Editor's Note

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With this issue, we are finally catching up. Mirabile dictu, there is now an injective correspondence between the date printed on the upper right hand cover and the actual time subscribers receive this journal in their mail boxes. For the past few years such has not been the case. The indulgence of our subscribers has been much appreciated.

For this amazing recovery thanks are due above all to Dr. Midori Rynn of the University of Scranton. A scholar, a trustee of several institutions of higher education, a prolific author of sociological and literary works, a translator, and a full-time professor, she has also been a most effective Managing Editor. Hard working, diligent, thorough, and totally dedicated to the advancement of the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations and its review, she is simultaneously a civilizationist whose lectures at the annual meetings have illuminated key aspects of our subject and an administrator par excellence.

Both the new president of the society, Wayne Bledsoe, and the outgoing president, Shuntaro Ito, have lent their complete support, helping to make this recovery a reality. Further, the Book Review Editor, David Wilkinson, has been marvelously responsive and energetic, as well, producing a book review section that is the pride of the profession. In addition, the authors selected for publication have cooperated fully, getting back their corrected versions in record time. The readers (especially Dr. Ellen Berg of Washington), the many advisors, and the printers have been invaluable, too.

Such a team effort is not found typically in the production of scholarly journals, but at the International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations, civility as well as civilization has prevailed almost always.

So it came as no surprise that within the past few weeks we in
Washington were able to welcome two prominent comparative civilizationists to town. The first was the former society president, Dr. Matthew Melko of Ohio, an outstanding scholar whose contributions to this discipline are fundamental to its current existence and without whom there would not even be an ISCSC, in my opinion. The second visitor was the engineer and philosopher Ross Maxwell of San Francisco, another incisive thinker whose works flow forth prolifically and brilliantly, illustrating concepts and corners of the study of comparative civilizations others of less ability have overlooked.

In addition to their common interests and significant contributions to the subject matter, however, both men are historians of the society. Thus, it is only logical that this "Editor's Note" carry at least a brief examination on the subject of previous numbers of the *Comparative Civilizations Review*.

Readers, how well can you do on this test?

**ISCSC Quiz One**

Each correct answer is worth four points.

1. What is the date of Issue No. 1?

2. The first issue contained (circle one — 4, 5, 6, or 7) articles, one of which was written by the then president, who was named ________________.

3. Connect the titles of four articles from Issue No. 3 with the authors:

   - Titles: "The Oedipus Myth and African Sacred Kingship"
   - "Models of Rebellion: An Essay in Civilization-Analysis"
   - "The Duty to Desire: Love, Friendship, and Sexuality in Some Puritan Theories of Marriage"
"The Emerging Literature of Bangladesh: The Fiction of Hasan Azizul Huq"

Possible Authors:
Sarah Lawall
Talcott Parsons
Denis Sinor
Edmund Leites
Vytautas Kavolis
Karen Ordahl Kupperman
Others Unnamed

4. Who authored "Mothers, Fathers and the Life of Reason: The Case of John Stuart Mill's Autobiography", an article which ran thirty pages in the fourth number of the Review? Clue: He subsequently headed the organization, no doubt a recognition of the merit of this article and the many others he has written over the years.

5. A prolific civilizationist and active member of the society, John H. Hord, published "A Proposal on the Nature of the Onset of Civilization", in what early number (or, what date) of the journal? The article was the subject of much discussion after its publication.

6. Who wrote an essay comparing food habits in China, Japan and Rural America in Issue No. 5?

7. Can you name the three organizations which supported publication of The Comparative Civilizations Review as of Number 5? Clue: two are in North America, one is in Europe.

8. An article on Seventeenth Century Chinese Mathematics appeared in the Spring issue in 1981. Who wrote it?

9. About whom was the following written by E.V. Walter in 1982? "...and we think he would have been pleased by the allusion to Roman Law — a subject that always interested him deeply. Traditio means the delivery that transmits something of
value. For us, this memorial volume represents what the Romans called *traditio clavium*, "the delivery of keys": a symbolic kind of transfer by which ownership is passed on. In this case, the keys are both symbol and inheritance: the means to unlock the meanings of societies and civilizations."

10. In what number was there introduced a section entitled *Notes and Discussion*? Clue: It was a book review by Heinz-Dieter Kittsteiner (of Bielefeld University) of Benjamin Nelson's book *Der Ursprung der Moderne*. Was it Number 3, 6, 8, or 9?

11. In Spring 1985 the entire *Review* was dedicated to the study of what region of the world? Notes the issue's guest editor, "The four essays published here range over almost five centuries but concentrate on the colonial period and on the 20th century." Clue: the guest editor himself wrote an essay dealing, in part, with the topic of cannibalism.

12. An article was written in the Fall, 1986, issue with the title "The Metamorphosis of Faustian Sensibility 1630-1800." Was the author David Kopf, Johann Goethe, Koichi Shinohara, William E. Naff, John Hord, Bela Lugosi, or someone else?

13. The language at the top of the inside cover of No. 16, published in the Fall of 1987, reads (fill in the blank): *The Comparative Civilizations Review No. 16, Issued as Vol. 15, No. 1 of The Comparative Civilizations* ____________.

14. Who makes the following assertion in an article published in the Fall, 1987, issue? "Today there exists on the Earth only one civilization, a single global civilization. As recently as the nineteenth century several independent civilizations still existed ... ."

15. Which of the following institutions of higher education was not actually represented on the Editorial Advisory Board as of the Spring 1988 issue: California; Cambridge; Columbia; Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris; Indiana; Massachusetts; Minnesota; Princeton; Sarah Lawrence?
16. In Number 19 (Fall, 1988) one author wrote a book review of Christine Niederberger Betton's work entitled *Paleopaysages et Archeologie Pre-Urbaine du Bassin de Mexico Collection*. Another wrote an article entitled "Metamorphoses of La Malinche and Mexican Cultural Identity." Both authors are female. Who are they?

17. Did Christopher Chase-Dunn review a book by Matthew Melko and Leighton R. Scott in the Spring 1989 number of *Comparative Civilizations Review*, or did they review his book?

18. On the reverse of the Table of Contents (opposite Page One, which carried an article entitled "Pleasure and Guilt in Greece and Italy" by Chloe Chard) of issue Number 20, dated Spring 1989, an award was reproduced. It is entitled "The Carroll Quigley Award" ("For the magnanimity, cosmopolitanism, and humanism of your work, we thank you and salute you.") and is inscribed to what famous scholar and writer?

Where and when was it awarded, according to the reproduced language? What university address is given for the ISCSC on the award?

The then president, first vice president, and second vice president of the organization signed the award. Who are they?


20. She was listed in issue No. 1 as an officer of ISCSC (US), in Issue No. 35 as the author of "Whose World? What History?", and in Issue No. 38 as a book reviewer of both *Africa Since 1935. Vol. 8 of the General History of Africa* and *Water Management in Ancient Greek Cities*. Who is she?

21. With what number (or year) did the Review begin to appear with printing on the cover's side binding (instead of simply on the front cover)? This is a tough one, so a rough approxi-
mation will earn full credit.

22. The lead article in Volume No. 25, Fall 1991, contains the following assertion. "In actuality, the myth of the Nazi link with the Orient has less to do with the migrations of Aryan warlords than with National Socialism's complex pedigree of Theosophical provenance." Was the author of the article Annie Besant, Dorothy Figueira, Boris Erasov, or Madhuri Sondhi?

23. In Issue No. 26, dated Spring 1992, four "Corresponding Editors" are listed for the first time. They are from which of the following countries? Austria, Australia, Canada, Egypt, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, Russia, United Kingdom, or the United States.

24. The subscription price of the Review was set in Issue No. 1 at $15 per year for "regular members", later "individuals." With what issue did the price for individual subscribers switch? To what? (Half credit bonus: have you paid for next year yet?)

25. Which was the last issue to carry print on the outside back cover?

Please send your answers in to me here in Washington. The correct answers will be announced at the St. Louis meeting in May and the names of the winners will be printed in the next issue. Thanks for taking the quiz.

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