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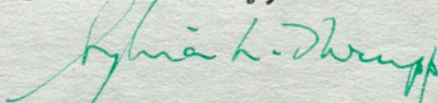
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Dear Professor Vives,

A visit here from Professor Céspedes lately renewed my desire to interest you in this new journal. Professor Céspedes thought that a number of members of your group might be interested in contributing. I have sent ^{you} my editorial introduction to our first issue, and I have asked the publisher to send you a copy of our second, which contains a short piece on a Latin-American country. I enclose a memo we circulate to prospective contributors, which gives some further idea of our approach.

I should be delighted to hear from you at some time.

Yours sincerely,



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Suggestions for Contributors

I Nature of articles invited

CSSH is accepting articles on the following kinds of subject matter, treated in both historical and contemporary contexts:

1. On the cultural role of institutions and techniques
2. On the cultural role of ideas, values and images and of the social groups associated with these. (Emphasis on the question of cultural role excludes mechanical treatment of matters that may be only superficially comparable.)
3. On the processes of cultural interchange concerning the above. (The emphasis on interchange excludes mechanical treatment either of the expansion of a civilization or of the diffusion of particular influences.)
4. On problems of theory and of method concerning the use and value of comparison in the above fields. (Most of our work of this kind will take the form of comment on other contributions that are empirical in nature.)

II The emphasis on comparison

1. Articles will preferably present some comparisons relating to two or more situations. They may also present a problem in one particular context in such a way as to invite comparison from elsewhere. The Editor will then endeavor to obtain a companion article. In this case it will be helpful if the writer lets the Editor know the exact nature of his plan before completing the article.
2. Larger symposia or series of articles
On a number of subjects we hope to present considerable groups of articles, published either two or three at a time, or in successive issues. In these

cases, while each writer will naturally bring out the special peculiarities of the situation with which he deals, he can do so clearly only by reference to questions of major importance which the other writers also will discuss. On some of these subjects contributors have helped the Editor prepare bulletins in questionnaire form, listing points that appear to be important for comparative study. These are available on the following subjects:

Revolution and Rebellion
Aristocracies
Millennialism
Inter-relations between colonial
and indigenous cultures
Frontier societies
The cultural role of Monasticism
Peasant Society
Political Corruption as a Problem
for Comparative Study

III Length of Articles

Articles may vary in length, up to a maximum of about 12,000 words, including footnotes.

IV Language

Our first few issues are appearing in English, but we shall also publish some important work in French. We shall arrange translation from other languages.

V Form of mss.

1. Typing. Articles should be typed, double-spaced, on bond paper strong enough to stand printers' handling. Margins on top, bottom and right should be about one inch, on left a little wider. In the case of articles calling for a companion piece or forming part of a symposium, it will be helpful if writers send a carbon copy as well as a ribbon copy.
2. Footnotes. Footnotes will be printed at the foot of the page to which they refer, but it is convenient to have them typed separately from the text. References to them should be made by Arabic numerals consecutively throughout the article.

In reference to books, bibliographical information should be given in the following form, with punctuation as indicated:

L.B. Simpson, The Encomienda in New Spain
(Berkeley, University of California Press, 1950),
pp. 51-60.

Reference to articles should be as follows:

E.M. Gale, "Public Administration of Salt in China", The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, V (1930), pp. 150-51.

Reference to a chapter or article in a collective work listed in libraries under the name of its editor should be as follows:

Erwin H. Ackerknecht, "On the Comparative Method in Anthropology" in Method and Perspective in Anthropology: Papers in Honor of Wilson D. Wallis, ed. Robert F. Spencer (Minneapolis, University of Minnesota Press, 1954), pp. 117-25.

If they prefer, writers may list their authorities in a bibliography to be printed at the end of the article, giving the author, date of publication, and key number if necessary, in parentheses at the point of reference in the text.

VI Acceptance of Articles

Notification as to acceptance of an article will be given by the Editor as quickly as possible. The procedure will require a reading by two or more specialists, drawn from two fields.