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Here is the third issue of the HOPOS Newsletter. As always, we are distributing the electronic version of the Newsletter in four separate parts (including this table of contents as Part I) in order not to fill your mailbox with overly long messages. All four parts will be mailed at the same time.
Among the items to which you might want to pay special attention is the call for papers for a special HOPOS session at the October 1994 joint PSA/HSS/4S meeting in New Orleans, this in Part II (item 3.a). We are happy to distribute a hard-copy version of the Newsletter to those who request it, but in order to save on expenses, we would like to deliver it to as many people as possible in this electronic form; so please bear with us as we experiment with this new form of communication.

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% Back issues of the HOPOS Newsletter are available under the HOPOS sub-
% directory, Science Studies directory, at gopher kasey.umkc.edu.
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1. WHAT'S NEW WITH HOPOS?

HOPOS continues to thrive. With HOPOS-sponsored sessions at this November's History of Science Society meeting in Sante Fe, and at next year's joint History of Science Society/Philosophy of Science Association/Society
for

the Social Studies of Science meeting in New Orleans, and with more such
sessions being planned, HOPOS is starting to become a presence on the
professional scene. The discussion list, HOPOS-L, continues to be a lively
forum for the exchange of information and ideas, counting now some 425
subscribers. Planning continues for a special HOPOS issue of one of the
leading journals, and preliminary discussions have been opened that may
well
lead to the establishment of a HOPOS monograph/reprint series at one of the
major academic publishers in the US.

2. A HOPOS MONOGRAPH/REPRINT SERIES?

Earlier this fall, the HOPOS-L list buzzed for a few days with an ex-
change prompted by the discovery that Rolf George's translation of Carnap's
AUFBAU had gone out of print. As we compared notes, we discovered a goodly
number of such titles that have gone out of print. This led to our opening
discussions with a major academic press in the US about the possibility of a
HOPOS monograph/reprint series; the press is receptive, and we are now prepar-
ing a formal proposal. You can help us by sending us information about addi-
tional titles that you would like to see reprinted in such a series; please
also send us any other suggestions you think we should consider in preparing
the proposal. Suggestions should be directed to either Don Howard (at the
description given above) or Dan Garber (at the address given below in item 3a.)

3. UPCOMING HOPOS-SPONSORED EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES.

a. HOPOS SESSIONS AT THE OCTOBER 1994 JOINT PSA/HSS/4S MEETING.

HOPOS is planning to sponsor one or more sessions at the joint meetings of the Philosophy of Science Association, History of Science Society, and the Society for Social Studies of Science in New Orleans, October 13-16 1994. All are invited to submit proposals in any area of the history of the philosophy of science. The program of symposia for the PSA part of the joint meeting has just been announced, and we're happy to say that one HOPOS symposium will be included:

FOUNDATIONAL PROJECTS IN MATHEMATICS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 20TH CENTURY IN THEIR SYSTEMATIC AND HISTORICAL CONTEXTS. To be chaired by Alan Richardson. The participants will be: Michael Hallett,
CALL FOR PAPERS FOR HOPOS SESSIONS AT THE HSS PART OF THE 1994 MEETING: We will also be submitting a proposal for at least one HOPOS symposium on the HSS part of the program. Those interested in participating should send a brief abstract and a short cv (about half a page) to:

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Email submissions are especially encouraged. The deadline for submission is October 31, 1993. Individual papers may be submitted; we will try to match such papers with others of similar themes to form one or more coherent sessions. Alternatively, groups of scholars can submit complete sessions to the program committee for possible inclusion. Other members of the program committee include Tom Oberdan (oberdat@clemson.bitnet) and Antonia Soulez. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact any member of
the program committee.

b. HOPOS SESSION AT THE NOVEMBER 1993 HSS MEETING.

HOPOS has proposed and had accepted two HOPOS-sponsored sessions for the November 1993 History of Science Society Meeting in Santa Fe, New Mexico, 11-14 November 1993. They are:

1. DESCARTES, MECHANISM, AND NATURE. Friday, 12 November, 4:00-6:00 P.M.

   Chair: Dan Garber

   Brian Baigrie, "Descartes' Science and the Illusion of Self-Initiated Motion."

   Andre Gombay, "The More Perfect the Maker, the More Perfect the Product."

   Calvin Normore, "Naturally and Mechanically: Descartes and Some Scholastics on the Limits of Nature."

2. PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE IN THE EARLY TWENTIETH CENTURY. Sunday, 14 November, 9:00-11:00 A.M.
Chair: Roger Ariew

George Gale, "The Amazing Epistemological Debate of 1937."
Gary Hardcastle, "S.S. Stephens and the Science of Science."
Alan Richardson, "Toward a History of Rational Reconstruction."
Roger Ariew, "Pierre Duhem and the German Mind."

It still not too late to make plans to come to Santa Fe in November. It's a lovely place and a lovely time of year, the perfect setting for a gathering of the HOPOI.

c. FUTURE ACTIVITIES.

We continue to welcome suggestions for other venues at which HOPOS can sponsor sessions; we are especially interested in finding HOPOS venues more convenient for our European members. If you know of a forthcoming meeting where HOPOS participation would make sense, or if you would like to help organize a HOPOS session, please let us know.

4. OTHER FORTHCOMING EVENTS.
a. OCTOBER 1993 WORKSHOP ON ORIGINS OF LOGICAL POSITIVISM, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The Minnesota Center for the Philosophy of Science is sponsoring a Workshop on the Origins of Logical Positivism, October 21-24, 1993, at the Holiday Inn Metrodome in Minneapolis and the HHH Center. The preliminary schedule is as follows:

Thursday, October 21

Session I (7-10 PM) -- GENERAL BACKGROUND.
Peter Galison, Nancy Cartwright
[Holiday Inn Metrodome-Avalon Room]

Friday, October 22

Session II (8:30-11 AM) -- EARLY LOGICAL EMPIRICISM: PHILOSOPHICAL INFLUENCES. Alan Richardson, Thomas Ricketts
[Holiday Inn Metrodome-Avalon Room]

Session III (12:15-3 PM) -- EARLY LOGICAL EMPIRICISM: SCIENTIFIC INFLUENCES. Don Howard, Thomas Ryckman
STUDIES IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COLLOQUIUM (3:30-5 PM)
Peter Galison: "Artificial Reality: Simulations between Theory and Experiment."
[210 Physics Building]

Saturday, October 23

Session IV (9-12 AM) -- LOGIC IN LOGICAL EMPIRICISM.
Warren Goldfarb, Richard Creath
[Hubert H. Humphrey Center-Room 180A/B]

Session V (2-5 PM) -- EMPIRICISM IN LOGICAL EMPIRICISM.
Thomas Oberdan, Joia Lewis-Turner
[Hubert H. Humphrey Center-Room 180A/B]

Sunday, October 24

Session VI (9-12 AM) -- THE OTHER VIENNA CIRCLE.
Michael Friedman, Thomas Uebel
[Hubert H. Humphrey Center-Room 180A/B]
b. JANUARY 1994 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF HERMANN VON HELMHOLTZ.

The Forschungsschwerpunkt Wissenschaftsgeschichte und Wissenschaftstheorie (Berlin) announces a conference on Hermann von Helmholtz, to be held January 4-7, 1994, at Schloss Ringberg, Tegernsee (Bavaria). The preliminary schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, January 4

Session I (9 AM-12:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ, EXPERIMENTER AND PHYSIOLOGIST. Frederick Holmes, Kathryn Olesko, Richard Kremer, Timothy Lenoir

Session II (2-5:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ ON MECHANICS AND THE MECHANICAL WORLD VIEW. Fabio Bevilacqua, Hartmut Hecht, Gregor Schiemann, Lorenz Krueger

Wednesday, January 5

Session III (9-10:30 AM) -- HELMHOLTZ AND THERMODYNAMICS. Stefan Wolff, Norton Wise
Session IV (11 AM-12:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ ON ELECTRICITY.
Olivier Darrigol, Jed Buchwald

Session V (2-5:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ ON GEOMETRY.
Renate Wahsner, Siegfried Paul, Volkmar Schueller, Martin Carrier

Thursday, January 6

Session VI (9 AM-12:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ'S EPISTEMOLOGY.
Michael Heidelberger, Ulrich Roesenberg, John Erpenbeck,
Wolfgang Bialas

Session VII (2-3:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ ON TONE AND MUSIC.
Erwin Hiebert, Burghard Weiss

Session VIII (4-5:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ AS A SOCIAL FIGURE.
Andreas Laass, Petra Werner

Friday, January 7

Session IX (9 AM-12:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ, ORGANIZER OF SCIENCE.
Walter Kaiser, Horst Kant, Dieter Hoffmann, Annette Vogt
Session X (2-2:45 PM) HELMHOLTZ AS AN HISTORICAL FIGURE.
Wolfgang Kuettler

Session XI (2:45-5:30 PM) -- HELMHOLTZ, NATURAL SCIENTIST AND
PHILOSOPHER. Catherine Chevalley, Don Howard, David Cahan

c. MAY 1994 INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS HENRI POINCARE, NANCY, FRANCE.

ACERHP, the Archive-Centre d'Etudes et de Recherche Henri-Poincare, is
sponsoring an international congress devoted to the work of Henri Poincare,
14-18 May 1994 in Nancy, France. The invited speakers include: H. Barreau,
F.E. Browder, Chr. Chauvire, U. Da Silva, A. Dahan, P. De Rouilhan, M. Det-
lefsen, J. Dhombres, C. Engel, P. Eymard, J. Folina, M. Friedman, J.
Giedymin,
G.G. Granger, J. Gray, A. Grunbaum, R. Hilpinen, A. Kamlah, A.
Lichnerowicz,
Fr. Longy, K. Maurin, A. Miller, G.-H. Mueller, G. Nowak, M. O'Gorman, M.
Paty, J. Petitot, M. Resnik, F. Rivenc, E. Schwartz, H. Sinaceur, J. Still-
well, D. Sullivan, Chr. Thiel, R. Tieszen, L. Vax, K. Volkert, J.
Vuillemin,
M. Yanase, and E. Zahar.

The conference is divided into two sections. Section 1, "Philosophy and
Logic" and "Philosophy, Mathematics, and Physics." The deadline for
submission

of abstracts of contributed papers has passed. But further information about

the conference can be obtained by writing to the conference organizers at one

of the follow addresses:

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The conference fee is 350 FF (150 FF for students) if paid before 31 January;

thereafter the fee is 450 FF (250 FF for students).
5. GOPHER-HOPOS RESOURCES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY.

The University of Missouri-Kansas City sponsors an electronic archive called Science Studies. Archived material covers a wide range of disciplines, including history, philosophy, and sociology of science, science education,
and other related areas. Several electronic texts of wide interest are available, including Fuller and Raman's STS Curricular Guide. Additional topics include job offerings, meetings, e-lists, including HOPOS (see especially the back issues of the HOPOS Newsletter archived here), and pedagogical information.

Gopher service (named after the mascot of the University of Minnesota, which developed the gopher interface) is extremely easy to use. One of the easiest ways to reach the UMKC gopher is simply to type

gopher kasey.umkc.edu

at your main system prompt. If your computer service has installed the gopher software, you will immediately have the UMKC root gopher screen show up on your display. Simply move the cursor to Science Studies, do a carriage-return,

and you're there. If you find something you'd like to download, you can easily do so by following your system's instructions for downloading or receiving files.

Recent additions to kasey include the text of Oxford University's Tutor-
ial Guide to the Philosophy of Science, announcements of postdocs in various

science studies fields, news of several meetings and jobs, and, in the
directory /Other E-sources and Archives, compilations of Net resources for
Physics, Biology and Economics.

Suggestions or material for posting may be sent to either George Gale,
ngale@vax1.umkc.edu or Tim McGrew, mcgrew@jaguar.csc.wsu.edu. We strongly
encourage HOPOS members to submit syllabi to kasey's Pedagogy Archives.

Mail

disks to the address listed below.

Kasey also offers direct gopher link to the International Philosophy

Preprint Exchange, at Chiba University, Japan. Philosophy of science holdings

in the IPPE archive are growing; HOPOS members especially are encouraged to
submit drafts of papers or comments on already-archived papers to the
Exchange. If you would prefer to have your work prepared for submission by
George Gale, please send a *plain text* via disk or e-mail to him. US mail
address: Department of Philosophy, University of Missouri, Kansas City MO
64110.

6. HOPOS PEDAGOGY ARCHIVE.
The HOPOS Pedagogy Archive is now accessible at kasey.umkc.edu (for instructions on access via gopher, see the previous article). A number of syllabi for courses at all levels have been posted, but there is room for many more. Right now we are soliciting syllabi that would be useful to people teaching philosophy or history of science—or other relevant species of science studies—at any level from general undergraduate courses to focused, graduate level seminars. We hope later to expand the archive to include other pedagogical tools (classroom examples, bibliographies, reading questions on various texts, etc).

To help us organize these materials in the most useful way, contributors should fill out the brief header which follows. Then simply append the syllabus to the header (in ASCII text, of course—the simplest possible way) and send it to George Gale at ggale@vax1.umkc.edu or to Tim McGrew at mcgrew@jaguar.csc.wsu.edu. Alternatively, you may send a diskette containing the syllabus (preferably in ASCII format, but any standard wordprocessor format will do) to: Professor George D. Gale; Department of Philosophy; 222 Cocke-fair; University of Missouri-Kansas City; Kansas City, Missouri 64110-2499. We will compile all of the contributions, and when a suitable number is reached, they will be placed in the gopher-accessible archive at UMKC.

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7. RELATED ORGANIZATIONS.

We are continuing a regular feature with this third issue of the Newsletter, profiles of other organizations, institutes, programs, and their sponsored publications, in cases where their aims are somewhat similar to or overlap with those of HOPOS. Please let us know of other such groups or programs that you would like to see profiled in future issues of our newsletter.

a. INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH IN CLASSICAL PHILOSOPHY AND SCIENCE

The Institute for Research in Classical Philosophy and Science is a non-profit educational corporation established in late 1983 by scholars at various academic institutions in Canada, Europe, and the United States. Its primary purpose is to enhance higher education and to promote research in both the sciences and the humanities, by fostering and support-
ing scholarly study concerning the history of the interaction between
science and its interpretation in the various societies and language
groups constituting Western and Near Eastern culture.

To meet this goal the Institute facilitates the dissemination of research
and promotes cooperation between scholars whose work touches on the study
of pre-modern science and its interpretation in their social, cultural,
and intellectual contexts. Thus, in addition to sponsoring research as
well as international conferences, colloquia, and other forms of schol-
arly communication, the Institute has established a program of publica-
tion that includes translations, monographs, thematic collections of
essays, and bibliographies.

If you have any questions about the Institute and its various programs,
or if you should like to support the Institute's activities, please
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NJ 08540-7423, USA; TEL. 609-466-2098; Email: acbowen@pucc (BITNET);
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b. ORGANIZATIONS PROFILED IN PREVIOUS ISSUES OF THE NEWSLETTER.

Copies of these articles are available in the HOPOS directory
at: gopher kasey.umkc.edu.
1. ASSOCIATION HENRI POINCARE, Paris.
2. INSTITUT "WIENER KREIS," Vienna.

1. INTERNATIONAL HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY, AND SCIENCE TEACHING GROUP
8. JOURNALS, BOOKS, AND SERIES.

If you have information about books, journals, or series that might be of special interest to HOPOS members, especially new publishing ventures, please let us know so that we can publicize them in the pages of the HOPOS News-
In this issue we feature a new book series.

a. SOURCES AND STUDIES IN THE HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF CLASSICAL SCIENCE

The Institute for Research in Classical Philosophy and Science and Garland Publishing are pleased to announce a new series of publications, Sources and Studies in the History and Philosophy of Classical Science.

This series (which combines Sources and Studies) focuses on the classical sciences (e.g., mathematics, astronomy, harmonics, optics, mechanics, biology, and medicine) in Western and Near Eastern culture from antiquity to the 1700s, the time of Newton and the beginning of the modern era. Books in this series aim to make fundamental texts in the history of the classical sciences accessible to the modern reader, by means of translations and interpretations that satisfy the requirements of specialists but still address the needs of non-specialists and general readers. The Sources include editions and English translations of treatises in the classical sciences and of treatises in which these sciences are subjected to critical examination. These texts are supplied with general introductions and philological/technical commentaries, and supplemented by annotated bibliographies and lexica. The Studies present the latest results of historical research and interpretation in analyzing the classical sciences, their place in their contemporary
intellectual culture, and their impact on subsequent philosophical and scientific thinking. This series is intended for readers interested in the history and philosophy of science in the Greco-Roman and Near Eastern worlds and their legacy until the modern era, as well as in intellectual history, and philology.

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Scholars are invited to submit proposals and manuscripts to the Series
Editors.

Titles in Print or Currently in Press:


b. JOURNALS PROFILED IN PREVIOUS ISSUES OF THE NEWSLETTER.

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1. PERSPECTIVES ON SCIENCE.

2. STUDIES IN HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE.
3. PHILOSOPHIA MATHEMATICA.

4. CONFIGURATIONS.

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1. BRITISH JOURNAL FOR THE HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY.
2. THE EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PHILOSOPHY.

9. HOPOS-L: THE HOPOS ELECTRONIC DISCUSSION LIST.

HOPOS maintains an electronic discussion list, HOPOS-L, for the exchange
of information and ideas of interest to HOPOS members. If you would like
to subscribe, send a one-line message of the form

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to LISTSERV@UKCC.UKY.EDU. New subscribers automatically receive a
welcoming
message listing the basic commands and other information that you need to
know
in order participate in a discussion list. Messages posted to HOPOS-L are
archived monthly. You can get a list of archive files by sending the command
INDEX HOPOS-L to LISTSERV@UKCC.UKY.EDU. And you can retrieve a specific archive file by sending the command GET HOPOS-L LOGYYMM to the same address,

where "YY" and "MM" refer, respectively, to the year and month of the archive file you are requesting (thus, April's archive is HOPOS-L LOG9304). Questions, problems, or requests for help with HOPOS-L should be sent off-list directly
to Don Howard, einphil@ukcc.uky.edu.

10. ABOUT HOPOS.

a. WHAT IS HOPOS?

HOPOS is an informal, international working group of scholars who share an interest in promoting serious, scholarly research on the history of the philosophy of science and related topics in the history of the natural and social sciences, logic, philosophy, and mathematics. We interpret this statement of shared interest broadly, meaning to include all historical periods and diverse methodologies. We aim to promote historical work in a variety of ways, including the sponsorship of meetings and conference sessions, the publication of special issues of journals, the dissemination of information about libraries, archives,
and collections, and, as more ambitious projects perhaps become feasible, the preparation of bibliographies and finding guides.

b. ORGANIZATION.

HOPOS being an informal organization, there are no elected or appointed committees or officers. Day-to-day responsibility resides with a self-selecting steering committee, whose members include:

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Don Howard, University of Kentucky
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Anne Mylott, Indiana University
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Tom Oberdan, Clemson University
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Antonia Soulez, Universite de Paris XII

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Volunteers are welcome to help with any of these activities. We need, especially, more help from among the many European members of HOPOS, preferably members who have access to email. If you would like to help, please contact a member of the relevant committee.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION.

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Address: _____________________   FAX:   _______________________
                      Email: _______________________
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Institution: _________________
Areas of Interest:

Are you interested in helping with activities like the preparation of the Newsletter, Program Committee, Organization of Conferences?

Please return the completed questionnaire, either by regular mail or electronic mail to:

Professor Don Howard; Department of Philosophy; University of Kentucky; Lexington, Kentucky 40506-0027; USA. Tel.: 606-257-4376. FAX: 606-258-1073. Email: einphil@ukcc.uky.edu.

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Dr. Alan Richardson; Science Studies Unit, 0102; University of California San Diego; 9500 Gilman Drive; La Jolla, California, 92093-0102; USA. Tel: 619.534.0491. Fax: 619.534.4753. Email: richrdsn@helix.ucsd.edu.
We also ask for voluntary dues in the amount of $15.00. Please send your check, made payable to HOPOS (and preferably in US dollars), to Professor Don Howard, at the address given above.