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TO OUR AUTHORS, ADVISERS, AND FRIENDS

We continue to be encouraged by the enthusiasm shown to the project from many different sources: funding agencies, institutions and libraries, and of course our authors and advisers. We are sending this newsletter, along with the project brochure to let you know how the work is coming. In a few weeks, we will be circulating new versions of the outline for volumes I-III which will reflect some major revisions in the structure of the volumes but not their content.

Wingspread Conference

The Johnson Foundation of Racine, Wisconsin sponsored a two-day conference for the General History of Cartography Project in early November. About 25 people associated with the project gathered to discuss organizational and research problems which have occurred in Volume I, and for a general discussion of Volume II. We feel the meetings were extremely helpful to the co-editors and have resulted in some major rethinking of our goals and structure. Edited transcripts of parts of the meetings will soon be available for those who wish them. We are all grateful to the Johnson Foundation for their support and dedication to our project. We hope to be able to repeat the event when volume I is out and volume III is ready to go to press.

Comments on the titles of the volumes, please

One of the topics for discussion at Wingspread was the Europocentric bias of the project reflected in the titles of the volumes, the first versions of which are found on the brochure. A possible solution is to have broad titles such as the following with detailed subtitles:

- I The Foundations of Cartography to ca. 1500.
- II The Revival of Cartography from ca. 1450 to ca. 1670.
- III The Scientific Age of Cartography from ca. 1650 to ca. 1780.
- IV The Industrial Age of Cartography from ca. 1780 to ca. 1910.
- V The Technological Age of Cartography from ca. 1910 to the present.

We would welcome comments on these, particularly for volume I for which the decision will have to be made shortly.

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Volume I Status

Most of Volume I is now in the word processor and undergoing editing. Drafts are being returned to authors for questions and changes and we hope to have a final copy by early spring.

Volume II

FIRST DRAFTS ARE DUE BY 31 DECEMBER 1982, unless otherwise contracted. It is important that manuscripts are submitted on time, especially since we will be dividing our time between Volumes I and II and planning for Volume III. If you know that you cannot comply with your contract with the Press, please contact us immediately. Two manuscripts for Volume II have already been received.

Reimbursement of expenses

We will not be able to honor expense claims for Volume II after 1 April 1983. Please let us know as soon as possible what outstanding claims you plan to submit.

Volume III

In October a proposal was sent to the National Endowment for the Humanities for funding for Volume III, to begin September 1983 and last two years. We will not know the outcome of this proposal until February or March 1983. Additional proposals are under consideration by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and the National Science Foundation.

Reference Maps

We have been awarded funds from the University of Wisconsin for the drawing of reference maps and diagrams in the first two volumes of the General History of Cartography in the University Cartographic Laboratory. This seemingly obvious addition to the work was not conceived in our initial plan, but we feel that the reference value would be enhanced considerably. Some authors have already provided us with sketch maps showing places mentioned in the text, and these are much appreciated. Other maps will be compiled from lists of placenames derived from the manuscripts in the Madison office. However, any lists or maps authors can provide will be welcomed.

John Parry

We deeply regret to inform you of the death of distinguished colleague Professor John H. Parry. Professor Parry died on 25 August after an illustrious career which took him to India, Africa, the West Indies and the United States, in addition to his work in his native England. He was a scholar of first rank and a key author in volumes II and III and the project has greatly felt his loss.

Best wishes for a happy holiday season from the staff of both offices of the History of Cartography Project.