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AWARD TO US: The Theodore C. Blegen Award for the best article on forest history in a publication other than the *Journal of Forest History* came to us this year because of our publication of John R. Ross' article "Man Over Nature: Origins of the Conservation Movement" in the Spring 1975 *American Studies*.

The Ross article shared the award with one by Allan Soffar. Soffar and Ross have received checks; *American Studies* has a handsome plaque.

The judges in the competition were Robert Peter Gillis, of the Public Archives of Canada; James Doster of the University of Alabama; and G. Michael McCarthy of Denver, Colorado.

BOSTON IS WHERE we'll have the 1977 meeting of the national ASA. Information about participation is available from Lillian Schlissel, American Studies Program, Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York 11210. The dates: October 28-31, 1977.

LINGUISTIC ATLAS: Primary source material of a sort which would be priceless to imaginative investigators is now available with the publication of basic materials—unaltered field records—from the *Linguistic Atlas of the North-Central States* edited by Raven I. McDavid, Jr. and others. Both microfilm (or Xerox) and reel or cassette tapes of interviews are available from the University of Chicago, the print material from the Photoduplication Department of the Joseph Regenstein Library, and the oral material from the Language Laboratory.

COMPARATIVE STUDY OF CIVILIZATIONS: The International Society for such meets next at Bradford College, Haverhill, Massachusetts from April 14-17, 1977. Detailed information is available from Benjamin Nelson, the Graduate Faculty, New School for Social Research, GFC, 65 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10003.

AESTHETICIANS' RALLY: The University of Colorado announces an NEH summer institute in aesthetics at Boulder starting on June 6, 1977. There are thirty \$700 (plus travel allowance) scholarships for folks in the humanities whose interests relate to aesthetics or critical theory. Berel Lang has further information. Write c/o Department of Philosophy, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado 80309.

SOUTHERN STRATEGY: Changes in Editorial Policy for *The Southern Quarterly* are announced by its editor, Peggy Prenshaw. The magazine wants articles "On any topic that holds wide interest and contemporary significance for the liberal and fine arts." *SoQ* also now carries reviews.

NEW ADDRESS for the Division of Archives and Manuscripts of the Minnesota Historical Society: 1500 Mississippi Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101.

TEACHING LOCAL HISTORY: For the next three years the Newberry Library has NEH help to put on conferences on college teaching of state and local history. You write to Richard Jensen at the Library, 60 W. Walton, Chicago, Illinois 60610.

NEWBERRY ACTIVITIES: The Newberry also announces a summer institute starting June 8, 1977 on "The Basics of Quantitative Historiography." Richard Jensen (see previous item) has information on that, too.

WOMEN'S HISTORY: Abstracts of papers in all areas are invited for a conference in October, 1977 at the College of St. Catherine, St. Paul, Minnesota 55105. They are due by May 1, and should be sent to the Conference on the History of Women, c/o the College.

LISTEN, DEPARTMENT CHAIR-FOLKS: The following people, scholars known to us by reputation, and not

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members of our editorial board, helped *American Studies* during the last half year by reading and commenting on submitted manuscripts. Reward them with promotions and raises! James C. Austin, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville; Betsy Broun, University of Kansas; Mike Butler, University of Kansas; Donald Byrd, SUNY-Albany; John G. Cawelti, University of Chicago; Victor Contoski, University of Kansas; Sherwood Cummings, California State University-Fullerton; Albert Devlin, University of Missouri-Columbia; George Ehrlich, University of Missouri-Kansas City; Warren French, I.U.P.U.-Indianapolis; Lewis Fried, Kent State University; Howard Gadlin, University of Massachusetts; William J. Goode, Columbia University; David L. Grey, Stanford University; Edward F. Grier, University of Kansas; William Goetzmann, University of Texas-Austin; Shirley Harkess,

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