculture was a problem rather than an academic discipline, the new land-grant institutions were staffed by smart farmers and tradesmen rather than by classicists, lawyers, and scientists. Now I could see that these professors of “farm crops,” “poultry husbandry,” and “soils” gradually established literatures, making their new subject-matters respectable components of academic life.

When I gave more thought to the matter of making the study of organized crime an acceptable subject, it dawned on me that the intellectual histories of anthropology, psychology, and sociology were similar to those of agronomy and animal husbandry. So, for that matter, was the history of criminology and, more recently, of criminal justice studies. More important to me at the time, however, was my realization that I had already helped initiate the development of a literature pertaining to prisons. I decided to use this work as a model.

I had spent the 1955-56 academic year studying the organization of the Wisconsin State Reformatory and the Wisconsin State Prison. I’d been encouraged to do so by my old friend Lloyd Ohlin who, along with research assistants Donnell M. Pappenfort and Herman Piven, was studying Wisconsin’s probation and parole system under a grant from the Russell Sage Foundation. Lloyd convinced the Foundation moguls to increase the amount of the grant so that it would support me for a sabbatical year.

I set out to initiate a literature on prison organization, though I did not conceptualize my task in those terms. At the time, much of the writing on prisons was done done by old accordion players such as Harry Elmer Barnes, Blake McKelway, and Austin MacCormick. My objective was to get academic experts interested in that particular field of study.
AHS Book Award

The Association for Humanist Sociology has established an annual award for the book that best exemplifies and promotes a humanist sociology. The award will be presented at the annual meetings of AHS (1987 meetings will be held November 6-8 at Lexington, Kentucky). The AHS Book Award Guidelines follow:

A. The AHS Book Award is to be given to the author(s) of the book published in the previous two years (1985-87 for the 1987 Award) that best exemplifies and promotes a humanist sociology. Specifically, the book should:

1. Reflect the humanist tradition in sociology and particularly the tradition of commitment to emerging theory and praxis in studying problems of the human condition and attempts to solve such problems.

2. Exemplify the ideals and purposes of the AHS, namely, serious scholarly commitment and willingness to address all facets of the human condition, to make sociology relevant to human needs, and to demonstrate forcefully in both theory and research that human beings are not merely products of social forces but also can act to shape and create social life.

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CALL FOR PAPERS

The Southern Criminal Justice Association will hold its Annual Meeting at the Holiday Inn, Birmingham, Alabama, October 7-9, 1987. The conference theme is "Criminal Justice: The Search for Excellence in Education and Practice."

Authors wishing to submit papers on this theme and on other criminal justice issues, or persons wishing to arrange a panel or workshop, should contact Mittie Southerland, 1987 Program Chair, Southern Criminal Justice Association, Eastern Kentucky University, College of Law Enforcement, Department of Police Administration, Stratton 410, Richmond, KY 40475. The submission deadline is August 1, 1987.

NORMANDEAU, (continued from page 1) in a small Indian village called Hochelaga which stood on the island. Cartier had been sent by Francois 1st of France to discover a sea route to the Orient. Although Cartier didn't get to China, he did name the mountain near Hochelaga "Mont Royal," or Mont Royal in modern French, after the king of France.

During the sixteenth century, attempts failed at reaching the Orient. But in the early seventeenth century, Samuel de Champlain founded two successful colonies, one at Port Royal in Nova Scotia in 1604 and another at Québec in 1608. Encouraged by these successes, and by the growing fur trade, Paul de Chomedey, Sieur de Maisonneuve, arrived on Montréal island in 1642 and set up the tiny Ville Marie de Montréal.

In all, three nations have flown their standards over Montréal — first the French, from 1642 until 1761, then the English in 1761 — and for a brief time, the Americans! The American patriots hoped to incite a revolt against British rule in Canada, and, in 1775, they marched on Montréal. The town was defenseless and surrendered to the American General Montgomery in November at that same year.

The Château de Ramezay, built in the early 1700s and still standing in old Montréal, was the American headquarters. There stayed Benedict Arnold who was later wounded at the famous battle which took place at Québec in December of 1775 (Montgomery was killed) and Benjamin Franklin; the latter introduced the first printing press to Montréal which resulted in the founding of the first newspaper in 1776.

The death of Montgomery during the December battle at Québec, the winter, and the attitude of the French-Québécois saved Québec from American takeover. The Americans had mocked the Roman Catholic faith and had tried to buy supplies from the "habitants" with worthless paper money. So, when British forces arrived in the spring of 1776, they had little to do to send the "liberators," as the Americans liked to call themselves, back home.

Since 1960 and the Québec "Quiet Revolution," Montréal has grown tremendously from the World's Fair "Expo '67," a new National League Baseball team in 1969, "Les Expos de Montréal," "The Olympic Games," "Les Jeux Olympiques de 1976"... Montréal is a unique blend of Europe and North America. Come to the ASC Meeting in November '87 to see for yourself "La Différence." Just in case you come with your car, "Pas d'arrêt" means no stopping and "Défense de stationner" means no parking. Of course, "Je t'aime" means "I love you!"

Le Grand Hôtel: the price is right!

The meeting place of ASC in November is a bright new hotel with a French flavor: Le Grand Hôtel. Situated in downtown Montréal, it is close to all the main "Boutiques" and "French Restaurants." And do not forget that the price is cheap by American standards because if the cost of living is similar to most metropolitan American cities, the value of the American dollar is a "plus" of 35 cents for each Canadian dollar.

Criminology in Montréal

Criminological research and teaching in Montréal are linked to four universities and three colleges. The Université de Montréal (50,000 students) has a School of criminology (B.Sc., M.Sc. and Ph.D. and 500 students) as well as an International Centre for Comparative Criminology. In the other three universities (Québec, Concordia and McGill), research and teaching on crime and justice are linked to departments of sociology.

French sessions and criminological visits in November

The Québec Société de Criminologie will co-sponsor five French panels on crime and deviance in a meeting room with simultaneous translation (French-American). It is a chance to learn about French criminology not only in Canada but in Europe since many Europeans will participate this year to the ASC Meeting.

"La Société" will also co-ordinate two criminological on-site visits to a "Young Delinquent Center" as well as a "Federal Penitentiary."

On Thursday November 12, "La Société will host the ASC members to a "French Coquetel." A real treat of friendship!

As we say in Québécois: "Sante" (to your health)! Let us meet in November in "Le Grand Salon du Grand Hôtel."

André Normandeau
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BOOK AWARD.
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B. Authors nominated should make copies available to each of the AHS Book Award Committee members. The 1987 AHS Book Award Committee members are as follows:

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C. Deadline for nominations is Aug. 15, 1987. For information on the award contact the committee chair. Information concerning AHS annual meeting should be requested from Beth Hess, President, AHS, 2 Hampshire Drive, Mendham, New Jersey 07945.

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The direction in which more and more of us have been moving may perhaps be less aptly described as “conflict criminology” than as the political sociology of law, which encompasses the full range of lawmaking and legal sanctioning as well as legally consequential deviance and conformity. Explaining individuals' crimes has become, from this perspective, something which can only be sensibly attempted contextually — within a more general explanation of the linkages in specified cases among social divisions and conflicts, legal institutions and processes, and patterns of exploitative and predatory conduct.

Happily for me, there is considerable interest among Canadian criminologists in such a blend of the conflict and labeling perspectives and concerns. Although much criminological research in this country pursues issues addressed in traditional American studies of past and present, my impression is that proportionately more of it attends to questions arising from the political sociology of law and crime. Within this general framework, there is considerable diversity. In comparison with their American colleagues, both English and French Canadian criminologists tend to draw more heavily upon European and other international studies — though the communication gap between the language communities persists to a regrettable degree. In both camps there is rather more use of (and possibly regard for) historical and qualitative materials than seems to be the case in current American criminology. Moreover, Marxist and other socialist or radical traditions tend to be given more attention (and biopsychological approaches less) in Canadian criminological work than has generally been true in the US — especially in the last several years. In my view, American criminologists would benefit from becoming more familiar with the works of their Canadian colleagues — and from sharing their active interest in developing not merely a national but an international criminology.

In such times and places, the working assumptions of most criminological research (to the effect that isolated individual criminal acts are to proximately explained) struck me as quite untenable, even quaint. More generally, the concept of crime was seen ever more clearly to be meaningless outside the historical and political circumstances in which the power is created and used to define and punish criminality. Accounting for variations in that power and its exercise became the more pressing task for me (and others), as the significant criminogenic as well as definitional role of such power was empirically established — against continuing resistance from defenders of traditional criminological assumptions.

Editor's Note: The autobiographical essays by Donald Cressey and Austin Turk are the first in a series that will appear in The Criminologist during the next year or so. I am grateful to the authors for sharing personal moments with us. Readers who wish to comment on any of the essays are encouraged to do so through the Letters column.

Assessing the Effects of Prison Versus Probation Sentencing

Recently, Joan Petersilia and her colleagues at The RAND Corporation, under contract with the National Institute of Justice, released its latest report Prison versus Probation: Implications for Crime and Offender Recidivism.

The report presents the findings and recommendations of the second phase of a study which resulted earlier in a report on Granting Felons Probation: Public Risks and Alternatives, issued in 1985. This latest follow-up study examined a similar group of offenders, those placed on probation and those placed in prison, and then compared their relative rates for recidivism and ultimate costs of each system to the taxpayer.

The conclusions and implications reported by Petersilia include:

• Prison neither deterred nor rehabilitated, and may have increased recidivism.
• Prison costs a great deal and, given current resources, only a fraction of felons can be imprisoned.
• Public safety would benefit from somehow controlling a larger portion of the felons represented in the study.
• Building more prisons can only go so far toward accomplishing that goal.
• Need to reorient our thinking on sanctions by considering the costs and benefits of intermediate-level sanctions (e.g., intensive probation, house arrest, electronic monitoring).
• These programs may extend incapacitation to some presently on probation, and may cost less than the present system for probation, since the system may recapture costs associated with recidivism.

For those wishing to obtain a copy of this most recent report, refer to: Prison versus Probation in California: Implications for Crime and Offender Recidivism (R-3323-NIJJ). Direct your request to The RAND Corporation, 1700 Main Street, Santa Monica, California 90406, or phone (213) 393-0411.
NEW CRIMINOLOGY/CRIMINAL JUSTICE TITLES


American Correctional Association — *Issues in Juvenile Delinquency*, 1985

American Correctional Association — *Jails in America: An Overview of Issues*, 1985

American Correctional Association — *Legal Responsibility and Authority of Correctional Officers*, 1986

Debra J. Anderson — *Curbing the Abuses of Inmate Litigation*, 1986 (American Correctional Association)


John W. Ekstedt and Curt Taylor Griffiths — *Corrections in Canada: Policy and Practice*, 1984 (Butterworths)

Richard V. Ericson, Patricia M. Baranek and Janet B.L. Chan — *Visualizing Deviance, July 1987* (University of Toronto Press)


Brent Fisse and Peter French — *Corrigible Corporations and Unruly Law*, 1986 (Trinity University Press)


Thomas Gabor — *The Prediction of Criminal Behavior*, 1986 (University of Toronto Press)


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George A. Harris and David Watkins — Counseling the Involuntary and Resistant Client, 1987 [American Correctional Association]


Richard L. Jenkins, Preben H. Heidemann, and James A. Caputo — No Single Cause: Juvenile Delinquency and the Search for Effective Treatment, 1985 [American Correctional Association]


Charles Remsberg — The Tactical Edge, 1986 [Calibre Press]


Frank Schmalleger — A History of Corrections, 1986 [Wynand Hall Press]

Frank Schmalleger, Editor — The Justice Professional [journal published twice yearly] [Wynand Hall Press]

Susan P. Shapiro — Wayward Capitalists: Target of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 1984; paperback 1987 [Yale University Press]


Charles R. Swanson and Susette M. Talarico, Editors — Court Administration: Issues and Responses, 1987 [Carl Vinson Institute of Government, University of Georgia]

Gresham M. Sykes — Criminology, 1978 [Harcourt Brace Jovanovich]


William E. Thornton and Lydia Voigt — Delinquency and Justice, 1987 [Random House]

Judy Torrance — Public Violence in Canada, 1867-1982 [University of Toronto Press, 1986]


W. Gordon West — Young Offenders and the State: A Canadian Perspective on Delinquency, 1984 [Butterworths]

Bruce I. Wolford, Editor — Issues in Correctional Training and Casework, 1986 [Eastern Kentucky University and American Correctional Association]

James D. Wright and Peter H. Rossi — Armed and Considered Dangerous: A Survey of Felons and Their Firearms, 1986 [Aldine de Gruyter]

James D. Wright, Peter H. Rossi, and Kathleen Daly — Under the Gun: Weapons, Crime, and Violence in America, 1983 [Aldine de Gruyter]
Update: Fall Meetings in Montréal

Preparations are underway for what we hope will be an exciting fall meeting in Montréal. The space available at Le Grand Hôtel looks adequate and the accommodations quite comfortable. It is well known that autumn in Montréal is a beautiful time of year.

Our first news is perhaps predictable. The response to the call for papers has been heartening. More importantly, the work of the program committee associates has been extraordinary, above and beyond the call without a doubt; a great debt of thanks is owed to each of them. These selfless workers include Anne Campbell, Jacqueline Cohen, Timothy Flanagan, Edith Flynn, James Fyfe, Stephen Gottfredson, Jack Greene, Michael Hough, John Laub, Candace McCoy, Ronald Roesch, Ralph Taylor, Clayton Hartjen, Peter Jones, and Kathleen Daly.

Although it is early to describe the final shape of the program, we can report a number of themes that will be guiding us. One, deriving from the overall focus on comparative and interdisciplinary research and practice, will be our highlighting of international perspectives and participation. This we hope to achieve through emphasizing shared - American - Canadian (North American) concerns and soliciting increased participation among non-English speaking countries. In addition to his many other hostly duties, André Normandeau has been very helpful in this area. We are seeing some excellent panels with participation by European colleagues being presented and a continuing goal will be to encourage greater participation from non-English speaking countries.

Given the location of the meetings, of course, we will have a special focus on criminology in French speaking countries. We are planning a day of panels which will make use of simultaneous translation facilities provided through the good offices of the Québec Société de Criminologie. (We understand that Don Gottfredson will be spending the next several months in Paris writing his opening speech—in French. This event, in itself, is one many will be looking forward to.)

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on formal organizations to study prisons with the same theoretical framework they used for studying factories, corporations, and military bureaucracies.

I knew, for example, that Max Weber had written that "the choice is only between bureaucracy and dilettantism in the field of administration." One of my goals was to get organized experts to see that old Max was dead wrong because he knew nothing of prisons, where the roles of supervisors and workers have characteristics such that the behavior of the persons occupying them cannot be ordered, disciplined, or directed toward administrative goals. In short, I wanted to squeeze discussion of prisons into university curricula. As a move in this direction, I published in the Pacific Sociological Review, Administrative Science Quarterly and Handbook of Organizations rather than in criminological journals (Cressey, 1958, 1959, 1965). Still, I don't think my writings established a literature on prisons. That was done by a group of folks rather than by a single person.

Shortly after I moved to Wisconsin, Ohlin and I learned of other social scientists who also were studying (or thinking about studying) prisons. They were Richard Cloward, George Grosser, Frank Hartung, Richard McCleery, and Gresham Sykes. We convinced executives of the Social Science Research Council (SSRC) to set aside funds for assisting the seven of us to get together for six or eight discussions and debates in 1956-1957. These seminars included the most intellectual and the most productive exchanges in which I have participated.

Clearly, the volume published by the "SSRC Group," as it came to be called, was the start of a literature on the social organization of prisons (Cloward et al., 1960). This literature now contains reports of hundreds of studies made throughout the Western world. Several of the studies were built on studies that were built on earlier studies, in a chain going back to the originals.

A subsidiary literature also came out of the SSRC seminars. Sykes used sociology's functionalist theory to make sense of the argot roles of prison inmates (1956). Sheldon Messinger, who did not participate in the SSRC seminars, joined Sykes in preparing an elaboration of this article for the 1960 SSRC volume. Although Donald Clemmer, Hans Riemer, Clarence Schrag, and other sociologists had published studies of inmates, the Sykes and Messinger piece was, in my view, the beginning of a literature on organization of prison inmates.

John Irwin and I soon enriched this literature by suggesting that the theoretical position taken in it was quite wrong (Irwin and Cressey, 1961). Our observation was that inmate roles do not merely develop within prison walls, as Sykes and Messinger argued. We concluded, alternatively, that inmates carry most of their behavior into the prison from the outside. Sociological discussions of this challenge boomed in the 1960s. Our conclusion held up in several empirical tests. Two or three studies favoring our "importation hypothesis" over the "indigenous origin hypothesis" have even shown up in the 1980s.

Vehicular Homicide/ DWI Conference in Chicago

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ISA Research Committee 29 to meet in Montréal

The Committee on Crime and Delinquency (Research Committee 29) of the international Sociological Association will meet immediately prior to the ASC Annual Meeting in Montréal. There is much overlap in membership between the International Division of ASC and the ISA committee, and all are invited to attend. André Normandeau has arranged for meeting rooms for the afternoon of November 10th and the morning of November 11th. The Research Committee will have a dinner in Old Montréal on Tuesday, November 10th. Convention-rate rooms can be reserved with the ASC conference registration materials for the night of November 10th.

Panels are planned on international historical research on crime and criminal justice, on cultural conflict and crime — theoretical and practical implications, and on the privatization of police. For more information contact Louise Shelley, 1st Vice-President of ISA Research Committee 29, School of Justice, American University, Washington, DC 20016.

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Sociology and criminology now have a literature on organized crime as well as one on prison administrative organization and a related one on inmate organization. I think *Theft of the Nation* was important in the development of the organized-crime literature. The book met a surprising degree of resistance, however. Some scholars wrote that there isn’t any organized-crime at all, some insisted that organized crime isn’t organized enough to be called La Cosa Nostra, and still others claimed that the principle of organization is patriarchal rather than sociological. This criticism helped establish a literature. Several academicians thought that I said that La Cosa Nostra was organized like Sears Roebuck or Shell Oil. I denied this, but they nevertheless wrote articles and books rightfully claiming that anyone taking this position is dumb. To make my position clearer, I wrote another book (Cressey, 1972).

More recently, literatures have been created for other subjects relevant to crime and criminal justice. For example, Michael Banton, Egon Bittner, Donald J. Black, John A. Gardiner, Albert J. Reiss, Jr., Jerome Skolnick, and James Q. Wilson established a literature which made obvious organized crime and policing OK subjects for academicians to study. However, some technical and vocational subjects in the administration of justice remain literatureless. Intellectually, for example, the materials covered in the fictitious but symbolic course called “Handcuffs 1-A” are not in the academy. “Criminal justice scientists” are busily trying to create literatures which will squeeze them in.

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The School in Montréal was founded by a Hungarian-born Canadian, Dr. Denis Szabo, in 1960. It grants degrees in criminology at the undergraduate [B.Sc.] and graduate levels [M.Sc.; Ph.D]. The language of teaching is French, but an American student is allowed to write his exams, papers and dissertations in English. The School has 20 full-time professors and 500 students (400 undergraduates and 100 graduates). The content of the teaching is rather different than in America because Montréal is historically at the crossroad of European and North American criminological traditions in theory, research and practice.

The International Center for Comparative Criminology (I.C.C.C) at the Université de Montréal was founded in 1970. It is independent of the School but works closely with many of the professors of the School. The Center has 10 full-time researchers and 20 part-time research assistants (graduating students). In addition, 12 professors of the School are associated with the Center as part-time researchers.

The Center is a research center specializing in the comparative study of juvenile delinquency and justice, victimology and sentencing. The Center also investigates patterns of different crimes (homicide, rape, robbery, breaking and entering, prostitution and drugs, as well as crime in public transportation).

The Center welcomes every year about five foreign professors and/or researchers who, as part of a sabbatical or leave of absence, collaborate with local researchers. With the recent fiscal crisis, the Center has no fellowships for these visitors, but it helps them to find proper lodging and it puts at their disposal an office in the University.

Since 1960, professors and researchers of the School and Center have published about 100 books and hundreds of articles in local, national as well as 10 foreign countries. Recent books are about the history of social sciences in Canada [D. Szabo, 1984], criminological research in Québec since 1960 [D. Szabo and M. LeBlanc, 1985], theft and robbery [A. Normandeau, 1988], juvenile delinquent careers [M. Frechette and M. LeBlanc, 1988], punishment [M. Cusson, 1987] as well as victimization and fear of crime among the elderly [Y. Brillon, 1987].

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(See you in Montréal at the ASC Annual Meeting in 1987!)

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