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THE 1985 Annual Meeting of The American Society of Criminology will be held at the Town and Country Hotel from Wednesday, November 13 through Sunday, November 17. For the 1985 meetings the theme is "TAKING STOCK: CURRENT KNOWLEDGE AND FUTURE PRIORITIES." For each of the areas listed, the Program Committee is especially interested in papers and sessions that examine the relevance of present knowledge for future research and policy. Where there are enough papers, separate sessions will be created.

If you would like to organize a panel and/or present a paper in any one or more of the areas, send your proposal, abstract, or completed paper to the member of the Program Committee whose name is listed with the area.

Abstracts of papers and/or panel suggestions should be sent directly to the appropriate organizer before March 1, 1985.

If you are unsure of the topical area into which your panel or paper falls, send it to the 1985 ASC Program Chair:

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THE CRIMINOLOGIST will regularly feature in these columns position vacancies available in organizations and universities, as well as positions sought by members of the Society.

There will be no charge for placing such announcements. For those agencies or persons not wishing to have their identities known, arrangements can be made for a box number and all appropriate inquiries will be forwarded accordingly.

It is the policy of ASC to publish free of charge position vacancy announcements only from those institutions or agencies which subscribe to equal educational and employment opportunities and those which encourage women and minorities to apply.

Institutions should indicate the deadline for submission of application materials.

The Professional Employment Exchange will be a regular feature at each Annual Meeting. Prospective employers and employees should register with the Society no later than three weeks prior to the Annual Meeting of the Society. Appropriate forms may be obtained by writing to the ASC offices in Columbus, Ohio.

To place announcements in **The Criminologist**, send all materials to: John H. Kramer, Editor, **THE CRIMINOLOGIST**, P. O. Box 1200, State College, PA 16801.

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS, The Department of Criminal Justice seeks candidates for tenure track vacancies beginning Fall 1985. Normally, appointment will be as Assistant Professor. In the event of exceptional qualifications an appointment at the Associate level is possible. Responsibilities: Candidates should have an interest in and an ability to teach various aspects of criminal justice as part of the structure and process of communities with substantive interest in one or more of the following areas: administration and management, courts, corrections and community-based corrections. We seek someone who can conduct existing courses and develop new offerings as well. An ability to advise students, promote community relations and assist in development of both undergraduate and graduate areas is essential. Qualifications: an earned doctorate in the social, behavioral or managerial sciences is required. Applications should have college level teaching experience and strength in research methodology and analytic techniques. Professional experience in the criminal justice system is desirable. Salary Range: Assistant Professor \$22,500-\$27,500; Associate Professor, dependent upon experience and qualifications. Application Deadline and Details: Applications will be received until February 1, 1985 or until a suitable candidate is identified. Applicants should send a letter expressing teaching and research interests, a curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation and appropriate supporting material to *Dr. Dallas J. Reed*, Chairman, Department of Criminal Justice, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 4505 Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89154.

U.S. CENSUS BUREAU, Stat. Methods Division. Mathematical statistician, GS7-12, positions available. Grade depending on qualifications. Positions involve decision and analysis of national demographic surveys, including the National Crime Survey, survey of inmates of state correctional facilities and survey of inmates of local jails. Qualifications: Requires strong mathematical aptitude, with some coursework requirements in mathematics and statistics. Background in sample survey methods is helpful but not essential. Statistical methods division is responsible for mathematical statistics aspects of major demographic surveys, including crime-related surveys. Contact: *Charles Alexander*, U.S. Census Bureau, Stat. Methods Division, Room 3725 Federal Office Building 3, Suitland, MD 20233. Deadline Date: Openings are ongoing.

MEMPHIS STATE UNIVERSITY—Department of Criminal Justice seeks a chairperson. Leadership is sought for continued development of an established undergraduate and graduate program in Criminal Justice. Responsibilities include academic leadership, graduate teaching and thesis advising, continued development of graduate program, expansion of linkages with the professional community, and administrative duties. **QUALIFICATIONS:** Earned doctorate in Criminal Justice, Criminology, or a social science with emphasis in these areas required. University teaching experience at graduate level and thesis advising desired, as is university administrative experience, experience in funded research, and an established record of scholarly activity. Tenure track position at rank of Associate Professor or Professor beginning Fall, 1985. Salary competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience. To apply, submit letter of interest, vita and names and addresses of at least three references by February 1, 1985 to: Chairperson, Search Committee, Department of Criminal Justice, Memphis State University, Memphis, TN 38152.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AT CARBONDALE, Center for the Study of Crime, Delinquency, and Corrections seeks Director/Professor/Associate Professor. The Center's mission is complemented by an established and expanding academic program at both graduate and undergraduate levels. Duties include administration and coordination of existing academic programs and leadership in development of a Ph.D. program. Position includes traditional duties such as budgeting, enhancing research capacity, and coordination with other academic and administrative units. Qualifications: Doctoral degree in Criminal Justice or related field; experience in academic administration including graduate programs; established record of scholarship; educational philosophy compatible with a multidisciplinary faculty and academic program. Salary: Negotiable, according to rank and experience. Appointment to begin August 15, 1985. Application Deadline: February 15, 1985 or until suitable candidate is found. Application Procedures: Individuals should submit credentials to: *Dr. Elmer H. Johnson*, Chair, Search Committee, Center for the Study of Crime, Delinquency, and Corrections, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, IL 62901. Phone: (618) 453-5701.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE, The Program in Social Ecology seeks a Director. The candidate should be eligible for a senior level professional appointment, have a distinguished record of research in an area compatible with that of the Social Ecology faculty, and demonstrated administrative ability. The Program in Social Ecology has 28 full-time faculty members who adopt a multidisciplinary approach to problems of criminal justice, environmental analysis and psychology and social behavior. The Program grants the B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees. Faculty include: lawyers; environmental, developmental and community psychologists; sociologists; planners; and environmental scientists. The Director reports to The Vice Chancellor and is responsible for the administrative management of the Program including its budget. To ensure consideration, please send nominations or applications (including a curriculum vitae, brief letter, and the names of five references) by March 15, 1985 to: Search Committee - Director of Social Ecology, c/o *Dr. Harriet Press*, Office of Academic Affairs, 515 Administration, University of California, Irvine, CA 92717.

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY, Department of Criminal Justice Studies has an assistant professor, tenure-track position to begin Fall Semester 1985 at Kent State University's Kent Campus. Responsibilities include: undergraduate and graduate teaching research and publication, student advising and University service. Qualifications include a Ph.D. in Criminal Justice or a closely related field. Preference will be given to those candidates with a specialization in police studies, organizational analysis, and quantitative skills. The successful applicant

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may be asked to teach such courses as Introduction to Criminal Justice, Police Role in Contemporary Society, Criminal Procedure, Police and Community, Police Organization and Management, and Police Functions. Application deadline: February 15, 1985. Qualified persons should send a letter of application, vita, names, addresses and phone numbers of three professional references, and examples of scholarly writing, if available, to: *Dr. Peter C. Kratoski*, Acting Chair, Department of Criminal Justice Studies, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 44242.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-Milwaukee. Criminal Justice Faculty - Visiting Full Professor for one or two semesters. This is a rotating position designed to provide an opportunity for distinguished scholars in the Criminal Justice field to join our faculty for brief periods. Duties and responsibilities are negotiable but we intend that the visiting professor will be interested in teaching a course or two, offering a campus colloquium, and working with our faculty on research projects of mutual interest. Exact responsibilities and salary are negotiable depending on qualifications, interests and program needs. Full Professor rank with outstanding record of research and publication. Evidence of successful grant experience. Willingness to teach criminal justice course(s) in area of specialty. Contact *John A. Conley*, Criminal Justice Faculty, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI 53201.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY - The Department of Criminal Justice has an opening for an assistant professor. The individual is to actively participate in the continued development and diversification of the research-graduate training program while participating fully in undergraduate education. Qualifications: A Ph.D. with emphasis on substantive areas related to the field of criminal justice. Breadth and diversity of interests and experience along with research interest in police-related issues is desirable. Evidence of quality instruction and potential or actual research productivity is essential. Deadline: Until a satisfactory candidate is located. Contact: *Dr. David C. Blouin*, Department of Criminal Justice, Louisiana State University, 150 Himes Hall, Baton Rouge, LA 70803.

MONMOUTH COLLEGE seeks an assistant professor to fill a full-time position in Criminal Justice. Responsibilities to begin September 1, 1985. The person will be expected to teach as a generalist, advise students, supervise field interns, and attend to committee activities. Salary is competitive. Ph.D. in Criminal Justice or Criminology with teaching and field experience preferred; A.B.D. will be considered. Send vita and three reference letters by March 1, 1985 to: *Edward W. Sieh*, Monmouth College, Cedar Ave., W. Long Branch, New Jersey 07764.

Ball State University. A tenure track position for an assistant professor, criminal justice and criminology is open in the department of criminal justice and criminology. A doctorate in criminal justice, criminology, sociology, or a related field is required. ABD will be considered if completed within one year of appointment. Normal teaching assignment will consist of three courses in criminal justice

with area of specialization open. Evidence of college or university teaching and research is required. Salary is dependent upon qualifications. Tenure is possible but depends upon excellent performance, budgetary consideration, tenure density, and university needs. Send vita, an original, official copy of graduate transcripts and three current letters of reference to Search Committee, Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology, North Quad 348, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana 47306. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND - The University College seeks teachers with a zest for travel for possible openings in its undergraduate program on U.S. military bases in Europe or Asia. One-year (August 1985-May 1986) appointments, renewable if mutually agreeable. Qualifications: Ph.D., A.B.D., or 2 relevant M.A.s. One year of recent undergraduate teaching experience. U.S. citizenship. Preference given to candidates with competence to teach in two academic disciplines (criminology or law enforcement and an outside related discipline). Salary: Benefits include transportation, currency adjustment allowance, and important military base privileges. Families please note: schools and family housing are not provided. Starting Date: August 1985. Inquiries: *Dr. Lois Mohr*, Overseas Programs, The University of Maryland University College, College Park, MD 20742. AA/EEO.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY - The Department of Criminal Justice has a position for Department professor and head (fiscal year appointment). The individual is to coordinate and actively participate in the development of the departmental research program and the graduate-undergraduate academic program. Duties will include teaching, but the primary focus will be to promote scholarship through publication, externally funded research and graduate training. Qualifications: A Ph.D. in Criminal Justice or closely allied field. Establish record of scholarship through published and externally sponsored research program. Demonstrated administrative ability and leadership. Teaching experience and dedication to quality instruction and training at the undergraduate and graduate level. Deadline: Until a satisfactory candidate is located. Contact: *Dr. David C. Blouin*, Department of Criminal Justice, Louisiana State University, 150 Himes Hall, Baton Rouge, LA 70803.

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI - Department of Sociology. Asst. Prof. tenure track position. Ph.D. in sociology by the time of employment with specialty in criminology/criminal justice. Applicant must have research experience demonstrating quantitative skills and high prospects for publication and knowledge of sources of extramural funds. Starting salary range competitive. Position available August 15, 1985 Contact: *Dr. Melvin DeFleur* or *Dr. Aaron Lipman*, Dept. of Sociology, Box 248162, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL 33124.

BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY - The Department of Criminal Justice has an opening for an Assistant Professor in Criminal Justice beginning Fall, 1985. Position involves a 12 hour per semester undergraduate teaching assignment in criminal justice with specializa-

tion in corrections administration and counseling or criminal law. Graduate teaching in interdisciplinary MPA possible. The department offers undergraduate Criminal Justice tracts in law enforcement, courts, corrections and counseling, and planning and administration. Qualifications: Earned doctorate in Criminal Justice, criminology or closely related field. Teaching experience and/or field experience in criminal justice desirable. Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications. Send letter of application, vita, three letters of recommendation and transcripts to: Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminal Justice Administration, Boise State University, Boise, Idaho 83725.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA - Dept. of Criminal Justice, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences. Asst. Prof., tenure track beginning August, 1985. Ph.D. is required with strong background in law enforcement. Candidates should also have knowledge in the private security area, or be willing to develop such expertise. Applicants will have to demonstrate potential for contributions in the areas of teaching, research and service. Negotiable salary. Deadline date: March 15. **Dept. of Criminal Justice, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.** Asst. Prof. Tenure track beginning August, 1985 for **FT. MYERS CAMPUS.** Ph.D. required with strong general background in criminal justice. Candidates should have a broad general knowledge in all aspects of the criminal justice system, criminology, and juvenile delinquency. Applicants will have primary responsibility for the future development of the Ft. Myers campus program and must have strong ability to communicate with community agencies. Emphasis will also be in the area of teaching. Some research interest is desirable, even though the major emphasis will be on teaching and service. Salary: \$20,000 to \$24,000. Applications must be submitted by March 15, 1985. Employment in this position will be filled contingent upon budgetary approval.

For above positions, send a current vita to: *Dr. Mitchell Silverman*, Chairperson, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Department of Criminal Justice, Univ. of South Florida, Tampa, FL 33620 (813) 974-2815.

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY - The Department of Criminal Justice Sciences is seeking applications for the position of chairperson for the 13 member department. The position includes a 12 month tenure track appointment. Rank and salary are commensurate with qualifications and experience. Candidates must be able to relate to a strong multidisciplinary faculty with diverse research and teaching interests. The department has approximately 400 undergraduate and graduate majors, excellent research facilities and an outstanding internship program. Interested candidates should send a letter of application, a current curriculum vita, five letters of reference, and a copy of his/her most current transcript. To be assured consideration, all materials must be received by March 15, 1985. Position available August 1, 1985. Materials should be sent to: *Dr. Reginald Henry*, Secretary, Criminal Justice Sciences Chairperson Search Committee, Turner Hall 145, Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois 61761.

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CALL FOR ENTRIES

1985 ASC Gene Carte Student Paper Competition

We solicit your interest in The American Society of Criminology Gene Carte Student Paper Competition. Following are the procedures and specifications that will be adhered to for the 1985 competition.

Those Eligible to Enter Papers:

Any student currently enrolled on a full-time basis in an academic program at either the undergraduate or graduate level.

Specifications for Papers:

All entries must be empirical and/or theoretical papers related to criminology. Papers must be 6,000 words or less, typewritten, double-spaced on 8½ x 11 white paper using standard format for the organization of papers and citations. Since papers will be evaluated anonymously, author(s) name(s) and affiliation(s) should appear only on the title page.

Deadline for Entries:

Entries should be submitted on or before April 15, 1985 to:

Professor Richard Vandiver
Department of Sociology
University of Montana
Missoula, Montana 59812

Entries will be judged by panel of scholars in the field and, therefore, it will be necessary that **FIVE** copies of papers be provided.

Procedures for Judging Entries:

Judges will rate entries based upon criteria such as significance of the topic, quality of theoretical orientation, methodology, scholarly comprehensiveness and interpretation, quality of writing, and contribution to the field. The judges' selection of entries for awards will be final.

Awards:

The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place papers will be awarded monetary prizes of \$300, \$150, and \$100, respectively, and will be eligible for presentation at the 1985 meeting of The American Society of Criminology in San Diego, California, November 13-17. Prize-winning student papers will be presented in the general sessions of the Society's meeting. Students will be acknowledged at the Annual Meeting Awards Ceremony.

Notification of Awards:

The author of entries selected by the judges for awards will be notified in writing by August 1, 1985.

1984 ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM AVAILABLE

A copy of the 1984 Annual Meeting Program with abstracts and the complete mailing addresses of all program participants may be purchased for \$5.00. If you would like to order a copy, please send your check to: *Ms. Sarah Hall*, The American Society of Criminology, 1314 Kinnear Road, Suite 212, Columbus, Ohio 43212.

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The Journal of Law and Equality has announced a broadening of its focus. Volumes I and II were distinguished not only by their focus on gender as a subject matter, but by their perspective on the world in gendered terms. The editorial board for Volume III has decided to address all possible topics of law and inequality—people's experiences of systematic oppression, how the law contributes to their lack of power, and how the law might remedy or begin to end group-based oppression. For example, we are concerned about issues of race, poverty, age, sexual preference, handicaps, and gender. The journal will also explore the interrelations of these inequalities. Innovative thought and formats will be represented in articles discussing law in theory.

This signals a more balanced and comprehensive analysis of inequality than is found in traditional legal literature. Legal journals are often less probing intellectually and less useful concretely than is possible. Innovations in the Journal's format are designed to respond to this lack. The Journal includes experiential, literary and community-based articles, scholarship from non-legal disciplines, as well as traditional legal writings. The journal also features short argument pieces and reflections on inequality. The perspectives of lawyers, non-lawyers, scholars from many disciplines and organizers are included.

As a forum for exploring and criticizing inequality, Law and Inequality intends to maintain its innovative style and format in order to provide a source for discussion and change. The two issues of Volume III will be published in January and April of 1985.

Manuscripts and outlines are welcomed that can be developed into articles. If you need further guidance or information, or would like to submit materials, please send your inquiries or materials to: The Editors, Journal of Law and Inequality, University of Minnesota Law School, 229 19th Avenue S., Minneapolis, MN 55455, or call: (612) 373-9075.

The 30th Annual Southern Conference on Corrections

The forthcoming annual Southern Conference on Corrections and Criminal Justice will be the most elaborate in its thirty-year history. It will be considerably enhanced by the addition of a Florida State University School of Criminology alumni reunion conference and a **Professional Employment Service**.

The employment service will provide an opportunity for potential employers and candidates to meet and briefly discuss the position and the candidate's abilities. Interviews will be arranged throughout the duration of the conference (February 27, through March 1, 1985). The positions involved may be in any area of criminal justice and criminology, including teaching, research, administration, corrections, law enforcement, courts, etc.

Anyone wishing to register for the professional employment service as either an employer or a job candidate, may obtain registration forms by contacting: *Ms. Shirley Zahn*, Recruitment Officer, Career Placement Services, Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida 32306. Telephone number (904) 644-6431. On-site registration for the employment service also will be available.

ACJS Annual Meeting

The 1985 Annual Meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences will be held March 31-April 4 at the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas. The theme for the meeting is "Justice and Society: Crime and Culture." Individuals interested in participating in the program should contact: *Tim Bynum*, 1985 ACJS Program Chair, Institute of Criminal Justice and Criminology, 2220 Lefrak Hall, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742 (301) 454-6633. For pre-registration materials (available January 1985), contact: *Pat DeLancey*, Executive Secretary, Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, University of Nebraska at Omaha, 1313 Farnam on the Mall, Omaha, NE 68182.

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PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY - The Department of Criminal Justice seeks candidates for a senior-level, tenure-track position at the Associate or Full Professor level. The Administration of Justice Program is a multidisciplinary unit of the College of Human Development. The Program offers the B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degree with a strong faculty representing such disciplines as criminology, justice, administration, law, social psychology, sociology, history, and political science. Qualifications: Applicants must have an outstanding record of achievement in research and scholarship, including extensive publications and successful grant procurement. A Ph.D. is required. All criminal justice specialty areas will be considered with emphasis on ability to provide leadership in development of a strong interdisciplinary research program and quality instruction. Starting Date: Fall, 1985. Closing Date: April 1, 1985 or until suitable candidate is selected. Inquiries: Candidates should forward a cur-

riculum vitae and the names of three references to *Walter Freeman*, Chairperson, Senior Faculty Search Committee—Box 101, Administration of Justice Program, S-159 Human Development Bldg., The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA 16802.

UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE - Program in Criminal Justice and the Program in Black American Studies are soliciting applications for a full time tenure track appointment beginning in the fall of 1985. The appointment will be at the Assistant Professor rank in criminal justice with a 2-course per semester teaching obligation — one in criminal justice and the other in Black Studies. Applicants should have an earned doctoral degree in criminal justice, law or one of the social sciences at the time of appointment. By March 30, 1985, applications including vita and three letters of reference should be sent to: *Dr. Carl B. Klockars*, Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Program in Criminal Justice, 336 Smith Hall, University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19716. Phone: 302/451-2881 and 302/451-1236.

Highlights From The Division On Women And Crime

The Division on Women and Crime held its annual business meeting on Thursday, November 8, 1984 in Cincinnati. Newly elected officers include Phyllis Jo Baunach, Chairperson; Nancy Koser Wilson, Vice-Chairperson; and Francis Coles, Secretary. Executive counselors elected at the meeting include Nicole Rafter, Northeastern University; Virginia Morris, John Jay College of Criminal Justice; and Chris Rasche, University of North Florida. Following the election of executive counselors, discussion focused on the directions for the Division over the coming year.

At the recently held 1984 ASC annual meetings, the Division organized 16 panels and a didactic session. The Program Committee for the 1985 American Society of Criminology annual meetings includes the area of gender, crime and justice. Please send abstracts in this area to:

Women as Victims and
Social Control Agents

Donna Hale

Dept. of Criminal Justice

Univ. of Baltimore

Baltimore, MD 21201

Women as Offenders

Law as it Relates to Women

Martha Myers

Dept. of Sociology

Univ. of Georgia

Athens, GA 30602

During the coming year, the Division will be involved in a number of additional activities. Nicole Rafter will head a committee to recommend the names of women as fellows in ASC; Virginia Morris will lead a committee to obtain the names of qualified women to submit to the nominations committee for inclusion on the ASC ballot; Chris Rasche will head a committee to prepare a flyer describing the history and objectives of the Division.

One of the Division's objectives is to further the understanding of problems faced by women in the criminal justice system. To begin carrying out this objective, the Division will develop liaisons with other professional organizations that deal with issues on women and on women and crime.

Members attending the annual business meeting also voted to pursue the inclusion of women on plenary sessions, to explore the possibility of hosting a hospitality room, and to look into alternate housing and room sharing at next year's ASC meetings, and to develop a new look for the Division newsletter. Copies of the newsletter with detailed minutes of the Division's annual meeting will be mailed to Division members early in 1985.

Established formally in 1983, when the ASC Executive Board approved the constitution, the purposes and objectives of the Division are to: bring together ASC members of both sexes interested in discussing issues related to women of all ages who are professionals, victims and offenders in the criminal justice system; facilitate and encourage research and theory development about women in the criminal justice system; encourage appropriate and effective teaching techniques, practices and curricula development for courses on women and crime; serve as a resource network and encourage interaction to further the understanding of problems faced by women in the criminal justice system and their resolution; and organize conference sessions focusing on issues related to women and crime.

The Division welcomes ASC members sharing these interests to join us. For further information contact:

Phyllis Jo Baunach, Chair
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Department of Justice News:

The Bureau of Justice Statistics has released its report, Prisoners in 1983. The Report shows that as of December 31, 1983 there were 438,830. This is an increase of 5.9 percent over the same figure for 1982. The Report shows that California is approaching 40,000 inmates in its state facilities with a 14 percent increase in 1983. However, two of the four largest states, Texas and Florida, showed declines in 1983. Noteworthy in the data is the fact that Arizona, Hawaii, Nevada, North Dakota, and Oklahoma have each reported increases of at least 10 percent for every year since 1980. The Report indicates that prison overcrowding is still a major problem with:

- seven states having their entire prison system under court order;
- 24 jurisdictions have one or more facilities under court order or consent decree;
- 18 states are holding state prisoners in county facilities because of overcrowding.
- 1 in every 10 inmates are in prisons built before 1875.

Classification, Prediction, Methodology Development

The National Institute of Justice has issued a call for proposals for its Classification, Prediction, Methodology Development Program. Funding for this program has been tentatively set at a level of about \$750,000 which would typically support 5 to 7 grants. It is recognized that this program budget ordinarily would not be adequate for support of large scale experimental projects or those requiring the collection of large amounts of original data. Limited funds could be provided, however, for designing and feasibility studies for such projects.

Eight copies of the fully executed proposal must be received by the close of business on June 12, 1985 to be eligible for the second cycle.

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Funding Approved For Criminal Justice Programs

An appropriations bill passed earlier by both the House and Senate and signed by the President includes funding necessary for the new Office of Justice Programs.

Breakdown for this fiscal year:

National Institute of Justice (research, evaluation and demonstration).....	\$19,500,000
Bureau of Justice Statistics (statistical programs)	16,766,000
Bureau of Justice Assistance (block and discretionary funds)	5,500,000*
Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention	70,240,000
Missing Children Program (in OJJDP)	4,000,000
Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program	8,301,000

* This is in addition to the \$64,800,000 appropriated last year for the new state/local assistance program. Because the authorizing legislation had not been enacted, the funds are still unspent and are available along with the additional \$5.5 million appropriated by Congress for FY 1985.

The appropriations bill also includes \$5 million to assist states and localities affected by the Mariel Cuban influx of a few years ago, and it provides management and administration funds for the Justice Assistance program units. (See — October 1, 1984, Federal Register for details.)

Anti-Crime Package Adopted

Before the 98th Congress finally adjourned, it passed an anticrime package attached to the Continuing Resolution. Two chapters of the bill provide for a restructuring of the Department's activities related to state and local criminal and juvenile justice and create a new program of assistance for victims of crime. President Reagan signed the legislation - Public Law 98-473 - on October 12.

JUSTICE ASSISTANCE ACT

Chapter VI, Division I, of the package — the *Justice Assistance Act of 1984* — establishes a new **Office of Justice Programs** (hence the new name on our masthead) within the Department of Justice. The new OJP Effectively replaces OJARS — picking up its responsibility to provide staff support and coordination for the **National Institute of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, and the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention** — all of which are continued through fiscal year 1988 under the new legislation. The OJP — headed by an Assistant Attorney General . . . will provide a high-level point of contact within the Department on matters relating to state and local criminal justice.

Part D of the Act establishes a **New Bureau of Justice Assistance**, headed by a Director appointed by the Attorney General. *BJA provides financial and technical assistance to states and local governments through a combination of block and discretionary grants.*

VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT

The **Victims of Crime Act of 1984**—Chapter XIV of the bill—provides *Federal assistance for victims of violent crime. The bill implements many of the recommendations made by the President's Task Force on Victims of Crime.*

The bill provides that offenders will provide the funds for the program. Monies will be paid into a *Crime Victims Fund* in the U.S. Treasury administered by the Attorney General. The Fund will be divided equally between *victim compensation and victim assistance programs*—50 percent to each according to a formula prescribed by the bill:

Federal Policy Needs Reworking According to NAC

The National Advisory Committee (NAC) for Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention has released a report to the President and the Congress entitled, *Serious Juvenile Crime: A Redirected Federal Effort*. The NAC is appointed by the President and consists of 15 members who advise him on the prevention and treatment of juvenile delinquency.

The report recommends that federal policy in the field of delinquency be reformulated to focus primarily on the serious juvenile offender. In submitting this report, Charles B. (Bud) Wilkinson, Chairman of the NAC, observed:

"Numerous studies and our own experience demonstrate that most serious juvenile crime is committed by a small core of chronic offenders. Logic suggests that a dramatic reduction in juvenile crime could be achieved if we improve our ability to identify, apprehend, prosecute, and treat or incarcerate these juveniles. The NAC believes this ought to be the principal focus of a redirected Federal effort in the juvenile justice area."

While the report does not take a position on the issue of reauthorization of the office, it encourages a new federal initiative target on the small core of youth who are responsible for much of the serious and violent crime that plagues our nation. Single copies are available free by writing Juvenile Justice Clearinghouse, Distribution Services, Box 6000, Rockville, MD 20850, or by calling toll free (800) 638-8736.

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In order to obtain copies of the required application forms or to get further information about the program or the application process, researchers should write to Richard S. Laymon, Program Manager, Classification, Prediction, Methodology Development Program, National Institute of Justice 633 Indiana Ave., N.W., Room 900, Washington, DC 20531. Dr. Laymon can be reached by phone at (202) 724-7635.

Workshop

A pre-conference workshop on the Private Sector and Criminal Justice Services: Issues and Responses will be sponsored by the Section on Criminal Justice Administration of the American Society for Public Administration on March 23, 1985 at Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Crime and Social Justice is having a special issue on the *Hidden Economy and Crime*. Abstracts and/or papers on the subject are solicited. Ideas on how the subject should be treated are also welcome. Please contact: Cyril D. Robinson, Crime Study Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901.

Association To Study Organized Crime

At the November meeting of The American Society of Criminology in Cincinnati, a group of researchers, educators, and investigators formed the International Association for the Study of Organized Crime (IASOC). The association will provide a network for persons interested in the study of organized crime, groups ranging from traditional crime families, to motorcycle gangs, to yakuza.

IASOC publishes a newsletter and publication of a journal devoted to articles on organized crime is being explored. The first annual meeting of the Association will be in San Diego, California, on November 9, 1985, in conjunction with the meeting of the ASC.

Membership information can be obtained from Howard Abadinsky at the Association's Secretariat: International Association for the Study of Organized Crime, Saint Xavier College, 3700 W. 103rd Street, Chicago, IL 60655 (312/779-3300).

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