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NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 1969

URBAN EMPLOYMENT SURVEY

The U.S. Department of Labor's Urban Employment Survey is a new data collection program begun this summer in an attempt to pinpoint the problems and to measure changes in the situation in urban slum areas. The survey includes family and other demographic matters, employment status, earnings, education and training, and migration experience. Detailed questioning will provide data on barriers to employment, problems associated with looking for work, participation in Manpower or related training programs, lifetime work experience, and attitudes toward the expectations about work. At the present time, data are being collected in the poverty areas of 6 large U.S. Cities.

Chairman: Denis F. Johnston, The President's Commission on Income Maintenance Programs

Speakers: Harold Goldstein, Bureau of Labor Statistics, "The Goals and Purpose of the U.E.S."
Daniel B. Levine, Bureau of the Census, "Problems of Data Collection and Processing in the U.E.S."
Norman Root, Bureau of Labor Statistics, "The Research Program of the U.E.S."

When and Where: 8:00 PM, Tuesday, January 14, Conference Room B, Interdepartmental Auditorium, Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets, N.W.

LUNCHEON MEETING

Speaker: Churchill Eisenhart, National Bureau of Standards

Subject: Precision - Accuracy - Uncertainty

A discussion of the recommendations embodied in the speaker's article, "Expression of the Uncertainties of Final Results" (Science, 14 June 1968, pp. 1201-1204) in the light of comments received directly and through the editorial offices of Science.

When and Where: Noon, Wednesday, January 15, Presidential Arms, 1320 G Street, N.W.
Price of lunch is 2.75 (includes tax and tip)

Please fill out the reservation below and mail to reach Maurice Bresnahan by noon, January 14.

Maurice Bresnahan, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Room 2818 GAO Bldg., D.C. 20212
Please reserve _____ tickets for Eisenhart Luncheon, January 15.

Name _____; Agency _____; Phone _____.

(Check payable to Washington Statistical Society)

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Frazier - no
Shapiro - no
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Methodology Meeting

Chairman: Theodore Horner, Booz-Allen Applied Research

Speaker: Timothy Y. Ling, International Business Machines

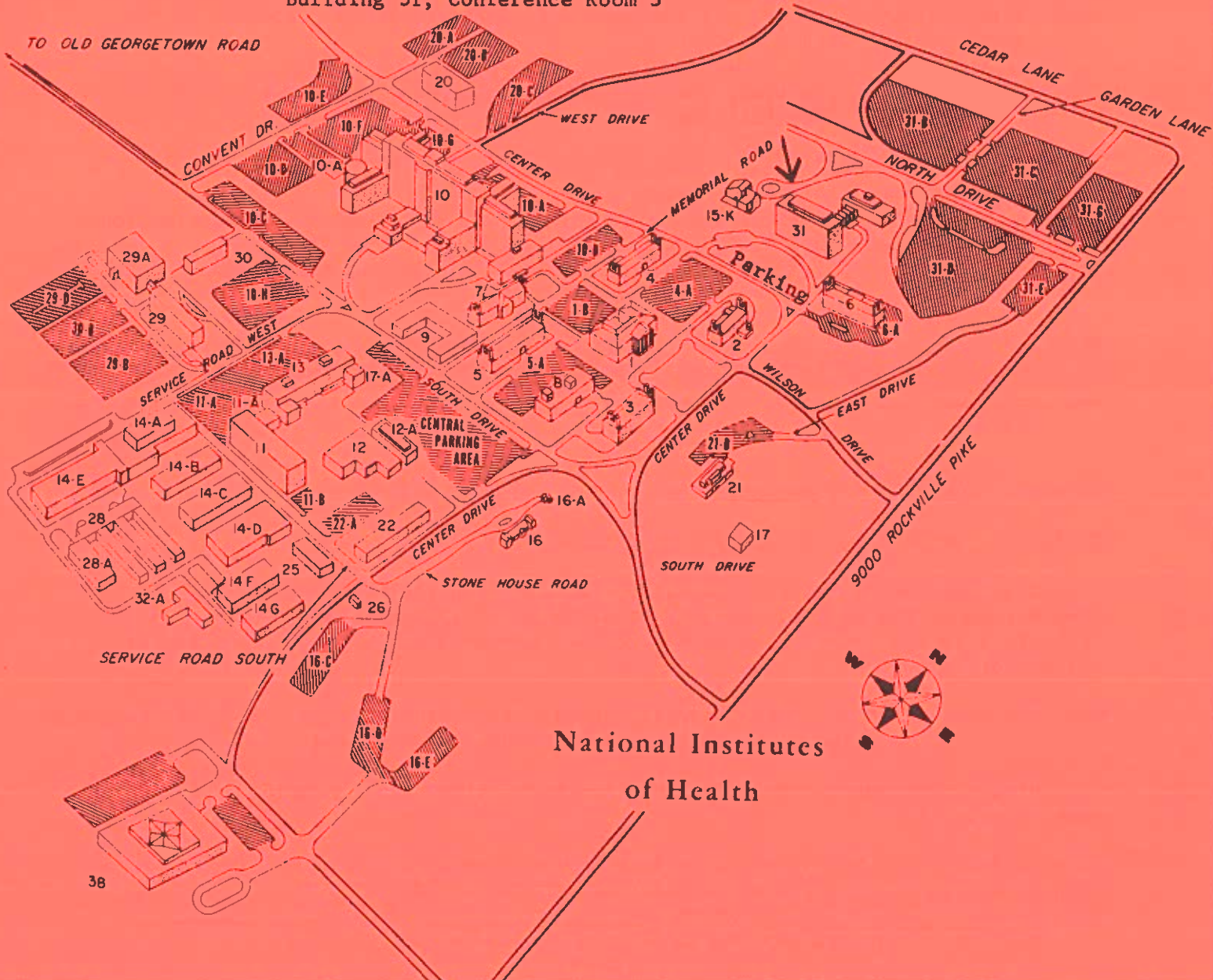
Subject: Introduction to Statistical Concept for Statics and Dynamics
in Simulation Experiments

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Discussants: Harry Weintrob, Leasco Systems and Research Corp.
Belur K. Radhakrishnan, World Systems Laboratories, Inc.

Mr. Ling will discuss the rationale for the use of experimental design cluster sampling multi-regression analysis and time series analysis in the analysis and design of simulation experiments. He will provide an integrated approach to the combined use of two types of performance measure: (1) static measures such as means, variance, and histograms and (2) dynamic measures such as correlagrams spectra and/or auto-regression systems.

When and Where: 8:00 PM, Wednesday, January 22, National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Conference Room 3



ANNUAL AWARD

We would like to remind the statistical community of Washington about the Washington Statistical Society Award for achievement by young professionals granted annually in the amount of \$100. This award is given to the person in the Washington area* judged to have made the most significant contribution to statistical theory or practice. Since members and nonmembers are eligible, please alert those individuals who are under 35 that they are eligible for the award. The work which they submit must be individually identifiable and completed or published prior to their 35th birthday and within the preceding calendar year. Submissions may be either in manuscript or published form.

A professional panel chaired by Dr. John H. Smith, Professor of Statistics, American University will judge the papers and decide if an award is to be made. Honorable mention status may be granted to one or more submissions per year in addition to the Award. An individual cannot be named as winner in two successive years.

Among other considerations, entries will be judged on the basis of the importance, originality and excellence of the contribution. The quality of the writing, including economy of statement, will also be considered.

Submissions in triplicate must be received before January 30, 1969. Entry forms may be obtained from the Washington Statistical Society:

c/o The American Statistical Association
810 18th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20006

The initial winner of this award was Dr. Thomas K. Burch. Presentation of the award was made at our annual dinner this past June. Honorable Mention was awarded to papers submitted by Mr. Joseph L. Gastwirth and Mr. Paul L. Canner. We urge members to participate and encourage promising nonmember cohorts to apply and submit papers.

Future Meeting

The Washington Statistical Society will sponsor a seminar on Wednesday, February 5, beginning at 9:30 AM. Subject of the seminar will be "Survey Methods and Research Design". Papers will be presented by Monroe Lerner, Walt Simmons, Joe Steinberg and Joe Waksburg. The session will be held in Conference Room B, Interdepartmental Auditorium, Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets, N.W.

No job openings received this month. Notices for inclusion in future issues should be sent to Mrs. Marie D. Eldridge, Office of Statistical Programs and Standards, Bureau of Finance and Administration, Post Office Department, 12th and Pennsylvania, N.W., Room 2407, Washington, D.C. 20260. Forms outlining the items to be included in the notice are available from Mrs. Eldridge. No phone announcements please.

* "In the Washington Area" means current residence or employment in the American Statistical Association District 5, comprising the District of Columbia, Maryland and Northern Virginia of at least 6 months duration at the time of entry.