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Date: Wed, 28 Aug 2002 11:20:27 -0700
Sender: AAPORNET@ASU.EDU
From: Shapard Wolf <shap.wolf@ASU.EDU>
Subject: February 1996 archive - one BIG message

This is the USC Listproc archive of AAPORNET messages for this entire month. It is one big message, in chronological order, just the way the USC archive stored it. You can search within this month with your browser's search function (usually Ctrl-F).

Turning this into individual messages that ASU's Listserv software can index and sort means a lot of reformatting. We will do this as time permits.

New messages are of course automatically formatted correctly, and I have converted November 1994 through January 1995 and June 2002 to the present.

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AAPORNET volunteer host

Begin archive:

Archive aapornet, file log9602.
Part 1/1, total size 434223 bytes:

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>From murray1@pipeline.com Thu Feb 1 05:45:33 1996
Return-Path: murray1@pipeline.com
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by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with ESMTTP
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Date: Thu, 1 Feb 1996 08:45:21 -0500
Message-Id: <199602011345.IAA13332@pipe4.nyc.pipeline.com>
To: AAPORNET@USC.EDU
Subject: Deadline for Newsletter -- Today
From: murray1@pipeline.com (Murray Edelman)
X-Mailer: The Pipeline v3.2.0

AAPORites,

Today is the deadline for newsletter submissions. Please send them to me and to Diane O'Rourke.

Send newsletter submissions to: murray1@pipeline.com
Dorourke@srl.uic.edu

Please send any short personal or organizations news to

News and Notes Editor: Dan Merkle DMMerkle@aol.com

Thank you,

Murray Edelman, Editor,
AAPOR News

>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Thu Feb 1 06:09:56 1996
Return-Path: beniger@almaak.usc.edu
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id GAA06576; Thu, 1 Feb 1996 06:09:52 -0800 (PST)
Date: Thu, 1 Feb 1996 06:09:51 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: QUERY: Rotary Dial Telephones
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960201060642.5472H-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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From: Sangster_R <SangsteR@ore.psb.bls.gov>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Rotary dials
Date: Wed, 31 Jan 96 15:21:00 EST

Does anyone have a fairly firm number for the average number of rotary dial telephones in America? I have a person trying to find this out from me and the only info I have is on some state studies I have worked on, those range between 15-19% with rotary. Census has the "no phone" number but doesn't list rotary v. touch-tone.

Thanks for any help.

Robie Sangster < sangster_r@bls.gov >

>From lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu Thu Feb 1 06:22:33 1996
Return-Path: lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu
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Date: Thu, 1 Feb 1996 08:24:11 -0600 (CST)
From: "Paul J. Lavrakas, Ph.D." <lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu>
Sender: lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu
Message-Id: <30259.lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: RE: Sid Kraus' comments on the Deliberative "Poll"

How about thinking of what was done in Texas as just a massive focus group that was extremely expensive? Sort of the "Waterworld" of Election Research....

Sid makes a good point about cause-and-effect hypothesis testing (using random assignment, of course). For the same amount of resources, many small group deliberations could be conducted with the researchers experimentally controlling the speakers/candidates and content of policy info (and it's order) to which participants are exposed.

P.S. Does anyone know anything about the NORC response rates for the original group that was sampled, of whom the Texas attendees were a subset? Also, what about the nature of the attrition, in terms of differential attitudes and demographics, between the people who were originally sampled but didn't attend vs. those who ended up going to Texas?

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*           Paul J. Lavrakas, Ph.D.; Professor & Director           *
* Northwestern Univ. Survey Lab, 625 Haven, Evanston IL 60208 *
*           Office: 708-491-8356  Fax: 708-467-1564             *
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To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: National Archives Online
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WE CAN NOW SEARCH THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES VIA THE INTERNET

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has released two new public access services and a new agency homepage that allow, for the first time, searches of NARA databases via the Internet.

NARA AUDIOVISUAL INFORMATION LOCATOR (NAIL) DATABASE

The NAIL database contains 81,000 series and item-level descriptions of material held by the Still Picture Branch and the Motion Picture, Sound, and Video Branch, as well as information about ordering copies. Data come from existing databases and from card catalog scanning projects, and will continue to grow.

Address: <http://www.nara.gov/nara/nail.html>

GOVERNMENT INFORMATION LOCATOR SERVICE (GILS) DATABASE

The GILS database is NARA's response to OMB Circular 96-01, which mandates that all Federal Agencies make available online information about automated information systems and a catalog of information products by January 1, 1996.

Net Addresses: Z39.50:gils@wais.nara.gov
http://www.nara.gov/gils/gils.html

NARA HOMEPAGE

The existing gopher-based homepage has been replaced with a new front end which utilizes World Wide Web technology.

Address: <http://www.nara.gov/>

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>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Thu Feb 1 09:15:01 1996
Return-Path: beniger@almaak.usc.edu
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by almaak.usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc)
id JAA13165; Thu, 1 Feb 1996 09:14:59 -0800 (PST)
Date: Thu, 1 Feb 1996 09:14:58 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Call For Papers: Visual Sociology
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960201091254.10114I-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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CALL FOR PAPERS on "Visual Sociology"

JOURNAL OF QUALITATIVE SOCIOLOGY invites submissions for a special issue on visual sociology. Manuscripts can have either a methodological or a substantive focus. Manuscript topics can include: (1) using visual methods to record and interpret information about social settings or issues; (2) using images to gain access to social actors' understanding of their environment (as in photoelicitation); (3) techniques for analyzing existing images to learn about social life; (4) approaches which integrate visual information with sociological theories and concepts. Innovative and experimental methodologies used to generate empirical findings are also welcome.

The deadline for submissions is April 1, 1996. Send four (4) copies of each submission along with a \$10 submission fee (payable to Qualitative Sociology) to the special issue editor: Steven Gold, Department of Sociology, Berkey Hall, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824-1111. Fax 517-432-2856; e-mail: gold@pilot.msu.edu.

>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Thu Feb 1 10:26:16 1996

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Date: Thu, 1 Feb 1996 10:26:09 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Position Opening
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Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Date: Thu, 1 Feb 96 13:03:49 EST
From: Thomas Regan <tregan@rci.rutgers.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: position opening

Senior Research Associate Opening

The Center for Public Interest Polling/Eagleton Institute has an opening for the position of Senior Research Associate (Non-State Funded). Under the direction of the Director, said person serves as a senior study director in conducting contract research projects. Directs survey projects: meets with clients and establishes survey methodology; designs and selects a probability sample; structures questionnaires; supervises the collection and coding of information; analyzes survey data; and prepares written reports. Oversees the drawing of the Center's sample of the New Jersey public and is responsible for maintaining and updating the Poll's data archives. Trains new research staff and graduate/undergraduate assistants and is expected to write convention papers and articles for scholarly journals based on Center activities or on advances in the methodology of survey research.

Requires a master's degree in one of the social sciences and five years of survey research experience which includes experience in sampling theory and practice, questionnaire design, proposal writing, research design, project management, data analysis and reporting. Strong computer and word processing skills and SPSS experience is also expected. A Ph.D. is preferred. Experience with CATI is desirable.

Please send, or fax, resume and cover letter to:

Janice Ballou
Director
Center for Public Interest Polling
Eagleton Institute of Politics
Rutgers University
90 Clifton Avenue
New Brunswick, NJ 08901

FAX: 908.932.6778

>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Thu Feb 1 10:50:42 1996

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id KAA18600; Thu, 1 Feb 1996 10:50:38 -0800 (PST)
Date: Thu, 1 Feb 1996 10:50:35 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Repeat Request: Drugs and Youth
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960201103938.139990-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
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The following message, originally posted to AAPORNET on Tuesday, January 30, inadvertently dropped the Internet reply address from the final line. Please address all responses to Silvia Cervellini, Planning Manager, Brazilian Institute of Public Opinion Research (IBOPE-BRAZIL), at araf@embratel.net.br

Research Colleagues,

I work for a Brazilian Institute of Public Opinion Research and we are involved in a project that will attempt to repeat here what has been done already in the US and Porto Rico : the Partnership for a Drug Free Country. This is a project where people and companies get together and work to elaborate and put on the air a national campaign, aiming the young people in order to prevent drug usage.

Our institute accepted to collaborate as the responsible for measuring the campaign effects over the years, charging only direct costs of fieldwork. We designed a sample of 700 respondents in 5 state capitals, with population of 9 to 21 years old.

I have received the questionnaires developed and used in the other countries and I translated them and adapted some questions to our reality. My main concern, however, is with the youngest respondents (from 9 to 12 years old), because there are some questions that I feel could be very difficult and threatening to them, despite the fact they have been used in the US already and are not direct questions about personal use of drugs.

We are going to pre-test very carefully the whole questionnaire, but I would like to get as much information about this subject in order to subsidize our project.

If anybody has read something useful or has had experience in surveying children about delicate matters, please send me your comments.

I thank everybody in advance.

Silvia Cervellini
Planning Manager

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>From BALLOU@zodiac.rutgers.edu Thu Feb 1 11:11:00 1996
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Date: Thu, 01 Feb 1996 14:10:34 -0500 (EST)
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>From DMMerke@aol.com Thu Feb 1 11:14:09 1996
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by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
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Date: Thu, 1 Feb 1996 14:13:24 -0500
Message-ID: <960201141324_309361029@emout07.mail.aol.com>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Deadline for Newsletter -- Today

In a message dated 96-02-01 11:11:25 EST, you write:

>Today is the deadline for newsletter submissions. Please send them to
>me and to Diane O'Rourke.

when is the last possible date i have to have news and notes ready?

p.s. i am glad that diane will be doing the layout of the newsletter.

>From stakacs@garnet.acns.fsu.edu Thu Feb 1 11:21:52 1996
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id AA42864; Thu, 1 Feb 1996 14:21:45 -0500
From: "Scott J. Takacs" <stakacs@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>
Message-Id: <199602011921.AA42864@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>
Subject: Re: QUERY: Rotary Dial Telephones
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Date: Thu, 1 Feb 1996 14:21:45 -0500 (EST)
In-Reply-To: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960201060642.5472H-100000@almaak.usc.edu> from
"James Beniger" at Feb 1, 96 06:09:51 am
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> From: Sangster_R <SangsterR@ore.psb.bls.gov>
> To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
> Subject: Rotary dials
> Date: Wed, 31 Jan 96 15:21:00 EST
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> Does anyone have a fairly firm number for the average number of rotary
> dial
> telephones in America?

This may or may not be helpful, but:

Be careful of "rotary access" data from phone companies. Some
push-button phones have a "pulse" switch so people who are extremely
cost-conscious can pay for rotary access and still use a push-button phone.

Another way would be to use a secondary source, such as whether or not rotary phones are available for sale (it's been years since I've seen one) and whether or not anyone is still renting a rotary phone. Also be careful about counting the number of people who don't use a touch-tone menu as "rotary" users, as some people on touch-tone phones don't bother with menus because sometimes it's faster to get through to a human being if you don't.

Hope this helps!

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>From IGEM100@INDYCMS.IUPUI.EDU Thu Feb 1 13:27:15 1996
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BSMTMP id 7382; Thu, 01 Feb 96 11:12:22 EST
Date: Thu, 01 Feb 96 11:09:37 EST
From: BRIAN VARGUS <IGEM100@INDYCMS.IUPUI.EDU>
Subject: RE: Sid Kraus' comments on the Deliberative "Poll"
To: aapornet@usc.edu
In-Reply-To: Message of Thu, 1 Feb 1996 08:24:11 -0600 (CST) from
<lavrakas@cas bah.acns.nwu.edu>

I heard, from an Illinois television station (down-state) that only 2 people we re picked from Illinois but 12 were picked -- for the Austin "Deliberations" an d they could not find out why. I do know the people from Indiana, covered exte nsively in the Indianapolis Star, were concentrated from two or three fairly ru ral counties or from Evansville. As is Prof. Lavrakas, I wonder about the sele ction of people to go. Can anyone tell us? Brian Vargus IU Public Opinion Lab IGEM100@indycms.iupui.edu WWW polecat.iupui.edu/pol

>From R1MJM1@VM1.CC.UAKRON.EDU Fri Feb 2 07:44:56 1996
Return-Path: R1MJM1@VM1.CC.UAKRON.EDU
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id HAA08591 for <aapornet@USC.EDU>; Fri, 2 Feb 1996 07:44:53 -0800
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with BSMTMP id 8125; Fri, 02 Feb 96 10:46:40 EST
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(LMail V1.2a/1.8a) with BSMTMP id 1704; Fri, 2 Feb 1996 10:46:39 -0500
Date: Fri, 02 Feb 96 10:36:57 EST
From: McKee McClendon <R1MJM1@VM1.CC.UAKRON.EDU>
Subject: National Issues Convention polls
To: aapornet@usc.edu

Sure, there are important concerns about how the sample was selected, possible non-participation bias (nonresponse bias), and what was the content of the information provided to the participants. But I found this study to be quite exciting and intriguing. The effect on increased political efficacy might be attributed to the attention the participants were receiving (Hawthorne effect), and a control group would be helpful in this regard (but what kind of placebo should be given to the control group? a trip to a resort in Texas?) But, I don't think that other effects such as increased opposition to a flat tax could be due to a Hawthorne effect. And while most of the effects appeared to be pro-Democratic, some favored the Republicans.

>From carolee.bush@bts.gov Fri Feb 2 08:33:52 1996
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To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: re: National Issues Convention polls
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Here's a positive one.

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Original Text

>From McKee McClendon <R1MJM1@VM1.CC.UAKRON.EDU>, on 2/2/96 10:50 AM:
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>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Fri Feb 2 11:03:17 1996
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by almaak.usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc)
id LAA16594; Fri, 2 Feb 1996 11:03:14 -0800 (PST)
Date: Fri, 2 Feb 1996 11:03:13 -0800 (PST)

From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Campaign '96 on the Net
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960202105958.16331A-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
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HOW TO FOLLOW CAMPAIGN '96 ON THE NET

SEVEN BEST CAMPAIGN SITES

Time Inc-CNN All Politics	http://AllPolitics.com
Project Vote Smart	http://www.vote-smart.org/campaign-96/
Politics USA	http://politicsusa.com/PoliticsUSA/campaign96/
Radio Iowa	http://www.learfield.com/countdown/index.html
Hotwired's Netizen	http://www.hotwired.com/netizen
Rock the Vote	http://www.rockthevote.com/
Voter Link (after Feb. 4)	http://www.sjmercury.com/

OFFICIAL CANDIDATE WEB SITES

Lamar Alexander	http://www.lamar.com/~lamar/
Pat Buchanan	http://www.buchanan.org/
Bill Clinton	http://www.whitehouse.com/
Bob Dole	http://www.dole96.org/
Steve Forbes	http://www.forbes96.com/
Phil Gramm	http://www.gramm96.com/
Alan Keyes	http://www.keyes.gocin.com/
Dick Lugar	http://www.iquest.com/lugar/
Morry Taylor	http://www.webcom.com/~morry96/

FOR DIEHARD JUNKIES ONLY

Three Republican candidates--Bob Dornan, Dick Lugar and Morry Taylor--debate online February 5-11 at:

San Jose Mercury News	http://www.sjmercury.com/
U.S. News & World Reports	http://www.usnews.com

TO FIND LESSER AND FUTURE CAMPAIGN SITES

Go to any of the following sites

Alta Vista	http://www.altavista.digital.com
InfoSeek	http://www.infoseek.com
Yahoo	http://www.yahoo.com/

and search keywords, e.g., election, poll, campaign, politics

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AAPORNEToids who would like to beat the President to reading the telecommunications reform bill which has just landed on his desk, after yesterday passing both the House (414-16) and the Senate (91-5), can find the full final text online at

<http://www.bell.com>

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NEW RESOURCES ON THE NET

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS THE WEB

The New York Times has opened a Web site which includes much of the content of the daily newspaper. Topics include: Today's Front Page, Sections, News by Category, searchable Classifieds, and user interactive "Forums" on such issues as the future of newspapers, the press and politics, and international affairs, among others. Also featured is a "CyberTimes" section, with the latest news on computer and Internet developments, as well as a "New York Times Navigator", with pointers to sites used most often by Times reporters. Domestic users may use the service free of charge after registering. Foreign users must subscribe. The richly graphical site is also offered in a low graphics format. <http://www.nytimes.com/> Low graphics: <http://www.nytimes.com/info/contents/textpath.html>

LIST OF ALL LISTS

The Listserv List Reference is a great source for finding information about

any of the over 7,500 public listservs on the Internet. It is a Web interface to LISTSERV Lists database at L-Soft International. Lists can be browsed by host site, country, and size if the list subscription exceeds 1,000. Subscriber numbers are kept up to date. Subscription information is provided, as is each list's configuration. While this site is used extensively by list owners, it also provides useful information to potential subscribers to Listserv lists. <http://www.lsoft.com/lists/listref.html>

STATE OF THE UNION IN TEXT AND AUDIO

President Clinton's State of the Union Address can be read and heard (via RealAudio) at the new Whitehouse Web site. On the page you will find the speech, as well as a "statistical snapshot" of where America is today, background to the address, and more information on each of the seven major challenges made in the address.

<http://www2.whitehouse.gov/WH/New/other/stateunion-top.html>

Text Page: <http://www2.whitehouse.gov/WH/New/other/stateunion-top-plain.html>

RealAudio Player can be obtained from: <http://www.realaudio.com>

STATE OF THE UNION ARCHIVE

State of the Union Archive: If you are interested in what past presidents have said in their State of the Union Addresses, try Northwestern University's valuable State of the Union Archive gopher. It offers the full text of all State of the Union Addresses from Harry Truman's in 1946 to Bill Clinton's in 1995. Also included are five selected Addresses from Franklin D. Roosevelt. gopher://www.polisci.nwu.edu:70 or gopher to:

www.polisci.nwu.edu

select State of the Union Archive

HARDLY THE SAME WITHOUT JACKIE

One of the top sites on the Web just got better. "Welcome to the White House", the official Web site of the Executive Branch, has been completely redesigned and upgraded to incorporate new features. The site offers interesting content for everyone, including children, students, and adults. The Interactive Citizens' Handbook allows searching for government information by entering a question in plain English such as "how do I find out about my social security benefits." The answer will be returned to you from the appropriate government computer, but what's great is that you don't need to know which computer -- amazing even for an Internet site. In other words, you don't have to know how the government is organized in order to get answers to your questions. In addition, a directory organized by subject lets you browse what's available on topics important to you. The President's weekly Saturday radio addresses are available in audio format and are searchable by keyword, allowing you to immediately listen to the parts of the speech that addresses the topics of interests to you. In the Virtual Library and the Briefing Room you can browse and search the full text of White House documents and speeches, and subscribe to the publications mailing list to receive White House publications on a daily basis, just like the press. A section devoted to White House History and Tours offers biographical sketches, inaugural addresses, and portraits of all the presidents, and even more interesting, all the first ladies. "Art in the White House - A Nation's Pride" displays the tremendously rich collection of American arts and crafts on display in the White House, and tours of the Old Executive Office Building and the First Lady's sculpture garden, which most Americans never get to see, are included. Socks leads a tour of The White House for Kids section, including a bit of history about the children and pets who have lived there, and "Inside the White House", a quarterly newsletter just for kids. The entire site is graphically rich, and what's

really handy is that it senses what kind of Web browser you are using and automatically displays the version that is compatible with your browser. And all information is easily accessible to those with slower connections through the "Text version" link on every page. <http://www.whitehouse.gov>
Text only: <http://www2.whitehouse.gov/WH/Welcome-plain.html>

NET-SPEAK GLOSSARY IN THREE LANGUAGES

Netglos is a multilingual, alphabetical glossary of Internet terms from alias to WWW. Each term is followed by a short definition. If other terms are used in the definition, hypertext links are provided to those terms. Presently the glossary is available in English, French, and Norwegian. It is under various stages of construction in other languages including German, Spanish, and Chinese, and is planned for Bahasa Indonesia, Portuguese, and Hebrew. NetGlos is a voluntary, collaborative project by a number of translators and other professionals. It is hoped that this work will make a modest contribution to the "multilingualization" of the Net and will add to the growing list of multilingual Internet resources. Contributions are welcome and will be acknowledged.
<http://wwli.com/translation/netglos/netglos.html>

KEY HIGH COURT ARGUMENTS IN AUDIO

Unedited Oral Arguments before the Supreme Court offers audio files of complete oral arguments before the Supreme Court in landmark cases. The site currently includes: United States v. Nixon (executive privilege - 1974); Roe v. Wade - 1973; Griswold v. Connecticut (Planned Parenthood challenging a Connecticut law that declared counseling married persons on the use of contraceptives a crime - 1965); and Pennsylvania v. Casey (informed consent and 24 hour waiting period for abortions - 1992), among others. Background information, the constitutional question, the conclusion, and the vote are provided for each case. Selected cases include hypertext links to the actual opinions. The arguments are in RealAudio format. Professor Jerry Goldman, a political scientist at Northwestern University, created the site and states it is the beginning of an ambitious project to digitize 400 hours of audio files. <http://oyez.at.nwu.edu/oyez.html>

NASA TECHNICAL REPORTS

NASA's Scientific and Technical Information Program (STI) has made its journal, Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports (STAR), available on the Web. Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports is an abstract journal, listing citations with abstracts for aerospace-related reports obtained from worldwide sources. It is published bi-weekly and announces documents that have recently been entered into the NASA Scientific and Technical (STI) Database. Documents include NASA contractor and grantee reports, NASA-owned patents and patent applications, other government, university, and private reports, and domestic and foreign dissertations. It also contains subject term and personal author indexes. STAR can be found along with other STI documents and indexes, such as STI Bulletins, Aerospace Medicine and Biology, Aerospace Engineering, and the NASA video catalog. A freely available Adobe Acrobat reader is required to read the publications. Download the reader from Adobe through the link at the STI site or the link from the Scout Toolkit. <http://www.sti.nasa.gov/sti-pubs.html>
<http://rs.internic.net/scout/toolkit/3d3.html>

SUNDANCE WITH REDFORD

Sundance is the official site of Robert Redford's project to develop new talent and support independent filmmakers. The site has a direct link to the Sundance Film Festival, which features a daily report, a section on this

year's films, getting around, information on past festivals, and a message from Mr. Redford. Sundance also has a filmmaker focus, presently featuring Atom Egoyan, and a connection to the Sundance Channel, with information about a new 24 hour, commercial free film TV channel. The site is richly graphical, so if you have a slow connection go directly to the Film Festival address which offers the same content. <http://sundancefilm.com/> Sundance Film Festival: <http://sundancefilm.com/festival/index.html>

SCIENCE FOR THE MILLENNIUM

Science for the Millennium, provided by the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA), is a Multimedia Online Expo. The Expo is a beautifully designed virtual museum of science and industry which will be of interest to students and others with an interest in science and computing. Users have access to three pavilions: Science and Industry, Collaboration, and Computation, as well as the Online Science Theatre. Exhibits include Whispers from the Cosmos, Spacetime Wrinkles and The Metacomputer. The Online Science Theatre offers MPEG and QuickTime movies on many of the same topics discussed in the pavilions. Science for the Millennium is a highly graphical site and some of the files will take a while to download, but your patience will be rewarded. <http://www.ncsa.uiuc.edu/Cyberia/Expo/>

TED MACK FOR WEB KIDS

ThinkQuest Contest: The Global SchoolNet Foundation is looking for several places in the United States to give *free* workshops in February and March '96 on how teachers, students, and non-profit educational organizations can enter the ThinkQuest Contest, which offers prizes of cash and scholarships. The aim of ThinkQuest is to encourage students (USA, grades 7-12), along with their coaches to build "Educational Tools for The Internet", including Web sites, that will make their favorite subjects more exciting. Unlike other forms of communication, the Internet is participatory and fosters collaborative learning. The ThinkQuest Contest will inspire the production of quality Web pages that will show how students can experience an entirely new way of learning. The "Internet Style" emphasizes exploration, collaboration, and exploitation of the information on the Internet and the World Wide Web. To learn more about ThinkQuest, see the Web site below, call Global SchoolNet Foundation at 1-800-61-THINK, or send email to gfitz@cerf.net. <http://www.advanced.org/ThinkQuest/overview.html>

FIELD TRIPPING AT THE UN

An Electronic Field Trip to the United Nations: PBS and Turner Adventure Learning (TAL) have introduced a home page designed to complement their upcoming electronic field trip telecast to the United Nations. Titled "Conflict Resolution in the Global Village", the field trip offers teachers and students the opportunity to examine the techniques used by world leaders to achieve and maintain peace. The Web page, located on PBS ONLINE, offers the following resources to all Internet visitors: an area to send in questions to UN experts; classroom activities covering UN-related issues; background information on the UN; details on UN peace-keeping operations; links to UN-related Web sites. There are still openings for the formal electronic field trip on February 8-9. For subscription information, educators can visit the web site or send e-mail to fieldtrips@pbs.org. <http://www.pbs.org/tal/un>

CYCLE-FREAK HAVEN

Chainguard online is a site devoted to bicycle advocacy information. It is dedicated to "increasing bicycle advocacy publicity and locating and uniting

cycle advocates." It links to other major bicycle advocacy pages sorted by geographic area, as well as to conferences, an article on the top ten bicycle commuting cities, and Internet Backroads, a list of cycling mailing lists and Usenet news groups. <http://www.serve.com/bikesrus/chainguard/>

WEB KIDS OF THE WORLD UNITE

"CyberFair 96: Share & Unite" will be showcased as part of the Internet 1996 World Exposition, modeled after the great world's fairs at the turn of the 20th century. This is an international, project-based, Internet learning activity that is open to all schools (grade levels K-12) in all countries. International CyberFair participants will create curricular content for use by students around the world by showcasing their local communities via the World Wide Web. Participating schools will be asked to conduct a research project involving community resources and to publish their project on a Web site. In addition to the incredible learning experience, every school that participates will receive a "thank you for playing" prize donated by businesses who believe the Internet can positively impact education. Complete information on CyberFair 96 is available at the Web site. <http://www.gsn.org/gsn/cfhome.html>

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Subject: Hands-On Internet Workshop
To: aapornet@usc.edu

AAPOR members who plan to be in the New York area on Thursday February 22, are invited to attend the following workshop sponsored by NYAAPOR:

A HANDS-ON INTERNET WORKSHOP

"Applied Social Science Uses of the World Wide Web"

Prof. Dean Savage: Queens College and the Graduate Center

The explosive growth & success of the Internet, the World Wide Web, and graphical interfaces such as Netscape, have enormous potential to change the way in which researchers and social scientists work.

In this session, Dean Savage will focus on:

- Getting started on the internet
- Introduction to WWW and Netscape
- Visiting some of the most important sources of data currently available on the Web including the Census, the American National Election Survey, the geographic information server at the University of Virginia
- Premiering the General Social Survey's dataserer at Queens College

DATE: Thursday, Feb. 22, 1996
TIME: 3:00pm sharp - 5pm
PLACE: Open Systems Center at CUNY Computer Center
555 West 57th St. - 16th floor

SPACE IS LIMITED. ATTENDANCE IS BY ADVANCE PHONE REGISTRATION ONLY. Call Roni Rosner at 212/722-5333.

Registration fee for AAPOR or NYAAPOR members: \$25

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Subject: Pew Research Center for the People & Press

The Pew Research Center for the People & the Press's WWW address is People-Press.org. You can access most materials from our releases 6/95 to current. We also provide access to our polling commentaries and a complete listing of our reports in our library, which can be ordered by phone or mail.. The Center's mailing address and phone number is unchanged from its Times Mirror days... Suite 1110, 1875 Eye St. Washington, DC 20006, 202 293 3126

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I've stayed on the sidelines here for some time, primarily because I don't think the National Issues Convention was more than another mediality, albeit constructed by a political scientist.

One concern I have about the press release describing change is that there were no hypotheses about what was supposed to change and what wasn't. Therefore, reporting that a few "key" attitudes changed might reflect nothing more than the fact that some random variation was picked up in the sample. This would, of course, be in addition to any bias in the sample, originally or in terms of traveling to Austin.

The only way to resolve this issue is to have all of the data [publicly available for secondary analysis.

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Attitude change isn't the important dependent variable here. If you did a dozen of these deliberative polls simultaneously, you might get attitudes changing in as many different directions, depending on the mix and the dynamics in each group.

What should change uniformly is the quality of opinions, e.g. as, defined by Yankelovich in the first 50 pages of "Coming to Public Judgment." There should be more internal consistency, less mushiness, more ideological constraint, more ability to connect one issue to another.

I don't know if the before-after SAQs attempted to measure these variables, but it would be nice if this kind of experiment could lead to better knowledge about what kinds of deliberation produce which kinds of improvement in opinion quality. The public journalism movement could benefit from this kind of knowledge.

--Phil Meyer

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Phil raises an interesting point, and such an analysis would also be facilitated by the public release of the data.

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FYI - the Oregon Survey Research Laboratory has a county-wide survey of families and children going into the field later this month (n=800). If we have space, we plan to replicate some of the NIC family-related questions, not only to see how the results are different/similar from the NIC, but also because they address some of the issues of our client, the Oregon Commission on Children & Families. I'll post the results if there is interest.

Patricia Gwartney, Director
Oregon Survey Research Laboratory

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NEWS OF THE NET OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

MAJOR TELECOM BILL PASSED BY CONGRESS

Major telecommunications legislation, passed last week by both houses of Congress and certain to be signed by the President, is expected to transform the long-distance and local-service telephone carriers, the cable TV operators, and the electric utilities, all of which now will be able to compete against each other with relatively few restrictions. Expected to herald an age of innovative new products and services, the legislation has been hailed enthusiastically by almost every segment of the communications industry, though it is being criticized by consumer groups, which predict rising prices for cable and phone services, and by civil liberties groups, which say the bill's penalties for using the Internet to distribute "indecent material" to minors represent an abridgment of the constitutional right to free speech. (New York Times 2 Feb 96 p1)

BROADCASTERS GET SPECTRUM FOR DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

One of the stumbling blocks to getting passage of the telecom legislation had been the provision to give broadcasters a portion of the airwaves for use in developing digital services (such as interactive television), because the provision had been criticized by Senator Dole and others as a "giveaway" of valuable spectrum that could be auctioned off for tens of millions of dollars on the open market. However, the debate over that provision has been deferred to the future, so the broadcasters are happy. They are also happy that the legislation will raise from 25% to 35% the limit on how many of the country's homes can be reached with the stations they own, and by the fact that the bill makes it now possible for broadcasters to own cable systems. (New York Times 2 Feb 96 C4)

AMERICA ONLINE ADDED TO GERMAN INTERNET INVESTIGATION

America Online says that AOL Europe, which it runs jointly with Bertelsmann AG, has become part of a probe by some German prosecutors of anti-Semitic and neo-Nazi mail on the Internet. CompuServe and a European online service already have been questioned by the investigators. (Atlanta Journal-Constitution 3 Feb 96 D3)

ANOTHER GLOBAL TELECOM ALLIANCE

Telecommunications companies Deutsche Telekom, FranceTelecom and Sprint are forming an alliance called Global One in order to provide worldwide voice, data and video services for corporate clients; international consumer services (such as calling cards); and international transmission and support to other international carriers. Global One will be competing against two previously formed global alliances: Uniworld, formed by AT&T and four European telecom operators; and Concert, formed by British Telecommunications and Sprint. (Financial Times 1 Feb 96 p16)

JAPANESE COMPANIES PREPARE ASSAULT ON U.S. PC MARKET

Toshiba is moving beyond the laptop into the U.S. desktop market, with a new line of home PC models scheduled for the fourth quarter of 1996, in time for Christmas sales. Sony and Hitachi both have declared their intentions to market to U.S. consumers, and Fujitsu is expected to make a similar announcement. Toshiba currently holds a 20% market share in the U.S. notebook market, and the company's PC division general manager says he wants Toshiba to be the world's fifth-largest PC maker by 1998, and the third largest by 2000, up from No. 9 today. (Wall Street Journal 2 Feb 96 B4)

DEAD INFORMATION ON THE WEB

Futurist Paul Saffo predicts the transformation of the Web in the next 12 months: "The Web as we know it today is dead. It's dead in two ways: because it's going to mutate into something else very quickly and be unrecognizable within 12 months, and secondly, it's dead because all it's got on it is dead information... Sure, there are links, but the links just lead to more dead information. It's a big information mausoleum. But with things like Java, you get animation. The information is alive... Today, if you think about it, it's really quite bizarre. You dial into a Web page. There may be a thousand other people at that page. But the only way that you even know anyone else is there is that the server is slow. The next big change is going to be finding ways to put qualities that we associate with MUDs today into Web pages so that you can interact with people." (Upside Feb 96 p26)

ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT

The Canadian government is planning a system that will let citizens conduct all their government business over open computer networks. The first stage of the multi-year effort is a \$7-million project to design an electronic lock and key system so that any electronic dealings will not jeopardize the security of Ottawa's data bases or violate individual privacy. (Toronto Globe & Mail 2 Feb 96 B22)

"EVERYONE REMAIN CALM"

The Denver-Rocky Mountain News reports that management at the new \$5-billion Denver airport forgot to install an intercom system for the subways that trundle passengers from concourse to concourse, so when the computer controlling the subways broke down, there was no way to communicate with the trapped passengers. The city has now rectified the situation by purchasing six electronic bullhorns. (Telecommunications Policy Report 28 Jan 96 p10)

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We are trying to develop a list of national employers that hire college graduates from engineering programs. Supposedly national associations are not a good source due to low membership among industry. Does anyone know of a source that would provide name, address, and phone number information for employers by SIC code?

Thanks in advance for your help.

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!!!!DEADING COMING SOON"

General Social Survey Student Paper Competition

The National Opinion Research Center (NORC) at the University of Chicago announces the second annual General Social Survey (GSS) Student Paper Competition. To be eligible papers must: 1) be based on data from the

1972-1994 GSSs or from the GSS's cross-national component, the International Social Survey Program (any year or combination of years may be used), 2) represent original and unpublished work, and 3) be written by a student or students at an accredited college or university. Both undergraduates and graduate students may enter and college graduates are eligible for one year after receiving their degree.

The papers will be judged on the basis of their: a) contribution to expanding understanding of contemporary American society, b) development and testing of social science models and theories, c) statistical and methodological sophistication, and d) clarity of writing and organization. Papers should be less than 40 pages in length (including tables, references, appendices, etc.) and should be double spaced.

Paper will be judged by the principal investigators of the GSS (James A. Davis and Tom W. Smith) with assistance from a group of leading scholars. Separate prizes will be awarded to the best undergraduate and best graduate-level entries. The winners will receive a cash prize of \$250, a commemorative plaque, and the MicroCase Analysis System, including data from the 1972-1994 GSSs (a \$1,395 value). The MicroCase software is donated by the MicroCase Corporation of Bellevue, Washington.

In addition, winning papers will be eligible for publication in the GSS Student Report Series. Honorable mentions may also be awarded by the judges.

Two copies of each paper must be received by February 15, 1996. The winner will be announced in April, 1996. Send entries to:

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I would like to know if you could help distribute the following preliminary announcement of a meeting on longitudinal studies, which should be of interest to AAPOR members.

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Preliminary Announcement

IASS/IAOS satellite meeting on Longitudinal Studies

Jerusalem, August 27-29, 1997

The satellite meeting on Longitudinal Studies, which will follow the ISI session in Istanbul, will cover aspects of both the design and analysis of sample surveys (prospective or retrospective), in which the same units are investigated with respect to several points of time or over periods of time. This includes fixed or rotating panel surveys and longitudinal studies based on administrative data or on censuses. The meeting is sponsored by the International Association of Survey Statisticians (IASS) and by the International Association of Official Statistics (IAOS).

Members of the International Programme Committee are: Lidia Barreiros (EUROSTAT), David A. Binder (Statistics Canada), Steven B. Cohen (AHCPR, USA), Jean-Claude Deville (INSEE, France), Susan Linacre (ABS, Australia), Graham Kalton (WESTAT, USA), Gad Nathan (CBS, Israel), Danny Pfeffermann (Hebrew U., Israel), Fritz J. Scheuren (George Washington U., USA) and Chris Skinner (U. of Southampton, UK).

The term `Longitudinal Studies` is to be regarded in a general sense, but will be limited to studies with a predominantly statistical component. A preliminary list of topics includes: theoretical models, design issues, practical questions of collection and processing, longitudinal analysis and frameworks for inference, measurement and other non-sampling errors. The possibility of a workshop to present and discuss case-studies is also being considered. A formal call for papers and further information will appear in Spring 1996. Survey statisticians interested in the meeting and those with ideas or suggestions are welcome to contact: Gad Nathan, Central Bureau of Statistics, 91905 Jerusalem, Israel; Fax:

+972-2-6553-319; e-mail gad@olive.mscc.huji.ac.il. Additional
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More detailed information on 12 good Web sites (2 listed in Part I) for following the 1996 presidential, congressional and gubernatorial election campaigns, grouped in three sections:

- I. General political, campaign and election news
- II. Lists, data, and data banks
- III. Major party lines and party data

I. GENERAL POLITICAL, CAMPAIGN AND ELECTION NEWS

CQ ELECTION REPORTS

A Congressional Quarterly magazine Web site devoted to political coverage of the upcoming elections; includes in-depth election news and ratings of incumbent Congressional candidates by their votes on key issues. < <http://voter96.cqalert.com/> >

POLITICS USA

The Politics USA Web site is a good general source of daily news-- updated early each morning--on American politics and the 1996 elections. < <http://www.politicsusa.com/> >

CNN-TIME MAGAZINE ALL-POLITICS SITE

The pending CNN-Time Warner merger has produced this CNN-Time Magazine All-Politics site with the latest political news, op-ed and feature pieces, political cartoons, and a "virtual primary" in which visitors can vote. < <http://www.allpolitics.com/> >

USA TODAY ELECTION COVERAGE

The online USA Today, one of more than 100 newspapers now on the Web, includes an election index of its daily coverage of the various races and highlights of each candidate's plans for each day in the week ahead. < <http://www.usatoday.com/elect/efront.htm> >

II. LISTS, DATA, AND DATA BANKS

CAMPAIGN '96 HOME PAGE

With a list of links to other Internet sites, the Campaign '96 home page is a good place to begin searching for election information; it also includes sections on presidential and congressional candidates, a state-by-state guide to the 1996 elections, and an online survey of visitors. < <http://campaign.96.com/> >

CQ CANDIDATE BACKGROUND REPORTS

Another Congressional Quarterly magazine Web site with profiles of

presidential candidates, major party candidates for Congressional seats, and data on other hopefuls for House, Senate and gubernatorial elections. < http://voter96.cqalert.com/cq_cand.htm >

CANDIDATE LISTS

The Web-Tek site enables visitors to access lists of candidates-- either alphabetically by name or geographically by state--in 1996 House and Senate elections. < <http://web-tek.com/> >

ELECTION '96 HOME PAGE

Like the Campaign '96 home page, this one constitutes a non-partisan index of many sites with information on the 1996 elections. < <http://dodo.crown.net/~mpg/election/96.html> >

III. MAJOR PARTY LINES AND PARTY DATA

DEMOCRATIC PARTY INDEX

Just opened, the Democratic Party Index provides links to the Democrats' state party Web sites and to sites for the presidential election campaign. < <http://www.democraticparty.com/> >

REPUBLICAN PARTY INDEX

Like the Democrats' site, the Republic Party Index provides links to relevant political and election Web sites, including the sites of the Republican state party offices and sites of the various GOP presidential candidates. < <http://www.republicanparty.com/> >

OFFICIAL DNC WEB SITE

The official Web site of the Democratic National Committee provides visitors with the party line on a wide range of topics and issues and other party data. < <http://www.democrats.org/> >

OFFICIAL RNC WEB SITE

Like its functional equivalent at the DNC, the official Web site of the Republican National Committee provides visitors with the party's line and other party information. < <http://www.rnc.org/> >

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the current issue of Political Science Quarterly (available at <http://www.epn.org>) has an article, "Presidential

Manipulation of Polls and Public Opinion," by professors Larry Jacobs and Bob Shapiro that should be of interest to members of the public opinion research community.

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NEWS OF THE NET OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

COLLEGES WORRY ABOUT NEW LIABILITY FOR INTERNET CONTENT

The recent passage of the telecommunications reform bill has some college administrators worried over new liability issues for educational institutions that might unknowingly make "indecent" material available to minors through their Internet access operations. In addition, they've expressed concern over potential First Amendment violations if they censor the content too heavily. "We have programs on campus about date rape, unwanted pregnancy, and reproductive-health options, so I don't see how we'd tolerate censorship of that kind of information in the electronic format," says the head of telecommunications at Carnegie Mellon University. (Chronicle of Higher Education 9 Feb 96 A23)

PRODIGY LOWBALLS THE INTERNET

Prodigy Services is launching a new marketing experiment, offering Internet service at a measly \$1 an hour to new subscribers in the metropolitan New York area. The company hopes to expand the offer nationally later this spring, and also plans to start a partnership program that would allow other companies to use the Prodigy network to brand their own Internet access services. "We want to line up a lot of companies to third-party market this for us," says a Prodigy VP. (Wall Street Journal 5 Feb 96 B3)

CHINA ISSUES NEW NETWORK REGISTRATION RULES

Chinese officials have issued a new requirement that all computer networks register with the government, in addition to outlawing computer pornography and political content. The move comes on the heels of a freeze on new Internet accounts that was implemented at the beginning of the year. The

new rules also require high technical standards for Internet access providers. Under the new arrangement, all international Internet access must be done through the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications. China currently has an estimated 50,000 Internet users who will be affected by the new regulations. (New York Times 5 Feb 96 A1)

SPEEDIER GRAPHICS ON COMMERCIAL SERVICES

Tired of watching the hourglass, waiting for those fancy graphics to download? America Online, CompuServe and Prodigy all plan to do something about it. Prodigy's Web browser allows users to interact immediately with text material while graphics download in the background, and AOL has announced a similar product for release sometime this year. The upgrade will not affect Internet use, however. CompuServe's approach involves fewer graphics in the first place: "Is it more important that operations take half as long or have twice as many pretty pictures?" asks a CompuServe spokesman. "What we hear is that people don't want to wait." (St. Petersburg Times 5 Feb 96 p15)

BYE BYE BLACKBIRD

Microsoft Corp. will halt work on its Blackbird software, which would have enabled independent companies to create proprietary information content for the Microsoft Network. Microsoft's online service strategy has increasingly shifted toward the Web, and away from the idea of proprietary content. The company now plans a new version of Blackbird called Internet Studio, which will be compatible with standard Web format. Some MSN content providers weren't too happy with the announcement: "It's catastrophic," says one. "It's one thing to migrate the technology and it's another to abandon it." (Wall Street Journal 5 Feb 96 B3)

JUSTICE DEPT. SCRUTINIZES MICROSOFT, VERMEER DEAL

The Justice Department is focusing on Microsoft again, this time with regard to its planned acquisition of closely held Vermeer Technologies, Inc. Vermeer's CEO says he believes the inquiries are "not exceptional at this point." Vermeer's FrontPage software enables people to create and manage Web sites without needing a lot of programming expertise. The sticking point, as far as Justice is concerned, seems to be "whether it is anticompetitive to extend a monopoly from one market to another," says an antitrust lawyer who worked on an earlier Microsoft investigation. (Wall Street Journal 6 Feb 96 B5)

INTEL RIVALS PLAN P-RATING

Advanced Micro Devices, Cyrix Corp., IBM Microelectronics and SGS Thompson Microelectronics have initiated a rating system for microprocessors based on relative PC performance levels, not just the "clock" speed of the chip measured in megahertz. The new system, called the P-rating, was endorsed as the "first comprehensive and credible method for comparing competing processors" by the publisher of the Microprocessor Newsletter. (Investor's Business Daily 5 Feb 96 A8)

PATENT MEDICINE FOR APPLE?

Apple may have its share of financial woes right now, but in the patent department it's No. 1. In 1995, Apple Computer acquired 53 patents, compared to Microsoft's 39, Sun Microsystems' 23, Borland's 10, Wang's 7, Oracle's 3, Novell's 3, Lotus's 3 and Intuit's 1. A total of 6,142 software patents were issued in 1995, up from 4,569 the previous year, with networking software the largest category. (Information Week 29 Jan 96 p10)

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ANOTHER ROUND OF "NAME THAT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY!"

The name "Lucent" has been chosen for the spinoff of AT&T's \$20 billion phone equipment business because "it suggests clarity of thought, purpose and vision, and had a technological feel," according to the AT&T director who will become CEO of the new company. (Atlanta Journal-Constitution 6 Feb 96 D3)

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The sample for the National Issues Convention was an area probability sample drawn from NORC's national sampling frame. Interviews were conducted in person with 915 U.S. citizens 18 or older. The completion rate was 72%. The bulk of the interviewing was done in November and the first two weeks of December.

All respondents were invited to come to Austin, Texas for 3 1/2 days to participate as delegates in the National Issues Convention. Respondents' transportation and housing expenses were paid, and they were offered a \$300 honorarium to offset out-of-pocket expenses. In addition, Southwestern Bell gave each delegate a \$25 calling card so that they could communicate

with their families while in Austin. Every effort was made to make it financially possible for all respondents to come to Austin. For respondents who had particular hardships, an extra fund was available to supplement the honorarium.

The initial acceptance rate was 58%, but a number of people dropped out before the event. Travel arrangements were made for a total of 497 (or 54% of the respondents), but because of snow storms which shut down several airports, only 459 (50% of the respondents interviewed on Wave 1) were able to make it to Austin. The nature of the storm patterns produced a slight underrepresentation of delegates from the east coast.

Respondents over 70 years of age were somewhat underrepresented among delegates. Unwillingness or inability to travel to Austin was the principal reason given for not coming, and this was particularly marked among the elderly. On demographic characteristics, except those correlated with age, e.g. education, % retired, % widowed, the delegates did not differ from the total sample. The median family income was in the \$30,000-34,000 bracket.

Delegates completed a questionnaire at the end of the final session of the convention that repeated the substantive questions from the initial interview plus several questions about their experiences at the convention. As a control, those who initially indicated that they would come, but did not actually attend, and a subsample of those who refused to attend are being followed up with the same questionnaire. In addition an independent RDD sample is being interviewed with the repeated questionnaire to control for possible changes in opinion not related to the convention. Delegates will be reinterviewed after the election to test for long term changes. If additional funds become available, a follow-up interview will be conducted before the election.

Norman Bradburn and Kenneth Rasinski of NORC had primary responsibility for the construction of the questionnaire. They were aided by a Technical Advisory Committee consisting of: Phillip Converse, chair, Henry Brady, James Davis, Sheldon Gawiser, Andrew Kohut, Robert Luskin, Warren Miller and Tom Smith.

Presentations of findings are currently scheduled for the meetings of AAPOR in May, the International Society of Political Psychology in July and the American Political Science Association in September.

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Position Announcement: Data Collection Supervisor
Reference: 96-024
Social Development Research Group
School of Social Work, University of Washington

Position Description: =20

Coordinate data collection and manage coding activities on the=20 Seattle Social Development Project=92s (SSDP) Early Adulthood follow- up. Develop data collection plans and procedures and supervise staff=20 to achieve high response rates and high-quality data. This position is=20 also responsible for maintaining the data collection quality, budget=20 and timelines, and for sample management, including sample tracking=20 and locating.

The SSDP has focused on understanding childhood and adolescent=20 risk and protective factors predictive of substance abuse, violence,=20 and related health and behavior problems. The sample is a=20 multiethnic urban panel of 808 males and females, constituted in=20 1985 when subjects entered the fifth grade in 18 elementary=20 schools, and has been tracked and interviewed over an eight-year=20 period through 1993 when subjects were 18 years old. The study=20 will now collect data from these subjects at age 21 to examine the=20 consequences of adolescent substance use three years after those=20 normally progressing graduated from high school.=20

Responsibilities:

-Develop timelines and strategies for achieving high response rates=20 and high-quality data. -Coordinate the activities of the SSDP data collection staff, including=20 the Data Collection Field Coordinator, and the interviewers, and=20 clerical staff. -Supervise the recruitment, selection, training and supervision of=20 interviewers and clerical staff. -Develop interviewer training materials and activities. -Participate in budget development and monitor weekly budget status. =20 -Manage sample tracking and locating activities and associated=20 computer databases. -Assist in questionnaire revisions, including columning and=20 maintaining records of questionnaire changes. Coordinate the=20 preparation of questionnaires, coversheets and other related=20 materials. Develop sample management forms. -Maintain and reconcile written, computer, and file records of survey=20 and sample management materials in a manner consistent with the=20 confidentiality requirements of the project. -Prepare written documentation of all data collection and quality=20 control activities. -Prepare weekly progress reports covering production, timelines, and=20 hourly staff wages and expenses. -Monitor compliance to data collection policies and standards to=20 achieve the highest quality data and responses possible.

Qualifications:

-Bachelor=92s degree in social sciences or related field. -Minimum of two years of data collection supervisory experience,=20 including interviewer recruitment and training. -Demonstrated experience managing longitudinal samples, including=20 creative tracking and locating highly mobile samples.

-Data collection budget development and monitoring experience, preferably with in-person interviewing. -Research interviewing experience, including: in-person, telephone, and group administration. -Demonstrated ability to work and communicate effectively with diverse populations, including people of different social and ethnic backgrounds. -Demonstrated experience meeting timeline, budget, and production goals. -Strong oral and written communication skills; excellent organizational skills and attention to detail. -Experience with IBM compatible microcomputers with database management software (dBase or FoxPro). -Demonstrated ability to achieve high response rates. -Experience with Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) highly desirable.

Salary range: \$2,727 - 3,878/month
Send resume and letter of application to:
Administrator, Social Development Research Group
146 N. Canal Street, Suite 211
Seattle, WA 98103
FAX - (206) 543-4508 Attn: Lindsay Dobrzynski

Application deadline: February 9, 1996
THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. WOMEN AND MINORITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

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Position Announcement: Data Collection Field Coordinator
Reference: 96-025
Social Development Research Group
School of Social Work, University of Washington

Position Description: =20

Supervise data collection interviewers on the Seattle Social=20 Development Project=92s (SSDP) Early Adulthood follow-up. The Field=20 Coordinator will assign cases, monitor quality, time, expense and=20 production, and troubleshoot problems for a pool of up to 10=20 interviewers. The Field Coordinator will assist in the development of=20 data collection plans and procedures. This position is also responsible=20 for assisting in sample management, including sample tracking and=20 locating. Occasional weekend and evening hours required.

The SSDP has focused on understanding childhood and adolescent risk=20 and protective factors predictive of substance abuse, violence, and=20 related health and behavior problems. The sample is a multiethnic=20 urban panel of 808 males and females, constituted in 1985 when=20 subjects entered the fifth grade in 18 elementary schools, and has=20 been tracked and interviewed over an eight-year period through 1993=20 when subjects were 18 years old. The study will now collect data=20 during in-person interviews from these subjects at age 21 to examine=20 the consequences of adolescent substance use three years after those=20 normally progressing graduated from high school.=20

Responsibilities:

- Supervise the day-to-day activities of interviewers: assign cases,=20 monitor time, expense and production, and troubleshoot problems with=20 interviews. =20 -Recruit, select, train and supervise interviewers. -Assist in the development of interviewer training materials and=20 activities.
- Participate in the management of sample tracking and locating=20 activities and associated computer databases. -Assist in questionnaire revisions, including columning and maintaining=20 records of questionnaire changes. Coordinate the preparation of=20 questionnaires, coversheets and other related materials. =20 -Review completed questionnaires as they are received for quality=20 control. -Assist in the maintenance and reconciliation of written, computer, and=20 file records of survey and sample management materials in a manner=20 consistent with the confidentiality requirements of the project. -Prepare written documentation of all data collection and quality control= =20 activities. -Assist in monitoring compliance to data collection policies and=20 standards to achieve the highest quality data and responses possible.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor=92s degree in social sciences or related field. -In-person research interviewing experience, including demonstrated=20 ability to work and communicate effectively with diverse populations,=20 including people of different social and ethnic backgrounds. -Minimum of one year supervisory experience supervising data=20 collection interviewers. -One year of experience coding survey questionnaires and developing=20 open-ended question codes. -Experience with IBM compatible microcomputers with database=20 management software (either dBase or FoxPro). -Excellent organizational skills and attention to detail. -Experience in sample tracking and locating. -Experience with Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI)=20 highly desirable.

Salary range: \$2,289 - 3,546/month
Send resume and letter of application to:=09

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To: AAPORNET@USC.EDU
From: "Richard S. Halpern (Dick)" <rshalp@cris.com>
Subject: Info re teenage pregnancy rates here and abroad?
Cc: por@ripken.oit.unc.edu

Considerable attention is being given to teenage pregnancy rates and
abortion rates in the U.S. Statistics are readily available for the U.S. but
I would like to compare the U.S. rates with those of, say, some Western
European countries like France, Germany, Scandinavian countries, etc. My
hypothesis is that teenagers in these countries are just as likely to have
sex as their U.S. counterparts -- only either they don't get pregnant for a
variety of reasons, or abortion is available on demand, or both. I realize I
have greatly simplified a complex issue but I've done so in the interest of
keeping the info request to a reasonable limit.

Statistics or available sources would be greatly appreciated.
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A good opportunity to increase the visibility of survey research, studies of public opinion, and applications of polling data at the American Sociological Association annual meeting, and also to further the careers of students in those fields; please post or pass on to likely student candidates...

CALL FOR PAPERS

Honors Program Student Association Refereed Roundtables
1996 ASA National Meeting

The honors program of the American Sociological Association requests student papers on a wide variety of subjects. Last years tables included papers on culture, the sociology of emotion, theory, methodology, social movements and many others. Papers on a wide variety of topics will be considered. Abstracts and papers should be submitted to Jerry Williams, 1700 Kenmar Drive, Manhattan, Kansas, 66502, (913) 537-3026 e-mail: jwill@ksuvm.ksu.edu

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This just in from France...

Date: Thu, 8 Feb 1996 08:34:18 -0500 (EST)

From: Alain Amariglio - SLP General Manager <aamariglio@slp.fr>
Subject: First International Olympiads for Applied Statistics

In order to promote the use of statistics, we have launched the First International Olympiads for Applied Statistics*, a competition open to teachers, researchers and students in more than 20 fields (statistics, sociology, biology ...). If you are interested, you should present a project where statistics play an important role, and submit it before the 28th February 1996. You will win free softwares, and perhaps a travel for an international congress. Thank you for reading this information and feel free to respond to this message : if you are interested in the OLYMPIADS, answer to aamariglio@slp.fr mentioning << olympiads >> in the header (you may also see our Web server : <http://www.slp.fr>) -- Alain AMARIGLIO < aamariglio@slp.fr >

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NEW RESOURCES ON THE NET

FOLLOW RESEARCH AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES

UniScience News Net covers science research news in American universities. It concentrates on 8 to 10 in-depth stories, and deliberately excludes datelines. It attempts to give coverage to university research news that is often excluded from mainstream media. According to the editors, "UniSci is not a refereed journal of record, nor does it see itself in competition with other pages or with other media for news 'beats.'" It is our job to put information about research at American universities in perspective for a large and growing audience on the Internet." Articles are written for a lay audience that is interested in scientific research developments.
<http://www.cyberstreet.com/unisci/>

LATEST FROM THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has made three new resources available via the Web. The highlight of the NARA home page is its Online Exhibit Hall, which contains an exhibit on poster art from World War II, as well as facsimiles and information about the Declaration of Independence, Constitution, Bill of Rights, and Emancipation Proclamation. The National Audiovisual Information Locator (NAIL) is a searchable database holding thousands of descriptions of items in the Still Picture, and Motion

Picture, Sound and Video Branches of NARA. Descriptions of over 2,000 still picture series, 73,000 film and video titles, and 6,000 sound recording titles are available for searching, and instructions for ordering copies are available. The NARA Government Information Locator Service (GILS) is a searchable database of National Archives information resources. The goal of the GILS service is to help the user learn what kinds of information NARA creates about its holdings. Information about GILS and searching tips are provided. NARA Home Page: <http://www.nara.gov/> NARA NAIL: <http://www.nara.gov/nara/nail.html>
NARA GILS: <http://www.nara.gov/gils/gils.html>

SEARCH 'TIL YOU DROP

The Inktomi search engine at the University of California at Berkeley offers a large database of indexed Web documents and "scalable web server" technology providing very fast search retrievals. Inktomi's simple search interface uses "+" as its MUST operator and "-" as its NOT operator. Relevance of the retrieval is ranked by how many of the words are used on the retrieved page, and by the relative importance of those words, although how this importance is determined is not revealed. Inktomi's database upgrade on December 29 made 2.8 million documents available for searching. <http://inktom.berkeley.edu/>

WORLD-WIDE CRIB SHEET

The World Lecture Hall, produced and actively maintained by the University of Texas at Austin, holds a large collection of university and college web pages used to deliver course content over the Web. Over 80 subject areas are covered, from accounting to zoology. Individual course pages include links to syllabi, assignments, lecture notes, exams, class calendars, multimedia textbooks, and other related materials. The Lecture Hall gives instructors a glimpse into the possibilities of delivering course material via the Internet. <http://www.utexas.edu/world/lecture/>

PBS CITIZENS OF THE WORLD, UNITE!

PBS Citizens '96 Page is a web page derived from an election year five-part television series. It focuses on "citizen involvement and dialog", and provides a citizen's level view of the issues of the 1996 campaign. In fact, there is still time to send in questions that may be asked of the candidates during the next Citizens '96 episode on February 9

- a live town meeting from Des Moines, Iowa. Sections include: Our Stories
- a selection of citizen profiles that accentuate the issues; Citizens Coffee Shop - discussions held on a series of issues by focus groups in various places throughout the U.S.;
- Family Forum - an interactive discussion of issues; State of the Union by the Numbers, a statistical thumbnail sketch (in 26 categories) of the U.S., and Campaign Info - a page that points to candidates' and party sites. Citizens '96 provides much of the same information offered by other campaign sites, as well as adding the "human dimension" to the race -- how it effects real people in a selection of focus groups. <http://www.pbs.org/citizens96/>

POLITICS USA FROM TWO NEWS PROVIDERS

Politics USA is one of the most comprehensive campaign sites available. It is a service of two political news providers: the National Journal and the American Political Network. In conjunction with the Lexis-Nexis Online Retrieval Service, Politics USA provides up to the minute news on the national campaign from various newspaper sources. The Issues '96 section lets the user retrieve the views of specific candidates on specific issues.

Timely poll data, clearly charted in line graph and map format, is offered in the Poll Track section. The Campaign '96 page points to information on all the major candidates and parties. Besides the presidential race, information is also available on the 1996 Senate races.
<http://politicsusa.com/PoliticsUSA/issues/issues96.html.cgi>
Poll Track: <http://politicsusa.com/PoliticsUSA/polltrack/polltrack.html.cgi>
Campaign '96:
<http://politicsusa.com/PoliticsUSA/campaign96/>

ALL POLITICS FROM CNN-TIME MAGAZINE

All Politics, a collaborative effort of CNN (Cable News Network) and Time Magazine, covers all aspects of the 1996 campaign and includes several multimedia efforts which set this site apart from the rest. Besides news and candidate information, it includes an issues matrix and a "rate-o-matic" that compares your views to the candidates'. Campaignland provides multimedia ads from present and past campaigns. An "election monitor" offers the latest Time/CNN polls. In Focus features full text Time Magazine articles on issues, and Intelligence features political analysis from CNN. A cyber-primary is also included. See the Ad Archive (under Table of Contents) for video-clips of old presidential TV ads. (The video files are large, but if you have the time see the Johnson and Humphrey ads.)
<http://allpolitics.com/info/contents.shtml>

WHY DID PAT SPURN THE NPAT?

The National Political Awareness Test (NPAT) at Project Vote Smart is a quick, textual way to compare candidates views. The "test" was completed by all major candidates except President Clinton, Pat Buchanan and Steve Forbes. The candidates were asked for their views on over 25 issues from abortion to welfare. Results can be obtained by candidate, or by issue so that easy comparisons can be done on the candidates and the issues. Links to information about the candidates are included with response information.
http://www.vote-smart.org/campaign_96/presidential/all/all-npat.html
Project Vote Smart top page:
<http://www.vote-smart.org/>

ALL PARTIES, PLUS A CYBERPOLL

The RealCom National Politics and Personalities page offers links to almost every political party imaginable, including; Communist, Democratic, Green, Republican, Patriot, and Ross Perot's United We Stand. It also points to political organizations such as the Federal News Service, the NRA, and Anarchy Online, among others. While it points to many organizations, pointers to individual candidates are at a lower level, and sometimes difficult to find. It also contains a Presidential Cyberpoll.
<http://www.rtis.com/nat/pol/>

QUICK CANDIDATE DATA FROM INSIDE THE BELTWAY

The Washington Weekly (an Internet newspaper) offers a Presidential Primaries Page that is organized by candidate within each party. For most candidates there is biographical information, voting record, list of accomplishments or stands on key issues, and a connection to the candidate's home page when available. This is a non-graphical but well organized page that provides the user with quick access to voting records, speeches and press releases, and Web pages of the candidates.
<http://dolphins.gulf.net/Primaries.html>

FOR INSATIABLE POLITICAL JUNKIES ONLY

For a good selection of worthwhile Web sites on additional specific topics

related to politics and the '96 elections, see the Web Watch page on the All Politics site. <http://allpolitics.com/intelligence/web/webwatch.shtml>

TOUGH LOVE FOR NETAHOLICS

The Netaholics Anonymous page will tell you if you're "...hooked on the 'Net", "...really, really hooked on the 'Net", or if it's "...time to seek professional counseling". See how many of the dozens of characteristics offered apply to you, and have a few chuckles in the process.
<http://www.safari.net/~pam/netanon/>

MICROSOFT BROWSER, ANYONE?

Internet Explorer, the browser Microsoft released last August for Windows 95, is now available for Windows 3.1 and Macintosh. It supports cross platform sound and animation, scrolling marquees, background sound, and "client pull" that allows for virtual slide shows as one URL is rendered after another without the viewer's intervention. Internet Explorer has built-in Usenet news and e-mail clients. Download Windows and Mac platforms from: <http://www.microsoft.com/windows/ie/ie.htm>
or from the Scout Toolkit:
<http://rs.internic.net/scout/toolkit/explorer.html>

After you download the browser, try the interactive sound and moving marquee demo: <http://www.microsoft.com/windows/ie/iedemo.htm>
or the client pull demo: http://www.microsoft.com/windows/ie/iedemo_1.htm

FLAPPER ERA RECALLED

The F. Scott Fitzgerald Centennial Celebration Web site at the University of South Carolina celebrates his writings, his life, and his relationships with other writers of the 20th century. It serves as a commemoration of the 100th anniversary of Fitzgerald's birth and offers a brief biography and chronology, illustrations, and complete texts of some of his short stories. Two especially interesting sections are "Fitzgerald Facts," providing brief background on various aspects of his life, and "Fitzgerald Quotes," offering a diverse sampling of quotes by and about Fitzgerald.
<http://www.sc.edu/fitzgerald/index.html>

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Have you returned your AAPOR questionnaire yet? We need it! We plan to present a summary of the survey results at the May conference, but we can't do it without your help.

AAPOR members have been really great about completing and returning their membership survey questionnaires. We're hoping the survey will answer many of the questions that have been raised over the years. By supplying information on what the members think, the survey data will be instrumental in planning and shaping AAPOR's future directions.

Because you're a member of AAPOR, you know how important it is to include everyone. After all, we want to legitimately claim that our results are accurate and representative of the membership. If you're one of the many AAPORites who has sent back the questionnaire, you have our thanks. If not, please complete and return it today.

Many thanks!
Karen Goldenberg
for the Council Survey Committee

P.S. If you know AAPOR members who are not on AAPORnet, we would appreciate your passing this message on to them. Responses from our entire membership are the key to making this survey successful.

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From: dhenwood@panix.com (Doug Henwood)
Subject: Re: Info re teenage pregnancy rates here and abroad?
Cc: por@ripken.oit.unc.edu

At 10:44 AM 2/8/96, Richard S. Halpern (Dick) wrote:

>Considerable attention is being given to teenage pregnancy rates and
>abortion rates in the U.S. Statistics are readily available for the
>U.S. but I would like to compare the U.S. rates with those of, say,
>some Western European countries like France, Germany, Scandinavian
>countries, etc. My hypothesis is that teenagers in these countries are
>just as likely to have sex as their U.S. counterparts -- only either
>they don't get pregnant for a variety of reasons, or abortion is
>available on demand, or both. I realize I have greatly simplified a

>complex issue but I've done so in the interest of keeping the info
>request to a reasonable limit.
>
>Statistics or available sources would be greatly appreciated.

Planned Parenthood is the place to go for stats like these.

Doug

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Those who find the NIC "polls" interesting may also find this table of
comparisons useful.

John Young
John Benson

COMPARISON OF 1994 NATIONAL ELECTION SURVEY,
1995 WASHINGTON POST/KAISER/HARVARD SURVEY,
AND NATIONAL ISSUES CONFERENCE PRE AND POST SURVEYS (1)

	Wash P		
	Kaiser		
NES	Harvard	NIC	NIC
1994	N/D 1995	Before	After

People like me don't have any say about what the government does.

Strongly agree	23%	29%	18%	6%
Agree somewhat	33	23	26	25
Neither agree nor disagree	9	NA	NA	NA
Disagree somewhat	27	28	31	32
Disagree strongly	8	19	25	37
Don't know	NA	1	*	1

Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like me can't really understand what's going on. (WP/K/H wording: Politics and government are so complicated that a person like me can't really understand what's going on.)

Strongly agree	28%	29%	18%	17%
Agree somewhat	39	25	37	42
Neither agree nor disagree	10	NA	NA	NA
Disagree somewhat	15	22	23	23
Disagree strongly	8	23	20	18
Don't know	NA	1	2	*

Notes: The NES wording is shown first, with variations shown in parentheses. 1994 NES data is based on the "cross-section" sample. Interview date for Washington Post/Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard University survey, 11/28-12/4/95. COMPARISON OF 1994 NATIONAL ELECTION SURVEY,

1995 WASHINGTON POST/KAISER/HARVARD SURVEY,
AND NATIONAL ISSUES CONFERENCE PRE AND POST SURVEYS (2)

		Wash P Kaiser		
	NES	Harvard	NIC	NIC
1994	N/D	1995	Before	After

I don't think public officials care much what people like me think. (NIC wording: Public officials care a lot about what people like me think.)

Officials care/ strongly	3%	8%	7%	11%
Officials care/ somewhat	20	23	34	49
Neither agree nor disagree	10	NA	NA	NA
Officials don't care/somewhat	42	28	37	30
Officials don't care/strongly	24	40	20	9
Don't know	NA	1	2	1

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by almaak.usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc)
id JAA21291; Fri, 9 Feb 1996 09:02:45 -0800 (PST)
Date: Fri, 9 Feb 1996 09:02:44 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: NEWS OF THE NET OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960209084933.20314A-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

NEWS OF THE NET OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

DEBATE OVER FREE SPEECH ON THE INTERNET

Is the Internet like TV and radio--or like newspaper and bookstores? Supporters of the anti-"indecent" provision of the major new telecommunications legislation think it's more like the broadcast media--whereas the American Civil Liberties Union and other civil-liberties groups think it's more like print media, and that efforts to restrict free expression on it should be kept to an absolute minimum. At issue is the telecom bill's provision that would make it a crime to transmit (or allow to be transmitted) "indecent" material over a computer network to which minors have access. Indecency is defined in the bill as "any comment, request, suggestion, proposal, image or other communication that, in context, depicts or describes, in terms patently offensive as measured by contemporary community standards, sexual or excretory activities or organs." (New York Times 8 Feb 96 A10) In Canada, a committee from the Information Highway Advisory Council is reviewing existing Canadian laws, but there are no plans to follow Washington's example by trying to bring about legislation to regulate adult materials on the Internet. (Toronto Star 7 Feb 96 A10)

ONLINE BILL-PAYING STILL HAS A WAY TO GO

While banks are touting the ease of online bill-paying, the reality is that unless a merchant has installed the equipment necessary for true electronic payments, the online bill-payment companies often end up sending paper checks through overnight mail. "People expect it to be faster and more accurate, but it's put together with chewing gum and baling wire behind the scenes," says the editor of Online Banking Report. The problem is classic chicken-and-egg -- merchants don't want to bother with online systems until more customers use them, and customers won't use them until more merchants are online. (Wall Street Journal 7 Feb 96 B1)

MURDOCH'S NEWS CORPORATION CHANGES ONLINE DIRECTION

Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation is dismissing nearly half of the 515 employees of News Corp Internet, ending development of the company's proprietary online service, and redirecting its focus to the creation of an Internet-based service. The decision is viewed by industry-watchers as an inevitable result of last week's move by MCI to reduce MCI's equity share in the Murdoch venture from 50% to 15% (in order to concentrate its resources on MCI's new partnership with Microsoft Network). The president of the News Corporation's technology group says, "Rupert is still absolutely committed to this being a crucial distribution channel. But we want to invest in where the Internet industry is going, not where the online industry has been." (New York Times 8 Feb 96 C1)

COPYRIGHT IN THE DIGITAL AGE

The European Film Companies Alliance -- founded by PolyGram and including such other leading European film companies as Bertelsmann, Chargeurs, Ciby 2000, Rank, RCS, and Soggepaq -- wants the European Union to take a lead in promoting the development of technical systems capable of protecting intellectual property rights and controlling reproduction and distribution of digital information. The Alliance is also seeking adjustments to copyright law, and PolyGram general counsel says, "The bottom line is that unless we are guaranteed a return on our investment by a carefully constructed system of copyright law, it is pointless our investing in what is an extremely risky business." (Financial Times 6 Feb 96 p11)

US SAYS CANADIAN BROADCAST RULES ARE DISCRIMINATORY

Trade Representative Mickey Kantor ruled Canadian broadcast regulations discriminate against American players, but stopped short of launching retaliatory trade sanctions against Canadian cultural industries. He said he will monitor closely negotiations between Nashville-based Country Music Television and Calgary-based New Country Network before imposing sanctions. (Toronto Globe & Mail 7 Feb 96 B2)

AT&T INSURES CREDIT-CARD CUSTOMERS AGAINST CYBER-FRAUD

AT&T will insure its Universal credit-card customers against unauthorized charges made on the Internet as long as they were using AT&T WorldNet for their Internet connection. The protection is not subject to the \$50 deductible that credit card companies typically reserve the right to charge when credit cards are stolen or missing. AT&T's VP for Gateway Services says the guarantee demonstrates AT&T's commitment to Internet shopping: "We hear the fears from the consumer, and stories about hackers, whether related to credit cars or not, fan those fears." (Wall Street Journal 7 Feb 96 B5)

CAR LOANS IN CYBERSPACE

IBM and Chase Manhattan Bank are developing a system for processing car loans over the Internet, and hope to install the system at 200 dealerships by the end of the year. Reynolds & Reynolds, a software company, is developing a similar system. Loan processing and approval under such systems will take only ten minutes for an applicant with a strong credit history. (New York Times 8 Feb 96 C4)

PACKARD BELL GETS CASH, ZENITH DATA

Packard Bell has arranged a complicated deal with France's Cie. des Machines Bull and Japan's NEC Corp., which will result in a \$650 million cash infusion and Packard Bell ownership of Zenith Data Systems. "This gives Packard Bell breathing room that they desperately need and it was one of the very few scenarios where Packard Bell could get themselves out of a corner and still retain control of the business," says an analyst for Dataquest.

The move would give Packard Bell instant access to Zenith Data's big corporate and government accounts, and could propel it past No. 1 Compaq Computer to become the largest PC vendor in the U.S. (Wall Street Journal 7 Feb 96 A3)

IN SEARCH OF "ROBOTIQUETTE"

As the number of search engines on the Web increases, the problem of robot gridlock looms. So far, robot software writers have voluntarily included restrictions on how long robots can linger at a Web site and how often they may visit, but industry experts predict that traffic jams lie ahead if the number of robots increases significantly or if competition overwhelms the collegiality that's governed creators of search engines such as Lycos and Yahoo. Worse yet are programs that enable individuals to launch their own robots. "It would be like everyone deciding to get off of the public transportation system and drive to work," says Lycos's chief scientist. "The overall structure of the Internet couldn't handle it." One solution, says a computer science professor at the University of Washington, would be to make smarter robots that could conduct more rational searches. (Business Week 12 Feb 96 p88)

INTERNET USAGE POLICIES

Neal J. Friedman, a specialist in online computer law, says that "employees are under the misapprehension that the First Amendment applies in the workplace -- it doesn't. Employees need to know they have no right of privacy and no right of free speech using company resources." According to Computerworld, a number of employers are adopting Internet usage policies, such as one developed at Florida Atlantic University: < <http://www.fau.edu/rinaldi/net/netpol.txt> > (Computerworld 5 Feb 96 p55)

VISA MOVES TO INTRANET SYSTEM

Visa International Inc. is getting ready to save a lot of trees: this summer it will connect its 19,000 member banks to an intranet in the hope that it will reduce, if not eliminate, the more than 2 million documents that they collectively send Visa each day. Visa's move to a private network is right in tune with the times -- two thirds of all large companies either have an internal Web server installed or are thinking about it, and industry analysts believe that soon internal Web servers will outnumber external ones 10 to one. Forrester Research predicts the intranet server business will hit \$1 billion by the year 2000. (Information Week 29 Jan 96 p15)

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by almaak.usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc)
id KAA26676; Fri, 9 Feb 1996 10:14:44 -0800 (PST)
Date: Fri, 9 Feb 1996 10:14:43 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Required Message Header Under New Telecom Bill
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960209093949.20314H-100000@almaak.usc.edu>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

The following is a response to provisions of the new Telecommunications Bill, signed into law yesterday by President Clinton, that prohibit certain content from being transmitted over computer networks. The original message was apparently authored by Timothy C. May < tcmay@mail.got.net >, and is forwarded to AAPORNET with thanks to AAPORNETter Rob Daves < daves@startribune.com >:

Date: Fri, 09 Feb 1996 10:06:40 -0600
From: Rob Daves <daves@startribune.com>
Subject: Required Message Header Under New Telecom Bill

Date: Thu, 8 Feb 1996 11:49:07 -0800
From: tcmay@got.net (Timothy C. May)

V-CHIP CONTENT WARNING: THIS POST IS RATED: R, V, NPC, RI, S, I13. [For processing by the required-by-1998 V-chips, those reading this post from an archive must set their V-chip to "42-0666." I will not be held responsible for posts incorrectly filtered-out by a V-chip that has been by-passed, hot-chipped, or incorrectly programmed.]

WARNING! It has become necessary to warn potential readers of my messages before they proceed further. This warning may not fully protect me against criminal or civil proceedings, but it may be treated as a positive attempt to obey the various and increasing numbers of laws.

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* Under the MERCIFUL SHIELD OF ALLAH (Praise be to Him!) holy interpretations of the Koran of the following countries (but not limited to this list) you may not read this post if you are a FEMALE OF ANY AGE: Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Egypt, Jordan, Sudan, Libya, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Algeria, Lebanon, Morocco, Tunisia, Yemen, Oman, Syria, Bahrain, and the Palestinian Authority. Non-female persons may also be barred from reading this post, depending on the settings of your I-Chip.

* Under the proposed CHINESE INTERNET laws, covering The People's Republic

of China, Formosa, Hong Kong, Macao, Malaysia, and parts of several surrounding territories, the rules are so nebulous and unspecified that I cannot say whether you are allowed to read this. Thus, you must SUBMIT any post you wish to read to your local authorities for further filtering.

* In Singapore, merely be RECEIVING this post you have violated the will of Lee Kwan Yu. Report to your local police office to receive your caning.

* Finally, if you are barrred from contact with the Internet, or protected by court order from being disturbed by thoughts which may disturb you, or covered by protective orders, it is up to you to adjust the settings of your V-Chip to ensure that my post does not reach you.

*** THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE IN COMPLYING WITH THESE LAWS ***

[This Bible excerpt awaiting review under the Communications Decency Act]

And then Lot said, "I have some mighty fine young virgin daughters. Why don't you boys just come on in and do em right here in my house - I'll just watch!"...Later, up in the mountains, the younger daughter said. "Dad's getting old. I say we should do him." So the two daughters got him drunk and did him all that night. Sure enough, Dad got em pregnant....Onan really hated the idea of doing his brother's wife and getting her pregnant while his brother got all the credit, so he whacked off first....Remember, it's not a good idea to have sex with your sister, your brother, your parents, your pet dog, or the farm animals. [excerpts from the Old Testament, Modern Vernacular Translation, TCM, 1996]

--- End of forwarded message from tcmay@got.net (Timothy C. May)

>From bjpg@bradley.bradley.edu Fri Feb 9 12:14:28 1996

Return-Path: bjpg@bradley.bradley.edu

Received: from bradley.bradley.edu (bjpg@bradley.bradley.edu [136.176.5.10])
by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
id MAA09484 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Fri, 9 Feb 1996 12:14:25 -0800

(PST)

Received: (from bjpg@localhost) by bradley.bradley.edu (8.6.12/8.6.12) id
OAA26682; Fri, 9 Feb 1996 14:14:21 -0600

Date: Fri, 9 Feb 1996 13:46:41 -0600 (CST)

From: "Bernard J. Goitein" <bjpg@bradley.bradley.edu>

Subject: Re: Required Message Header Under New Telecom Bill

To: aapornet@usc.edu

In-Reply-To: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960209093949.20314H-100000@almaak.usc.edu>

Message-ID: <Pine.3.87.9602091341.B23413-0100000@bradley.bradley.edu>

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The political messages of the posting by Mr. May are clear enough. As such, I would like to mention that this bill was passed with the support of the Republican majorities in Congress and their Republican

leaders, Dole in the Senate, Gingrich in the House, who therefore also deserve credit/blame for the law that they passed, that Clinton signed.

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I fail to find the humor of referring to the post-war, anti nazi German government as the "Reich".

I also fail to see the equivalence of the Third Reich's policies of mass murder and expansionist wars of domination with the laws of post war, modern

Germany against spreading racist, antisemitic and nazi propoganda.

The modern laws are not for protection of the Third Reich- they are for protection of all of us from another round of Nazism. Weren't their last

> Attitude change isn't the important dependent variable here. If you
> did a dozen of these deliberative polls simultaneously, you might get
> attitudes changing in as many different directions, depending on the mix
> and the dynamics in each group.
> What should change uniformly is the quality of opinions, e.g. as,
defined
> by Yankelovich in the first 50 pages of "Coming to Public Judgment."
> There should be more internal consistency, less mushiness, more
> ideological constraint, more ability to connect one issue to another.
> I don't know if the before-after SAQs attempted to measure these
> variables, but it would be nice if this kind of experiment could lead to
> better knowledge about what kinds of deliberation produce which kinds of
> improvement in opinion quality. The public journalism movement could
> benefit from this kind of knowledge.
> --Phil Meyer
>

>From jwerner@vgernet.net Sat Feb 10 09:34:25 1996
Return-Path: jwerner@vgernet.net
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by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
id JAA16055 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Sat, 10 Feb 1996 09:34:23 -0800
(PST)
Message-ID: <311CD6E8.13D4@vgernet.net>
Date: Sat, 10 Feb 1996 12:33:28 -0500
From: Jan Werner <jwerner@vgernet.net>
X-Mailer: Mozilla 2.0 (Win95; I)
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: aapornet@usc.edu
CC: Public Opinion Research Discussion <por@unc.edu>
Subject: voter registration information
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I am looking for a source for reasonably current (1994 or later) voter
registration information for the U.S. in total and by state.

Specifically, I need the following information:

- % of adults 18 & over registered to vote
 - % registered Democrat
 - % registered Republican
 - % registered all other

Any help or suggestions would be appreciated.

Jan Werner

jwerner@vgernet.net

>From pmeyer@email.unc.edu Sat Feb 10 10:33:42 1996
Return-Path: pmeyer@email.unc.edu
Received: from login1.email.unc.edu (pmeyer@login1.email.unc.edu

[152.2.25.15])

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Date: Sat, 10 Feb 1996 13:33:37 -0500 (EST)

From: Philip Meyer <pmeyer@email.unc.edu>

To: aapornet@usc.edu

Subject: Re: National Issues Convention polls

In-Reply-To: <Pine.HPP.3.91.960205070023.14367B-100000@frank.mtsu.edu>

Message-ID: <Pine.A32.3.91.960210132728.109797B-100000@login1.email.unc.edu>

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What I really meant to say was that the NIC may not be a good predictor of the attitude change that would take place if the entire citizenry could have such a deliberative and educational experience. Small variations, such as a charismatic leader who falls into a group by chance, might lead to large variations in outcome. I really would like to see a dozen simultaneous replications to see how outcomes do vary.

But it seems likely that the improvement in quality of opinion would be fairly constant across such groups, and that variable would therefore be of more research interest.

Phil Meyer

On Sat, 10 Feb 1996, Robert Wyatt wrote:

> Date: Sat, 10 Feb 1996 07:16:45 -0600 (CST)

> From: Robert Wyatt <rwyatt@frank.mtsu.edu>

> To: aapornet@usc.edu

> Subject: Re: National Issues Convention polls

>

> I tend to agree with Phil Meyer that one admirable outcome of the NIC is

> -- a la public journalism -- a more consistent, informed, moderate and

> communicative electorate. But how can one argue that the direction of

> attitude change is not an appropriate dependent variable?

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> Of course, assessing the "desirable" direction of attitude change is a

> matter of values. But isn't that a flaw in progressive notions of

> citizenship--the belief that the process is the important thing and that

> involvement and deliberation, guided by an even-handed press-- will lead

> to efficacious results by themselves? And can't ideological constraint and

> communicativeness be just characteristics of groupthink?

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> The South of my youth was filled with consistent, communicative,

> well-informed, politically engaged bigots who constantly talked politics

> in the agora and knew the major state politicians by first name. The

> direction of attitudes is, I believe, the most important dependent

> variable. There's a lot to be said by Lippmann (and V.O. Key and others)

> on this subject.

>

> Or did my public journalism self just sleep on the wrong side of the bed

> this morning?

>

instance for which chaos theory is appropriate for social science. At least, that's what I'm going to go away and think about.... Carol

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id GAA16402; Sun, 11 Feb 1996 06:56:45 -0800 (PST)
Date: Sun, 11 Feb 1996 06:56:44 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Finding Data Base Vendors for Survey Samples
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960211065210.16276C-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Date: Fri, 09 Feb 96 17:35:14 EST
From: featherstonf.rced@gao.gov
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Finding data base vendors for survey samples

I submitted an item to PORNET to ask for recommendations for purchasing a sample from a data base vendor. I'm looking for rural residents and businesses, by the way. Jim Beniger suggested that AAPORNET might also be interested in this topic, so here are some results of my quest...

Survey Sampling, Inc. of Fairfield, CT was the company recommended in the first rash of replies to my request. They were noted for being prompt, easy to work with, and helpful with advice. The contacts there are Lisa Christiansen and Donna Stevens at 203)255-4200. They are listed in AAPOR's blue book if you lose this message. Their

E-mail addresses are:
donna_stevens@ssisamples.com
lisa_christiansen@ssisamples.com

After the first round results, I asked for more suggestions and got recommendations concerning Genesys Sampling Systems of Fort Washington, PA. Phone: (215)653-7100. (Contact mentioned is Amy Starer) Two people stated that they thought Genesys was cheaper than Survey Sampling (one mentioned a study and the other spoke on personal experience with a project).

Another person mentioned using PhoneDisc, a cd-rom of residential listings and addresses, but one "respondent" felt the information from

phone books is too dreadful to use. (I probably agree, but it is **Cheap** at \$40, and updated every three months.)

Another company in Connecticut is Affordable Samples, 203.637.8563, contact Jim Stolzing. Apparently Jim used to work for Survey Sampling, and the respondent mentioned that Affordable Samples is cheaper.

I found some old materials in my files on DataBase America, Phone: 800.223.7777 (Englewood, NJ.) (hope the number's still good).

I've got what I need to proceed, and I can't spend any more time on this right now. If you have information, however, that could benefit others in my situation, I encourage you to place an item in AAPORNET.

(fran)

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Phone: 202.512.4946

>From R0480%TAONODE@VMCMS.CSUOHIO.EDU Mon Feb 12 04:36:50 1996
Return-Path: R0480%TAONODE@VMCMS.CSUOHIO.EDU
Received: from VMCMS.CSUOHIO.EDU (vmcms.csuohio.edu [137.148.2.2])
by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
id EAA15302 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Mon, 12 Feb 1996 04:36:47 -0800
(PST)
Message-Id: <199602121236.EAA15302@usc.edu>
Received: from TAONODE by VMCMS.CSUOHIO.EDU (IBM VM SMTP V2R2)
with BSMTP id 5355; Mon, 12 Feb 96 07:35:51 EST
Date: Mon 12 Feb 1996 07:18 ET
To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: R0480%TAONODE@VMCMS.CSUOHIO.EDU (R.PERLOFF)
Subject: Public journalism questioned

Bob Wyatt made a valuable point about public journalism and polling in a recent note. But poll-based public journalism has its own set of problems, as an article in a recent issue of this city's Cleveland Plain Dealer showed. The article was headlined "Ohioans ask: Why can't politicians do their jobs?" Part of a public journalism project, the article was based on a poll and some in-depth interviews with selected respondents. The problem is there was no evidence presented in the article that Ohioans felt as cynically as the headline suggested. Rather than increasing efficacy, an article like this has the opposite effect. Moreover, the people interviewed had few enlightening comments on the issues of the day, in part because pollsters were asking unimaginative questions like "Would you say you are better off than you were four years ago?"

If there is to be public journalism this election year, I'd suggest we researchers who are involved select issues that people have bona fide feelings about, that we be careful not to tap "non-attitudes," and that we let reporters know the limits of our data.

-- Richard M. Perloff

Cleveland State University

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From: Philip Meyer <pmeyer@email.unc.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Public journalism questioned
In-Reply-To: <199602121236.EAA15302@usc.edu>
Message-ID: <Pine.A32.3.91.960212074905.124931C-100000@login1.email.unc.edu>
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Perloff's lament is valid.

The standard use of polls in public journalism is to find out what issues the public wants the candidates to talk about so that reporters can track them down and make them talk. Public journalism's problem is that it has been poorly defined, and it's easy to do foolish stuff in its name.

Phil Meyer

>From ChunY@oeus.psb.bls.gov Mon Feb 12 07:33:30 1996
Return-Path: ChunY@oeus.psb.bls.gov
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by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
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id <311F5DC1@MS-SMTPGatewayPC>; Mon, 12 Feb 96 10:33:21 EST
From: Chun_Y <ChunY@oeus.psb.bls.gov>
To: aapornet <AAPORNET@USC.EDU>, por <por@gibbs.oit.unc.edu>
Subject: Media contacts
Date: Mon, 12 Feb 96 10:32:00 EST
Message-Id: <311F5DC1@MS-SMTPGatewayPC>
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Sorry for crossposting to some of you.

Where in the internet can I find the list of all major media contacts including their phone and fax numbers (e.g, AP, UPI, Reuter, CSP-N, CNN, NYT, WP, etc.)?

- Young

>From jbbare@Interpath.com Mon Feb 12 07:37:52 1996
Return-Path: jbbare@interpath.com
Received: from mail-hub.interpath.net (mail-hub.interpath.net [199.72.1.13])
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X-Sender: jbbare@Interpath.com
X-Mailer: Windows Eudora Light Version 1.5.2
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: John Bare <jbbare@Interpath.com>
Subject: Re: Public journalism questioned

At its best, trying to find out what issues the public wants candidates to discuss and then writing stories about those topics -- which is what media organizations do when they say they want to carry out public journalism -- could help lead to (as Phil Meyer mentioned earlier) the sort of high-quality, constrained public opinion that democracies need.

So we keep measuring and re-measuring citizen attitudes looking for any change that might be attributed to media content supplied by public journalists. Public journalism editors hope they can do what the National Issues Convention moderators apparently were able to do: build consensus through a deliberative opinion formation process.

But there's one problem. While this is the high-profile part of the public journalism movement and where all of the interest, both academic and argumentative, is directed, it also represents the tail of public journalism. We should look more at the attitudes of reporters and editors because the beliefs of working professionals is what will determine whether public journalism flourishes or flops.

Until those who must practice public journalism embrace certain objectives (i.e. my newspaper must help the community solve its problems), the most important conflict point is not between opinion leaders and the citizenry (the NIC study) but between media publishers/managers and the reporters and editors who work for them. The real question is whether reporters and editors will modify their professional attitudes after spending a weekend in Texas with public journalism advocates leading focus groups.

John Bare
jbbare@interpath.com

>From rwyatt@frank.mtsu.edu Mon Feb 12 07:57:42 1996
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Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 09:58:24 -0600 (CST)
From: Robert Wyatt <rwyatt@frank.mtsu.edu>
To: John Bare <jbbare@Interpath.com>
Cc: aapornet@usc.edu

> Texas with public journalism advocates leading focus groups.
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> John Bare
> jbbare@interpath.com
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>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Mon Feb 12 07:58:59 1996
Return-Path: beniger@almaak.usc.edu
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id HAA12430; Mon, 12 Feb 1996 07:58:58 -0800 (PST)
Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 07:58:55 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Poll Trends in Iowa
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960212075419.12299A-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
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POLL TRENDS IN IOWA

On this morning of Iowa precinct caucus day, as we await the returns from this evening's first full-scale contest in the GOP presidential campaign, consider the results of the six polls of Iowa Republicans that have drawn national media attention over the past week:

%-ages	Univ of Iowa (2/6)	PMR, Inc. (2/5-7)	Mason-Dixon (2/5-7)	Iowa Poll (2/3-8)	ABC, of leaders rel 2/9	Mason-Dixon (2/9-10)
UNDECIDED	41	26	21	19		13
Dole	22	20	24	28	32	28
Buchanan		12	11	11	10	16
Forbes	14.5	14	22	16	18	15
Alexander	6	9	9	10	12	12
Gramm	5	8	6	8	20	7
Keyes		6		4		
Lugar		2		2		
others	11.5	3	7	2	8	9
TOTALS	100	100	100	100	100	100
N =		(507)	(590)	(628)		(447)

[NOTE: All polls are of registered Republicans who told interviewers that they were likely to attend a caucus, except for the ABC News Survey, released last Friday, which asked Republican leaders in all 99 Iowa counties how much support they thought GOP candidates would get throughout the state in tonight's caucuses.]

>From mlosch@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu Mon Feb 12 08:34:37 1996
Return-Path: mlosch@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu

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id KAA115181; Mon, 12 Feb 1996 10:29:12 -0600

Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 10:29:11 -0600 (CST)
From: "M. Losch" <mlosch@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu>
X-Sender: mlosch@black.weeg.uiowa.edu
To: aapornet@usc.edu

Subject: Re: e-mail surveys
Message-ID: <Pine.A32.3.91.960212102448.129493B-100000@black.weeg.uiowa.edu>
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I am interested in learning about successful (or unsuccessful) projects
using e-mail questionnaires. I am particularly interested in e-mail
address databases used for sample frames, questionnaire formatting, and
response rates.

Please respond to me at mary-losch@uiowa.edu

If there are sufficient responses, I will provide a summary on the network.

Mary Losch
University of Iowa Social Science Institute
(319) 335-2368

>From barbara_bryant@ccmail.bus.umich.edu Mon Feb 12 08:53:10 1996
Return-Path: barbara_bryant@ccmail.bus.umich.edu
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Date: Mon, 12 Feb 96 11:48:04 EDT
From: "Barbara Bryant" <barbara_bryant@ccmail.bus.umich.edu>
Message-Id: <9601128241.AA824154517@ccmail.bus.umich.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: voter registration information

Try the Census Bureau. However, Census Bureau information is "self
report" from the Current Population Survey after each national
election. It is not actual registration so overstates % registered.
Barbara_Bryant@ccmail.bus.umich.edu

Reply Separator

Subject: voter registration information
Author: aapornet@usc.edu at Internet
Date: 2/10/96 12:36 PM

I am looking for a source for reasonably current (1994 or later) voter registration information for the U.S. in total and by state.

Specifically, I need the following information:

- % of adults 18 & over registered to vote
- % registered Democrat
- % registered Republican
- % registered all other

Any help or suggestions would be appreciated.

Jan Werner

jwerner@vgernet.net

>From bentleyj@ix.netcom.com Mon Feb 12 09:08:21 1996
Return-Path: bentleyj@ix.netcom.com
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X-Sender: bentleyj@ix.netcom.com
X-Mailer: Windows Eudora Light Version 1.5.4b11 (16)
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: John Bentley <bentleyj@ix.netcom.com>
Subject: Data Entry (Key punch) vendors in Louisville KY needed

My department is being relocated to Louisville, and we do mail surveys for a living. I'm the Technical Manager. Can anyone provide leads on data entry service providers in the Louisville area? Thanks in advance.

John E. Bentley
Chicago, IL, USA

Send Lawyers, Guns, and Money

>From kane@ssc.wisc.edu Mon Feb 12 09:26:01 1996
Return-Path: kane@ssc.wisc.edu
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id AA10240; 5.65/43; Mon, 12 Feb 1996 11:23:29 -0600

Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 11:23:29 -0600
Message-Id: <9602121723.AA10240@eunice.ssc.wisc.edu>
From: kane@ssc.wisc.edu (Emily Kane)
To: "AAPORNET@usc.edu"@ssc.wisc.edu
Subject: telephone survey in Mexico City?

I have a grad. student in my survey research methods course who wants to do a telephone survey in Mexico City. Does anyone know of any firms she might contact? If so, please respond directly to me at: KANE@SSC.WISC.EDU

Thanks. -Emily Kane, Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Wisconsin

>From Mitofsky@aol.com Mon Feb 12 09:38:14 1996
Return-Path: Mitofsky@aol.com
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by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
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From: Mitofsky@aol.com
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Message-ID: <960212123738_142112793@emout10.mail.aol.com>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: voter registration information

In a message dated 96-02-10 12:40:05 EST, you write:

>
>I am looking for a source for reasonably current (1994 or later) voter
>registration information for the U.S. in total and by state.
>
>Specifically, I need the following information:
>
> % of adults 18 & over registered to vote
> % registered Democrat
> % registered Republican
> % registered all other
>
>Any help or suggestions would be appreciated.
>
>Jan Werner
>
>

Why would you want registration numbers when they are so notoriously bad. There is no consistency from state-to-state or within states from county-to-county. The purging laws are all different and where there is supposed to be similarity, the practices are not consistent. Why don't you use Census Bureau estimates of the VAP? It is much more reliable. The Census study on voter participation, however, is not reliable.

warren mitofsky mitofsky@aol.com
>From jlemert@CCMAIL.UOREGON.EDU Mon Feb 12 09:58:59 1996
Return-Path: jlemert@CCMAIL.UOREGON.EDU
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From: "Lemert, Jim" <jlemert@CCMAIL.UOREGON.EDU>
Message-Id: <9601128241.AA824147111@CCMAIL.UOREGON.EDU>
To: aapornet@usc.edu, jlemert@oregon.uoregon.edu
Subject: Re[2]: Public journalism questioned

Re the recent string about problems in the public journalism movement: The points made by Phil Meyer, Rick Perloff, and John Bare seem to me to be well taken. Thought I would call your attention to a call for papers on public (civic) journalism at this summer's Association for Education in Journ. & Mass Communication convention in Anaheim August 10-13. By absolutely no coincidence, I'm coordinating the research paper sessions for the Civic Journalism Interest Group. Papers that assess the performance of the movement or its unexamined assumptions are more than welcome! Six copies of the paper must be postmarked no later than April 1 and sent to me: Jim Lemert, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97405-1275.
E-mail: JLemert@Oregon.UOregon.Edu. Phone: (541) 346-3744

>From eisinger@lclark.edu Mon Feb 12 09:59:05 1996
Return-Path: eisinger@lclark.edu
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Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 09:56:41 -0800 (PST)
From: Robert Eisinger <eisinger@lclark.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: a taxing question?
In-Reply-To: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960212081356.12299C-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.91.960212094716.4247D-100000@sun.lclark.edu>
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>
> > To: AAPORNET
> >
> > Does anyone have any data about what percentage of Americans hire an
> > accountant? What % fill out their own federal or state tax forms?
> >
> > I sense that the Forbes phenomenon in NH has little to do with understanding his flat tax proposal. Rather, I suggest his call for simplicity resonates because tax filing is a
> > nightmare. In a state (NH) with no sales tax, if I recall, the Forbes anti-tax-filing message may hit home. Are there any studies about the number of Americans who spend 2 weekends filling out schedule K's, schedule D's, EZ's, etc... with the assistance of a tax specialist?

> > I might add that I think the Democrats are missing the boat on
> > this one. Middle class citizens are fed up paying capital gains taxes
on
> > illiquid income, such as \$\$ derived from relatively small investments in

> > stock mutual funds. Even if you're in the lowest tax bracket (and here
> > I speak from personal experience), there is something disturbing about
> > receiving a 1099 form informing you that you'll pay about \$25 for saving

> > your money.
> >
> > What data are available about self-filing, hiring of accountants or tax
specialists (e.g., H&R Block), and long-term attitudes about the IRS?
> >
> > -Robert Eisinger
> > Lewis & Clark College
> > eisinger@lclark.edu
> >
> >

>From jgraf@leland.Stanford.EDU Mon Feb 12 11:07:50 1996
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LAA25986; Mon, 12 Feb 1996 11:07:45 -0800 (PST)
From: Joseph David Graf <jgraf@leland.Stanford.EDU>
Message-Id: <199602121907.LAA25986@elaine10.Stanford.EDU>
Subject: Public Journalism Symposium
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 11:07:44 -0800 (PST)
Cc: jgraf@elaine10.Stanford.EDU (Joseph David Graf)
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In light of the recent discussion, this announcement seems appropriate. I
apologize for any cross-posting. Feel free to forward or reprint, but
please cc: me a copy.

"The Idea of Public Journalism" is a national symposium that will be held
at Stanford University Friday, April 26.

A dozen leading journalism scholars will lead a discussion on the origins
and implications of public journalism. The symposium will focus on public
journalism's assumptions and premises, stated and unstated; it will
examine public journalism's potential for reform and the implications of
its claims for the newsroom and the larger community. David Broder of the
Washington Post will deliver the annual McClatchy Lecture that evening.

For registration material, contact commdept@forsythe.stanford.edu or call
415-725-7092.

Thank you

Joe Graf, jgraf@leland.stanford.edu

>From Ludwigjh@aol.com Mon Feb 12 11:48:56 1996

Return-Path: Ludwigjh@aol.com

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From: Ludwigjh@aol.com

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Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 14:48:16 -0500

Message-ID: <960212144814_420716423@mail06.mail.aol.com>

To: aapornet@usc.edu

Subject: California omnibus surveys

Dear AAPORnet:

I am looking for an organization that runs a periodic omnibus survey by
telephone (target population: general population 18 years and older) in the
state of California. If anyone knows of such a company, I'd be grateful for
information of how many completed interviews are collected, how frequently
the surveys are fielded, and how much it costs to add questions to them.

Referral telephone numbers would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks in advance,

Jack Ludwig

(ludwigjh@aol.com)

>From angela@opinion.isi.uconn.edu Mon Feb 12 12:23:43 1996

Return-Path: angela@opinion.isi.uconn.edu

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To: aapornet@usc.edu

From: angela@opinion.isi.uconn.edu (Angela Zaffaroni)

Subject: Books on Exit Polls

Can someone please let me know about any good and recent methodology books
on exit polls? Any suggestions will be strongly appreciated.

Thank you.

Angela G.M. Zaffaroni

>From mtrau@umich.edu Tue Feb 13 03:35:15 1996

Return-Path: mtrau@umich.edu
Received: from galaxian.rs.itd.umich.edu (galaxian.rs.itd.umich.edu [141.211.63.92])
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Date: Tue, 13 Feb 1996 06:35:12 -0500 (EST)
From: Michael W Traugott <mtrau@umich.edu>
X-Sender: mtrau@galaxian.rs.itd.umich.edu
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Books on Exit Polls
In-Reply-To: <v01530501ad450afb488e@[137.99.41.33]>
Message-ID:
<Pine.SOL.3.91.960213063104.7845C-100000@galaxian.rs.itd.umich.edu>
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There is no existing single book on exit polls and their methodology, but you might look at the following:

"A Short History of Exit Polls," by Warren J. Mitofsky, in Polling and Presidential Election Coverage, edited by Paul J. Lavrakas and Jack K. Holley (Sage, 1991).

"A Review of the 1992 VRS Exit Polls," By Warren J. Mitofsky and Murray Edelman (Westview Press, 1995).

>From beniger@rcf.usc.edu Tue Feb 13 06:20:26 1996

Return-Path: beniger@almaak.usc.edu

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Date: Tue, 13 Feb 1996 06:20:21 -0800 (PST)
From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Poll Trends vs. Vote in Iowa
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960213061551.23707H-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
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POLL TRENDS VS. VOTE IN IOWA

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The last time we looked at that (in the late 80s) about half hired a tax practitioner for advice or help in completing state or federal income tax forms. State Department of Revenues or the IRS have that information as well and you might check with their info representatives for the latest figures.

The reasons for hiring a practitioner are many; one being the fear of an audit (which is, in reality, not very high unless some gross errors are made.

Nevertheless, one appeal of a flat tax is its simplicity but support generally wanes once taxpayers understand more fully the equity and fairness of the flat tax, compared to the present system. You might check with Karyl Kinsey, American Bar Foundation (312) 988-6562 for additional information about this issue and with attitudes toward taxpaying, the IRS, and tax administration in general.

Robert Mason
 Department of Statistics
 Oregon State University
 On Mon, 12 Feb 1996, Robert Eisinger wrote:

> >
 > > > To: AAPORNET

> > >
> > > Does anyone have any data about what percentage of Americans hire an
> > > accountant? What % fill out their own federal or state tax forms?
> > >
> > > I sense that the Forbes phenomenon in NH has little to do with
> understanding his flat tax proposal. Rather, I suggest his call for
> simplicity resonates because tax filing is a
> > > nightmare. In a state (NH) with no sales tax, if I recall, the
> Forbes anti-tax-filing message may hit home. Are there any studies about
> the number of Americans who spend 2 weekends filling out schedule K's,
> schedule D's, EZ's, etc... with the assistance of a tax specialist?
>
> > > I might add that I think the Democrats are missing the boat on
> > > this one. Middle class citizens are fed up paying capital gains taxes
> on
> > > illiquid income, such as \$\$ derived from relatively small investments
> in
> > > stock mutual funds. Even if you're in the lowest tax bracket (and
> here
> > > I speak from personal experience), there is something disturbing about

> > > receiving a 1099 form informing you that you'll pay about \$25 for
> saving
> > > your money.
> > >
> > > What data are available about self-filing, hiring of accountants or
> tax
> specialists (e.g., H&R Block), and long-term attitudes about the IRS?
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> > > -Robert Eisinger
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Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 12:02:54 -0500
From: G. Ray Funkhouser <Funk787@aol.com >
Subject: Request for information

Does anyone know of a reliable, straightforward, comprehensive source of data on the net worth of American households (that is, assets minus liabilities, e.g., debt)? It seems this information ought to be readily available, given all the other data flying around these days, particularly since "It's The Economy, Stupid!" and "Are You Better Off Now Than You Were Four Years Ago?" are potent political catchphrases.

But I'm finding these numbers hard to pin down. Estimates vary widely; it seems that every source leaves something out; and definitions of variables, samples, etc differ from one source to the next. For example, Stat. Abs.(1994, table 773) inexplicably mixes assets and liabilities of households with those of "not-for-profit organizations", making teasing out the former an exercise in assumptions and extrapolations. A Merrill Lynch study claims that half of American families have less than \$1,000 in net financial assets (of course, ML would like to sell retirement plans). A writer at the Hudson Institute in a Wall Street Journal op-ed shows figures that the average wealth of American households is \$180,700 (wonder what he's trying to sell?). ML's average is the median, and the HI figures are based on the mean; therefore a few Bill Gates's could raise the mean considerably without affecting the median, so both figures are possible, though I find each hard to swallow. A recent Federal Reserve survey of family finances (based on the survey of consumer finances) provides a lot of data, but broken out in awkward ways.

What's the problem? Seems like someone, somewhere must have done a survey that straightforwardly gathered data on household assets and liabilities such that a snapshot of household net worth could be calculated, preferably for various demographic breakdowns. Trend data would be even better.

As best as I can estimate from figures at hand, per capita net worth is up sharply from 1970 in current dollars, but down a bit in constant dollars.

However, if per capita federal government debt (a taxpayer liability, after all) is taken into account, it seems that the "constant dollar" net worth of Americans has fallen precipitously in the last two decades and not improved even in current dollars. Thus it appears that, overall, the federal debt buildup of the 1980s and beyond accounts for any apparent gain in personal or

household wealth ("we owe it to ourselves") (or, perhaps more precisely, we collectively borrowed the money and then put it into the stock market). However, I'd bet that the distribution has been uneven. Taking the fed. debt into account, the "average American" appears to be poorer than at any time since 1960. I'd like to confirm this with harder facts. Will appreciate any clues as to how I could track more definitive data down.

Thanks, Ray Funkhouser

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NEWS OF THE NET OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

JUDGE RULES AGAINST EMPLOYEE IN E-MAIL SNOOPING CASE

A federal judge in Philadelphia has ruled against a former employee of the Pillsbury Co. who filed a suit claiming invasion of privacy after his e-mail messages threatening to "kill the backstabbing bastards" and referring to an upcoming party as the "Jim Jones Koolaid affair" were deemed to be inappropriate, unprofessional and offensive, leading to his firing in October 1994. The company had repeatedly assured its employees that all e-mail communications would be kept confidential, but the court found that, "Once plaintiff communicated the alleged unprofessional comments to a second person (his supervisor) over an e-mail system which was apparently utilized by the entire company, any reasonable expectation of privacy was lost." (BNA Daily Labor Report 6 Feb 96 AA1)

M&A FRENZY IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The number of mergers and acquisitions in the information technology industry peaked in 1995 with 1,563 North American deals, up from 879 in 1994. The total value of the transactions was \$82.8 billion, up from \$69.2 billion a year earlier. And the party's not over yet -- 64% of companies surveyed by Broadview Associations LLP said they viewed more mergers and acquisitions as "very likely" in 1996. (Information Week 29 Jan 96 p28)

OPEN UNIVERSITY ON THE INTERNET

The British Open University, whose pioneering work in distance learning has served as a model for institutions around the globe, now is making some of its courses available over the Internet to English-speaking students internationally. < <http://cszx.open.ac.uk/zx/> > or send e-mail to Internet-Course-Info@open.ac.uk. (WICHE Communique Jan 96 p13)

APPROVAL FOR DISNEY MERGER WITH CAPITAL CITIES/ABC

The Federal Communications Commission has voted 5-0 to approve the transfer of broadcast licenses from Capital Cities/ABC to Disney. Commissioner Chong says: "This is a merger that makes a lot of sense. Disney will marry its wealth of content with the vast ABC distribution network." (New York Times 9 Feb 96 C2)

ANNIVERSARY OF ENIAC

To mark the 50th anniversary of the ENIAC computer and in conjunction with ACM Computing Week '96, Vice President Gore will give a speech "The Technology Challenge" at the University of Pennsylvania on Wednesday of this week. The speech and other celebrations will be carried on the MBONE. Info: < <http://homepage.seas.upenn.edu/~museum/> >.

APPLE TURNOVER

A new calm appears to have cover over Apple headquarters, in spite of the

fact that its operating loss in the second fiscal quarter will surpass its first quarter deficit. The company says it has discontinued all merger talks with other companies (including Sun), and now plans to go it alone, under the new leadership of Gil Amelio, the new chairman and CEO who replaced ousted Michael Spindler. Amelio has been credited with turning around National Semiconductor, which he left in order to take his current position with Apple. Apple's announcement departs from its usual practice of refusing comment on merger talks, and was made because it thinks rumors and speculation have been hurting sales. Vice Chairman A.C. "Mike" Markkula says: "I have completely lost faith in the press to report anything even near the truth." (Wall Street Journal 9 Feb 96 B1)

PHONE COMPANIES GET READY TO COMPETE

With the new telecommunications legislation now passed and signed, the providers of long-distance and local phone services are rapidly moving ahead with plans to compete against each other in offering a full range of communications services. AT&T CEO Robert Allen says his company will offer local, long-distance and TV services, and will be leasing local telephone capacity from the Bells and other local service providers, as well as developing local (and possibly wireless) communication networks of its own. Two regional service providers, Bell Atlantic (in the mid-Atlantic states) and Nynex (in New England and New York), may counter AT&T's moves by merging or forming some sort of alliance. Bell Atlantic's president says: "We've got to figure out how we can offer long-distance and local service in competition with the likes of AT&T. In between where we are today and something that falls short of a full merger, there are things that make sense." (New York Times 9 Feb 96 A1)

MURDOCH SELLS EDUCATIONAL PUBLISHING GROUP

Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation is selling HarperCollins Publishing to the U.K.-based media conglomerate Pearson PLC. A Smith Barney analyst says that "Educational publishing doesn't fit News Corp.'s image as a global distributor of information. Rupert has a lot of different objectives, and this is not one of them." Pearson PLC will now rank fourth in educational book publishing, behind McGraw-Hill, Macmillan, and Harcourt-Brace. (New York Times 10 Feb 95 p19)

MEDIA CONSOLIDATION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

London media analyst Lorna Tilbian explains: "The whole global media industry is converging. This is the beginning of the U.K. side of that." The latest development: United News & Media PLC is merging with MAI PLC, to create a \$4.5 billion media conglomerate. (Wall Street Journal 9 Feb 96 B13)

CD MATCH TAKES THE GUESSWORK OUT OF CD-ROM SHOPPING

The Interactive Multimedia Association is promoting its CD Match program, designed to help consumer match CD-ROM purchases to their PC configurations. The software creates a printout of a computer system's capabilities, which consumers can then take to retail outlets for comparison to the IMA-recommended uniform label to determine if their computer will support a particular title's system requirements. Free CD Match software will be distributed to consumers via IMA's Web site, < <http://www.ima.org> >. (Heller Report Feb 96)

LIBRARIANS, UNITE -- FOR BUYING POWER

College librarians are banding together to purchase electronic resources for their institutions. "We've found that this sort of group purchasing power

has really enabled us to leverage the dollars that we have and to get resources we couldn't have otherwise," says an associate librarian at the University of Texas at Austin, which buys publications through the TexShare consortium. The group buying arrangement is also advantageous for publishers, who don't need to spend as much on marketing: "As a group, we'll pay the vendor more money than they can realistically get by slogging it out school by school," says the executive director of OhioLINK, which includes more than 40 colleges and universities. The president of Britannica Online figures that more than half of the 293 institutions using his product are doing so under consortium-based licenses. (Chronicle of Higher Education 9 Feb 96 A21)

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Should be readily available, but isn't. The major problem is that the folks who hold most of the assets aren't the kind that surveyors catch easily.

The best figures come from the Fed's Survey of Consumer Finances, a household survey done every three years or so, and which is published with some delay (and an increasing delay it seems). The 1989 figures were supposed to be released during the summer of 1992, but the Fed sat on the figures - mainly, I have on fairly good sources, because of a desire not to

help make the concentration of wealth into a campaign issue. Figures on wealth distribution were published, barely, in a working paper, buried under about 60 pages of reflections on technique. Info from the 1992 survey has been released in only minimal summary form, and the original tapes have not yet been made available to researchers (or at least they hadn't when I talked to NYU's Ed Wolff, who is the fellow to go to on this topic, a few months ago).

What makes the SCF so valuable is that it oversamples rich people and doesn't top code, like the Census Bureau does. The Census does include wealth data in its Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), but it's better for studying the middle and lower ranks than the upper ones.

A few factoids from the 1989 survey: the richest 1/2% of families hold 37% of nonresidential net worth; the next 1/2%, 10%; and the next 9%, 32% - giving the top 10% 79% of the total. That leaves 21% for the bottom 90% of the population. Or, in other words, the top 1/2% has almost twice the wealth of the bottom 90%.

For more on the history, see Ed Wolff's Top Heavy, recently published by the 20th Century Fund.

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These are drawn from the Fed's Flow of Funds accounts. Most of the household data is a residual, that is, the difference between known aggregates and corporate holdings; the full FoF accounts do provide more detail on h.h. vs. nonprofits than the Stat Abst does.

If you want to light a fire under the Fed, or just see what data from the SCF can be gotten now, you can call the SCF people at 202-452-2578.

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If federal debt is considered a liability, one would also want to
consider as assets some PV calculation for the asset accumulation in
govt entitlements such as social security and Medicare and perhaps
some per capita calculation of current Federakl Government Assets.
Valuation is tricky isnt it. To the extent your interest is in
subjective evaluation by voters there is probably more of a case to
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>From various wire reports and press releases (see the Bloomberg
Business News story, today's New York Times, p. C6 natl ed):

The Gannett Company, based in Arlington, Va., announced yesterday the sale of Louis Harris and Associates, Inc. to Gordon S. Black Corporation of Rochester, N.Y. The sale price was not disclosed.

According to Bloomberg Business News, "Industry analysts said Louis Harris was a minor part of Gannett operations and did not fit with the company's plans. Louis Harris could cost between \$14 million and \$20 million, Douglas Arthur, an analyst at Morgan Stanley & Company, said."

Harris and Black plan to continue to operate separately as units of Harris Black International, a holding company expected to be headed (as chairman and chief executive) by AAPOR member Gordon Black, who is also likely to remain as chairman and chief executive of Gordon S. Black, a marketing and public opinion research company. Humphrey Taylor, also a member of AAPOR, is expected to remain as chairman and chief executive of Louis Harris. Together, Harris and Black have 200 full-time and 400 part-time employees.

Roughly half of Louis Harris's work involves public policy research, including education, race relations, aging and health care (Taylor coauthored a paper, "Consumers Rate Their Health Care: A Three-Nation Survey," presented last May at AAPOR's 50th Conference). The other half of Harris's operations provides survey research and other strategic research and consulting services to telecommunications and insurance companies and banks. As Bloomberg Business News quotes Humphrey Taylor: "The merger of our internal operations will dramatically strengthen the capabilities of the merged firm, increasing our ability to meet the needs of our clients."

Gannett, which acquired Harris and Associates in 1975, is a national news and information company which publishes 92 daily newspapers, including USA TODAY and USA WEEKEND, a newspaper magazine. Gannett also has entertainment programming, operates 15 television stations, 13 radio stations, cable television systems in five states, alarm security services and the largest outdoor advertising company in North America.

"We wish the Lou Harris group well and know that Harris and Associates will be a good fit with Gordon Black's organization," said Carleton F. Rosenburgh, senior vice president in the Gannett's Newspaper Division.

Gannett stock fell yesterday 25 cents a share, to \$66.625, on the New York Stock Exchange.

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re request for info. on household assets and liabilities -- have you tried the SIPP (Survey of Income and Program Participation.)? Not the same as Fed. Reserve data, collected quarterly (I think) from a rolling sample, has been in the field for a number of years now, and has put out reports starting (I think) in 1984 of wealth holdings collected in various ways. JH

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To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Request for information

Thanks to the several people who have already responded to my request for information regarding the wealth of US households. In case anyone wants to respond directly to me, I should note that the E-mail address as given in the request would get your message bounced back to you, as a crucial "R" was dropped somewhere along the way. The correct address is:
RFunk787@aol.com

Ray Funkhouser

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Fellow AAPORneters:

I have a question regarding on-line or CD-Rom information on newspaper sources. At our university, we have a CD-Rom which allows one to search newspapers from the last three years or so, by topic and date. This includes all major United States newspapers, including the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, the Christian Science Monitor, the Washington Post, and the L.A. Times.

My question is does any source of information also exist for international newspapers. For instance, I am interested in the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung and two newspapers from China. Is there a source, either on CD-Rom or on the Web where one can search for all stories on, for instance, Bosnia, for a specific time period from that newspaper? In particular, I am looking for stories on Bosnia from the FAZ and stories on the Women's conference in the Chinese newspapers.

If anyone can give me a lead on these resources, I would be happy to share them with everyone on the AAPORnet if there is sufficient interest.

Thanks for the help.

Frank L. Rusciano

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NEWS OF THE NET OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

ADVERTISERS DEBATE WEB PRIVACY ISSUES

With the World Wide Web emerging as the new advertising nirvana, the Coalition for Advertising Supported Information and Entertainment has developed a set of privacy goals to serve as guidelines for how personal information can be bought, sold and used. They recommend that marketers always disclose their identity; that they make only "appropriate" use of personal information; that consumers have options to limit what information they reveal about themselves; and that they have access to their personal electronic records. However, a spokesman for the Association of Accredited Advertising Agencies warns against regulating too much, too soon: "Let's not create new rules for a new medium before the medium develops. If you write them first they almost always have unintended consequences." (Wall Street Journal 12 Feb 96 B3)

VIRTUAL UNIVERSITY SLATED FOR 1997

The Western Governors' Association, led by Gov. Roy Rohmer of Colorado and Gov. Mike Leavitt of Utah, are rapidly pulling together plans for a western virtual university and now say they expect to begin admitting students by the summer of 1997. The Education Management Group, a subsidiary of Simon & Schuster, has donated \$150,000 to the planning effort. (Chronicle of Higher Education 16 Feb 96 A21)

MOTOROLA SMART CARD CONTRACTS

Motorola has signed two new European contracts for its smart card technology. Its deal with Spain is the first nationwide contract of its kind, says Motorola, and its arrangement with the Czech Republic will result in the distribution of "10,000 chips for a pilot health insurance smart card project in the Litomerice region. A countrywide health card project for 10 million people is intended for introduction during 1997-98," according to a Motorola statement. Motorola anticipates that the smart card market will increase from the current \$100 million a year to more than \$1 billion by the end of the decade. (Investor's Business Daily 13 Feb 96 A9)

NEWS-FLASH SCREEN SAVERS

Software from Cupertino, California-based Pointcast, Inc., will be used by Netscape Communications in a joint venture with news organizations Reuters, ESPN, Boston Globe, and Los Angeles Times to offer financial and sports news over "screen savers" of PCs attached to the Internet. Supported by advertising, the news service will be made available this spring both as a commercial software product and as an extension of Netscape's Navigator WWW browser software. (New York Times 13 Feb 96 C6)

COMPUSERVE LAUNCHES INTERNET-ONLY SERVICE

CompuServe has started a new Internet-only service called Sprynet, offering unlimited access for a flat fee of \$19.95 a month. At the same time, the company announced it initially would block Sprynet customers from access to more than 200 online forums where sex-related issues are discussed, becoming the first big Internet service provider to restrict that kind of information. Meanwhile, AOL's chairman announced America Online's Internet-only GNN business has attracted more than 100,000 customers in the past 90 days. (St. Petersburg Times 12 Feb 96 p9)

JUDGE GREENE WORRIES TELECOM BILL ISN'T TOUGH ENOUGH

Referred to by some as the Judge Greene Retirement Act, the telecommunications reform bill recently signed into law by President Clinton removes Judge Harold Greene from his position as the most powerful authority over U.S. telecommunications regulation for the past 12 years. But Greene warns that the new competitive rules may not turn out to be the best prescription for the industry: "I'm a little concerned whether there are sufficient safeguards against the kinds of mergers and acquisitions that might give some small group of companies or individuals a stranglehold" over U.S. telecom markets. "I'd hate to see the AT&T monopoly be reconstituted in some form. It would be like I'd wasted the past 18 years." (Wall Street Journal 12 Feb 96 B1)

VIRUS DOES WINDOWS 95

A new virus detected by British researchers targets PCs running Windows 95, disabling programs before spreading to other machines, says an analyst for U.K. antivirus software firm Sophos. The virus is named Boza, after a Bulgarian liquor "so powerful that just looking at it will give you a headache." So far, Boza is concentrating its efforts mainly among companies that make antivirus software. (St. Petersburg Times 12 Feb 96 p8)

LICENSING ON THE WEB

Oracle and Microsoft will announce new strategies for licensing their database products for use on the Internet, and IBM and Infomix are also discussing ways to charge for Web use, where the number of potential "users" could be thousands. "Traditional client-server database pricing is based on the number of users, and that just doesn't work in the Web environment," says a senior VP at Computer Associates, which has already established CPU-based pricing as its model. "There is no way that we want to do per-user licensing," says a technology chief at Carnegie Mellon University. "Server-based pricing will be much more cost-effective." (Information Week 5 Feb 96 p18)

NO HELP AT THE HELP DESK

Three frustrated PC owners have filed a lawsuit in the New York Supreme Court, charging that the technical support system at Leading Edge Products was virtually worthless. Callers allegedly got a busy signal or recorded

message when trying to reach the help desk, and on the rare occasions they did make contact with a human, they were told the problem was the fault of the software and hardware suppliers, not Leading Edge. "Many computer buyers are given a warranty and it turns out to be meaningless," says an attorney representing the plaintiffs. (St. Petersburg Times 12 Feb 96 p9)

PC SALES IN EUROPE

The Dataquest market research group says that Germany is Europe's biggest PC market, with 1.04 million machines sold in the final quarter of 1995, followed by the U.K. and France. The fastest-growing markets, with growth rates above 30%, are Belgium, Finland, Italy and the U.K. Germany's growth rate is 7%. (Financial Times 12 Feb 96 p22)

NETSCAPE, SILICON GRAPHICS TEAM UP FOR 3-D

Netscape Communications and Silicon Graphics have endorsed the Moving Worlds standard for 3-D images on the Web, using Sun Microsystems' Java networking language to animate objects. The move is significant in its opposition to Microsoft's proposed Active VRML language, which would work with Java, but not with most other existing software. Netscape reports it has more than 50 companies signed on to support Moving Worlds, and Microsoft plans to publish a list of its endorsers next month. (Wall Street Journal 13 Feb 96 pB5)

APPLE INKS DEALS WITH ADOBE, DISNEY

Apple computer has signed agreements to develop multimedia partnerships with Adobe Systems Inc. and Walt Disney Co. "This is our way of showing that life goes on, that our fundamentals are good and that we are where the market is headed," says the president of Apple Europe. The Adobe deal allows Apple to bundle the company's multimedia publishing software into PowerMac computers. Disney has pledged to create new interactive CD-ROMs for Apple's Performa PCs. A separate agreement with U.K.-based Digital Village will result in more Apple products for the Internet, for CD-ROMs, and for broadcast television. "We want to show that the Mac can be a hi-fi, a TV, and above all, a good communicator," says Apple Europe's president. (Investor's Business Daily 12 Feb 96 A7)

Selected from Edupage (2/13/96), edited by John Gehl and Suzanne Douglas.

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Subject: Help with Census Regions Recode
CC: igor@opinion.isi.uconn.edu
Date: Wed, 14 Feb 1996 12:32:07

Hello!

I would appreciate any help on finding out the information about what

methodology is behind the 9-Fold Census Region recode.

Thank you very much.

Igor Cherepanov <IVC94001@uconnvm.uconn.edu>
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Subject: 1996 AAPOR Conference Announcement: 96/02/14

MESSAGE FROM AAPOR'S CONFERENCE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE TO AAPOR MEMBERS:

The recent mailing you have (or will soon) receive about the AAPOR 1996 conference in Salt Lake City does NOT include registration paperwork for the conference itself. It only includes registration info for the Red Lion Hotel and other travel information.

Within a few weeks you will be receiving another mailing from AAPOR with registration material for the conference (NOT THE HOTEL), conference program info, and other "newsy" topics...

Sorry for any confusion or difficulties we may have caused this year by separating these mailings.

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To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: '96 AAPOR conference and Govt. Employee reimbursement

I have been asked about the flexibility of billing that the Red Lion Hotel might accord to government employees who ideally need separate postings for room and meal charges.

Dawn Von Thurn (Conf. Op. Comm. co-chair) and I will be doing the pre-con site visit to the Red Lion next week to review operations/logistics for the 1996 conference.

We will ask the Red Lion at that time about the possibilities of posting the FAP charges in some disaggregated form.

No promises that this can be done, but we'll get back to you with the good or bad news the week of 26 FEB. (We do promise to TRY to get this or some equivalent to happen, though.)

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Exit polls also are discussed in:

A Journalist's Guide to Public Opinion Polls, by Sheldon R. Gawiser and G. Evans Witt (Praeger, 1994), chapter 17: "Reporting Polls: Exit Polls and Projections."

"Technology and the Changing Landscape of Media Polls," by Kathleen A. Frankovic, in Media Polls in American Politics, edited by Thomas E. Mann and Gary R. Orren (The Brookings Institution, 1992), pp. 34-40

The Opinion Connection: Polling, Politics and the Press, by

Albert H. Cantril (CQ Press, 1991), pp. 142-144.

And a brief, critical mention of exit polls is in "Media Polls, the Los Angeles Times Poll, and the 1988 Presidential Election," by I.A. (Bud) Lewis, in *Polling and Presidential Election Coverage*, edited by Paul J. Lavrakas and Jack K. Holley (Sage, 1991), pp. 73-74.

Mike Mokrzycki Associated Press mikemokr@ap.org
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Judging by the recent flurry of announcements of new email lists on the Net, the market research community is now rushing online in droves. Here are descriptions and instructions for joining three of the latest, each announced within the past week:

1. Segmented Marketing Discussion list
2. Asian Internet Marketing & Sales Mailing List
3. On-Line Market Research Surveys List

1. MKTSEG on maiser@mail.telmar.com
 Segmented Marketing Discussion list

The purpose of the list is to allow and encourage an exchange of ideas and information relating to advertising and marketing to target segments.

These include but are not limited to ethnic segments, lifestyle and lifestage segments and interest group segments, initially.

Topics might include advertising creative material, media issues, research, data base marketing, direct response, promotions or education relating to all the above, and other segmentation information resources.

To subscribe, send the following command in the BODY of mail to maiser@MAIL.TELMAR.COM

SUBSCRIBE MKTSEG

To receive the FAQ of MKTSEG, send the command

SEND MKTSEG.FAQ
to maaiser@mail.telmar.com

For the list of Archive files, send the command LIST to
maaiser@mail.telmar.com or by WorldWide Web at
http://www.amic.com/amic_mem/talk/forums/mktseg/date.html

Owner: Abbott Wool <segmentation@awool.com>

2. AIM on majordomo@apic.net
Asian Internet Marketing & Sales Mailing List

AIM is an open moderated mailing list for Asian Internet Marketing and Sales pioneers. Subjects of interest to list subscribers include: News of relevance to Asian Internet Marketeers, Commentary and views, Asian Internet Marketing/Sales related questions and answers, Strategies for increasing Internet usage in Asia, Integrating Internet-based marketing tactics with traditional media, Asian Cultural and Organisational Impediments to Internet and Ways to Overcome them, Overcoming cross-border marketing impediments in Asia with the Net, New Internet technologies of specific benefit to Asian Internet Marketers, Using Asian Languages to market to Asians, Selling to a multilinguistic audience over the Net, Suggestions for courses on Internet,

Asian legal developments affecting net marketers, Announcements of meetings, conferences, and activities, Requests for stories, speakers etc on Internet marketing, Circulation of Asian Internet Marketing stories found in traditional press, Announcements of new web sites of interest to Asian Internet marketers, Job announcements, Asian net personalities/visionaries,

Asian Internet Surveys, Book reviews and Resources for Asian Internet Marketers. For further details please see <http://www.aim.apic.net/>

To subscribe, send the following command in the BODY of mail to majordomo@apic.net on the Internet:

subscribe aim

Owner: Bala Pillai <bala@apic.net>
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3. Esearch via esearch@esearch.com
On-Line Market Research Surveys List

Esearch is an internet market research company developing a list of people available for participation in on-line surveys (done via email). If you'd like to provide input on internet related issues, consumer products/services, etc., please sign-up (NOTE: this is strictly market research--no solicitations!). Details are available at <http://www2.primenet.com/~esearch>

To subscribe, send an email "yes" to esearch@esearch.com or visit

<http://www2.primenet.com/~esearch> . You'll be asked to complete a confidential demographic profile and then you'll be included on future panels as the need arises.

Owner: Janet Westergaard janetw1@ix.netcom.com
Esearch

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To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: dhenwood@panix.com (Doug Henwood)
Subject: survey of consumer finances
Cc: mlabk00@FRB.GOV
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Arthur Kennickell of the Fed saw a copy of my posting the other day and asked me to forward this response. My original post is reproduced below his.

In my defense I'll say this: the interpretation of the Fed's delays in releasing this info came from sources in & around Congress. Since AK says there was no sinister intention behind this delay, I'll defer to him.

I certainly didn't mean to impugn the work of him or his colleagues. The SCF is the best picture available of the state of household finances in the US, and quite possibly the world. It's a shame that it's not more widely circulated and that it takes so long for the info to get out. For this, I blame not Kennickell but his superiors at the Fed. The Fed published detailed results from the 1983 survey in the Federal Reserve Bulletin, including an excellent article on very high income households; later surveys have received nothing like this treatment. Of course, the article he & Louise Woodburn of the IRS wrote - the 40 pages of technique - covers important ground, but the fact is that almost no one saw the data on wealth distribution appended to it, whereas the Fed Res Bull is available in most major libraries in the US, and no doubt abroad as well.

The SCF is clearly understaffed and underfinanced. While it may be that "the Fed is not in the business of tracking distributional issues," as AK says (though the proper conduct of monetary policy really requires a detailed understanding of household finances), it is the producer and custodian of the best raw data on such issues, and it doesn't do right by this treasure. Remember, the Fed is a self-financing institution with an annual profit of \$15-20 billion (which it turns over to the Treasury after deducting what it considers reasonable for its own needs), a huge research budget, and some very fine economists working for them; it could afford to

do much better than it does with the SCF.

By the way, one branch of the Fed *is* very concerned about distributional issues; William McDonough, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, convened a conference on that very issue, and has written and spoken publicly of his worries for the future of the United States if polarization continues.

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From: mlabk00@FRB.GOV
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Subject: Survey of Consumer Finances
Reply-To: mlabk00@FRB.GOV
Date: Wed, 14 Feb 1996 15:55:09 -0500
Sender: mlabk00@FRB.GOV

Dear Mr. Henwood,
A colleague of mine has forwarded to me a message that I gather you posted to AAPORNET. Your message contains some serious misinformation that I would like to correct.

I am the project director of the Survey of Consumer Finances, and I think it is reasonable to say that no one anywhere knows more about what is done and why it is done on the SCF as I do. I would also wager that there are very few people in the world who have thought as carefully about what is entailed in measuring wealth.

I will address 4 points in your posting.

1. You wrote:

>The best figures come from the Fed's Survey of Consumer Finances, a
>household survey done every three years or so, and which is published
>with some delay (and an increasing delay it seems). The 1989 figures
>were supposed to be released during the summer of 1992, but the Fed
>sat on the figures - mainly, I have on fairly good sources, because of a
>desire not to help make the concentration of wealth into a campaign
>issue.

I will buy the first part: There is no other survey that has the apparatus to deal with wealth measurement that we have. However as

far as delays in data release, I respectfully offer that you do not know what you are talking about. Processing the SCF data is extremely complicated, and those who follow the technical literature know why that is the case. We are also very careful about the quality of the data we release to the public. In my tenure here, we have released data when they are ready, not when someone tells us to. I might add, that in my time here at the Board I have never seen even one decision at the staff level that I even suspected was politically motivated. I could be interesting for you to go back over the public record about the release of the 1989 SCF. Republicans were accusing us of issuing data that would embarrass the Bush administration, and Democrats were accusing us of holding up valuable information for their campaign. These 'fairly good sources' of information you mention are someone's paranoid fantasies.

2. You wrote:

>Figures on wealth distribution were published, barely, in a working
>paper, buried under about 60 pages of reflections on technique.

The Fed is not in the business of tracking distributional issues. It does happen to be a research interest of mine, and I have worked on these issues for some time. What is important for users of the data and consequently what is relatively important here is good documentation of what we have done to produce the data. The "60 pages of reflection on technique" (more like 39 pages with tables) is actually documentation on the construction of the survey weights. It is not widely understood how important this process is the final outcomes--particularly the outcome of distributional questions. Because it is something with such large power to influence survey outcomes, I want every step of the process to be as open to scholarly inspection as possible. In my view, the emphasis should be on scholarship, not on what plays in the newspaper. The calculation of the wealth distribution is included as an (obviously interesting) example of how the weights can be used. I believe we have done the most careful job of laying out that estimate. People chose to ignore what we have done, but we have made what we feel is the clearest possible statistical statement. We will quite soon have similar results from the 1992 SCF also couched in a technical paper on weights and you are welcome to a copy when it is done (email Gerhard Fries at mlgxf00@frb.gov).

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>from the 1992 survey has been released in only minimal summary form,
>and the original tapes have not yet been made available to researchers
>(or at least they hadn't when I talked to NYU's Ed Wolff, who is the
>fellow to go to on this topic, a few months ago).

What has been released from the 1992 SCF is the preliminary data, not a "minimal summary." If you would like the preliminary data, they are available to everyone from the National Technical Information Service. Because we have been substantially revising many technical aspects of the survey--and because a key project member had pretty horrible morning sickness--we have been delayed in the release of the final data. I am taking time now from the final work on the 1992 weight paper to your posting. Ed Wolff is a smart person and I have been in contact with him, so I am sure you must have misunderstood

him.

4. You wrote:

>If you want to light a fire under the Fed, or just see what data from the
>SCF can be gotten now, you can call the SCF people at 202-452-2578.

We already get many calls from people about the SCF. You may not realize that we are a very small group, and taking time out to handle outside requests costs us dearly. Because data release is driven by two issues, quality review and confidentiality review, no amount of calling will speed up the data release--it can, however, slow us down.

I gather that you originally posted your message on AAPORNET. I am unable to reach that audience myself, and I regret very much the potential effects of your posting on that audience. If you would post my reply to your message, I would be grateful.

Sincerely,
Arthur Kennickell
Project Director, Survey of Consumer Finances

In reply to:

>Date: Mon, 12 Feb 1996 12:02:54 -0500
>From: G. Ray Funkhouser < Funk787@aol.com >
>Subject: Request for information
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>Does anyone know of a reliable, straightforward, comprehensive source of data
>on the net worth of American households (that is, assets minus liabilities,
>e.g., debt)? It seems this information ought to be readily available, given
>all the other data flying around these days, particularly since "It's The
>Economy, Stupid!" and "Are You Better Off Now Than You Were Four Years Ago?"
>are potent political catchphrases.

Should be readily available, but isn't. The major problem is that the folks who hold most of the assets aren't the kind that surveyors catch easily.

The best figures come from the Fed's Survey of Consumer Finances, a household survey done every three years or so, and which is published with some delay (and an increasing delay it seems). The 1989 figures were supposed to be released during the summer of 1992, but the Fed sat on the figures - mainly, I have on fairly good sources, because of a desire not to help make the concentration of wealth into a campaign issue. Figures on wealth distribution were published, barely, in a working paper, buried under about 60 pages of reflections on technique. Info from the 1992 survey has been released in only minimal summary form, and the original tapes have not yet been made available to researchers (or at least they hadn't when I talked to NYU's Ed Wolff, who is the fellow to go to on this topic, a few months ago).

What makes the SCF so valuable is that it oversamples rich people and doesn't top code, like the Census Bureau does. The Census does include wealth data in its Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP), but

it's better for studying the middle and lower ranks than the upper ones.

A few factoids from the 1989 survey: the richest 1/2% of families hold 37% of nonresidential net worth; the next 1/2%, 10%; and the next 9%, 32% - giving the top 10% 79% of the total. That leaves 21% for the bottom 90% of the population. Or, in other words, the top 1/2% has almost twice the wealth of the bottom 90%.

For more on the history, see Ed Wolff's Top Heavy, recently published by the 20th Century Fund.

>samples, etc differ from one source to the next. For example, Stat.
>Abs.(1994, table 773) inexplicably mixes assets and liabilities of
>households with those of "not-for-profit organizations", making teasing
out
>the former an exercise in assumptions and extrapolations.

These are drawn from the Fed's Flow of Funds accounts. Most of the household data is a residual, that is, the difference between known aggregates and corporate holdings; the full FoF accounts do provide more detail on h.h. vs. nonprofits than the Stat Abst does.

If you want to light a fire under the Fed, or just see what data from the SCF can be gotten now, you can call the SCF people at 202-452-2578.

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NEW RESOURCES ON THE NET

SEC OPENS BUSINESS DATA GOLD MINE

The Securities and Exchange Commission has a very informative web site that is highlighted by the entire EDGAR database. This database contains the electronic filings that corporations are required by law to make with the SEC. The filings include company annual reports and prospectuses, among other reports, and are an excellent source of company information for researchers, investors, and the general public. According to SEC, "currently, nearly three-quarters of the publicly traded domestic companies use EDGAR to make the majority of their filings. Once all registrants become subject to electronic filing requirements (May 1996) most documents filed with the Commission will be available on EDGAR." Form definitions are given, as well as searching information and online help. Complete company, form, and master indexes are available. In addition to the EDGAR database, the SEC site provides news digests, congressional testimony, selected recent special studies, and the 1994 Annual Report of the Commission. Also available are current SEC proposals and enforcement actions, as well as pointers to other related sites.
<http://www.sec.gov/>

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF CYBERSPACE

24 Hours in Cyberspace, by Rick Smolan (author of "A Day in the Life of America"), and a large team of authors and photographers, is available for viewing. It is a collection of photographs and related stories about how "online technology is changing people's lives." The technical magic of how the site was done is thoroughly explained. Themes in this richly graphical online book include "a better place", "faster, cheaper, better," "digital leapfrogging," and "cyberfrontiers", among others. Interestingly, Smolan's collaborative effort is not the first time this has been done. On October 10, 1995, the MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) Media Lab, as part of its 10th anniversary, also put up a site called "A Day in the Life of Cyberspace." It was dedicated to "considering the impact of the digital revolution, and to describing in words, sounds and pictures, the ways digital media are affecting all of us as we work, play, learn, and live our lives."
Smolan team: <http://www.cyber24.com/home.html>
MIT Media Lab: <http://www.1010.org/>

INTELLECTUAL CORE OF WOMEN'S STUDIES

The University of Wisconsin System Women's Studies Librarian offers a web page that provides exhaustive lists of bibliographies of monographs and scholarly articles in women's studies. The site also offers core lists of women's studies books in print on subjects from aging to women of color, compiled by the Association of College and Research Libraries Women's Studies Section. These core lists are intended to aid librarians in building women's collections, as well as guide teaching faculty in selecting course materials. Publishers and prices are provided. The page also points to selected women's Internet subject resources, e-zines and newsletters, and syllabi and course materials.
<http://www.library.wisc.edu/libraries/WomensStudies/>

STATE TAX INFORMATION FOR EACH OF THE 50

Information on state taxation for each state is available. Addresses and phone numbers are provided for each state's revenue department. Pointers to the revenue department or general state home page are provided. For some states, downloadable tax forms are available. <http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/stahl/statinfo.htm>

BUILD YOUR OWN DIGITAL LIBRARY

University of California-Berkeley and Sun Microsystems have released the Berkeley Digital Library, with the goal of providing information and support for those building digital libraries, museums, and archives. The Digital Library has connections to over 30 digital text and image collections, hundreds of library catalogs, location aids for selected archival collections, and tools for clients and servers such as Adobe Acrobat, Quicktime VR, the Scout Toolkit, DynaWeb, Harvest, and WebZ, among others. Network information resources are included on topics such as copyright and intellectual property, current awareness, imaging, and preservation. Also provided are pointers to research and development projects in digital library technology. SunSITE expects the digital library to grow to over a terabyte (1,000 megabytes) of data in the next few years.

<http://sunsite.berkeley.edu>

FULL TEXT OF NEW TELECOMM LAW

The telecomm bill has passed and been signed into law. Full text of the Telecommunications Law is available via the Internet.

The bill is available in sections (HTML):

<http://thomas.loc.gov/home/hot-titl.html>

Scroll to "Telecommunications Act" and click on S. 652 (as passed Senate).

Then click on "Full Text Versions." Then click on Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Enrolled Bill (Sent to President)) [S. 652]

or in its entirety (text):

<ftp://ftp.loc.gov/pub/thomas/c104/s652.enr.txt>

or FTP to: [ftp.loc.gov](ftp://ftp.loc.gov) and change directories to [pub/thomas/c104](ftp://ftp.loc.gov/pub/thomas/c104).

get [s652.enr.txt](ftp://ftp.loc.gov/pub/thomas/c104/s652.enr.txt)

ACLU'S GREATEST HITS--A SEARCHABLE SITE

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Freedom Network is available on the web. It contains sections on issues including church and state, criminal justice, cyber-liberties, the death penalty, free speech, racial equality, voting rights, and women's rights, among others.

Each of these sections contains a summary of the ACLU's position on the issue, an index of ACLU documents related to the issue, and a collection of recent ACLU news releases about the issue. In addition, there are sections about congressional legislation with background overviews and voting records based on whether the vote was for or against the ACLU position, as well as summaries of recent court cases. There are also summaries of the 75 "greatest hits", ACLU victories in Supreme Court cases, going back to the 1920's. Contact information is included for state ACLU offices. The entire site is searchable. One of the highlights of the site is its inclusion of full text of the ACLU v. Reno complaint, regarding the "'indecentcy'" provisions of the telecommunications legislation" just passed and signed into law by the President.

<http://www.aclu.org/>

Text only menu: <http://www.aclu.org/textpg.html>

Full text of ACLU v. Reno complaint: <http://www.aclu.org/court/cdacom.html>

HYPertext HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

"From Revolution to Reconstruction, and What Happened Afterwards" is an ongoing hypertext history of the United States. The backbone of the document is a U.S. Information Agency document called "An Outline of American History." The site is divided into eight chapters covering the colonial period to the Bush administration. Hypertext links are made to literally hundreds of full text documents including Presidents' addresses, the Federalist Papers, the Confessions of Nat Turner, the Mayflower Compact, the Northwest Ordinance, and excerpts from F.L. Olmsted's "A Journey in the Seaboard Slave States." The power of this site is not in its collection of documents, but in how they are accessed via hypertext and appear in context of the history presented. At present the content predominantly covers early American history, however the site is a work in progress.

<http://grid.let.rug.nl/~welling/usa/revolution.html>

CANADA--FULLY SEARCHABLE IN BOTH ENGLISH AND FRENCH

The Canadian Government Online web site provides information of all kinds about Canada and its institutions. A government overview offers information about "key institutions" such as parliament, the ministry and Prime Minister,

the Supreme Court, and Auditor General. Also included is information about Canadian symbols such as the name Canada and the flags, and maps, and fact sheets. However, the real power of the site (much like the White House site in the U.S.) is its exhaustive links to Canadian Federal Institutions, arranged alphabetically, from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, to Yukon Water Board. Over one hundred connections are provided, including the Canadian War Museum, Canadian Wheat Board, Elections Canada, National Film Board, and National Archives. Under the "other governments" menu, there are pointers to all provincial and territorial pages, as well as an intergovernmental online information kiosk, with pointers to federal, provincial, and municipal pages. This is a very thorough, as well as beautifully designed gateway to Canadian information. The site is completely searchable. Both English and French sites are accessible from the home page.

<http://canada.gc.ca/>

FORGET PUEBLO, COLORADO--SURF TO THE GSA CONSUMER SITE

The General Services Administration (GSA) offers its Consumer Information Center via the web. The 1996 Consumer Information Catalog (advertised as being available in hardcopy from an address in Pueblo, Colorado) is available for downloading, as well as full text consumer information publications on cars, children, employment, federal programs, food and nutrition, health, housing, small business, money, and travel and hobbies. Also offered are more than 15 10 second CIC TV spots (in AVI format) and a selection of CIC print adds (in GIF format).

<http://www.gsa.gov/staff/pa/cic/>

Text only: <http://www.gsa.gov/staff/pa/cic/textonly.htm>

EDUCATIONAL VIDEOS FOR CLASSROOM USE

Cable in the Classroom is an "initiative by Canada's cable companies and programming services to provide copyright cleared, commercial free, educationally relevant television programming for Canadian schools."

Included

are a list of hyperlinked program service providers, a searchable and browsable list of classroom TV programs all over Canada, and a large list of Internet resources including schools on the Internet, resources for teachers, and information on getting your school on the Internet.

<http://www.cablededucation.ca/cic/home.html>

The French version is available at:

<http://www.cablededucation.ca/cic/french/home.html>

PERFORM YOUR OWN SURGERY

Physiology Online, the electronic information service of the Physiological Society, provides information about its three journals: Journal of Physiology, Proceedings of the Physiological Society, and Experimental Physiology. Also included are selected abstracts, as well as information about recent monographs, job listings (mostly in the U.K.), information about Society grants, a physiology file and software archive for both PC and Mac platforms, pointers to other physiology resources on the Internet, and a listing of upcoming meetings and conferences within the field.

<http://physiology.cup.cam.ac.uk/>

LUDWIG (NOT THE AAPOR CONFERENCE CHAIR--THE COMPOSER)

The LUDWIG moderated discussion list is devoted to all aspects pertaining to the life and musical compositions of the great German composer Ludwig van Beethoven.

To subscribe, send email to: Listserv@sjuvn.stjohns.edu

In the BODY of the message type:

SUBSCRIBE LUDWIG yourfirstname yourlastname

DOWNLOAD YOUR OWN BETA-LESS NETSCAPE 2.0

After 6 beta versions, Netscape 2.0 is available for downloading. The new version incorporates integrated applications such as e-mail and Usenet news reading, as well as a "frames" feature that allows the screen to be split into multiple parts, for ease of scrolling. Also supported are a series of plug-ins that enhance developers' abilities to deliver (and users' ability to receive) multi-media content. 2.0 also supports the Java programming language, which delivers executable program content to a Web page. Netscape 2.0 is available for Unix, Windows, and Macintosh platforms. Java is available for Unix and Windows 95/NT platforms. Plug-in platform availability varies by plug-in. Also available for downloading is the first Beta version of Netscape Navigator Gold 2.0, which has browsing and HTML editing capabilities. Gold, at present is available for Windows 95 and NT platforms.

<http://home.mcom.com/>

For plug-ins:

http://home.mcom.com/comprod/products/navigator/version_2.0/plugins/index.html

For further information on Netscape, and comparisons with other Web Browsers try the Scout Toolkit Browser page.

<http://rs.internic.net/scout/toolkit/browser.html>

GET UNWIRED

Mobile and Wireless Computing is a large list of annotated pointers to Internet resources in wireless networked computing. Included are journal calls for papers, conferences, projects, on-line newsletters, wireless providers, and administrative organizations, among others. This is the World Wide Web Virtual Library for mobile and wireless computing and is one of the best places to start on this

topic. As computers become more portable, wireless networking will become a more important factor.

<http://snapple.cs.washington.edu/mobile/>

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The following is posted on behalf of AAPORNETter Bonnie Fisher. Please send all replies directly to her at Bonnie.Fisher@UC.Edu , and NOT to AAPORNET.

Date: Thu, 15 Feb 1996 22:06:19 -0500 (EST)
From: Bonnie.Fisher@UC.Edu (Bonnie Fisher)
Subject: Lists of Students

I am currently involved in a research project that is examining victimization among college students at two-year and four-year schools in the United States. We will eventually need a random sample of students' names, school addresses and telephone numbers. I have used the American Student List Company in the past but I would like to know if anyone knows of another business that could provide me with the above information.

Thank you

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From: Alan Bayer <yogib@vt.edu>
Subject: Re: Lists of Students

Survey Sampling, Inc. now maintains a college student list. But it's not random -- it's based on institutions providing or producing directories (non-residential institutions, particularly community colleges, are therefore likely under-represented). Also, only about 50 percent of their student records include phone numbers, and of those only 3/4 have the local college phone number. I'm not aware of anything better (it would be a huge compilation and require very frequent update), so maybe some stratification scheme (by Carnegie code of institutional type, say) may allow you to do some weighting of the selected SSI sample such that bias in the list might be partially compensated for. Lisa Christiansen at SSI (203/255-4200) seems to know the most about this new SSI list that they've developed. Good luck.

At 06:26 AM 2/16/96 -0800, you wrote:

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*** Never play leapfrog with a unicorn. ***

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SUBJECT: Proceedings of the Sixth Conference on Health Survey
Research Methods

The Proceedings of the Sixth Conference on Health Survey Research
Methods (Breckenridge, CO, June 24-26, 1995, approx. 275 pp.) will
become available in May. It is being printed by NCHS and will be
available through the University of Illinois Survey Research
Laboratory (SRL). Requests for copies received by SRL no later than
February 28 will be processed by NCHS immediately upon completion of
the printing; later requests will be delayed. Participants and those
who had submitted abstracts will be receiving copies automatically;
participants will be provided with copies to send to co-authors. At
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Date: Tue, 13 Feb 96 12:55:50 EST
From: Dawn R Von Thurn <Dawn.R.Von.Thurn@ccMail.Census.GOV>
Subject: Conference Mailing

AAPORites,

As you may have noticed, the recent AAPOR Conference mailing did NOT contain the conference registration form. The conference registration form will be sent in a separate mailing. According to Jack Ludwig, this second mailing will be sent soon and will include the preliminary conference program.

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Conference Operations Committee
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From: "Richard S. Halpern (Dick)" <rshalp@cris.com>
Subject: Re: California omnibus surveys

Try Field Research. I think they are listed in the AAPOR membership or blue book.

At 02:48 PM 2/12/96 -0500, you wrote:

>Dear AAPORnet:

>I am looking for an organization that runs a periodic omnibus survey by
>telephone (target population: general population 18 years and older) in the
>state of California. If anyone knows of such a company, I'd be grateful
for

>information of how many completed interviews are collected, how frequently
>the surveys are fielded, and how much it costs to add questions to them.

> Referral telephone numbers would be greatly appreciated.

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>Thanks in advance,

>Jack Ludwig

>(ludwigjh@aol.com)

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To: aapornet@usc.edu, por@unc.edu

From: dhenwood@panix.com (Doug Henwood)

Subject: NOI demographics

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I believe that Jonathan Rieder, Sociology Dept, Barnard College, was doing some interviewing at the MMM, with this issue among others in mind. I don't know what he found, or how systematic it was. If you find out anything on this issue, please post it or let me know -- I would very much like to know the answers to this question. JH

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Subject: Re: NOI demographics
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I believe that someone at Howard University did a survey of MMM participants,
Try Ron Walters there; he'd know who (if indeed it was not he who directed it).

Al Gollin

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To: por@unc.edu, aapornet@usc.edu
From: dhenwood@panix.com (Doug Henwood)
Subject: NOI demographics

I've gotten quite a few messages from people interested in hearing what I
learn about the demographics of the Nation of Islam, so I'll post a summary
to the list.

And thanks to all who offered leads.

Doug

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CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRACKING POLL IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Gramm	4	4	5	--	--	--	--	--	--
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N =	(537)	(492)	(496)	(486)	NR	(600)	(665)	(828)	(841)

[NOTE: All percentages are three-day rolling averages; respondents are registered Republicans who told interviewers they were likely to vote in the New Hampshire GOP primary.]

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PAPERS MOVE ONLINE

The number of North American papers available through online services nearly tripled last year to about 175, and is expected to double again this year. About 600 other newspapers published outside North America are also available online, according to the Newspaper Association of America. (Toronto Sun 14 Feb 96 p35)

ENTREPRENEUR'S RESOURCE ON THE NET

The U.S. Business Advisor offers small businesses online access to guides and government forms needed to comply with regulations or apply for government-backed loans or other federal assistance. The new service, unveiled Tuesday by Vice President Gore, supplies "one-stop access to federal agencies that regulate and assist business," says Gore. It's expected to be the first in a family of electronic products aimed at

"customer groups" such as veterans, travelers, the research community, and state and local governments. < <http://www.business.gov> > (Wall Street Journal 14 Feb 96 B2)

VISA AND MICROSOFT TO DEVELOP HOME BANKING SYSTEM

Visa and Microsoft will jointly develop a complete system for home banking and bill-paying services, based on Microsoft's Money software and Visa's financial processing systems. Their system will provide formidable competition for Intuit, which markets the Quicken software and offers a back-end financial transaction system through the Intuit Services Corporation. However, Intuit and Microsoft will continue their separate agreement to provide home banking services to a number of banks, such as Chase Manhattan. (New York Times 15 Feb 96 C8)

TIME BOMB STILL TICKING FOR YEAR 2000

The Gartner Group predicts that half of all companies affected by the year 2000 date field problem will still be unprepared when the fateful day arrives. "A lot of companies are like deer frozen in the headlights of a big truck coming right at them," says a Gartner analyst. Some industry experts estimate the cost of fixing the problem at \$40 million per large corporation, with the global price tag pegged at \$400 billion to \$600 billion. Many corporations are wondering if their old systems are worth all the trouble: "Do we just fix the millennium bug, or should we take this as an opportunity to put in some new systems?" asks one CIO. (Information Week 5 Feb 96 p30)

COMPUSERVE OFFERS SOFTWARE FILTER FOR INDECENT MATERIAL

CompuServe has begun offering Cyber Patrol Internet software made by Microsystems Software Inc. that automatically restricts access to newsgroups, bulletin board systems and files containing "indecent" material. The move effectively ends an eight-week ban the online service had imposed on more than 200 sites following an inquiry by a Bavarian district attorney. CompuServe will continue to block access to five sites containing child pornography that are under investigation. The Cyber Patrol software is currently available in English and German, and French and Spanish versions will be available soon. (Investor's Business Daily 14 Feb 96 A9)

SPREADING THE WORD

The Washington Post has reported that a Maryland family received a number of threatening calls after a University of Maryland student used the Internet to circulate a hearsay allegation that a daughter in the family was being mistreated by her mother. Posting his message on Internet news groups concerned with child welfare, psychology, left-wing politics, and civil liberties, the student urged people to call the mother "at home and tell her you are disgusted and you demand that she stops." The student claims: "You should be able to write what you want on the Internet, whether it's true or not." (Houston Chronicle 14 Feb 96 2A)

TARIFF TALKS ON TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS

The U.S. Trade Office plans to talk to European Union counterparts about removing the tariffs now levied on information technology products. The move would cut the cost of U.S. computers and related products significantly, making them much more attractive to foreign buyers. (Computer Reseller News 29 Jan 96 p12)

INTERNET USERS DON'T WANT TO SHARE THEIR COOKIES

In response to complaints from consumers, Netscape Communications says it will alter a feature in its browser software that allows merchants to track what customers do in their online storefronts and how much time they spend there. The feature, called Cookies, stores that information on the customer's own hard drive, a design that Net surfers say ties up the resources on their computers. Future versions of Netscape will allow customers the choice of refusing merchants the capability of tracking their movements over long periods of time rather than a single Internet session. "We want to give the user as much control as possible," says a Netscape product manager. (Wall Street Journal 14 Feb 96 B2)

THREE WAYS TO MAKE MONEY ON THE INTERNET

Digital communications guru Nicholas Negroponte predicts business on the Internet will be conducted at low prices and high volumes, but says a new system for payments will have to be developed before business can take off. He also predicts that the Internet will be an excellent advertising medium. (Toronto Financial Post 14 Feb 96 p7) Negroponte also thinks censorship of the Internet is almost impossible, as is trying to protect cultural identity. (Ottawa Citizen 14 Feb 96 F2)

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Subject: Survey Statistician Position Opening

Dear colleagues,

The Survey Design and Analysis Unit of the University of Michigan Survey Research Center is posting the following position. Letters of application, a resume and the names and telephone numbers of two references should be submitted to:

Ms. Linda Tiffany
SRC Director's Office
Institute for Social Research
University of Michigan

P.O. Box 1248
Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1248

Please refer to position T-96-0450-LM.

Position Title: Survey Statistician
Position Classification: Research Associate II

Position Description/Duties: Design probability samples and experimental procedures for social science and epidemiological research projects. Manage

the development of sample/research designs and supervise implementation in the data collection phase of studies. Conduct analysis of survey data sets,

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Necessary Qualifications: MA/MS in statistics or biostatistics with specialization in survey sampling methods. Direct experience with survey sampling procedures and the design of samples for population research projects. 2-3 years basic experience in statistical analysis of data. 2-3 years experience with data management on microcomputers. Good verbal communication skills. Demonstrated ability to write and produce project reports and technical papers.

Desired Qualifications: 2-3 years experience with statistical computing software including SAS, S-Plus and SPSS. 2-3 years experience with microcomputer software including Word Perfect, Word, dBase III+, Fox Pro and Excel.

Questions concerning this position can be directed to:

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To: aapornet@usc.edu, wapornet@umich.edu
Subject: '96 AAPOR/WAPOR Conference Registration complexities

I writing to ask your patience while Dawn Von Thurn and I work this week with the Red Lion Hotel to resolve some complexities with the hotel registration process -- ones that naturally arise when we try to make things work out for "everyone."

The current problem is that the Red Lion did not understand the following possibilities:

1. Someone might stay at the Red Lion with a WAPOR FAP on Wednesday only, not staying on for AAPOR. Such a person might come in on Monday or Tuesday and want a room-only rate; OR
2. Someone might want to stay at the Red lion with an AAPOR FAP on Thursday, Friday, and/or Saturday and not attend WAPOR. This person might want to arrive at the hotel before AAPOR on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday and want a room-only rate; OR
3. Someone might want to stay at the Red Lion for both WAPOR and AAPOR and take the FAPs for Wednesday-Saturday. Such a person might also want to arrive the previous Monday or Tuesday and get a room-only rate.

We are meeting with the Red LIon conference people this Friday and Saturday and ask that you hold off making reservations at the Red LIon if you are coming in before Thursday (5-16). We'll write back next Monday. If you are coming ONLY to AAPOR on Thursday, Friday or Saturday, there should be no confusion if you now call the Red Lion.

Thanks.

* * * * *
* Paul J. Lavrakas, Ph.D.; Professor & Director *
* Northwestern Univ. Survey Lab, 625 Haven, Evanston IL 60208 *
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Dear colleagues,

I would appreciate your assistance in circulating this job notice to qualified and interested candidates.

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The University of Michigan is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Candidates who qualify for this position will be asked to provide letters of reference.

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THE PAST WEEK IN NEW HAMPSHIRE:
AN 18-POLL TIME SERIES

Below are the summary results of the 18 New Hampshire presidential primary polls, fielded since the end of the Iowa caucuses on February 12, that--in addition to the CNN/USA Today/Gallup tracking poll series posted earlier today here on AAPORNET--have drawn the most national media attention over the past week:

	Boston Globe/ WBZ-TV/ KRC Comm Research	Boston Globe/ WBZ-TV/ KRC Comm Research	Boston Herald/ WCVB-TV/ Univ. of N.H.	WMUR-TV/ Dart- mouth College	ABC News	American Research Group
In Field, February:	(13)	(13-14)	(13-14)	(13-15)	(14-15)	(14-16)
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Buchanan	16	17	22	22	28	27
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Forbes	17	16	13	14	15	17
others			7	7		
N =	(200)	(400)	(443)	(343)	(581)	(na)

	NY Post/ WNYW-TV/ Zogby Group	ABC News	Boston Globe/ WBZ-TV/ KRC Comm Research	ABC News	American Research Group	Concord Monitor/ WHDH-TV/ Mason- Dixon
In Field, February:	(14-16)	(15-16)	(16)	(15-17)	(15-17)	(16-17)

UNDECIDED

Dole	21	29	25	26	23	25
Buchanan	22	25	22	25	28	21
Forbes	20	17	18	17	12	22
Alexander	12	13	13	15	18	12
others						
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	ABC News	American Research Group	Boston Globe/ WBZ-TV/ KRC Comm Research	Boston Herald/ WCVB-TV/ Univ. of N.H.	NY Post/ WNYW-TV/ Zogby Group	Boston Globe/ WBZ-TV/ KRC Comm Research
In Field, February:	(16-18)	(16-18)	(17-18)	(17-18)	(17-18)	(19)

UNDECIDED	4			17		5
Dole	25	26	20	22	25	23
Buchanan	26	25	20	19	22	24
Forbes	17	16	18	18	15	21
Alexander	16	15	13	10	11	13
others	12			14		14
N =	(875)	(514)	(800)	(485)	(550)	(691)

[NOTE: All polls are of those determined to be likely to vote in the New Hampshire GOP presidential primary.]

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NEWS OF THE NET (Including One Survey) OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

HIGHER ED GROUPS EYE ELECTRONIC COPYRIGHT BILL

Representatives from higher education associations testified last week before a House subcommittee, urging lawmakers not to pass new electronic copyright rules before their impact on colleges and universities can be assessed. At issue is a revised definition of "fair use" of copyrighted digital materials that threatens to eliminate or severely restrict online interlibrary loans, and would also prevent professors from using such materials as part of their courses. (Chronicle of Higher Education 16 Feb 96 A26)

INTERNATIONAL COPYRIGHT CONFERENCE

Under the auspices of the Geneva-based World Intellectual Property Organization, a conference will be held next December to initial an agreement that would extend copyright protection under the Berne convention to material transmitted over the Internet and other computer networks. One European negotiator in preliminary discussions on the issues says: "The development of the global information superhighway depends on film companies, directors, authors and performers being willing to put their work into the system. They need sufficient protection and sufficient rights to get a sufficient return, and some guarantees that there aren't great leaks in the pipe." (Financial Times 14 Feb 96 p7)

INJUNCTION BLOCKING INTERNET "INDECENCY" LAW

Federal Judge Ronald L. Buckwalter has temporarily blocked enforcement of the new Communications Decency Act, which makes it a felony to use computer networks accessible by minors to transmit "indecent" material. His ruling stated that the term "indecent" was unconstitutionally vague and would "leave reasonable people perplexed in evaluating what is or what is not prohibited in this statute." A three-judge federal panel will now review the constitutionality of the Act, and any subsequent appeals will be placed on a fast track to the U.S. Supreme Court. (New York Times 16 Feb 96 A1)
For the text of the decision see:
www.epic.org/free_speech/censorship/lawsuit/

EDUCATION IS KEY TO HOME PC MARKET

An American Learning Household Survey says that over 80% of intended family household PC buyers in its study cited children's education as the primary reason for purchase, relegating work-at-home and home financial applications to a distant 40% level. The survey also found that children's use of the PC is shifting away from games and toward more complex uses of the computer as an information access tool. Info: peter@grunwald.com. (The Red Herring

Dec 95)

SEGA WILL ADD BROWSER TO GAMING EQUIPMENT

Sega Enterprises plans to add equipment to its Saturn video game console that will enable consumers to browse the Internet on their TV set. The entire package would cost between \$100 and \$150 more than the current \$299 Saturn price tag. (Investor's Business Daily 16 Feb 96 A30)

CLINTON CHAMPIONS COMPUTERS IN THE CLASSROOM

President Clinton has proposed a \$2 billion federal matching-grant program to help local communities put computers in their classrooms. The "challenge grants" would hinge on communities' ability to enlist the support of local businesses in the venture. Meanwhile, Microsoft and MCI Communications have said they would work together to help K-12 schools set up Web sites and advertise them in conjunction with Microsoft's Global Schoolhouse. (Wall Street Journal 16 Feb 96 B2)

HOW WILL THE COOKIE CRUMBLE?

A recent NEWS OF THE NET cited a Wall Street Journal story about a Netscape feature called Cookies, which allows merchants to track what customers do in their online storefronts and how much time they spend there. Financial Times columnist Tim Jackson tells Edupage: "The Journal story is wrong, according to Netscape. They maintain that they have made no firm decision to insert a feature allowing users to disable cookies if they wish; they will only do so, they say, if their customers demand it. But since Netscape have taken no steps to correct the Journal story, and no steps to publicize the issue, it seems that they're happy for the misunderstanding to continue because that will then allow them to make no changes." (Edupage 18 Feb 96)

DVD PROPONENTS MEET THE CD-ROM FACTOR

While video entertainment companies are hashing out the details of the digital videodisc technology, computer makers are marshaling forces to make their wishes known before it's too late. The two competing video camps agreed in December on a "Digital Versatile Disc" format that incorporates aspects of both the Sony-Philips and the Toshiba-Time Warner designs. A "technical working group" that includes big names such as Apple, IBM, Compaq, Hewlett-Packard and Microsoft now wants to ensure that any future DVD format will also be compatible with a new generation of high-capacity CD-ROM discs and drives. They're proposing a tentative DVD-ROM format that would accommodate the content of multiple CD-ROM discs on one silver platter. (Popular Science Feb 96 p58)

FUJITSU SINKS \$50 MILLION IN U.S. PC OPERATION

Fujitsu Ltd., Japan's biggest computer maker and second in the world behind IBM, has invested \$50 million to create a U.S. operation for making and marketing PCs. Based in Milpitas, Calif., Fujitsu PC Corp. will focus initially on high-end laptops with communications features geared toward traveling executives. (Investor's Business Daily 16 Feb 96 A30)

DEEP BLUE FALLS TO KASPAROV

World chess champion Garry Kasparov has won the six-game match against the IBM supercomputer called Deep Blue. Counting tie games as a half point each, the final score was Kasparov 4, Deep Blue 2. Kasparov will receive \$400,000 for winning the match; the IBM team representing Deep Blue says it will put its \$100,000 loser's award into more research. (Atlanta Journal-Constitution 18 Feb 96 A1)

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We are in the process of developing a survey that measures various forms of discrimination, primarily racial or ethnic. We may also address discrimination on the basis of religion and want to include a measure of religious identification. Our current draft item is:

What is your religion?

- * Protestant (including Mormons...)
- * Roman Catholic
- * Jewish
- * Islamic (Shiite & Sunni)
- * Orthodox (Greek & Russian)
- * Agnostic & Atheistic
- * Other: Please specify _____

If anyone has experience with an item on religious affiliation, I would appreciate hearing about it. Please contact me directly at eligtw@dmdceast.fmp.osd.mil

Tim Elig

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There's an enormous literature that makes a crucial distinction between one's religious origin or background, and one's current religious affiliation. Once you decide what you want to find out (background or current affiliation), standard items are easily obtained (e.g., from Michigan, Gallup....).
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CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRACKING POLL RESULTS
 CONVERGE ON ACTUAL VOTE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

	Feb 9-11	Feb 10-12	Feb 11-13	Feb 12-14	Feb 13-15	Feb 14-16	Feb 16-17	Feb 17-18	Feb 18-19	ACT-UAL VOTE
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NO OPINION	8	8	7	6	6	6	7	7	8	--
Dole	25	28	31	32	28	27	26	24	23	27
Buchanan	19	20	21	25	25	25	25	25	26	28
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Forbes	25	21	17	14	13	12	12	14	13	12
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Lugar	4	5	5	5	5	4	5	5	6	5
Keyes	2	2	1	2	1	2	3	3	3	3
Taylor	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	1
Dornan	--	--	--	--	0	--	--	--	--	0
all others	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
TOTALS	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
N =	(537)	(492)	(496)	(486)	NR	(600)	(665)	(828)	(841)	100%

[NOTE: All poll percentages are three-day rolling averages of respondents determined to be likely to vote in the New Hampshire GOP primary.]

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Mitofsky@aol.com wrote:

> Why would you want registration numbers when they are so notoriously bad.
> There is no consistency from state-to-state or within states from
> county-to-county. The purging laws are all different and where there is
> supposed to be similarity, the practices are not consistent. Why don't
you
> use Census Bureau estimates of the VAP? It is much more reliable. The
Census
> study on voter participation, however, is not reliable.
> warren mitofsky mitofsky@aol.com

Your points are correct of course. There can really be no way to measure
"actual" party registration accurately.

But that is not really what I am looking for. For my purposes, claimed
party
registration is a more useful datum than whatever people really are, if they
even know. I am using claimed party registration as an indicator of general
political tendencies, so reasonably accurate survey results measuring
claimed
party registration should actually be a better estimator than the "real"
information. Whether this is or is not an ideal indicator, it is what I
have
available to work with at this time.

My question should therefore be: are you aware of any source of reasonably
accurate and consistent data on claimed voter registration by party?

I thought that the Census Bureau only asked whether people voted, not how
they
were registered. Am I wrong?

Jan Werner

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Just a quick note to comment on your classifications, I think it would be a
mistake for research purposes to classsify protestant and mormon together.

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>discrimination, primarily racial or ethnic. We may also address
>discrimination on the basis of religion and want to include a measure of
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- >* Roman Catholic
- >* Jewish
- >* Islamic (Shiite & Sunni)
- >* Orthodox (Greek & Russian)
- >* Agnostic & Atheistic
- >* Other: Please specify _____

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>Tim Elig

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NEWS OF THE NET (Including One Study) OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

CREDIT CARD SCARE TACTICS

Sending your credit card information over the Internet is really no big deal, says Simson Garfinkel, author of a book on Pretty Good Privacy encryption software. "The whole thing about encryption over the Internet is that it's not to protect the customer -- it's to protect the credit-card companies. By law, if there is no signature, the customer is liable for nothing. If there's a signature, they're liable for \$50. The reason the credit-card companies want cryptography is to limit their own liability. It has nothing to do with protecting the consumer." And although Netscape Navigator sends a stern message each time a user attempts to send information over the Web, Garfinkel labels the warning just another scare tactic: "Netscape Navigator is printing those messages because they're trying to sell encrypted servers. It's an ad. It doesn't look like an ad, but it is." (Tampa Tribune 19 Feb 96 B&F3)

BANYAN SPONSORS E-MAIL SWITCHBOARD

Banyan Systems is offering a new service on the Web -- a directory of e-mail addresses and other information for 93 million people and 11 million businesses worldwide. Switchboard includes a feature similar to Caller ID, that alerts a listed person whenever someone asks for that person's address, and allows them to decide whether to allow that information to be given out. The service also features public key certificates for secure communications between users. < <http://www.switchboard.com> > (Information Week 12 Feb 96 p24)

ONLINE SERVICES TO PEAK IN TWO YEARS?

A new study by Forrester Research predicts that the popularity of commercial online services such as America Online and CompuServe will peak by 1998, with a total of 16 million subscribers. That number will drop to about 15 million the following year, and will continue to fall as more businesses migrate to the Internet. Companies that pursue the strategy of offering Internet services directly, such as AT&T, MCI and Microsoft, will likely reap the benefits. (Investor's Business Daily 20 Feb 96 A13)

EUROPE BACKS V-CHIP

The European Parliament has followed the lead of the United States in supporting the use of Canadian-developed V-chip technology that allows

parents to screen violent or adult content from their televisions.
(Montreal Gazette 20 Feb 96 C7)

INTERNET APPLIANCE DEBUTS IN U.K.

Philips Electronics NV already has a cheap Internet appliance--envisioned by many as the means by which the global masses will first find themselves on the World Wide Web--on the shelves in the U.K. Philips's CD-Online device consists of a disc, cable and modem that work with the company's CD player to link to the Internet via a Philips online service. Philips plans to roll out the service in the U.S. this year, and Europe sometime thereafter. (Investor's Business Daily 20 Feb 96 A12)

IBM SERVES UP AN INTERNET STRATEGY

IBM has developed new software that will transform its mainframe, minicomputers and computer workstations into Web servers, allowing large companies that have mountains of data stored on corporate mainframes the option of making that information directly accessible to customers on the Web. The move also eliminates the difficulties of bridging incompatible systems, making the Web a common platform for information transfer. "It breaks down all the complex barriers that existed in the computing world," says the president of a computer consulting company. (Wall Street Journal 20 Feb 96 A3)

DEBIT-CARDS AND SMART CARDS

The number of debit card transactions in Canada more than doubled in 1995 from 1994, according to electronic banking network Interac. Last year, there were 390-million purchases made with the cards, compared with 185-million a year earlier. (Toronto Financial Post 16 Feb 96 p7) In Atlanta, BellSouth says that prior to this year's Summer Olympics it will install 200 phones that accept "smart cards" that store monetary values from which the cost of telephone calls can be automatically deducted. Someday soon, consumers will be able to use the phones like an automated teller machine -- withdrawing money from a bank or credit card account and storing it on a smart card. (Atlanta Journal-Constitution 20 Feb 96 E1)

APPLE SAYS IT HAS A COMPUTER FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD

New Apple CEO Gil Amelio says the company is now targeting parts of the world that have not yet entered the computer age: "The battle has just begun. We live in a world where only about half the people alive today have ever used a telephone let alone used a computer. There is an enormous untapped market." As part of the strategy Apple is licensing its Mac/OS operating system to Motorola, which will be allowed to sublicense the system and to market a Mac-based system in China, through a joint venture between a Motorola subsidiary in China and the Panda Electronics Group in that country. (New York Times 20 Feb 96 C2)

MICROSOFT REORGANIZATION EMPHASIZES INTERACTIVITY

Microsoft is reorganizing to create an Interactive Media Division to concentrate both on the Internet market and the market for interactive multimedia products designed for the new digital video disk systems, which will include interactive full-motion video. The division will include Microsoft Network, games, children's products, and Microsoft's information businesses. (New York Times 20 Feb 96 C1)

JUSTICE ASKED TO LOOK INTO MICROSOFT GIVEAWAY

Internet Factory Inc., a small California software company that markets an Internet server program, has asked the U.S. Justice Department to

investigate Microsoft's plans to give away its new Internet Information Server software as part of its Windows NT program. Sales apparently "went dead" for Internet Factory after Microsoft announced its bundling strategy. (Wall Street Journal 20 Feb 96 A4)

"ESCAPE VELOCITY" OF CYBERCULTURE

The New York Times says that Mark Dery's new book "Escape Velocity: Cyberculture at the End of the Century" is written with considerable knowledge and authority about such bizarre subcultures as the avant-garde roboticists, cyberpunk novelists, virtual reality designers, "body art" performance artists, "cyber hippies" and "technopagans." Although the book uses the critical theories of Bataille, Foucault, Baudrillard and McLuhan, the newspaper describes the author's writing style as "happily, sometimes even exuberantly nonpedantic." (New York Times 20 Feb 96 B2)

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Posted to AAPORNET on behalf of Timothy M. Chester, Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University. Please send all related messages to him at tmc7049@acs

Date: Wed, 21 Feb 96 15:55:05 -0500
From: Timothy M. Chester <tmc7049@acs>
Subject: Call for Papers

I invite you to submit a chapter proposal for a planned volume of works tentatively entitled "America at the Fin De Siecle: Paradoxes, Problems, and Critical Theory." The volume will be edited by Stjepan Mestrovic and Timothy M. Chester.

The subject matter will be a critical examination of the American cultural system as we approach the end of the century. The papers should provide cultural interpretation, from a critical, deconstructionist, postmodernist, or power-reflexive point of view. Topics which would be relevant to the discussion would include (but is not limited to):

- *Consumer Society
- *Escalating Public and Private Debt
- *Race and Ethnic Studies
- *The Media
- *Politics
- *Presidential Election of 1996
- *Governmental Regulation over the Internet and World Wide Web
- *Conflict over Multiculturalism
- *The "Politics of Exclusion"
- *Growing cynicism in the public
- *Technology
- *Militia Movement
- *O.J. Simpson

The theme of the book is centered on the cultural problems and paradoxes that continue to face American Society, despite the optimistic forecasts that the world has reached the "End of History" as Fukuyama declared, with the triumph of liberal democracy and capitalism over communism and socialism

The process for inclusion in the volume is as follows.

1. Submit a detailed abstract (500-1000) words which explains the relevance of the paper, the area which is focuses on, and how this continues to be a problem that plagues America as we begin a new century. The deadline for submitting these abstracts is April 1st 1996. They may be submitted to me over email, or mailed to:

Timothy M. Chester
Department of Sociology
Texas A&M University
College Station, Texas 77845-4351

2. The editors will select no more than 12 of these abstracts will be asked to submit a paper for inclusion by August 1, 1996. Shortly thereafter, seven or eight of them will be chosen and the authors will be asked to revise and resubmit them. Final submissions will be due somewhere around the first December.

3. Once we set up a preliminary outline for the text (after the April 1st deadline) then we will begin marketing the volume to publishers.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me through mail or email. Please feel free to distribute this call for papers throughout the internet.

Timothy M. Chester

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id LAA11940; Thu, 22 Feb 1996 11:45:38 -0800 (PST)

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 1996 11:45:35 -0800 (PST)

From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>

To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: More New Market Research Net Lists
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.960222112240.9715C-100000@almaak.usc.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

As further evidence that the market research community is now rushing online in droves, here are still more descriptions and instructions for joining new lists announced within the past week:

1. Marketing Mavens Conference Room
2. International Business Discussion Group
3. Electronic Conferencing List

1. MavenConference - Marketing Electronic Conference Room

Mavenconference on maiser@mail.telmar.com The Marketing Mavens
Conference Room

Mavenconference is designed for people who want in-depth electronic discussions of marketing and sales related issues relative to their work. Mavenconference combines an open list format with access to a group of seven internationally known marketing consultants, who coordinate responses to provide subscribers with actionable, in-depth responses to questions.

Areas covered include marketing communications, sales force management and training, market research, advertising, segmentation, niche marketing, product design and packaging, and electronic marketing.

Subscribers have access to semi-private channels which afford confidential communications solely with the seven consultants, or they can open issues to discussion among all list members.

To subscribe, send the following command in the BODY of mail to
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For the name of the FAQ or list of available archives, send the
command LIST to listserv@mail.telmar.com

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2. INTL. BUSINESS - International Business

INTL. BUSINESS via woolford@trip.net International Business

The International Business Discussion group is made up of International business owners, government trade officials, international consultants and trade desk consultants.

To subscribe send email to woolford@trip.net

Subject line: SUBSCRIBE INTL. BUSINESS

Body: Company name and address, email, URL, and short description of products and services.

Owner: Leah Woolford woolford@trip.net
Alliance of Global Business Exchange
<http://www.globalbiz.com>

3. E-CONF - Electronic Conferencing List

E-Conf via e-conf@chatsubo.com Electronic Conferencing

You are invited to subscribe to E-Conf, a new list on all aspects of electronic conferencing, electronically supported training and the use of electronic media to support the "virtual organization". The list will include discussions on the organizational, psychological and technical elements of on line conferences, electronic conferencing and all aspects of virtual organizations.

Among the topics which will be covered are

- reviews of conferencing systems,
- the use of various internet facilities--phone, video, IRC, newsgroups, e-lists, MUDs/MOOS, WWW in supporting e-conferences (ECs), E-training and virtual organizations (VOs)
- the "facilitation/animation" of e-conferences and virtual organizations
- managing on-line conferences and virtual organizations
- the psychology and on-line environments of electronic conferencing and virtual organizations

The list will be facilitated by Michael Gurstein, Ph.D., an experienced practitioner/consultant in the application of technology supports to organizational processes and Alan Sondheim an Internet consultant, co-moderator of Cybermind, theorist whose book "Being on Line" will appear Spring, 1996 and a long-time "student/practitioner" of on-line conference tools including MUDs and MOOs, Cu-SEE-Me, and Iphone.

To subscribe to this list, send mail to e-conf@chatsubo.com with Subject: subscribe

(nothing in the message field)

Moderators: Mike Gurstein mgurst@sparc.uccb.ns.ca

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>From Mitofsky@aol.com Thu Feb 22 11:55:22 1996
Return-Path: Mitofsky@aol.com
Received: from emout08.mail.aol.com (emout08.mx.aol.com [198.81.11.23])
by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
id LAA16614 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Thu, 22 Feb 1996 11:55:20 -0800
(PST)
From: Mitofsky@aol.com
Received: by emout08.mail.aol.com (8.6.12/8.6.12) id OAA29811 for
aapornet@usc.edu; Thu, 22 Feb 1996 14:55:05 -0500
Date: Thu, 22 Feb 1996 14:55:05 -0500
Message-ID: <960222145504_429078126@emout08.mail.aol.com>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: voter registration information

In a message dated 96-02-22 11:13:40 EST, you write:

>I thought that the Census Bureau only asked whether people voted, not how
>they
>were registered. Am I wrong?
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You are correct. The Census Bureau does not ask for party.

Self reports of registration are overstated. They may not be any better than
actual registration statistics. Also, I have not seen any one ask for
"party"
in which people are registered.

You have a difficult problem ahead.

>From dhenwood@panix.com Thu Feb 22 16:07:35 1996
Return-Path: dhenwood@panix.com
Received: from panix3.panix.com (panix3.panix.com [198.7.0.4])
by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with ESMTP
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by panix3.panix.com (8.7/8.7/PanixU1.3) with SMTP id TAA18751; Thu, 22 Feb
1996 19:06:15 -0500 (EST)
X-Sender: dhenwood@popserver.panix.com
Message-Id: <v01540a00ad52a773c12a@[166.84.250.86]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Date: Thu, 22 Feb 1996 19:07:06 -0400
To: aapornet@usc.edu, por@unc.edu
From: dhenwood@panix.com (Doug Henwood)
Subject: Social Security

Anyone have the original cite of the famous poll showing more Gen Xers
believe in UFOs than in the Social Security System?

Doug

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>From piresrc@hopf.dnai.com Thu Feb 22 17:36:05 1996
Return-Path: piresrc@hopf.dnai.com
Received: from hopf.dnai.com (hopf.dnai.com [140.174.162.10])
by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
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1996 17:35:18 -0800
Date: Thu, 22 Feb 1996 17:35:18 -0800
Message-Id: <199602230135.RAA19197@hopf.dnai.com>
X-Sender: piresrc@dnai.com
X-Mailer: Windows Eudora Version 1.4.3
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: piresrc@hopf.dnai.com (P.I.R.E./S.R.C.)
Subject: Re: NEWS OF THE NET OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

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> NEWS OF THE NET (Including One Study) OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET
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>CREDIT CARD SCARE TACTICS
>Sending your credit card information over the Internet is really no big
>deal, says Simson Garfinkel, author of a book on Pretty Good Privacy
>encryption software. "The whole thing about encryption over the Internet
is
>that it's not to protect the customer -- it's to protect the credit-card
>companies. By law, if there is no signature, the customer is liable for
>nothing. If there's a signature, they're liable for \$50. The reason the
>credit-card companies want cryptography is to limit their own liability.
It
>has nothing to do with protecting the consumer." And although Netscape
>Navigator sends a stern message each time a user attempts to send
>information over the Web, Garfinkel labels the warning just another scare
>tactic: "Netscape Navigator is printing those messages because they're
>trying to sell encrypted servers. It's an ad. It doesn't look like an ad,
>but it is." (Tampa Tribune 19 Feb 96 B&F3)
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>BANYAN SPONSORS E-MAIL SWITCHBOARD
>Banyan Systems is offering a new service on the Web -- a directory of
e-mail
>addresses and other information for 93 million people and 11 million
>businesses worldwide. Switchboard includes a feature similar to Caller ID,

>that alerts a listed person whenever someone asks for that person's address,
>and allows them to decide whether to allow that information to be given out.
>The service also features public key certificates for secure communications between users. < <http://www.switchboard.com> > (Information Week 12 Feb 96 p24)
>
>ONLINE SERVICES TO PEAK IN TWO YEARS?
>A new study by Forrester Research predicts that the popularity of commercial
>online services such as America Online and CompuServe will peak by 1998,
>with a total of 16 million subscribers. That number will drop to about 15
>million the following year, and will continue to fall as more businesses
>migrate to the Internet. Companies that pursue the strategy of offering
>Internet services directly, such as AT&T, MCI and Microsoft, will likely
>reap the benefits. (Investor's Business Daily 20 Feb 96 A13)
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>EUROPE BACKS V-CHIP
>The European Parliament has followed the lead of the United States in
>supporting the use of Canadian-developed V-chip technology that allows
>parents to screen violent or adult content from their televisions.
>(Montreal Gazette 20 Feb 96 C7)
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>INTERNET APPLIANCE DEBUTS IN U.K.
>Philips Electronics NV already has a cheap Internet appliance--envisioned
>by many as the means by which the global masses will first find
>themselves on the World Wide Web--on the shelves in the U.K. Philips's
>CD-Online device consists of a disc, cable and modem that work with the
>company's CD player to link to the Internet via a Philips online service.
>Philips plans to roll out the service in the U.S. this year, and Europe
>sometime thereafter. (Investor's Business Daily 20 Feb 96 A12)
>
>IBM SERVES UP AN INTERNET STRATEGY
>IBM has developed new software that will transform its mainframe,
>minicomputers and computer workstations into Web servers, allowing large
>companies that have mountains of data stored on corporate mainframes the
>option of making that information directly accessible to customers on the
>Web. The move also eliminates the difficulties of bridging incompatible
>systems, making the Web a common platform for information transfer. "It
>breaks down all the complex barriers that existed in the computing world,"
>says the president of a computer consulting company. (Wall Street Journal
>20 Feb 96 A3)
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>DEBIT-CARDS AND SMART CARDS
>The number of debit card transactions in Canada more than doubled in 1995
>from 1994, according to electronic banking network Interac. Last year,
>there were 390-million purchases made with the cards, compared with
>185-million a year earlier. (Toronto Financial Post 16 Feb 96 p7) In
>Atlanta, BellSouth says that prior to this year's Summer Olympics it will
>install 200 phones that accept "smart cards" that store monetary values
>from
>which the cost of telephone calls can be automatically deducted. Someday
>soon, consumers will be able to use the phones like an automated teller
>machine -- withdrawing money from a bank or credit card account and storing
>it on a smart card. (Atlanta Journal-Constitution 20 Feb 96 E1)
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>APPLE SAYS IT HAS A COMPUTER FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD
>New Apple CEO Gil Amelio says the company is now targeting parts of the
>world that have not yet entered the computer age: "The battle has just
>begun. We live in a world where only about half the people alive today
have
>ever used a telephone let alone used a computer. There is an enormous
>untapped market." As part of the strategy Apple is licensing its Mac/OS
>operating system to Motorola, which will be allowed to sublicense the
system
>and to market a Mac-based system in China, through a joint venture between
a
>Motorola subsidiary in China and the Panda Electronics Group in that
>country. (New York Times 20 Feb 96 C2)

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>MICROSOFT REORGANIZATION EMPHASIZES INTERACTIVITY
>Microsoft is reorganizing to create an Interactive Media Division to
>concentrate both on the Internet market and the market for interactive
>multimedia products designed for the new digital video disk systems, which
>will include interactive full-motion video. The division will include
>Microsoft Network, games, children's products, and Microsoft's information
>businesses. (New York Times 20 Feb 96 C1)

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>JUSTICE ASKED TO LOOK INTO MICROSOFT GIVEAWAY
>Internet Factory Inc., a small California software company that markets an
>Internet server program, has asked the U.S. Justice Department to
>investigate Microsoft's plans to give away its new Internet Information
>Server software as part of its Windows NT program. Sales apparently "went
>dead" for Internet Factory after Microsoft announced its bundling strategy.
>(Wall Street Journal 20 Feb 96 A4)

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>"ESCAPE VELOCITY" OF CYBERCULTURE
>The New York Times says that Mark Dery's new book "Escape Velocity:
>Cyberculture at the End of the Century" is written with considerable
>knowledge and authority about such bizarre subcultures as the avant-garde
>roboticists, cyberpunk novelists, virtual reality designers, "body art"
>performance artists, "cyber hippies" and "technopagans." Although the book
>uses the critical theories of Bataille, Foucault, Baudrillard and McLuhan,
>the newspaper describes the author's writing style as "happily, sometimes
>even exuberantly nonpedantic." (New York Times 20 Feb 96 B2)

>Selected from Edupage (2/20/96), edited by John Gehl and Suzanne Douglas.

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>From ksherril@shiva.Hunter.CUNY.EDU Thu Feb 22 17:36:40 1996
Return-Path: ksherril@shiva.Hunter.CUNY.EDU
Received: from hcrelay.hunter.cuny.edu (hcrelay.hunter.cuny.edu
[146.95.128.2])
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id RAA07969 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Thu, 22 Feb 1996 17:36:38 -0800
(PST)
Received: from shiva.hunter.cuny.edu (ksherril@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu
[146.95.128.96]) by hcrelay.hunter.cuny.edu (8.6.12/george0995) with SMTP id
UAA29458; Thu, 22 Feb 1996 20:38:09 -0500

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 1996 20:34:40 -0500 (EST)
From: Kenneth Sherrill <ksherril@shiva.Hunter.CUNY.EDU>
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
Subject: Advertising on Dollar Bills
Message-ID: <Pine.SOL.3.91.960222203157.23174B-100000@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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positive is? I guess we're a very traditional society.

Ken Sherrill

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> ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** **
> Percentage of Americans who favor placing ads
> on the dollar bill to help cut the deficit or
> lower taxes: 35.
> ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** ** **

>From stakacs@garnet.acns.fsu.edu Fri Feb 23 05:12:08 1996
Return-Path: stakacs@garnet.acns.fsu.edu
Received: from garnet.acns.fsu.edu (garnet.acns.fsu.edu [128.186.195.2])
 by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with ESMTTP
 id FAA27282 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Fri, 23 Feb 1996 05:12:06 -0800
(PST)
Received: (from stakacs@localhost) by garnet.acns.fsu.edu (8.7.3/8.7.3) id
IAA26876 for aapornet@usc.edu; Fri, 23 Feb 1996 08:11:59 -0500
From: "Scott J. Takacs" <stakacs@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>
Message-Id: <199602231311.IAA26876@garnet.acns.fsu.edu>
Subject: Re: Advertising on Dollar Bills
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 08:11:58 -0500 (EST)
In-Reply-To:
<Pine.SOL.3.91.960222203157.23174B-100000@shiva.hunter.cuny.edu> from
"Kenneth Sherrill" at Feb 22, 96 08:34:40 pm
X-Mailer: ELM [version 2.4 PL17]
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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Sounds like a Harper's (magazine) Index, but I wouldn't know which issue.
Scott J. Takacs

Doctoral Student, Marketing
The Florida State University
stakacs@garnet.acns.fsu.edu
>From pmeyer@email.unc.edu Fri Feb 23 06:11:55 1996
Return-Path: pmeyer@email.unc.edu
Received: from login1.email.unc.edu (pmeyer@login1.email.unc.edu
[152.2.25.15])
by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with SMTP
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Received: (from pmeyer@localhost) by login1.email.unc.edu (8.6.12/8.6.12) id
JAA140310; Fri, 23 Feb 1996 09:11:44 -0500
Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 09:11:44 -0500 (EST)
From: Philip Meyer <pmeyer@email.unc.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: voter registration information
In-Reply-To: <960222145504_429078126@emout08.mail.aol.com>
Message-ID: <Pine.A32.3.91.960223090948.136618B-100000@login1.email.unc.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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One simple way to estimate relative party strength is to look at the turnout in Republican and Democrat primaries. It is the act of voting in a primary that defines a person as a party member -- in the legal sense if not necessarily by self definition. Turnout in state and local primaries would work better than this year's presidential primary because only one side is contested.

Phil Meyer

>From altschul@Oswego.Oswego.EDU Fri Feb 23 08:38:29 1996
Return-Path: altschul@oswego.Oswego.EDU
Received: from gidney.Oswego.EDU (gidney.oswego.edu [129.3.22.7])
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id QAA06835; Fri, 23 Feb 1996 16:38:16 GMT
Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 11:38:14 -0500 (EST)
From: Bruce Altschuler <altschul@Oswego.Oswego.EDU>
Subject: Re: voter registration information
To: aapornet@usc.edu
In-Reply-To:
<Pine.A32.3.91.960223090948.136618B-100000@login1.email.unc.edu>
Message-ID: <Pine.3.89.9602231118.A5944-0100000@gidney.oswego.edu>
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I'd have some hesitation in using primary turnout as a measure of party registration. First there is the variation in laws with some states allowing crossovers, a few with blanket primaries, and most with closed primaries. NH, for example, allows a voter to change registration before and after entering the primary polling booth. Second, it is not only presidential primaries that are uncontested; most primaries are. My county is overwhelmingly Republican so for most offices the Democrats are happy to get even one candidate. Finally, primary turnout is notoriously variable and often quite low.

Bruce Altschuler

SUNY Oswego

>From mbednarz@umich.edu Fri Feb 23 08:47:17 1996

Return-Path: mbednarz@umich.edu

Received: from joust.rs.itd.umich.edu (joust.rs.itd.umich.edu
[141.211.63.86])

by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with ESMTTP

id IAA20350 for <AAPORnet@usc.edu>; Fri, 23 Feb 1996 08:47:14 -0800

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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 11:47:11 -0500 (EST)

From: Marlene Bednarz <mbednarz@umich.edu>

X-Sender: mbednarz@joust.rs.itd.umich.edu

To: AAPORnet@usc.edu

Subject: request for information (fwd)

Message-ID:

<Pine.SOL.3.91.960223114547.15037F-100000@joust.rs.itd.umich.edu>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

>From the AAPOR Secretariat:

I have forwarded the following message I received,
please assist if you can.

Thank you.

----- Forwarded message -----

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 1996 16:12:11 -0500

From: Valorie Hanni Rice <vrice@bpa.arizona.edu>

To: aapor@umich.edu

Subject: request for information

Greetings,

My name is Valorie Rice, and I am writing to you from the Economic
and Business Research Program within the
BPA College of the University of Arizona.

The reason I am writing to your organization is that some of our
researchers here are beginning a study of the
"middle market" or mid-sized businesses. We are looking--for academic
purposes--to find an existing surveys or
polls on economic trends for small to mid-sized businesses (preferably just
middle sized firms). In relation to that, we
would like to know if there is an information or guides available as to how
to go about surveying this particular group.
If you can provide any information or guidance in this area, it would be
much appreciated.

We would also like to find out more about your organization. If you
have any brochures/pamphlets/material on
AAPOR, as well as any general publications list, we would be grateful to
receive any of the above.

Our mailing address is:

Economic & Business Research Program

McClelland Hall Room 204C

P.O. Box 210108

University of Arizona

Tucson, AZ 85721-0108
520-621-2109 is my direct phone line, our fax is 520-621-2150

If there is a cost involved, please advise me prior to shipping.
Thank you.

Valorie Hanni Rice
Economic and Business Research
vrice@bpa.arizona.edu

>From rshalp@cris.com Fri Feb 23 08:50:18 1996
Return-Path: rshalp@cris.com
Received: from franklin-fddi.cris.com (franklin-fddi.cris.com [199.3.126.7])
by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with ESMTP
id IAA20667 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Fri, 23 Feb 1996 08:50:16 -0800
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Received: from darius.cris.com by franklin-fddi.cris.com [1-800-745-CRIS
(voice)]
Errors-To: rshalp@cris.com
Received: from LOCALNAME by darius.cris.com (8.7.1) id LAA27517; Fri, 23 Feb
1996 11:49:50 -0500 (EST)
Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 11:49:50 -0500 (EST)
Message-Id: <2.2.16.19960223115003.57976alc@pop3.cris.com>
X-Sender: rshalp@pop3.cris.com
X-Mailer: Windows Eudora Pro Version 2.2 (16)
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: "Richard S. Halpern (Dick)" <rshalp@cris.com>
Subject: Re: voter registration information

Could this be a problem in some states where members of one party are
allowed to vote in the primary of another?

At 09:11 AM 2/23/96 -0500, you wrote:

> One simple way to estimate relative party strength is to look at the
>turnout in Republican and Democrat primaries. It is the act of voting in
>a primary that defines a person as a party member -- in the legal sense
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>primaries would work better than this year's presidential primary because
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>Phil Meyer

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Dr. Richard S. Halpern Phone/Fax (770) 434 4121
Halpern & Associates rshalp@cris.com
Strategic Marketing and Opinion Research
3837 Courtyard Drive, Atlanta, Ga 30339-4248

>From rshalp@cris.com Fri Feb 23 08:53:23 1996
Return-Path: rshalp@cris.com

Received: from franklin-fddi.cris.com (franklin-fddi.cris.com [199.3.126.7])
by usc.edu (8.7.2/8.7.2/usc) with ESMTP
id IAA21211 for <aapornet@usc.edu>; Fri, 23 Feb 1996 08:53:20 -0800
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Received: from darius.cris.com by franklin-fddi.cris.com [1-800-745-CRIS
(voice)]

Errors-To: rshalp@cris.com

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1996 11:49:48 -0500 (EST)

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 11:49:48 -0500 (EST)

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X-Sender: rshalp@pop3.cris.com

X-Mailer: Windows Eudora Pro Version 2.2 (16)

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

To: aapornet@usc.edu

From: "Richard S. Halpern (Dick)" <rshalp@cris.com>

Subject: Re: Advertising on Dollar Bills

In the past some folks have even suggested (quite seriously) placing ads on
toilet paper...sort of a captive audience of sorts. The idea emerged from
time to time but advertisers balked because of the association. Could the
same be true of dollar bills?

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>Am I wrong at being surprised at how low the percent responding in the

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>Ken Sherrill

>----- Forwarded message -----

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>> Percentage of Americans who favor placing ads

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>> lower taxes: 35.

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Fri, 23 Feb 96 12:18:59 EST

Date: Fri, 23 Feb 96 13:09:29 CST

From: "David R. Fortin" <dfor8320@uriacc.uri.edu>
Message-Id: <59792.dfor8320@uriacc.uri.edu>
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Reply-To: <dfor8320@uriacc.uri.edu>
X-POPmail-Charset: English
To: aapornet@usc.edu
Subject: Re: Advertising on Dollar Bills

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I dont think this figure is unusually low, on the contrary I find it surprisingly high. Think about it: the US Dollar is the staple currency on the planet. What kind of image would the dollar convey if it had a McDonalds logo on it or a mail-in offer from Kelloggs Fruit Loops? Are we in such a bad state of affairs that we should even consider this? There are some areas where consumer resistance to commercial attempts is very strong. For instance, look at how we flame anyone that tries to "plug" or advertise their products/services on the Net. Would most users agree to accept those if, let's say, Internet access charges were eliminated or partially reduced?

Pushing the idea further: how would you charge the potential advertiser for ad placement? What is the reach? What is the frequency? How long will the ad last? (decades if stored in a sock somewhere under the bed!)

The idea raises some interesting issues. That's my 2 cents. :-)

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NEWS OF THE NET OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

TAX REVOLT ON THE INFO HIGHWAY

When officials in Spokane, Wash. thought they could wring some extra revenue via a 6% tax on Internet providers, they were inundated with e-mail and phone calls protesting the action. One firm even set up a Web site for users to vent their opposition. The result was the city council decided to delay the tax pending further study, but the Spokane experience is likely to be played out in cities across the country as local governments look for new sources of cash. (Information Week 12 Feb 96 p10)

ELECTRONIC WALLET FROM ORACLE AND VERIFONE

Oracle, which specializes in database software, and Verifone, which specializes in credit card verification systems, have formed an alliance that will allow customers using "electronic wallets" built into Internet browser software to access a full range of financial transaction methods, including credit and debit cards, smart cards and electronic cash. The companies call it an "end-to-end" system for secure electronic commerce on the Internet. (Financial Times 22 Feb 96 p16)

FCC PONDERES ENHANCED 911 SERVICE

The Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association and public safety groups are asking the FCC to approve Enhanced 911 service for cell phones that would allow operators to quickly pinpoint the origin of the call and send help. In its initial stages, the system would identify only the caller's cell site, but in five years specific locations would be traceable. Two-thirds of cellular users say safety is one of the reasons they bought their phones. (Investor's Business Daily 21 Feb 96 A4)

H&R BLOCK AND SEARS END THEIR INTERNET LOVE AFFAIRS

H&R Block, the tax-preparation company, is spinning off its online subsidiary, CompuServe as a new public company, saying: "The separation of CompuServe will unlock the value we have created through both of these strong franchises and will better position each entity to growth opportunities in their respective markets." (New York Times 21 Feb 96) ...Meanwhile, Sears Roebuck & Co. will sell its 50% stake in Prodigy, which it owns in partnership with IBM. "We have concluded that this investment does not represent an asset that should be part of our portfolio over the long term," says Sears' CEO. IBM is considering whether to buy Sears' 50% or divest its own share of the venture. (Wall Street Journal 22 Feb 96 A3)

HOT TECHNOLOGIES FOR '96

First Albany-Meta Technology has drawn up its own list of hot technologies for the coming year: data warehousing and online analytical processing software; business process reengineering software, client-server network management software; object-oriented programming tools; frame relay, asynchronous transfer mode, and integrated services digital network technologies; and of course, anything to do with the Internet. (Investor's Business Daily 22 Feb 96 A8)

COMPAQ PLANS TO PARE DOWN APPLE'S SLICE OF ED MARKET

Compaq Computer is going after the education market, targeting an area

dominated for years by Apple Computer, and has hired a former Apple manager to help it. Currently, about 7% of schools surveyed by Quality Education Data say they plan to buy Compaqs, while 61% say they intend to buy computers from Apple. Many schools are gearing up to replace older Apple models, and Compaq thinks it has a good chance of garnering some of those sales, building on its strong sales of servers to schools that are networking their computers and buildings. (Wall Street Journal 21 Feb 96 B6)

MICROSOFT SHIFTS SOFTWARE FOCUS

The management structure of its software operations, which had previously been organized by customer grouping (Business, Consumer, Personal Systems, and Developers), is being reorganized into three industry-specific divisions: Desktop & Business Systems Division; Internet Platform & Tools Division; and Consumer Platforms Division. (New York Times 21 Feb 96 C3)

ACORN/APPLE GRAFTING

Acorn and Apple are forming a 50-50 joint venture to supply the U.K. education market, and will offer Risc OS and Apple's Mac OS on the same machines, which will be designed to the Common Hardware Reference Platform specification agreed on last year by Apple, IBM and Motorola. Risc OS is used in education, he says, in TV set-top boxes, and in the forthcoming Internet-oriented "network computers" that Acorn is designing for Oracle. (The Guardian 22 Feb 1996)

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HIGH-PROFILE WHITE HOUSE JOBS, NO PAY

The Office of Science and Technology Policy of the Executive Office of the President has openings for qualified volunteers and unpaid summer interns to help improve the White House Web site (www.whitehouse.gov). Regretfully, it is not anticipated that there will be any paid positions for the summer.

Applicants should have a demonstrated interest in politics and government, strong writing abilities, and at least some experience with HTML. The

strongest applicants would also have a UNIX background and some experience with Perl and CGI scripting. Especially desirable would be candidates who are fluent in Spanish or VRML. While they will work primarily on the Web site, volunteers and interns may also be called upon to do general office duties.

Positions are available for Summer and Fall. Application is made by sending email with (only) the URL of your Web site in the subject line. All applications must be received by 1 March 1996 to be considered for this summer. Applications will be considered from all qualified persons without discrimination.

This has been a very high profile and rewarding internship for those who have participated in the past two years. Be creative with your application page and have fun. Further details concerning these positions can be seen in the full announcement posted at the Web site:

<http://rs.internic.net/scout/report/current/interns>

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NEW RESOURCES ON THE NET

NEW ECONOMIC REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT--SEARCHABLE

The complete text of the 1996 Economic Report of the President, authored by the Council of Economic Advisors, is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) web site. The online Report can be searched but not browsed. To see large portions of the report at once, search on "chapter" (without the quotes). This will return each chapter plus a detailed table of contents. Use the detailed table of contents to search for specific items, but be aware that the engine returns the entire chapter(s) that contain your query words. Queries will also return specific appendix tables that match the query. To receive multiple tables, use the query "table b*" (with the quotes). Tables and text are available in ASCII and PDF (Adobe Acrobat) format. Acrobat formatted chapters include the graphics that are in the hardcopy version. Adobe Acrobat is available from the Adobe site or from the Scout Toolkit. (Note! GPO service will be temporarily down all day Saturday, February 17, 1996).

<http://www.access.gpo.gov/eop/>

Full text of 1992-1994 Economic Reports of the President are available from the University of Missouri-St. Louis Gopher:

gopher://UMSLVMA.UMSL.EDU:70/11/LIBRARY/GOVDOCS/ERPS

Gopher to UMSLVMA.UMSL.EDU

select: The Library/Government Information/Economic Reports of the President

Adobe Acrobat: <http://www.adobe.com/ Acrobat/readstep.html>

Scout Toolkit: <http://rs.internic.net/scout/toolkit/3d3.html>

PERSONALLY CUSTOMIZED, CONTINUALLY-UPDATED ONLINE NEWSPAPER

The PointCast Network (PCN) software allows you to read a personally customized, continually updated newspaper from your desktop. The program installs as a screen saver and is activated automatically when your workstation is idle. It automatically updates stories in the categories of national, international, political, company, industry, sports, weather, and features. The sections on industry, company, sports, weather, and features can be customized so that only stories of interest to you are tracked. In company news, 20 minute delayed stock quotes scroll across the bottom of the screen. In sports news, sports scores scroll across the bottom of the screen. At present the service is supported by advertising that also moves on screen. Stories are provided by such sources as Reuters, PR Newswire, and Sports Ticker. PCN also has a web browser built into it. The beta software is available only on Windows platforms at this time.

<http://www.pointcast.com>

NEW HEALTH ISSUES SITE

The Columbus Ohio Freenet gopher offers a link to the Ohio State University Medical Center gopher. From there you can choose Health Promotion and Disease Prevention to access basic information on 16 health topics, including Back Safety, Diabetes, Home Health Tips, Men's Health Issues, Nutrition and Diet, Well Baby Care, and Women's Health Issues. The information is provided to help you better understand the health issues that are facing you today, and to enhance your ongoing dialogue with your personal physician related to your specific health concerns.

gopher://gizmo.freenet.columbus.oh.us:70/11/healthservices/
OSU%20Medical%20Center/Health%20Promotion%20and%20Disease
%20Prevention%20Information

Gopher to: gizmo.freenet.columbus.oh.us

Select: Health Services/OSU Medical Center/Health Promotion and
Disease Prevention Information

BROWN AND WILLIAMSON TOBACCO COURT DOCUMENTS

The Digital Library of the University of California--San Francisco has made scanned images of their Brown and Williamson Tobacco Archive available on the Web. The documents consist primarily of scientific studies on the addictive nature of nicotine and other health effects of tobacco smoke. The materials have been the subject of a suit in San Francisco Superior Court in which Brown & Williamson sought to permanently remove the disputed material from the Library. On May 25th,

1995 the Superior Court ruled that these documents should be made available for public review. (Subsequent appeals to the Court of Appeals and the California Supreme Court were rejected.) The collection includes documents from 1957-1991 inclusive. It can be searched or browsed, and an archival history and description are available. The collection is also available on CD-ROM for a fee. Order forms are available at the site.

<http://www.library.ucsf.edu/tobacco/bw.html>
Collection history and description:
<http://www.library.ucsf.edu/tobacco/bwhist.html>

INNER-CITY SCHOOLS HIT THE NET

Chicago's Jean Baptiste Point Du Sable High School is an ongoing exploration of how integration of the Internet into day-to-day school activities can affect education in an inner-city school. It is a training site for the entire Chicago Public School system and is one of 14 demonstration sites chosen by the State of Illinois for implementation of technology into education. The proposal for technology implementation that Du Sable submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education is available on the site, and may be of assistance to other inner-city schools writing similar proposals. The site also contains an excellent pointers page for resources on the Internet, and resources to help "get your school on the net."

<http://www.dusable.cps.k12.il.us/>
Du Sable's technology implementation proposal:
http://www.dusable.cps.k12.il.us/narr_ToC.html

FUTURE BLACK ACADEMICS DATABASE

A highlight of The Black Graduate Engineering and Science Students of the University of California-Berkeley (BGESS) Web page is its Future Black Faculty (FBF) database, which is browsable and searchable and contains records of doctoral candidates, recent graduates, and professionals seeking a position in academia. All database members are of African descent and "plan to obtain a tenure track faculty position within 5 - 7 years." The database concentrates on engineering, computer sciences, and the natural sciences. BGESS offers a page of "Afrocentric Web Links", as well as information about itself and its members. Available in both graphical and text versions.

<http://hera.EECS.Berkeley.EDU:80/~bgess/>
Text only: <http://hera.eecs.berkeley.edu/~bgess/text.html>

ALL THINGS RUSSIAN

The Bucknell University Russian Studies Program provides a richly graphic site linking to all things Russian. A pointer to University of Indiana's Russian 1996 presidential election page is provided, which includes information on all the major candidates. The Russian Study Materials section offers 21 links to a wide variety of topics, such as the daily Voice of Russia in RealAudio format, art and architecture, business and economics, Chechnya news and background, cinema, the 1993 Russian and 1977 Soviet Constitutions, history, language, law, music, and Russian humor, among others. The entire site is indexed alphabetically for ease of use, and pointers to other Russian sites are available.

<http://www.bucknell.edu/departments/russian/>

AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY ARCHIVE

The Mississippi State University African American History Archive is a great place to start for pointers to African American history sites, as well as an excellent repository of African American history primary documents. The sites include Adonis Productions' Black Pioneers page (with pages on African American pioneers in all fields), Great Day In Harlem (jazz), Mississippi State's AfriGeneas genealogy mailing list and web site, Small Towns-Black Lives in New Jersey, African American pioneers in Kentucky law, and the International Museum of the Horse's Buffalo Soldier pages. Full text documents include Dr. Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech, Booker T. Washington's "Up From Slavery", Frederick Douglass' "Autobiography" and "My Escape from Slavery", and Henry David Thoreau's "A Plea for Captain John Brown" and "Slavery in Massachusetts", among others. The site also contains African American bibliographies in the arts, education, history, and science, as well as pointers to other African American sites.

<http://www.msstate.edu/Archives/History/USA/Afro-Amer/afro.html>

THE AFRICAN DIASPORA

The Universal Black Pages, created and developed through the efforts of members of the Black Graduate Students Association at Georgia Tech University, is a comprehensive page of pointers to subjects related to "the African Diaspora." Included are sections on upcoming events, African American as well as other African Diaspora businesses, Black school and student organizations in Africa and the Americas, Diaspora country pages from the Abayudaya Jews of Uganda to Zimbabwe, the arts, entertainment, music, professional organizations, and engineering, science, and technology, among others. The hundreds of pointers make this site one of the most comprehensive listings of African American and international Black productions and resources.

<http://www.gatech.edu/bgasa/blackpages.html>

SHOWCASE OF COLLEGE MEDIA AROUND THE WORLD

Campus Voice, an editorial poster seen on 354 campuses nationwide, has covered trends and news relevant to the college community for 14 years. Now on the Web, Campus Voice: The College Site showcases college media from the USA and around the world, including news, points of view, interviews and critical reviews. Because Campus Voice: The College Site is for students and about them, students write, report, research, moderate, and design the site. Campus Voice: The College Site emphasizes good reporting and writing, featuring interviews pertaining to topics like money, internships, travel, jobs (both part-time and real), health, sex, cheap eats, relationships, big ideas, sports, technology, entertainment, toys, and gadgets.

<http://www.campusvoice.com/>

SPECIAL EDUCATION DATABASE

Special Education Resources on the Internet (SERI), provided by Hood College, contains a large list of pointers to Internet information on special education of all kinds. Included are general disabilities information, university based information, disability products, national organizations, legal resources, hearing impairment, mental retardation, behavioral disorders, learning disabilities, vision impairment, Attention Deficit Disorder, Autism, and gifted and talented. A good place to start for information on this topic.

<http://www.hood.edu/seri/serihome.htm>

MAN BYTES MACHINE

The Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) recently sponsored the ACM Chess Challenge, which pitted world champion Gary Kasparov against Deep Blue, the IBM chess playing machine. The entire match, including every play of every game and commentary from chess masters and Kasparov himself, is available at the Web site. Kasparov is matched against "a 32-node IBM PowerParallel SP2 high-performance computer..., a scalable, highly parallel system capable of calculating 50 to 100 billion moves within 3 minutes, which is the time allotted to each player's move in classical chess." As stated on the front page, "This match is not about competition between people and machines. It is a demonstration of what makes us human beings so different from computers." NOTE: The pages give no indication of how long after the last match the site will remain online.

<http://www.chess.ibm.park.org/>

WHACKING THE WEB

ForeFront Group's WebWhacker is a tool designed to reduce the user's dependency on an Internet connection while delving deeply into a single Web site. This specialized software can be set to download single Webpages, groups of pages, or entire Web sites, depending on the user-controlled configuration options. The downloads, called "whacks", include both text (HTML) and images, and are stored on the local desktop. The downloaded pages are re-linked locally for browsing on the desktop with any Web browser. The desktop version of the site is a mirror image of the information on the original Web site. WebWhacker is a great tool for Internet demonstrations from sites with slow or unstable Internet connections. WebWhacker is a commercial product, but free 30 day trial copies are available for downloading for Windows 3.1, Windows 95, and Macintosh platforms.

<http://www.ffg.com/whacker.html>

BLACK REVIEW OF BOOKS

The Quarterly Black Review of Books is a site that reviews the latest in Black fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and children's books. It also includes a feature section, which presently contains an interview with Terry McMillan, author of "Waiting to Exhale," as well as a guide to Black classics by author, a listing of works of great Black writers that include W.E.B. DuBois, Langston Hughes, Maya Angelou, and Alice Walker, among others.

<http://www.bookwire.com/qbr/qbr.html>

CASTLES IN THE AIR

If you like castles, visit Castles on the Web for a nice collection of photos, history, and Q & A on castles around the world. Ask a question about a particular castle, browse a list of castle books, or see the list of castle events. An individual effort done with an obvious love of the topic.

<http://fox.nstn.ca/~tmonk/castle/castle.html>

OSCAR FEVER

Yes, the Academy Award nominations were announced this week, and Yes, the Web site was overwhelmed starting in the wee hours of the morning on Tuesday. For all the hoopla, see:

<http://www.oscars.org/>

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From: Marty Gilens <GILENS@YaleVM.CIS.Yale.Edu>
Organization: Yale University
Subject: Re: Advertising on Dollar Bills
To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
In-Reply-To: Message of Thu, 22 Feb 1996 20:34:40 -0500 (EST) from
<ksherril@shiva.Hunter.CUNY.EDU>

An add on US currency is an affront to our national dignity and a cheapening of a symbol of our sovereignty and stability. Different only in degree from selling space on the Washington monument or the White House.

>From anama@ccwf.cc.utexas.edu Fri Feb 23 13:32:41 1996
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Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 15:32:46 -0500
To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: anama@ccwf.cc.utexas.edu (Ana Maria Arumi)
Subject: Re: Advertising on Dollar Bills

>An add on US currency is an affront to our national dignity and a
cheapening
>of a symbol of our sovereignty and stability. Different only in degree from
>selling space on the Washington monument or the White House.

Surely this was some sort Mad Magazine satire piece . . .

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Ana Maria Arumi
Research Manager anama@ccwf.cc.utexas.edu
Office of Survey Research Voice: (512) 471-2142
University of Texas at Austin Fax: (512) 471-8500
CMA 3.109 78712

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id AA29094; Fri, 23 Feb 96 16:54:12 -0500
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Fri, 23 Feb 96 16:55:09 +1100
Received: from MAILQUEUE1 by SURVEY (Mercury 1.13); Fri, 23 Feb 96 16:54:30
+1100
From: "Bob Groves" <BGROVES@survey.umd.edu>
Organization: The Joint Program In Survey Meth.
To: Marlene Bednarz <mbednarz@umich.edu>, aapornet@usc.edu
Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 16:54:25 EST
Subject: Re: request for information (fwd)
Priority: normal
X-Mailer: Pegasus Mail v3.21
Message-Id: <2186B5468DA@survey.umd.edu>

Tell her to contact Rick Clayton at Bureau of Labor Statistics,
202 606 6520. Send out AAPOR information.
Date sent: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 11:47:11 -0500 (EST)
Send reply to: aapornet@usc.edu
From: Marlene Bednarz <mbednarz@umich.edu>
To: AAPORnet@usc.edu

Subject: request for information (fwd)

>From the AAPOR Secretariat:

I have forwarded the following message I received,
please assist if you can.

Thank you.

----- Forwarded message -----

Date: Thu, 22 Feb 1996 16:12:11 -0500
From: Valorie Hanni Rice <vrice@bpa.arizona.edu>
To: aapor@umich.edu
Subject: request for information

Greetings,

My name is Valorie Rice, and I am writing to you from the Economic and Business Research Program within the BPA College of the University of Arizona.

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Thank you.

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To: aapornet@USC.EDU
From: Hal Kassarjian <IBQ0HHK@MVS.OAC.UCLA.EDU>
Subject: Re: request for information (fwd)

The folks in the marketing department down the hall might be helpful. One would think that they would know quite a bit about marketing research issues of this sort. Hal Kassarjian

-----TEXT-OF-YOUR-MAIL-----

> Date: Fri, 23 Feb 1996 11:47:11 -0500 (EST)
> Reply-To: aapornet@USC.EDU
> Sender: owner-aapornet@USC.EDU
> From: Marlene Bednarz <mbednarz@UMICH.EDU>
> To: AAPORnet@USC.EDU
> Subject: request for information (fwd)

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> >From the AAPOR Secretariat:
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> I have forwarded the following message I received,
> please assist if you can.
> Thank you.

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> ----- Forwarded message -----
> Date: Thu, 22 Feb 1996 16:12:11 -0500
> From: Valorie Hanni Rice <vrice@bpa.arizona.edu>
> To: aapor@umich.edu
> Subject: request for information

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From: Kenneth Sherrill <ksherril@shiva.Hunter.CUNY.EDU>

To: kenslist <kenslist@queernet.org>

cc: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>,

Public Opinion Research Discussion <por@unc.edu>

Subject: advertising on dollars

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Oh, ye of little faith! The data are real!

Ken

----- Forwarded message -----

Ken,

the advertising on the dollar question came from the fourth annual currency
survey commissioned by the Visa/PLUS International ATM Network, released
October 16, 1995. I do not have the complete survey only a one page story
from the PR Newswire. The story lists a contact: Peter Harris,
212-210-8985.

>From lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu Mon Feb 26 06:02:13 1996
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Sender: lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu
Message-Id: <29032.lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu, wapornet@umich.edu
Subject: "Looping" messages from Social Weather Station???

If anyone knows how to stop the Social Weather Stations (whomever they are)
from sending and resending a message that I posted on AAPORnet and WAPORnet
last week, please contact them ASAP. Thanks much.

* * * * *
* Paul J. Lavrakas, Ph.D.; Professor & Director *
* Northwestern Univ. Survey Lab, 625 Haven, Evanston IL 60208 *
* Office: 708-491-8356 Fax: 708-467-1564 *
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Date: Mon, 26 Feb 1996 19:03:49 -0400
To: por@unc.edu, aapornet@usc.edu
From: dhenwood@panix.com (Doug Henwood)
Subject: UFOs & SS

Thanks for all who gave me the source for the famed UFO/Social Security
poll. One netster faxed me the press release; it was done by Frank Luntz
and Mark Siegel, respectively identified as Rep and Dem, for Third
Millennium. That sounds like one of those Wall Street fronts that uses
fresh youth, rich with possiblity, as spokespersons for middle-aged
rentiers. Anyone know anything about TM, or Siegel for that matter (I've
heard plenty about Luntz)?

Doug

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Date: Tue, 27 Feb 1996 12:03:55 -0400
To: por@unc.edu, aapornet@usc.edu
From: dhenwood@panix.com (Doug Henwood)
Subject: Buchanan polls

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 From: James Beniger <beniger@rcf.usc.edu>
 To: AAPORNET <aapornet@usc.edu>
 Subject: Arizona: A 12-Poll Time Series
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ARIZONA TRENDS: A 12-POLL TIME SERIES

Below are the summary results of the 12 Arizona presidential primary polls, fielded since January 3, that have drawn the most national media attention over the past week:

	NY Post/ Fox News (1/3-7)	NY Post/ Fox News (1/17-21)	NY Post/ Fox News (29-2)	Northrn Ariz U. Social Res Lab (29-2)	KAET-TV/ Cronkite Med Res, ASU (14-18)	NY Post/ Fox News (14-18)
UNDECIDED	31*	28*	37*	17	55	33*
Dole	26	27	20	19	16	24
Buchanan	7	4	4	5	10	13
Forbes	34	39	39	44	15	26
Alexander	2	2	0	1	2	4
Gramm				12		
Others				2	2	
TOTALS	100	100	100	100	100	100
N =	(NR)	(NR)	(NR)	(340)	(446)	(NR)

	NY Post/ Fox News (20-21)	Politcl Media Resrch Inc. (20-21)	Arizona Daily Star/ KVOA-TV (19-23)	NY Post/ Fox News (22-23)	NY Post/ Fox News (23-24)	NY Post/ Fox News (24-25)
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Forbes	19	19	19	22	18	18
Alexander	11	11	11	11	11	9
Lugar			3			
Others		5	2			
TOTALS	100	100	100	100	100	100
N =	(NR)	(435)	(NR)	(NR)	(NR)	(NR)

* Includes percentage for less popular candidates.

[NOTE: All polls are of Republicans found to be likely to vote in the GOP primary election.]

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To: <aapornet@usc.edu>
From: "dhenwood" <dhenwood%panix.com=%Washington@fdic.gov (Doug=Henwood)>
Resent-From: "Charles Cowan" <ccowan@fdic.gov>
Subject: Buchanan polls
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Forwarded to: internet[aapornet@usc.edu]
cc:
Comments by: Charles Cowan@DRS Econ@Washington
Comments:

re: your comments on NY Times and agenda setting by Buchanan, maybe you could contrast this with the front pager on the Washington Post today, where Federal employees all over the country are worried about the general Republican agenda to deregulate. It's not Buchanan or Dole (or ...), it's Buchanan AND Dole AND Forbes AND the rest of the party and their general insensitivity to jobs and incomes for most people (even Feds).

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To: aapornet@usc.edu, por@ripken.oit.unc.edu
Subject: Re: Buchanan polls

In the most recent Gallup/CNN/USA Today poll, conducted Fri-Sunday, we asked Buchanan's supporters (those Republicans who said they would prefer him as the Republican nominee for President) why they supported him. The exact wording and results are shown below:

9. Do you support Pat Buchanan mostly because you agree with his economic message or mostly because you agree with his views on moral and social issues?

BASED ON -- 95 -- REGISTERED REPUBLICAN BUCHANAN VOTERS;
MARGIN OF ERROR = ± 11 PCT PTS

28	Economic message
46	Moral and social views
24	BOTH EQUALLY (vol.)
1	NEITHER/SOMETHING ELSE (vol.)
1	No opinion
100	

If "both equally" is added to the appropriate categories, about half of Buchanan's supporters (52%) say his economic message is a draw, while 70% of his supporters say his moral and social views are a draw.

A separate question later in the survey asked everyone: "Which is more important to you in this year's presidential election -- the country's economic problems or the country's moral problems?" Overall, 49% said economic problems, 42% moral problems. Those responses are shown among Republican supporters of Alexander, Buchanan and Dole:

Republican Preferences (if contest narrowed to 3 candidates):

	Alexander (84)	Buchanan (124)	Dole (218)
Unweighted N			
Which is more important:			
Economic problems	57%	38%	54%
Moral problems	39	59	41
No opinion	4	3	5

These results suggest that it is more than just "spin" to note that supporters of Buchanan are disproportionately attracted to him because of his moral and social views and are disproportionately concerned about moral problems. Of course, it's not an either/or situation, since many of Buchanan's supporters are also concerned about the economic issues -- but not as many as those concerned about the social and moral issues.

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Reply Separator

Subject: Buchanan polls
Author: por@ripken.oit.unc.edu at Internet
Date: 2/27/96 1:02 PM

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From: Rachel Caspar x6376 <CASPAR@RTI.ORG>
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Message-Id: <46333.lavrakas@casbah.acns.nwu.edu>
To: aapornet@usc.edu, wapornet@umich.edu
Subject: UPDATE: Registering at the Red Lion Hotel for '96 AAPOR/WAPOR

96/02/28

FROM THE AAPOR CONFERENCE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE --

AAPOR's 1996 contract with the Red Lion Hotel provides for the following hotel registration options:

1. Discount daily rooms rates are available for those who stay at the Red Lion for the conference(s) and want to arrive early and/or stay late.

Thus, as space allows, you can stay at the Red Lion at a discount the evenings of Monday (13 May), Tuesday (14 May), Wednesday (15 May), Sunday (19 May), Monday (20 May), and/or Tuesday (21 May). The rates for these rooms are \$95/\$95/\$110 for a single/double/triple, PLUS tax.

2. Anyone attending the WAPOR conference and staying at the Red Lion Wednesday evening is expected to register for the Wednesday WAPOR FAP. This includes the Wednesday night room, Wednesday WAPOR dinner, Thursday WAPOR breakfast, Thursday WAPOR lunch, and all associated taxes and gratuities.

The Wednesday WAPOR FAP rates are \$165/\$113/\$101 for a single/double/triple.

3. Anyone attending the AAPOR conference and staying at the Red Lion must take the FAP for each AAPOR day you attend. For those staying through the entire AAPOR conference, this includes a Thursday FAP, a Friday FAP, and a Saturday FAP. Each day's FAP includes that evening's room, the evening's AAPOR dinner, the next day's AAPOR breakfast, and the next day's AAPOR lunch, and all associated taxes and gratuities.

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PLEASE NOTE:

If you are arriving at the Red Lion for WAPOR on Wednesday and checking out on Thursday, you will be registering for the Wednesday FAP and the Red Lion will make one reservation for you.

If you are arriving at the Red Lion for AAPOR on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday and checking out by Sunday, you will be registering for an FAP each day and the Red Lion will make one reservation for you.

If you are arriving at the Red Lion on Wednesday for WAPOR and staying for AAPOR, but checking out by Sunday, you will be registering for an FAP for each day and the Red Lion will make one reservation for you.

HOWEVER, if you are arriving at the Red Lion early (before the AAPOR conference starts) or staying late (after the AAPOR conference ends) and you are not attending the WAPOR conference, then the Red Lion will need to make TWO RESERVATIONS for you -- BUT YOU WILL GET ONE BILL AND BE ASSIGNED ONE ROOM. Similarly, if you are attending both WAPOR & AAPOR, but arriving at then Red Lion early or staying late, the Red Lion must also make TWO RESERVATIONS.

The Red Lion must do this to keep straight the different daily rates that are charged for Monday-Wednesday evenings, Wednesday-Saturday evenings, and Sunday-Tuesday evenings.

THE POSSIBLE TROUBLE IS WITH WEDNESDAY -- if you are staying at the Red Lion and attending WAPOR, you should be booked for the FAP rate on Wednesday, but if you are staying at the Red Lion and not attending WAPOR you should be booked at the room-only rate on Wednesday.... PLEASE TRY TO MAKE CERTAIN THE RED LION RESERVATION PERSON DOES THIS CORRECTLY IF YOU CALL IN YOUR RESERVATION. (Using the reservation forms from AAPOR or WAPOR should make this a more straight-forward process.)

And GOOD LUCK to us all!!!!

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The only spin operation I see is the attempt to attribute Buchanan's "success" to his economic message. The problem is that there is no evidence that is true. The exit polls in NH and the NYTimes poll clearly show his supporters are attracted by his socially conservative message on abortion and immigration. Pat Buchanan received fewer votes and a smaller share of the vote in NH in 1996 as compared to 1992, despite the fact that turnout was up sharply in 1996. In 1992, he got between 20 and 30% in most states, whether or not he campaigned.

This pattern is repeating in 1996. In fact, he is doing less well in the Republican primaries than Jesse Jackson did in the Democratic primaries. The only reason he appears to be in contention is that the remaining three-quarter of Republican voters are split among several other candidates.

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Date: 28 Feb 1996 10:56:41 -0800
From: "Diane Binson" <Diane_Binson@Quickmail.ucsf.EDU>

Does anyone know of any RDD studies of gay men or bisexual men or men who have sex with men in the following cities? Boston, New York, Washington, D.C., Miami, Atlanta, Dallas, San Diego. Any RDD general population studies (in these same cities) in which sexual orientation or same sex behavior was assessed? Please reply to: Diane_Binson@quickmail.ucsf.edu

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CENSUS TO USE 90% SAMPLE IN YEAR 2000

The Bureau of the Census announced yesterday that it plans to collect data on only 90 percent of the U.S. population for its 2000 census, and to rely on statistical sampling methods to estimate the remaining information. This would be the first time that America's decennial census effort aims at less than a total head count of the population.

Census officials said that the new method would be necessary to control costs and to avoid the problems of the 1990 census, which missed record numbers of people traditionally difficult to count. Government refusal to adjust census results to correct for the acknowledged undercount of some four million people drew a lawsuit, now pending before the U.S. Supreme Court, by a coalition of large cities.

In 1990, only 63 percent of American households returned their mail-in census forms, down from 85 percent in 1970, the first year the technique was used. The Census Bureau has had to send temporary enumerators to delinquent households, often several times, with dramatic increases in costs and planning and budget headaches.

In 2000, the Census Bureau plans to use the mail-in forms and enumerators until only 90 percent of U.S. households have been surveyed. An all-out effort will then be made, but to reach only a 10-percent statistical sample of the remaining 10 percent of households.

The Census Bureau also hopes to improve on the 1990 response rate by reducing short-form questions to about 8 from 17, and long-form questions to 55 from 59. The long form, which gathers the data of greatest research interest to AAPOR members, is sent to roughly one-sixth of U.S. households.

In another attempt to increase response rates, the Census Bureau plans to allow people to pick up short forms at public libraries, police stations, community centers and convenience stores. Census also plans to establish a toll-free number to allow people to phone in their responses to its short and long forms. Pending resolution of privacy concerns, the Internet may also be used to collect responses.

According to Steven A. Holmes, whose detailed coverage of the Commerce Department announcement appears in this morning's New York Times (natl ed A11), Census Bureau plans for the 2000 census also include "digital maps of every structure on every block in the country that will insure that the bureau does not overlook buildings."

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To: aapornet@usc.edu, wapornet@usc.edu
Subject: '96 AAPOR/WAPOR Red Lion bill

96/02/29

MESSAGE FROM THE AAPOR CONFERENCE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

We have received questions from AAPOR members asking whether the Red Lion can print their hotel bill in a way that shows separate room, meal, taxes, etc. charges for those taking the Red Lion FAP during WAPOR and/or AAPOR.

Although the Red Lion CANNOT do this on the computer-generated bill that one will receive at check-out, we ARE working with them to provide anyone staying there with a separate sheet, printed on Red Lion letterhead, that would list each component of a day's FAP: room rate, room tax, food cost for each meal, tax and gratuity for each meal. Thus, with one of these bill-supplementing sheets, one should be able to show an employer exactly how much of the FAP went for what purpose.

Although this might not be ideal for everyone's needs, we do hope that it will help. We will write again once this has been finalized with the Red Lion. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

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To: "'aapornet'" <AAPORNET@USC.EDU>,
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Subject: Categories for numeric data
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Does anyone know of specific literature that addresses the problem of how people place numeric data into categories, and how that placement might be affected by the boundaries of those categories? Is there evidence that rounding occurs? Where decimals are needed, does it matter whether the category boundary is a common number (e.g., .00 or .25 or .50) or, if more appropriate to the data collection problem, will other numbers work as well (e.g. .16 or .57)? I'd appreciate any suggestions on ways to address this problem.

Please reply directly to me rather than to the list. I'll compile and post responses if there is interest.

Thanks.

Karen Goldenberg

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From: Jan Werner <jwerner@vgernet.net>

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Subject: Re: Census Bureau to Use 90% Sample in 2000

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> also plans to establish a toll-free number to allow people to phone
> in their responses to its short and long forms. Pending resolution
> of privacy concerns, the Internet may also be used to collect
> responses.

This sounds like a recipe for disaster: What is to prevent any interest group from attempting to skew the census results by collecting forms and sending them in under assumed names. Given the huge political and economic stakes, it would seem to me that many would be tempted.

The Census Bureau could end spending more trying to validate what they did collect than they would in trying to collect data from the hard to reach segments of the population.

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Does anyone know of any literature or any studies of computer-
assisted qualitative data analysis combined with grounded theory
methodology or with an interpretational approach f.e. hermeneutics?
I would appreciate hearing about it.
Yours Juergen H.P. Hoffmeyer-Zlotnik

Please contact me directly at:
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From: Al Gollin <GOLQC@CUNYVM.CUNY.EDU>
Subject: Re: Buchanan polls
To: aapornet@usc.edu
In-Reply-To: Message of Wed, 28 Feb 1996 17:44:57 -0500 from
<salmore@rci.rutgers.edu>

When all is said and done, Steve Salmore's depiction of Buchanan in the polls and voting reflects two critical points. A minority within the minority who do turn out for primaries responds to radical rightist rhetoric. And by and large the press, caught up in horseracing results, did not draw the right conclusion from these early indicators--especially that Pat's doing worse than in 1992, if Steve is right. A very helpful analysis. The economic vs. social debate is in principal unresolvable, in my view, from single-question responses, and further because the fuel that stokes rightist resentment can alternate almost hourly between such topics. One cannot rule out more personal-psychological sources as well, that aren't tapped in preelection or exit polls. ("How frustrated are you these days with life, work, family, sex, etc?") We've left this dimension out in favor of "rational voter" models--not to mention the problems of using items of this sort in quickie polling! But apprehensions arising from multiple sources can be "pushed" into a dichotomous econ. vs. social split only by heroic over-

simplifying in coding. See Lane or Dahl or... dare I say, Lasswell? Al
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The CBS News Election and Survey Unit needs to hire immediately a Survey Associate and a Manager of Surveys to assist in all phases of survey research -- both telephone and exit polls -- the Unit will

deal with during the 1996 election season.

Both positions provide excellent opportunities for people who would like to work at a major broadcast network during this exciting political year. These are temporary, free-lance positions that would be filled only through the November election.

The Manager of Surveys position is ideal for someone with a substantial background in national public opinion telephone survey research who would like to concentrate on political issues during this presidential year and network news coverage of them.

The Survey Associate position is a great chance for an entry-level person to be exposed to survey research and network news coverage during a presidential year.

Manager of Surveys skills needed: Two to five years of national public opinion survey research experience -- questionnaire design, managing telephone field work, CATI, analyzing crosstabs -- essential. Proficiency in WordPerfect or Word for Windows essential.

Survey Associate skills needed: Interest in politics and general election and political knowledge very important. Proficiency in WordPerfect or Word for Windows essential. Some familiarity with survey research methods also essential.

The CBS News Election and Survey Unit is located in Manhattan. Interested applicants should contact Cheryl Mercado Arnedt, Manager of Surveys, immediately at "car@cbsnews.com" or call 212-975-3320.

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Date: Thu, 29 Feb 1996 18:06:55 GMT+0100
From: Juergen Hoffmeyer-Zlotnik <Hoffmeyer-Zlotnik@zuma-mannheim.de>
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Dear colleagues,
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Date: Wed, 28 Feb 1996 12:19:38 -0700 (MST)
From: Shirley Nederend <sen@NAUVAX.UCC.NAU.EDU>
Subject: Employment in California

I am a Health Psychology master's student graduating in August of this year. I am interested in finding a research position, preferably in the health or social research field, within Central or Southern California. I have worked for Northern Arizona University's Social Research Laboratory for the past 2 years and been involved with program evaluation, needs assessment, quantitative research, and public opinion surveys. My research experience has included writing proposals, preparing budgets, designing research, constructing surveys, implementing and supervising mail & telephone surveys, assisting in focus groups, collecting primary & secondary data, analyzing data through SPSS, writing reports, & supervising personnel.

If you have any information about possible jobs related to health and/or social research, please contact me personally at Shirley.Nederend@nau.edu.

Thanks a lot!

Shirley Nederend
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(520)523-1516

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NEWS OF THE NET (Including Three Surveys) OF INTEREST TO AAPORNET

CHALLENGE TO COMMUNICATIONS DECENCY ACT

The legal challenge to the Communications Decency Act has grown stronger with the merger of two civil lawsuits into a single action in which the plaintiffs include the American Library Association, the Center for Democracy and Technology, the American Civil Liberties Union, a number of other civil rights groups, America Online, CompuServe, Prodigy, Microsoft Network, Netcom, and Microsoft. The CDA makes it a felony to knowingly transmit "indecent" or patently offensive sexual material over communications networks where children may see it. Judith Krug of the ALA says: "The Internet is the communications medium for the 21st century, and the most important thing that has happened to communications since the printing press. Our main argument is that you cannot limit ideas and information to the lowest common denominator, which is what this law does. It is unconstitutional to force adults to limit the information they can see to a level suitable for children." (New York Times 26 Feb 96 C2)

AT&T TO OFFER INTERNET ACCESS

AT&T Corporation will offer dial-up access to the Internet through its Worldnet service. Pricing will "be aggressive enough to make the industry sit up and take notice," says an AT&T spokesman. An update on New York Times Online says AT&T will give free subscriptions to its existing customers if they use the network for less than five hours a month, or charge existing customers \$19.95 a month for unlimited Internet access. (New York Times 27 Feb 96 C1)

PICTURE PHONE MAKERS TARGET DESKTOP VIDEO

With prices of all computer-related peripherals continuing their downward spiral, desktop video conferencing equipment is no exception. A group manager for Connectix, a software company that sells a video-phone system for \$150, says: "Within five years, every PC will have a built-in camera." Elliott Gold, who's covered the teleconferencing business for years, says, "We still don't know if people really want picture phones," but predicts that whether or not they want it, desktop video communications "will sneak up on them, like fax did." (Wall Street Journal 27 Feb 96 B1)

NEWSPAPERS CAUGHT BY THE WEB

A Kelsey Group/Editor & Publisher survey of 190 U.S. daily and 205 weekly newspapers with circulations over 30,000 found that 44% of the dailies and 51% of the weeklies have a Web site; of those that didn't, 81% of the dailies and 46% of the weeklies are planning to create one. (Financial Times 26 Feb 96 p13)

NETWORKED SCHOOLS UP 35%

A Department of Education survey shows the number of schools linked to the Internet is approaching 50%, with bigger, wealthier, suburban schools comprising the majority. Schools with 1,000 or more students are most likely to have access (69%); the Northeast has the highest number of connected schools (69%), followed by the Midwest, the West and the South; and the number of schools involved in accessing the Internet is up 35% from last year. (Miami Herald 19 Feb 96 p25)

DEFAMATION LIABILITY KNOWS NO BOUNDS

Steven Lieberman, an attorney specializing in First Amendment law, points out that the global reach of the Internet means added liability for U.S. companies that put information up on the Web: The defamation issue "has enormous economic implications for U.S. companies with assets overseas. It is theoretically possible for a company with a Web site accessible in Singapore to be sued in Singapore for defamation if someone puts up a message critical of the Singapore government. The same thing could happen in China, for that matter." (Investor's Business Daily 27 Feb 96 A10)

COURT UPHOLDS SOFTWARE COPYRIGHT PROTECTION

The Supreme Court yesterday upheld a lower-court ruling that said the act of making a temporary electronic working copy of a software program, which happens automatically when a software program is accessed on a computer, can violate the software company's copyright -- especially if the person using the computer is someone other than its owner. The original case arose when Triad Systems Corp., which sells customized computer systems to auto parts stores, had sued Southeastern Express Co., an independent computer repair firm, for violating the copyright on its diagnostic software. Triad maintained that while the diagnostic software was included in the systems it sold, it was intended to be used only by either the owner of the computer or Triad. Critics say the ruling potentially turns every person who uses someone else's computer into a criminal. (Investor's Business Daily 27 Feb 96 A11)

CONGRESS TACKLES ENCRYPTION ISSUE

Encryption software companies are trying to rouse congressional interest in an issue near and dear to their hearts -- the Clinton administration's ban on exporting encryption software more powerful than a 40-bit code. Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) and Rep. Robert Goodlatte (R-Va.) plan to introduce bills in the Senate and House to loosen those restrictions: "This is a matter that should be decided by legislation," says Leahy. "We're talking about billions of dollars in revenues and thousands of jobs if we're handicapped in our global market, especially if what we're told to do is to build an export encryption program that is so outdated that our 12-year-old computer experts would laugh at it." (Washington Post 25 Feb 96 H1)

INVESTORS TRADE SHARES ON LINE

A New York-based brewery that raised \$1.8 million from investors through an Initial Public Offering made via the Internet will now be allowing investors to trade shares online. < <http://www.interport.net/witbeer/> > (Atlanta Journal-Constitution 27 Feb 96 E5)

OFFSHORE PROGRAMMING

India, Brazil, Ireland and Russia are countries whose software engineers increasingly are used as a resource by U.S. companies. India has about 130,000 software engineers; Brazil, 64,000; Ireland, 13,000; Russia,

60,000. A skilled programmer in India with five years' experience is paid about \$10,000 (U.S.); top programming salaries in the other countries are: Brazil, \$32,500; Ireland, \$45,000; and Russia, \$12,000. (Computerworld 26 Feb 96 p1)

CHEAPER CHIPS COULD SPELL TROUBLE FOR JAPAN

The recent dip in prices for memory chips is bad news for Japan's Big Five (NEC, Toshiba, Hitachi, Fujitsu and Mitsubishi Electric Corp.), which rely on memory products for about a third of their semiconductor revenue. Even more distressing, analysts estimate that sales of memory chips account for one-third to three-fourths of the companies' entire profits. Some observers think the downturn is just a temporary phase that should level off in a month or two, but the Japanese press already is predicting "The Crisis of 1997," when a glut of new chipmaking capacity is expected to drive down prices further. In response, Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry recently announced a \$100 million research program to develop "next next generation" electronics technologies. (Wall Street Journal 27 Feb 96 B4)

ORACULAR PRONOUNCEMENT

Oracle founder and chairman Larry Ellison, who says "we're moving toward a world where all of your data will be managed centrally," is now ready to demonstrate the stripped-down "network computer" (or NC), designed solely for connecting to the Internet and intended for sale at a price less than \$500. Oracle is also ready to begin shipping a new version of its database software capable of storing and handling large quantities of multimedia information. (New York Times 26 Feb 96 C2)

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PROJECTIONS BASED ON EXIT POLL DATA CREATE
WIDESPREAD CONFUSION IN PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY COVERAGE

[From various online news services and the New York Times...]

Three television networks--ABC, CBS and CNN--acknowledged yesterday that they acted inappropriately Tuesday night in using exit poll data to project on-air that Bob Dole would finish third in the Arizona Republican presidential primary (Dole came in second, behind Steve Forbes, but about two percentage points ahead of Pat Buchanan).

Uncounted news services and newspapers used the same exit poll data to make the same projection, many concluding in print that Dole's campaign had suffered a serious setback. Even Dole campaign officials, following returns via the networks, conceded on the record that their candidate would finish third.

Yesterday the Dole campaign charged that the premature projections and assessments were a disservice both to its candidate and to media audiences, reporting that they had filed complaints with several news organizations.

Of the four major news networks, only NBC refrained Tuesday night from projecting a third-place finish for Dole in Arizona. Executives of all four networks concluded that the incident would result in more cautious projections of election results from exit polls.

This morning's New York Times quotes Tom Hannon, CNN political director, as identifying a "Buchanan bias" among exit poll respondents. According to Hannon, in the words of the Times, "discrepancies between voter [exit] polls and actual vote totals in this year's primaries indicate that followers of Mr. Buchanan tend actively to seek out takers of voter polls 'in order to help shape the early speculation on the evening news in favor of Pat.'"

"Going back to 1992 in New Hampshire, when some early voter polls indicated Mr. Buchanan might take more than 40 percent of the vote against then President George Bush--Mr. Buchanan actually won 37 percent of the vote--voter polls in the primaries have begun to show about a 3 percent bias toward Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Hannon said. He attributed this to the passion that Buchanan supporters feel for their candidate. 'They seek out the exit poll takers because they want to send out a message,' he said."

All four networks, as well as other news services that pay for the data, get their exit poll information from the Voter News Service (VNS), for which AAPORNET's own Murray Edelman (AAPOR Publications and Information Chair) is Editorial Director. A consortium of news organizations, formed in 1992, created VNS to reduce the costs of their individual exit polling operations. Each consortium member gives its own interpretations to VNS data.

[A ready source of additional information on this story is Bill Carter, "3 Networks Admit Error in Arizona Race Reports," New York Times, February 29, natl ed A9.]

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To: aapornet@usc.edu
From: Jim Wolf <jamwolf@indiana.edu >
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On Thu, 29 Feb 1996, Juergen Hoffmeyer-Zlotnik wrote:

> Does anyone know of any literature or any studies of computer-
> assisted qualitative data analysis combined with grounded theory
> methodology or with an interpretational approach f.e. hermeneutics?
> I would appreciate hearing about it.

To all interested: there is a wealth of references available on this topic linked to the home page of QSR, the folks who produce NUD.IST content analysis software. Their homepage is:

<http://qsr.latrobe.edu.au>

Lots of up-to-date citations on theory and practice using computers for qualitative analysis.

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It's unfortunate what happened with the exit polls in Arizona, but does the Dole camp really think the early mistaken projections of him finishing third instead of second really make any difference? How long before results on actual returns were used in place of exit poll projections?

I never gave a great deal of thought to the respondent selection process for exit polls, but if the "Buchanan bias" hypothesis is correct (supporters seeking out the poll) then something will have to be done to correct for this.

Maybe my memory is faulty, but didn't Pat Robertson supporters intentionally underreport support for his Iowa caucus candidacy in hopes of a positive spin when he did better than polls predicted? Different election, different method, but both interesting methods of fiddling with poll results.

Did I miss a post by someone from VNS?

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In response to Barry Hollander:

The erroneous exit poll projections that had Buchanan finishing second and

Dolle third had a major impact on how the networks played the results on Tuesday evening. Many commentators that evening said that Buchanan had done very well, yet, the next morning, with the actual results available, the conclusions drawn were that Buchanan had not done well--that he was pushing his maximum and unlikely to do better. On Tuesday night, Dole's two victories were dismissed. Jack Germond described them as "better than a poke in the eye" in view of his thrid place finish in AZ. The next morning, two wins and a second place looked a lot better.

In the long run, the actual results will determine the delegate count, by at least 12 hours, the Dole press coverage was negative and the Buchanan coverage positive. After that 12 hour period, the Dole stories became less "doleful" and the bloom was off Buchanan's rose.

In 1976, the early projections from Wisconsin had Jimmy Carter trouncing Moe Udall. That Carter had won by only a single percent never did fully catch up and the Udall campaign was badly, if not fatally, wounded.

Early characterizations are important, and the networks appear to have been irresponsible in their rush to judgement. If exit polls are designed to illuminate why people vote the way they do then hold off calling the races until a substantial of the actual vote is in -- especially in primaries which have proven to be minefields for exit polls.

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The folks at VNS are rather busy these days -- so they may not be able to respond easily. As someone involved in this story, let me make a few, quick points:

1) There was an overstatement of Buchanan in the exit polls -- there has been, off and on, since 1992.

2) The Arizona election presented a difficult polling situation -- particularly for a primary. Maricopa County, 60% of the total vote, chose to ignore normal precinct boundaries, and allow voters to cast ballots anywhere in the county. Therefore, there was no way to provide the usual kinds of precinct by precinct estimates using past data.

3) There were also reports of long lines and confusion at the polling places, probably in part due to the changes in procedures.

4) Given all of this, the people at VNS, who were closest to the data, NEVER

made a wrong call on Arizona. They did NOT call Dole third, and they DID call Forbes the winner. They called Forbes at about 10:53 p.m. EST, to the shock of the networks.

5) The wrong calls were made by CBS, CNN and ABC, analysing the VNS data. They made the mistakes.

6) Exit polls, like most other surveys, are often only blunt instruments. We have assigned to them a precision they have never had, and we should know better. In a way, they have become a victim of their own success.

Now

'll get back to work. There's another primary on Saturday.

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