

TURNING POINT

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Turning Point is an international network of people whose individual concerns range very widely - environment, sex equality, third world, peace and disarmament, community politics, appropriate technology and alternatives in economics, health, education, agriculture, religion, etc. - but who share a common feeling that humankind is at a turning point. We see that old values, old lifestyles and an old system of society are breaking down, and that new ones must be helped to break through. Turning Point does not demand adherence to doctrines, manifestos and resolutions. It enables us, as volunteers, to help and to seek help from one another.

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The next newsletter will be in August 1983. Please send us items for it by mid-July. Don't be disappointed if we don't put you or your organisation in every issue. This is a newsletter, not a directory or a 'listing'.

NEXT TURNING POINT MEETING

As usual, ideas and suggestions will be most welcome.

Date: Saturday 26th November 1983. Place: Conway Hall, London.
Subject: PEOPLE AND INSTITUTIONS: A SHIFT OF VALUES - a good topic for the run-up to 1984. There is a section in this newsletter (pp 2,3) under that heading. But, in fact, the shift from institutional to personal values, and the related shifts from masculine to feminine and from exploitative to ecological values, underlie most of our concerns.

Incidentally, have you noticed? Things often appear in these newsletters under unexpected headings - just like life, especially in times of creative change. So, in this issue, if you are interested in the Arts, try Green People. Or in Future Studies, try Work or Education or Health. And so on.

PEOPLE AND INSTITUTIONS: A SHIFT OF VALUES

Sweden has been a most successful, highly institutionalised growth economy/welfare state. But many people in Sweden are now thinking about a new, more personal future.

PEDAGOGIK PRODUKTION (Hantverkarg 44, 11221 Stockholm; contact: Goran Wiklund) is a co-operative group of very small business consultancies, including for example ANIMA, a two-woman firm which helps women to set up businesses of their own. Speakers at their conference last year on Business For The New Age included Fritjof Capra, Willis Harman, Jean Houston and James Robertson.

Gustaf Delin (Uppsalavagen 25, 19300 Sigtuna, Sweden) and his colleagues Sven Atterhed and Lennart Boksjö have made their small consultancy, THE FORESIGHT GROUP, internationally known. Their School for Intrapreneurs enables people in large organisations to develop their own initiatives and projects free, to a large extent, from institutional constraints. James Robertson was one of the speakers at their recent business conference, jointly organised with the Swedish Management Group, on "Industrialism - and What Next? The Industrial Society Transforming".

"Individuals are tending to gain affirmation and validation of themselves through their own actions and through the support of other individuals, rather than from institutions ... There is a lot of interest in people making it on the outside - as though they've got out of prison ... Creativity is located outside institutions and impotence within them ... Women are providing a model for the future, because they are constantly having to manage changes of role ... whereas men may have been accustomed to sucking on institutions all their lives. It wouldn't be surprising if there were quite a lot of envy around, by men for women. ... In voluntary work individuals are subjects, whereas employees are objects". Extracts from OPUS Bulletin No.8 (contact: Olya Khaleelee, Organisation for Promoting Understanding in Society, 10 Golders Rise, London NW4).

How do men perceive male roles, and how are men initiated into manhood, in today's society? Mark Kidel (Mapleton House, West Street, Ashburton, Devon) is researching this with sound and videotaped interviews, and would like to hear from anyone doing similar work. Mark also tells us of two recent books: THE ELMHIRSTS OF DARTINGTON by Michael Young (RKP, 1982, £15) and DARTINGTON by Mark Kidel (Webb and Bower, 1982, £3.95), an illustrated survey of what Dartington is trying to do today. Both available from Dartington Trading Co. (Cider Press Centre, Shimmers Bridge, Dartington, Totnes, Devon).

"White middle-class males always think that everything is someone else's problem - the blacks have a problem, women have a problem ... You don't recognise your own socialised masculinity as a problem, as the root of all other problems ... Your institutions are like your automobiles - extensions of your ego. So pervaded by masculine consciousness that they have become lethal instruments, harmful to all forms of human life". From an extract in the July 1982 Journal of the Canadian Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (510 Bay Street, Box 700, Midland, Ontario L4R, Canada) from Madonna Kolbenschlag's KISS SLEEPING BEAUTY GOODBYE (Doubleday, 1979).

(In exactly the same way, we in the industrialised countries think Third World countries have a problem, and fail to recognise that it is our way of life and our value system that is the problem. So, while agreeing with the SOCIETY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (Palazzo Civiltà del Lavoro, 00144 Rome, Italy) that the development issue, like the disarmament issue, must be converted into a people's movement, let's hope it won't ignore the need for change in the industrialised world.)

"Society as organised at present just has no notion of human development in the Maslow sense, and holds people back to the levels at which they can play robot-like roles most efficiently". John Rowan (25 Orchard Rd., London N6 5TR) argues in May/June 1982 SELF AND SOCIETY, European Journal of Humanistic Psychology (62 Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1), that the really important things we can do for other people are "to open doors for them, reveal new possibilities for their lives ... and, in doing so, to make genuine social change easier and more likely".

Ian Cunningham (Association of Humanistic Psychology Practitioners, 124 Capel Road, London E7 OJT) would be glad to hear from people who are interested in an alternative model of PROFESSIONALISM which, like AHPP, does not claim exclusive power and status, or try to deny skills to those outside a closed circle.

FOCUS ON VALUES (in Fall 1982 newsletter of the Institute of Noetic Sciences, 2820 Union Street, San Francisco, CA 94123, USA) is a useful summary of recent American studies of changing values, e.g. by Arnold Mitchell of SRI International's "Values and Lifestyles" team, and pollster Daniel Yankelovich. A shift away from instrumental, materialistic, technological values is documented, towards valuing people for themselves and valuing activities in their own right.

In his recent paper on A PHILOSOPHY FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERALS, Richard Kellaway (Unitarian Universalist Church, Sarasota, Florida, USA) articulates an alternative ethical and religious paradigm centred in the process of discovering, celebrating and sustaining transforming relationships. The dominant male paradigm, by contrast, is hierarchical rather than relational. It centres on what is objectively True and Right rather than the persons involved and their values, goals, feelings.

NEW DIRECTIONS IN ECONOMIC THOUGHT AND ACTION, conference proceedings (\$10) from the Human Economy Center (Acting Director: Don Stone, School of Business Administration, Amherst, MA 01003, USA). Reflects the present formative stage in the reconceptualisation of economics as if people matter. If you are interested in economics, get hold of it, and use it as a quarry of ideas about the future of economics. Membership of the Human Economy Center \$12 p.a.

THE BUSINESS NETWORK (Francis Kinsman, 2 Langton Street, London SW10 and Edward Posey, 18 Well Walk, London NW3) aims to guide business in directions which are alternative, and yet complementary, to appropriate traditional principles; to channel its human, financial and organisational resources into progressive social change; and to act as a bridge between traditional business and the new age movement.

Roger Pritchard (Financial Alternatives, 1514 McGee Street, Berkeley, CA 94703, USA), consultant in the "right livelihood" use of personal finance, hopes to visit Britain in 1983 to help develop a small business support network (like Briarpatch in San Francisco). Write to him by 31st March for his list of British contacts.

The 1982 ALTERNATIVE NOBEL PRIZEWINNERS were: Petra Kelly of the West German Greens; Anwar Fazal, founder of Consumer Interpol, the investigative citizen-alert network against hazardous products, processes and wastes (especially those marketed by Western multinationals in Third World countries); Sir George Trevelyan and the Wrekin Trust, "a major influence in the current revolution in thinking towards a holistic vision of reality"; and PIDA (Participatory Institute for Development Alternatives), the group in Sri Lanka working to multiply grass root self-reliant development initiatives in rural Asia. Erik Damman and the Norwegian movement, The Future in our Hands, received a special honorary citation. Our congratulations to them, and to Jakob von Uexkull and the Right Livelihood Foundation (Viking House, Wybourn Drive, Oncham, Isle of Man, British Isles) who instituted these prizes.

HEALTH AND CARE

INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH: A SOCIAL CONCEPT OF HEALTH EDUCATION by Iлона Kickbusch (Regional Officer for Health Education, World Health Organisation-Europe, Scherfigsvej 8, 2100 Copenhagen, Denmark) in the International Journal of Health Education, Supplement to Vol. XXIV, No.4, Oct/Dec 1981 (3 rue Viollier, Geneva, Switzerland), describes the current shift in health education: from health prescription to health promotion; from individualistic behaviour modification to a systematic public health approach; from a medical orientation to recognition of lay competence; and from authoritative health education to supportive health education. Good background to WHO-Europe's important programme of work on health education and the promotion of healthy lifestyles.

Christiane Deneke is co-ordinator of the INFORMATION CENTRE ON RESEARCH INTO SELF-HELP AND HEALTH (Eppendorf University Hospital, Pavillon 11, Martinistrasse 52, 2000 Hamburg 20, F.R. Germany), set up jointly by the Hamburg Self-Help Groups in Health and WHO-Europe. Information pack available. Enquiries and material welcomed.

CARE IN SOCIETY, an admirable report from the Swedish Secretariat for Futures Studies (PO Box 6710, 11385 Stockholm), includes a scenario on "The Year 2006 - Sweden with Care". Organised care cannot improve people's living conditions, paid care is becoming more and more expensive, and professional care weakens people's ability to cope for themselves and care for each other. So the solutions must be: improve people's living conditions; enable people to take on greater personal responsibility for mutual care; introduce decentralised control of caring professionals by local citizens. A particularly interesting supporting report is on "Care and the Concept of Man".

Dr. Alex Scott-Samuel (5 Lyndon Drive, Liverpool L18 6HP) is editor of RADICAL COMMUNITY MEDICINE (annual sub. £6). The Summer 1982 issue contained five interesting papers from the Brent Health District on "Food, Health and the National Health Service" - and much else. In a recent paper of his own on "Towards Public Health", Alex Scott-Samuel warns that community care can appear to be cheaper than hospital care "because it frequently involves female relatives assuming unpaid caring responsibilities which would otherwise be the role of the hospital nurse. Policies for community care should take explicit account of the need for adequate support services for those who care and are cared for at home".

The TEMPLEGARTH CLUB (Dr. Peter Mansfield, Templegarth, 82 Tinkle Street, Grimoldby, Louth, Lincs LN11 8TF) is a self-governing, non-profitmaking co-operative. Based on the belief that health is a positive attribute, it aims to enable its members to learn about the nature of health and cultivate it in themselves, their families and their community. "Common Sense About Health" (£2 + 30p p&p) describes this model of the health cultivation network of the future, which was inspired by the Peckham Experiment in pre-war London.

Valerie Yule's (Royal Aberdeen Children's Hospital, Cornhill Road, Aberdeen AB9 2ZG) recent note on THE HEALTH SERVICE OF THE FUTURE makes several important suggestions and points out that at present "young people's initiation into adulthood is chiefly by access to licquor, smoking, discos, fast cars and hard porn - all health risks. Age-segregation is also damaging to social and mental health. ...".

The recently established INSTITUTE FOR COMPLEMENTARY MEDICINE (21 Portland Place, London W1N 3AF) aims to promote methods of healing and natural therapeutics. "Complementary medicine" refers to a style of medicine in which, in disease, the patient's own healing processes are helped and, in health, individual responsibility is encouraged in terms of behaviour and lifestyle.

Dr. Trevor Hancock (Dept. of Public Health, 37 Spadina Road, Toronto M5R 2S9, Canada) is a member of the ALTERNATIVE HEALTH FUTURES NETWORK, which is formulating scenarios for a healthy society and strategies for health. He argues that lifestyle and environment are the most important factors in health. His article on "Beyond Health Care: Creating a Healthy Future" in the Futurist, August 1982, was reviewed in FUTURE SURVEY, October 1982, Michael Marien's useful monthly abstract of books, articles and reports about the future (from the World Future Society, 4916 St. Elmo Avenue, Bethesda, MD 20814, USA).

Enquiries about the HEALTH FUTURES PROJECT, formerly being conducted jointly with the Institute of Alternative Futures (915 King Street, Suite B-42, Alexandria, VA 22314, USA; Director, Clem Bezold), should now go to the Policy Studies Institute (2500 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD 21218, USA; Director, Irene Anne Jillson). Reports on "Health Conditions of the Year 2000" and "Health 2000" will shortly be available.

IAF (see previous item) has developed four scenarios for the future of the United States and its healthcare system in the year 2025, covering possible developments in government policies, technologies, values, health promotion and the holistic health movement. Another recent IAF project was on "Alternative Scenarios for Florida in the Year 2000".

"A new disease may be identified in the near future - information sickness - whose main symptom is an unmanageable overload of information. As data pour out of the terminals in torrents, there is a longing for real information, for human judgment". TAP Report 21 on COMMUNICATIONS (Computer + Communications) is from the Trend Analysis Program of the American Council of Life Insurance (1850 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20006, USA).

Write to The Association for New Approaches to Cancer (1a Addison Crescent, London W14 8JP) for information about their programme for the prevention and control of cancer - 1982/84. Good booklet available (£1). ANAC is proposing important research projects. They need help of every sort, in addition to funds.

The Autumn 1982 issue of APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTH (ed. Claudine Brelet), a newsletter published by the World Health Organisation (1211 Geneva 27, Switzerland), was on solar energy.

GREEN PEOPLE

"Let us keep in mind that if we can't remember where we are going, we aren't going anywhere. We are not taking charge, we are being taken charge of - by the Old Environment. Every hour, every minute, in which we are not building a new world we are, by default, building the old world". Harry Schwarzlender in NEW ENVIRONMENT BULLETIN, December 1982 (New Environment Association, 270 Fenway Drive, Syracuse, NY 13224, USA).

COMMON GROUND is a new organisation aiming to foster a new attitude to the countryside and its guardianship, and new links between nature and the arts. Prospectus from Angela King (21 Ospringe Road, London NW5).

For anyone interested in philosophy, or history, or the arts THE DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF THE ARTS (£1.50) by John Lane is essential reading on the predicament and prospects of the arts in this time of transition from one age to another. THE AGRICULTURAL BALANCE SHEET (95p) by Robert Waller is a lucid account of the development of British agriculture before and since the second world war, and the resulting social and environmental costs. It shows that big changes will be necessary if we are to have stable agriculture that supports rural life, gives reasonable employment, and conserves the environment. Two excellent pamphlets from The Green Alliance (60 Chandos Place, London WC2N 4HG).

In "The Challenge of the Future" in CONSERVATION NEWS, November 1982/February 1983 (12a Guildford Street, Chertsey, Surrey KT16 9BQ) Duncan Smith (18 Victoria Road, Cirencester, Glos) urges the Conservation Society to propose to allied bodies the joint planning of a 'Green Centre'. This would be a focus for the multitude of bodies concerned with aspects of ecology and conservation.

Michael Barker (6 The Terrace, Settlingstones, Newbrough, Hexham, Northumberland NE47 5BD) has launched ENVIROMATION in association with CoEnCo (Council for Environmental Conservation). This will be a regional pilot project to demonstrate the feasibility of a national network of decentralised environmental information centres. Fuller details are available. Funding is being sought.

EARTH'S SURVIVAL, A Conservation and Development Programme for the UK (c/o Nature Conservancy Council, 19/20 Belgrave Square, London SW1) has now produced seven reports, some of which are valuable. One of them (No.5: "The Livable City") was written by Joan Davidson (69 Painswick Road, Cheltenham, Glos GL50 2EX) and Ann MacEwen. But, in general, we fear that a masculine, managerial, academic/scientific perception of the human role in the ecosystem may have handicapped this programme. Our own suggestion that ecofeminism might be relevant to the ethics of conservation was simply not understood!

CATALYST (28 Sims Close, Romford, Essex RM1 3QT) is a new quarterly journal of Ecopolitics, sponsored by the Liberal Ecology Group and the Ecology Party. The first three issues have featured Disarmament, Economics and Decentralisation. Well worth £2.50 p.a., overseas £4.

Harry Frost (Crosshill, Iffield Green, Crawley, Sussex RH11 0ND) has written up his observations on social aspects of the energy situation and energy decisions in ENERGY POLITICS, based on four years of conferences at the Dept. of Extra-Mural Studies, London University. Especially interesting on communication problems arising from people's unawareness of their "primitive values".

Congratulations to Martin Stott (24 Princes Street, Oxford OX4 1DD) for topping the poll in the October 1982 election to the board of the Oxford and Swindon Co-op Society - on a fairly radical ticket - and becoming the youngest co-op society director in the country.

Sabine Bahnemann (Hartmannstr.11, D-3000 Hannover 1, F.R.Germany) is writing a thesis on ECOLOGICAL PROJECTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES - practical groups rather than campaigning groups. English summary or aspects/excerpts possible on request.

Greenleaf Bookshop (82 Colston Street, Bristol) is Bristol's only environmental bookshop. It is a co-operative, part of the URBAN CENTRE FOR APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, and closely linked to community, social and environmental groups in Bristol.

FROM THE SOIL TO THE SPIRIT is a free listing of 16mm films on the holistic approach from Concord Films (201 Felixstowe Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP3 9BJ).

Donations/offers of help will be welcomed by Friends of the Earth (377 City Road, London EC1V 1NA) for their SIZEWELL FIGHTING FUND. They need £100,000 for essential research and expert overseas witnesses for their evidence in the autumn to the Sizewell Inquiry.

"The lesson we have to learn from the Three Mile Island accident is how to handle the public and stop unnecessary panic". One of the "silly statements from Eminent people about nuclear energy" quoted in SIZEWELL REACTIONS, a fortnightly news comment and update on proceedings at the Inquiry. 20p + sae from East Anglian Alliance Against Nuclear Power (2 St. Helen's Street, Ipswich) for sample, or £5 to subscribe.

The FARM AND FOOD SOCIETY Newsletter (November 1982) is full of useful factual information - much of it about the sinful things humans are doing to our planet and our fellow species. (Honorary Secretary: Joanne Bower, 4 Willifield Way, London NW11 7XT).

EARTHLIFE (contact: John Elkington, 37 Bedford Square, London WC1B 3HW) is working to generate assistance for a project to establish a network of national rain forest parks in Cameroon, as part of a campaign to save the world's tropical forests.

Copies of an overview in Contemporary Sociology (March 1982) of the limits-to-growth debate under the title ECOLOGICAL LIMITS: SOCIETAL AND SOCIOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS are available from the author, Riley E. Dunlap (Dept. of Sociology, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164, USA).

PERMACULTURE: BRITISH ISLES (6 Loughborough Park, London SW9 8TR) have just sent out their first newsletter. Amount of subscription voluntary. Information exchange about permaculture via Penny Strange (6 Colville Street, Nottingham).

"Nature is always right" is the underlying philosophy of the booklet MAN AND NATURE: THE HOUSE OF THE FUTURE? by Bengt Warne and Kjell Warne (Warne Naturhus AB, Knektevagen 58, S-433 69 Partille, Sweden), about their Nature House.

THE LEEDS INSULATION CO-OPERATIVE (LINCOP) can help voluntary organisations to earn money by collecting waste newspaper for processing into loft insulation material. Ask Roland Chaplain (15 Kelso Road, Leeds LS2 9PR) for details, before he leaves for Laurieston (see p.14) in April. He says the scheme could easily be replicated in other places.

SATIS (Socially Appropriate Technology International Information Services) list of "AT Publications 1983" provides a comprehensive multilingual overview of AT publications. \$0.25 from SATIS (Mauritskade 61a, 1092AD Amsterdam, Netherlands).

In his recent paper SOFT TECH/HARD TECH, HI TECH/LO TECH: A SOCIAL MOVEMENT ANALYSIS OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY, Denton E. Morrison (Dept. of Sociology, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich. 48824-1111, USA) discusses the social nature of appropriate technology and its implications for the rapidly emerging high technologies.

THE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE CENTRE (Contact: A. Frankovich, PO Box 47119, Ponsonby, Auckland, New Zealand) is researching the nature, scope and viability of bartering. Please exchange information with them.

LOCAL AND REGIONAL INITIATIVES

The Wessex Regionalists (Oak Farm, Sturminster Newton, Dorset) are making headway. Their STATUTE OF WESSEX (£1) is carefully drawn up and well produced. It will be studied by serious decentralists elsewhere. Chairman is Anthony Mockler (14 Irving Road, London W14).

THE REGIONALIST (twice yearly, £1 p.a. post-free from Davyd Robyns 55 Eaton Crescent, Swansea SA1 4QN). Excellent first issue Autumn 1982.

Francis Donaghey (Thatch Cottage Ugate 19, Poringland, Norwich NR14) suggests a Register (perhaps to be compiled by OAPs like himself), based on local telephone directories of people and groups concerned with SELF-EMPLOYMENT, SELF-SUFFICIENCY, SURVIVAL and the use of Alternative Technologies to restore a viable Ecology to all Four worlds, North and South. Who will join him in taking this forward?

The NORTHUMBRIA SEEKERS are an educational association concerned with man's spiritual nature and the holistic world view. Details from Pamela West (Holpeth House, Corbridge, Northumberland NN45 5BA) - see please.

WORK

James Robertson's article in The Guardian (15th September 1982) on "If The Era Of Full Employment Is Over, What Will Come Next?" prompted over 400 orders for THE REDISTRIBUTION OF WORK (£1 inc. p&p in UK and surface mail abroad; add 65p for airmail, sterling only please; from Turning Point - address on p.1), which continues to meet a need.

Congratulations to Mary Maclure and Derek Blyth on the excellent first newsletter (December 1982) from the EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR WORK AND SOCIETY (PO Box 3073, 6202 NB Maastricht, Netherlands). Full of interesting information, and a valuable "instrument of exchange and co-operation".

WORK: CHANGING PATTERNS AND PLACES. Summary of a Conference on 24th June 1981 is in the August 1982 Journal of the Royal Society of Arts (£1). Full proceedings £5 from RSA (John Adam Street, Adelphi, London WC2N 6EZ). Speakers: James Robertson, Peter Marsh, Barrie Sherman, Peter Wood, Ray Pahl.

"In order to maintain a high degree of employment in the richest nations it is absolutely necessary that we increase our standard of living year by year by more than the average yearly income of the poorest 500 million people. Full employment in the West necessitates a widening gap between rich and poor nations". Gunnar Adler Karlsson (Box 288, DK-4000 Roskilde, Denmark), in THE UNIMPORTANCE OF FULL EMPLOYMENT, first published in Dossier 2, November 1978, from IFDA (2 Place du Marche, CH-1260 Nyon, Switzerland).

The ILO (International Labour Organisation) estimates that a thousand million jobs would have to be created between now and the year 2000 to achieve full employment worldwide. But, says the Director-General of ILO, "it has to be fully understood that there will be no situation of full employment if we are speaking of conventional employment ... I am convinced that over the next 20 years we shall see a change in the nature of employment". DEVELOPMENT FORUM, November 1982 (from DESI/DPI, Palais des Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 10, Switzerland).

Among the most important obstacles to employment for disabled people are factors - including benefit regulations - which militate against part-time working and job sharing. This is one of many findings in Diana Robbins' report THE CHANCE TO WORK: IMPROVING EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS FOR DISABLED PEOPLE (£3 from Disablement Income Group, Attlee House, 28 Commercial Street, London E1).

"Job Sharing: A Guide for Employees" (60p inc. p&p) and "Job Sharing: A Guide for Employers" (75p inc. p&p) are available from NEW WAYS TO WORK (Pam Walton, Job Sharing Project, 347a Upper Street, London N1 OPD).

Kay Henning of the JOB SHARING PLANNING GROUP, SCOTLAND (8 Rustic Place, Anstruther, Fife KY10 3EP) organised a recent conference on job-sharing at the Scottish Council for Education Technology. Written up in the Nov/Dec 1982 SCAN, from the Scottish Community Education Council (4 Queensferry Street, Edinburgh EH2 4PA).

In INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT, September 1982, John Flynn (37 Balmain Close, Grange Road, Ealing, London W5 5BY) reports that, in facing redundancy problems, companies have been surprised by the number of workers willing to volunteer for early retirement. Secure employment seems to be less valued by many employees than had been thought. Such companies are beginning to rethink the relationship between work and employment, particularly full-time employment.

Michael Cross (Technical Change Centre, 114 Cromwell Rd., London SW7 4ES) is researching the impact of technical change on the demand for skilled labour, and the opportunities for changing career during the recession.

Existing constraints on the participation of unemployed people in local community enterprise "should be reduced and where possible wholly removed. This should apply whether such participation is full-time or part-time, paid, unpaid, or semi-paid, e.g. "sweat equity", that is working for little or no remuneration in order to build up a share of a viable business. We foresee the necessity of eventual measures to ensure a basic income for all, e.g. through some form of tax credit schemes or by other devices. Until that time, however, new and clear-cut regulations are required to raise the earnings limit and to enable bona fide volunteers in local community enterprises to maintain their eligibility for social security benefits". One of many important conclusions in COMMUNITY BUSINESS WORKS, a recent report on community self-help groups and local productive activity. £2 from The Gulbenkian Foundation (98 Portland Place, London W1N 4ET).

John Appleyard (12 Vicarage Road, Teddington, Middlesex TW11 8EZ), a redundant executive, started a self-help unemployment group in Richmond and the Job Change Project (a self-help group for unemployed managers and professionals) at the Polytechnic of Central London. He now helps new groups to get started. He is on the steering committee of the newly established BURN (British Unemployment Resource Network, c/o Birmingham Settlement, 318 Summer Lane, Birmingham B19 3RL). BURN's first newsletter (December 1982) describes its aim as creating a national identity for unemployment initiatives, recognising the tremendous diversity, variety and enormous potential of what is now a rapidly growing movement.

The report of a NEIGHBOURHOOD EMPLOYMENT PROJECT by Patricia and Stephen Hughes (The Bedford Institute Association, Bunhill Fields Meeting House, Quaker Court, Banner Street, London EC1Y 8QQ) contains many valuable lessons - a thoughtful account of the development (and difficulties) of a project to provide community-relevant work for a group of unemployed over-forty-fives in inner-city London.

PROJECT FULLEMPLOY (34/40 Ludgate Hill, London EC4M 7JT) trains and prepares disadvantaged young people (from inner city areas and mainly from ethnic minorities) to find and keep worthwhile jobs. Companies are invited to join the existing supporters of this pioneering activity.

YOUTH CALL: A DEBATE ON YOUTH AND SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY, nearly two years old now, is still an important statement of the idea that young people should have an opportunity of engaging in some form of community across the nation, and so be taken out of the formal economy for a year or two. Organiser: Helen Kennard (67 Lonsdale Road, London SW13 9JR).

WHAT FUTURE FOR WORK? (edited by Francis Kinsman - see p.3) is a discussion paper for leaders in management, from Spencer Stuart Management Consultants (Brook House, 113 Park Lane, London W1Y 4HJ).

In WORK IN CRISIS - THE DILEMMA OF A NATION (St. Andrew Press, £4.75) Roger Clarke (Industrial Chaplain, 6 Hill Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundee DD5 2JL) argues the moral case for changes that would bring about a redistribution of work.

Thanks to Jane Scott for information about DAILY BREAD Co-operative Ltd. (The Old Laundry, Bedford Road, Northampton), a workers' co-op with 10 members. Wholefood warehouse, programme of events (cooking demonstrations), guidance to people setting up sharing groups for bulk buying.

Environmentalists for Full Employment (1536 16th Street NW, 1st Floor, Washington, DC 20036, USA) show in FEAR AT WORK: JOB BLACKMAIL, LABOR AND THE ENVIRONMENT (\$10.95 inc. p&p, reductions for bulk orders) how employers and politicians use the promise of jobs and the threat of unemployment to deceive us into believing we must choose either economic wellbeing or health and a good environment.

Alan Lawlor (Tempus Fugit, Poolhead Lane, Tanworth-in-Arden, West Midlands B94 5ED) and George Boulden of Action Learning Associates suggest, in a recent paper on CREATING WORK IN THE 1980s, that traditional jobs and ways of doing things are in decline, that unemployed people will need to create their own work, and that the task of governments, industrialists and trade unionists is to create a supportive climate for this. This will include building up people's confidence to become part employers/part employees, and developing a risk-encouraging climate for a whole new range of small businesses.

Redistribution of much of society's work to self-reliant individuals and co-operative and self-help groups will require redistribution of capital to support that work. Ian Cooper (Hillside, Harrow Lane, Petersfield) instances the Old Testament redistribution of property every "jubilee" year. In modern society, he asks, could we not find some way to give every person entering adult life their "patrimony", a share in the "common wealth"? With safeguards, against e.g. boozing it away, this would foster equality of opportunity. It would give every generation a good start, and a fair turn.

"Where is the mainstream of future studies for the 1980s?", asks Goran Backstrand (Secretariat for Futures Studies, Box 6710, S-11385 Stockholm, Sweden) in the December 1982 newsletter of the World Future Studies Federation. In the 1970s it was environmental and resource limits to growth. For the 1980s a BROADER CONCEPT OF WORK could constitute another mainstream. (In the same issue Richard Kirschman (Star Route, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956, USA) puts forward a version of the US/Soviet HOSTAGE EXCHANGE PROPOSAL, under which 20,000 young people from influential families would be in each other's country at any one time. Also see p.12).

LEARNING AND EDUCATION

THE FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION WITH PRODUCTION (UK contact: David A. Knox, Faculty of Education, University College, Senghennyd Road, Cardiff CF2) - for their April conference see p.16 - links a new approach to work with a new approach to education. David Knox and Stephen Castles show how the industrialised countries can learn from the Third World, as employment in the formal economic system declines and flexible, self-organised work groups become increasingly important. F.E.P newsletter from Patrick van Rensburg (PO Box 20906, Gaborone, Botswana). His work is described in "Report from Swaneng Hill: Education and Employment in an African Country", published by the Dag Hammarskjold Foundation (see p.13) in 1974.

BOYS TOWN MAL (John Thwaytes, PO Mal, Dist.Jalpaiguri, West Bengal, India) provides "education targetted towards self-employment in village trades and industries...; great emphasis on learning by doing and earn-while-you-learn schemes involving village industries development...; inspired by the ideas of Schumacher in Small Is Beautiful". Boys Town Ferndale Trust has now been set up to extend this to destitute children in nearby villages. Plans for small co-operatives, and ecological revival by social forestry. Seeking support. Interesting brochure.

KATIMAVIK is a national volunteer youth service program in Canada, with four objectives: service to communities; personal development; environmental awareness; understanding Canada's multicultural society. One current project is the compilation of a resource book, to be called "Options". Rod Matheson (Options, c/o Katimavik, RR2 New Ross, Nova Scotia B0J 2M0, Canada) would like to receive information about specific services, facilities, opportunities, etc., offered to young people for Work, Travel and Education.

Good things in the Autumn 1982 FUTURES NETWORK newsletter (12 Wentworth Court, Brighouse, West Yorks HD6 3XD) included Peter Roberts on "Insights into the Learning Process" (individual learning and group learning; British culture goes for individual performance, Japanese for group performance); also David Berry on futures studies as an element in a core curriculum; Elizabeth Nelson on "Attitudes to Work in the 80s"; Nick Heap on "Building Vision - One Way to a Sane Future"; Francis Kinsman on the role of intuition in forecasting; and Bill Martin and Sandra Mason on "Monitoring Leisure Trends".

"Most people who achieve success in the formal education system are conditioned to expect a job when they leave ... One of the major challenges for the education system will be to help individuals to develop confidence in their own abilities, and acquire skills which will enable them to carve our their own career patterns instead of relying on other people and organisations". CAREERS IN AN INFORMATION SOCIETY: EDUCATION FOR THE FUTURE (ed. Verner Wheelock) is the proceedings of a 1981 conference (£1.50 + 50 p&p from the School of Science and Society, Bradford University, Bradford, West Yorks BD7 1DP).

EDUCATIONAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT (£4 p.a. - overseas £5 - from Dept. of Education Management, Sheffield City Polytechnic, 36 Collegiate Cres., Sheffield S10 2BP) is the journal of the Network of Organisational Development in Education. The Summer 82 issue includes "Teacher Education, Management, and the Facilitation of Change" by Harry Gray and Alan Coulson (11A Burton Drive, Wrexham, Clwyd LL12 8BG). They say, "Few teachers regard themselves primarily as facilitators of a person-centred process... By setting themselves up as performers, they help to create a situation in which their achievement is evaluated rather than that of the students... The kinds of performance and achievement that most teachers appear to value foster student dependence on the teacher. Students are encouraged to learn how to work the system".

"The process of education is a natural development of human beings to physical, intellectual, mental and social maturity. Within organic organisations such educated people might create an alternative society and continue with the emergent evolution of humankind". That is the theme of THE ADMINISTRATION OF EDUCATION, a "booklet" by Douglas Ogilvie (Division of External Studies, University of Queensland, St. Lucia, Queensland 4067, Australia). Powerful stuff, this "collection of poetry, polemics and plebeian philosophy".

COUNTRY COLLEGE (Director: Anthony Wiggins, 10 Hamilton Road, Alford, Lincs LN13 9HD) offers a correspondence course in Organic Crop Production, leading to a recognised qualification. Cost £75; duration 1 year; suggested time allocation 200 hours. Interesting leaflets available.

COMPASS is a Resource Directory (\$2) from the National Alliance For Voluntary Learning (Faculty of Adult Education - LEPS, Northern Illinois University, Dekalb, Illinois 60115, USA).

GETTING STARTED IN GLOBAL EDUCATION is a primer for principals and teachers (\$4 from National Association of Elementary School Principals, 1801 North Moore Street, Arlington, VA 22209, USA).

WORLD STUDIES TEACHER TRAINING CENTRE (Director: Dr. David Selby, York University, Heslington, York YO1 5DD) has been set up to promote a global perspective within the British school curriculum. Details in "Statement of Intent", Autumn 1982. £1 p.a. to be on their mailing list. World Studies Journal (quarterly; £7 p.a.) is now from WSTTC.

"Active appreciation of the values and cultures of other peoples ought to be a major stated goal of all school systems". From the statement on EDUCATION FOR INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND PEACE by the 31st International Conference of the World Education Fellowship. (See p.15).

PEACE AND DISARMAMENT

GANDHI MARG (Journal of the Gandhi Peace Foundation, 221-223 Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Marg, New Delhi 110002, India) Nos. 38 and 39, is a special 400-page issue on Disarmament and Human Survival. In his introductory contribution on "Survival in an Age of Transformation" Rajni Kothari calls for an "ecology of disarmament" in which the roles of public debate, popular movements, the United Nations, and governments and international organisations will interact in a common effort, a global movement, for peace and transformation.

The prospect of peace presents a threat to the military-industrial complex, consisting of the armed forces, multinational corporations and technical universities. How can they be persuaded or compelled to give up their power peacefully? Peter Etherden (4 Brattle Street, No.306, Cambridge, MA 02138, USA) is drafting a strategy for DECOLONISING THE MILITARY INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX.

PEACE CHILD, the British musical inspired by the PEACE BOOK, which invites children to participate, was enthusiastically received at the Washington Kennedy Center. It now moves to New York to launch the Riverside Disarmament Conference on 17th April. Support and help with logistics welcomed by David Woolcombe (490 Riverside Drive, New York).

Philip Kingston (School of Applied Social Studies, Bristol University, 11 Priory Road, Bristol BS8) takes a systems theory approach in THE ARMS CIRCLE: CONTINUING ESCALATION, published (Dec.1982) in the Bulletin of Peace Proposals (International Peace Research Institute, Oslo). Elsewhere he has suggested double twinning by towns and cities in Britain with opposite numbers in both Russia and America - and perhaps also with a Third World city.

Good news (Dec.1982) from the EAST-WEST PEACE PEOPLE (contact: Peter Cadogan, Studio House, 1 Hampstead Hill Gardens, London NW3). "There are now peace movements in Eastern Europe and in North America with which we can make common cause... For us to act in working association with friends in the US and the USSR and in all the other countries of NATO and the Warsaw Pact is to give the movement that international dimension that it has always previously lacked".

Kenneth and Renee-Marie Croose Parry (3 The Close B, Heath Lane, Blackheath, London SE3 0UR) wrote in BRITISH SOVIET FRIENDSHIP Sept/Oct 1982, of their experience in the Soviet Union. "In our personal encounters, the experience of war and peace marked a particular difference between the generations. We found the younger generations to be more smiling than the older generations, who still carry the burden of the last war and all the internal measures and events that were part of it."

A RECIPROCAL HOSTAGE EXCHANGE PROGRAMME AS A NEW APPROACH TO WORLD PEACE by J. Kenneth Smail (Gandhi Marg No.41 - see above) is an imaginative proposal for at least one million Americans and one million Russians, mainly in the 15-35 age range, to spend up to 2-year terms scattered throughout cities, towns and countryside in one another's countries. Well argued and well worked out. (Also see p.10).

In US AND SOVIET AGRICULTURE: THE SHIFTING BALANCE OF POWER (Worldwatch Paper 51, \$2 from Worldwatch Institute, 1776 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036, USA - also available from Third World Publications 151 Stratford Road, Birmingham B11 1RD), Lester Brown concludes that "the food connection ..., if wisely used, could become the cornerstone on which to build a better relationship". (Other recent Worldwatch Papers are on "Space: the High Frontier in Perspective", and "Electricity from Sunlight: the Future of Photovoltaics".)

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS RECEIVED

Peter Russell, THE AWAKENING EARTH: OUR NEXT EVOLUTIONARY LEAP (RKP, 1982, £4.95). In the original Copernican Revolution the geocentric model of the physical universe was turned inside out. In the new Copernican Revolution our egocentric model of the world is being similarly inverted. The best account we have seen of "inner evolution" and the place of the "consciousness revolution" in the larger evolutionary process.

"Out of the liberalistic conception of the way in which human freedom should be realised came the private capitalistic economic system; hence this system must be understood as symptomatic of a stage in the historical development of modern society. In it, people have no alternative but to cut themselves off from one another, because their wish is to become independent individuals in their own right and strength... Marxism holds that this system can be made social by the depersonalisation of capital ownership". In THE LIBERATION OF CAPITAL (George Allen and Unwin, 1982, £12) Folkert Wilken argues that the proper alternative to the individualistic economy is the establishment of social forms which will be supra-egoistic but not suprapersonal. Publication of this first English translation of an important book is due in large part to the generous and enthusiastic support of the late Ernest Bader, founder of the Scott Bader Commonwealth.

Two valuable recent books about the destruction of Britain's land, countryside and wildlife by those who should be stewards for their safekeeping are: Marion Shoard, THE THEFT OF THE COUNTRYSIDE (Temple Smith, 1980, £5.50), and Richard Norton Taylor, WHOSE LAND IS IT ANYWAY? (Turnstone, 1982, £6.95).

In QUARRY AUSTRALIA (OUP, Melbourne, 1982) some twenty-five authors argue for an alternative strategy and a transition to a sustainable or conservator society. Frank Fisher (Graduate School of Environmental Science, Monash University, Clayton, Victoria 3168, Australia) contributes a chapter on "The Individual Response". His CONCERNING ENVIRONMENT, 1982, a book of environmental communications, is one of the excellent reports, bibliographies, etc. for the Monash Masters course in Environmental Science.

In SWEDISH WOMEN ON THE MOVE (Swedish Institute, PO Box 7434, S-103 91 Stockholm; 1981) Birgitta Wistrand regards equality as more a question of internal attitudes and values in women and men than of external positions and power. External changes are necessary but not enough without changes in interpersonal relationships between women and men.

"Our survival as a species is threatened by a monoculture - a scientific, industrial, militaristic culture created out of the male consciousness". Funny cartoons reinforce Elizabeth Dodson Gray's serious PATRIARCHY AS A CONCEPTUAL TRAP (\$7.95). David Dodson Gray played a major part in MAKING IT HAPPEN: A POSITIVE GUIDE TO THE FUTURE (\$9.95), an organic compilation by and for people trying to shape a better future. Both books from Roundtable Press (4 Linden Square, Wellesley, MA 02181, USA). Add \$1 per book for postage.

"Perhaps the real threat to a social transformation based on genuine sharing and equality for all is ... the dominance of the transnational education industry", says Andreas Fuglesang in ABOUT UNDERSTANDING - IDEAS AND OBSERVATIONS ON CROSS CULTURAL COMMUNICATION. And in FROM THE OUTSIDE LOOKING IN - EXPERIENCES IN BAREFOOT ECONOMICS Manfred Max-Neef says "It is the turn of the poor to learn how to circumvent the national systems". Two fascinating 1982 books from the Dag Hammarskjold Foundation (Ovre Slottsgatan 2, S-75220 Uppsala, Sweden); the first about Africa, the second about Latin America, both about contrasting perceptions of reality.

"As a society, we have been moving from the old to the new. And we are still in motion. Caught between eras, we experience turbulence". John Naisbitt's best-seller MEGATRENDS: TEN NEW DIRECTIONS TRANSFORMING OUR LIVES (Warner, NY, 1982, \$15.50) is "about a new American society that is not yet fully evolved". Trends include: centralisation to decentralisation; institutional help to self-help; representative democracy to participatory democracy; hierarchies to networking.

Sarah Eno and Dave Treanor THE COLLECTIVE HOUSING HANDBOOK (Laurieston Hall Publications, Castle Douglas, Kircudbrightshire, Scotland, 1982, £3.50) is a practical manual providing all the information you need to set up and run a collective household. Excellent.

ALTERNATIVE WALES (Cilgwyn Publications, Trefelin, Cilgwyn, Newport, Pems., Dyfed, 1982, £4). Compilers John and Jane Preston (Orkid Books, Llansadwm, Llandeilo, Dyfed) hope it will "become established in future editions as your guide to the alternative scene in Wales", and ask for your comments and suggestions.

1982 pamphlets on peace and disarmament from Anthony Rudolf's excellent Menard Press (8 The Oaks, Woodside Avenue, London N12 8AR) include FOUR MINUTES TO MIDNIGHT (£1), Nicholas Humphrey's 1981 Bronowski Memorial Lecture; and ONE YEAR TO GO? THE TIME FOR NEGOTIATED DISARMAMENT IS RUNNING OUT FAST (90p) by James George, former Canadian diplomat and director of the Threshold Foundation.

LAST AID - THE MEDICAL DIMENSIONS OF NUCLEAR WAR (W.H. Freeman, 1983, £7.40) by International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War is a detailed documentation of President Reagan's statement that "A nuclear war cannot be won and must never be fought". It responds to Chairman Brezhnev's statement that "the peoples should know the truth about the consequences, ruinous for mankind, which nuclear war would bring". Powerful, appalling, wholly convincing.

Robert Scheer WITH ENOUGH SHOVELS: REAGAN, BUSH AND NUCLEAR WAR (Secker and Warburg, 1983, £8.95) provides frightening insight into the mindset of the current United States government, that has been leading the suicidal dash towards nuclear war.

Three new Bantam New Age Books: Duane Elgin VOLUNTARY SIMPLICITY (see February 1982 TP newsletter, p.4), Joseph Deken's THE ELECTRONIC COTTAGE: HOW TO LIVE WITH THE PERSONAL COMPUTER IN THE 1980s - both \$3.95 - and Heinz R. Pagels THE COSMIC CODE, \$4.50.

Marianne Gray WORKING FROM HOME (Piatkus, Loughton, Essex, 1982, £4.95) is subtitled "201 Ways To Make Money". Useful contacts section.

DER GROSSE WIE - LEBST - DU - DENN, the book of Self-Help, Self-Organisation and Patients' Rights, is published (1982) in German by Verlagsgesellschaft Gesundheit (DM32).

THE ORPINGTON INITIATIVE is a series of pamphlets by James H. Saunders concerned with peaceful, radical change. Information from New Creation Enterprises (21 Fisher Close, Hythe, Kent CT21 6AB).

PEOPLE AND PROJECTS

Seamus Hopking (William Morris House, Eastington, Stonehouse, Glos) would like contact with people interested in WILHELM REICH's work on why some people violently resist progressive social change.

Tony and Mary Ward's (31B Ashley Road, Parkstone, Poole, Dorset) concerns include "positive unemployment", natural medicine, Silva mind-control and re-evaluation counselling. Tony is co-editor of COASTER, the impressive Bournemouth alternative magazine with 5000 circulation.

Steve Potter (18 Parquhar Road, London SW19) would like to exchange information on creating a skills exchange system and on co-counselling.

Carol Newfeld (More House, 52 Tite Street, London SW3) tells us of a NUCLEUS (188 Old Street, London EC1) revival in 1983. Counselling and direction-finding service, Nucleus Workshops, etc.

RENEWAL, Mark Satin's (1629 Columbia Road NW, Suite 628, Washington, DC 20009, USA) newsletter on New Values, New Politics, has been absorbed by the TARRYTOWN LETTER: A Forum For New Ideas (Tarrytown House, East Sunnyside Lane, Tarrytown, NY 10591, USA). Tarrytown (and the London "New Scientist") have offered prizes for the best test of Rupert Sheldrake's theory of morphic resonance.

"The Business Graduate" (ed. Bruce Lloyd, BG. Association, Canberra House, 315 Regent Street, London W1R 8DE) special Spring 1982 issue (100 3-column pp, £5) on INNOVATION included an article on "Cultural Diversity for Business Innovation" by Ronnie Lessem (URBED, 359 The Strand, London WC2R OHP), who helps people to start new enterprises.

DATES (Cont'd from p.16)

22nd-24th April, WHO IS THE ENEMY? with Sir John Whitmore. Details of this and their full programme, including Summer School 29th July to 7th August, from Jean Poynton, Commonwork Centre, Bore Place, Bough Beech, Edenbridge, Kent TN8 7AR.

6th-8th May, DEATH AND BECOMING. Speakers: Ludi How, Rev. Gordon Barker, Bernard Nesfield Cookson. Details of this and full programme of events from Hawkwood College, Painswick Old Road, Stroud, Glos GL6 7QW.

7th May, 9.30-5.30, Norwich. BEING HUMAN - SICKNESS OR HEALTH: THE CHOICE with Dr. Ian Pearce. Details from Faith Broadbent, The Norwich Centre, 7 Earlham Road, Norwich NR2 3RA.

11th May, Careers Service, York University, ALTERNATIVE OPPORTUNITIES FAIR. Forums, Information, Stalls, etc. Details for groups and organisations interested in exhibiting from Barbara Harrison, Goodricke College, University of York, Heslington, York YO1 5DD.

14th May, ENEF Study-Conference on TRANSFORMING EDUCATION to promote proposals for education for international understanding and peace (see last item on p.11). Details from Raymond King, Hon.Secretary, English New Education Fellowship, 2 Wilton Grove, New Malden, Surrey.

17th-21st June, Toronto, THE PLANETARY CONGRESS. Details from Planetary Initiative, 160 Bath Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire or 777 UN Plaza, New York, NY 10017, USA.

23rd-27th June, Toronto, Association for Humanistic Psychology Annual Meeting on CONSCIOUS NETWORKING FOR INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIAL CHANGE. Details from Planetary Initiative, 160 Bath Street, Ilkeston, Derbyshire or AHP, 325 Ninth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103, USA.

8th-10th July, Dartington. 4th ECO-PHILOSOPHY Conference with Prof. Henryk Skolimowski. Details from Dartington Hall, Totnes, Devon.

17th July, Hampstead Heath, London. PEACE GATHERING, organised by Sabine Kurjo, St. James's Church, 197 Piccadilly, London W1.

27th-30th July, 10th International Human Unity Conference at Warwick University: INTEGRITY IN ACTION - FORMULA FOR A WELL WORLD. Details from Lindsay Rawlings, Mickleton House, Mickleton, Chipping Campden, Glos GL55 6RY.

SOME DATES TO NOTE

14th March, 6.30pm, House of Commons, PARLIGAES meeting on THE FAST BREEDER REACTOR: THE FUTURE FOR NUCLEAR POWER. Speakers: Dr.T.N.Marsham, Walter Patterson. Details of this and full Parlugaes programme from David Gordon, 14 Carroun Road, London SW8 1LJ.

18th-20th March, SELF BUILD with Walter Segal. One of many courses at the Centre for Alternative Technology. Full programme from Jill Whitehead, CAT, Llwyngwern Quarry, Machynlleth, Powys, Wales.

21st-25th March, Emerson College, Sussex, INTEGRATIVE MANAGEMENT. Workshop exploring new ways of structuring and managing existing organisations. Details of this and full programme of events from Centre for Social Development, Old Plaw Hatch House, Sharpthorne, West Sussex.

24th March, 7pm, Nelson Building/Management Centre, Aston University, Birmingham. THE POST INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION with James Robertson. Details from David Thew, West Midlands Futures Network, 19 Chancellors Close, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 3UL.

25th-27th March, Winchester, MYSTICS AND SCIENTISTS 6: REALITY, CONSCIOUSNESS AND ORDER. Speakers include Prof. David Bohm, Dr. Rupert Sheldrake, Prof. Arnold Keyserling, Monica Furlong. Details from Malcolm Lazarus, Wrekin Trust, Dove House, Little Birch, Herefordshire.

26th & 27th March, King's Manor, York, SIXTH REGIONALIST SEMINAR. Details from Davyd Robyns, 55 Eaton Crescent, Swansea SA1 4QN.

28th March, 6.30pm, WILLIAM BLAKE: PROPHET FOR THE '80s with Peter Cadogan. One of the "Turning Points at St.James's" evenings organised by Sabine Kurjo, St. James's Church, 197 Piccadilly, London W1.

5th-9th April, Dartington Conference on IMAGINATION AND REALITY. Speakers and workshop leaders include Kathleen Raine, Colin Wilson, Satish Kumar, Francis Kinsman, John Pontin, Dr.Alec Forbes, Joan Swallow. Details from Jennie Powys, Fairfield, Abbotskerswell, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 5PN.

From 6th April for six Wednesdays at 6.30pm, lecture series on INNER DIMENSIONS OF THE DEFENCE DEBATE. Part of the DUNAMIS Spring Programme at St.James's Church, Piccadilly. Full programme from Dunamis, 197 Piccadilly, London W1V 9LF.

8th-10th April. Cardiff, HAS WORK A FUTURE? Speakers include David Ward, Richard Fletcher, Mike Cooley. Details from David A. Knox, Faculty of Education, Senghennydd Road, Cardiff CF2 4AG. (See p.10).

9th April, 10am-4pm, ART THERAPY WORKSHOP with Tish Feilden. Details of this and their spring programme from Betsy and Peter Little, Wynyard Mill, 40 Baskerville, Malmesbury, Wilts.

9th April, 10.30am-4pm, Bristol. CANCER HELP CENTRE seminar with Dr. Alec Forbes and Penny Brohn. Details about this and the Centre from Mrs. Pat Pilkington, Cancer Help Centre, 7 Downfield Road, Clifton, Bristol BS8 2TG.

11th-15th April, Hawkwood College, Stroud, Glos. THE ALEXANDER TECHNIQUE focussed on Healing. Details from Sue Thame, Pragmapar Ltd., 24 Cecil Park, Pinner, Middlesex HA5 5HH.

12th-14th April, Birmingham. Woodbrooke College in co-operation with Birmingham Settlement: MID-LIFE: NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES. Details from Woodbrooke, 1046 Bristol Road, Birmingham B29 6LJ.

13th-15th April, HOW TO START AND RUN A SMALL FARM, with Patrick and Shirley Rivers. Details of this and other courses from Adrian Wood, Nurtons Field Centre, Tintern, Nr. Chepstow, Gwent NP6 7NX.