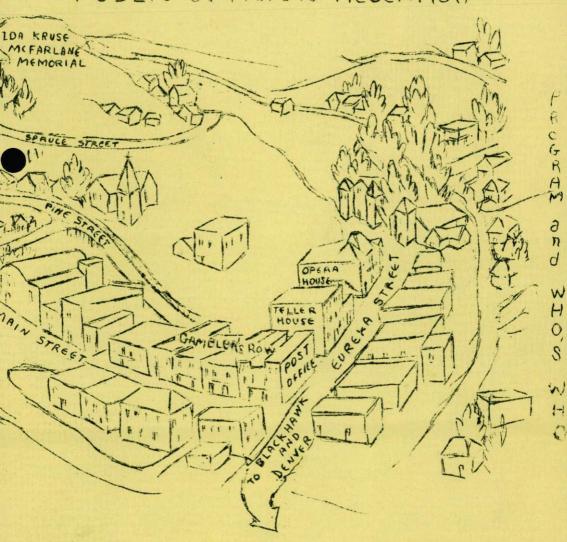
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# Central City Conference on PUBLIC OPINION RESEARCH



Spera House Central City, Colorado

July 29,30,31, 1946

#### PROGRAM

#### MONDAY, JULY 29

10:00--12:00 a.m.

OPERA HOUSE

## Public Opinion and International Affairs

Welcome: Caleb F. Gates, Chancellor, University of Denver

Panel: Dr. George Gallup, Director, American Institute of Public Opinion, Chairman

Dr. Henry David, British Broadcasting Corporation

Professor Stuart Dodd, University of Washington (Seattle)

Professor Luzzato Fegiz, DOXA, Milan, Italy

Topics: Contribution to world peace of research on international affairs.

> Development of an International Barometer of Public Opinion, with sample questions that have been (or might be) used for such a Barometer.

# 2:30--4:30 p.m. OPERA HOUSE The Role of Opinion Research: Research Standards

Greeting: Mr. S. Arthur Henry, Member of Executive Committee, and Trustee, NORC

Panel: Dr. George Gallup, Director, American Institute of Public Opinion, Chairman

Dr. Clyde Hart, Office of Price Administration Dr. Julian Woodward, Elmo Roper, Inc.

Topics: The role of opinion research in the United States.

Research ethics, including such elements as: selection of issues; reporting of results; the need for national research standards.

# 3:00--10:00 p.m.

## Interviewing Problems

Panel: Mr. Donald R. Murphy, Editor, Wallaces' Farmer, Chairman

Mrs. Dorothy Corey, Facts Consolidated

Mr. Paul Sheatsley, Eastern Representative, NORC

Topics: Selection, training, and supervision of interviewers.

Interviewer morale; the cheater problem.
Interviewer pay, status, responsibilities.
Interviewer bias in selection of respondents

and in influence upon respondents' answers.

#### - AND -

8:00--10:00 p.m.

TELLER HOUSE\*

# Local (City or State) Survey Problems

Panel: Mr. Henry J. Kroeger, General Manager, The Iowa

Poll, Chairman

Mr. Joe Belden, Director, The Texas Poll

Mr. Lloyd E. Borg, Director, The Minnesota Poll

Topics: Subject matter in local polls.

Report-writing and liaison with newspaper and

other clients.

Special sampling procedures.

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\*Second floor, dining room.

# TUESDAY, JULY 30

10:00--12:00 a.m.

OPERA HOUSE

## Validity in Public Opinion Surveys

Panel: Dr. Isador Lubin, Confidential Reports, Inc., Chairman

> Mr. Edward L. Bernays, Public Relations Counsel, New York City

> Mr. E. Palmer Hoyt, Publisher, The Denver Fost Dr. Herbert Hyman, Brooklyn College

Topics: Semantics and public opinion surveys.

Validity of respondents' statements as against actual behavior.

Intensity, consistency of responses.

# 2:30--4:30 p.m. Sampling Problems

OPERA HOUSE

Panel: Dr. Morris Hansen, Bureau of the Census, Chairman
Professor Norman C. Meier, University of Iowa
Dr. Lucien Warner, Research Department, Life

Mr. Elmo C. Wilson, Director of Research, Columbia Broadcasting System

Topics: Sample design and application.

Relative validity of quota and area control methods.

Bureau of Census plans for expansion of census

schedules.

Special sampling problems (such as in sample census, surveys on social issues, surveys of special groups, election predictions).

2:30--4:30 p.m.

#### Wording and Order of Questions

Panel: Professor Floyd L. Ruch, University of Southern California, Chairman

Dr. Theodore Lentz, Attitude Research Laboratory Dr. Laszlo Radvanyi, Instituto Cientifico de la Opinion Publica Mexicana, Mexico City

Topics: Proper use of open questions, categorical questions, battery of questions, "cafeteria" questions.

Order of questions.

Avoidance of stereotypes; other problems of wording.

The split ballot: problems of interpreting results.

#### 8:00--10:00 p.m.

#### OPERA HOUSE

#### Public Relations Research

Panel: Mr. Dilman M. K. Smith, Vice President, Opinion Research Corporation, Chairman Lt. Comdr. Paul Berkman, Evaluation Section, Office of Public Information, U. S. Navy Mr. Edward D. Whittlesey, Director of Publicity,

Topics: Applications, implications of public relations research.

Relationship of research firm to client.

#### - AND -

University of Denver

8:00--10:00 p.m.

TELLER HOUSE

# Use of Special Groups (Panels)

Panel: Dr. Elizabeth Herzog, Correspondence Panels, Bureau of the Budget, Chairman

Mrs. Emily Ehle, Director, The American Leadership Panel

Miss Jean Elvins, formerly with OWI

Mr. David Wallace, Rosearch Director, Time, Inc.

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

9:00--11:00 a.m. Radio Research

OPERA HOUSE

Mr. Hugh Terry, Manager, Station KLZ, Denver, Panel:

Chairman

Mr. Allen Miller, Rocky Mountain Radio Council Mrs. Janette Sayer Smith, formerly in radio research at Harvard and Columbia Universities Mr. Elmo C. Wilson, Director of Research,

Columbia Broadcasting System

Validity of various methods of measuring radio Topics: audiences.

General patterns of listening within various sub-groups.

Implications of new devices to measure listening.

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9:00--11:00 a.m.

TELLER HOUSE

Newspaper Research

Mr. Carl J. Nelson, Director, Publications Re-Panel:

search Service

Mr. Joe Belden, Diroctor, The Texas Poll

Professor Chilton R. Bush, Stanford University

Validity of various methods of measuring reader-Topics:

> General patterns of readership within various sub-groups.

> Analysis of newspaper content as to quantity and type.

11:00--12:00 a.m.

Closing General Session

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