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Winnipeg, June 2-4 1986

PROGRAMME / PROGRAM

Monday, June 2 (University College, Room 376):

- 10:00 Germain HUDON, President
Opening remarks / Mot de bienvenue
- 10:30 John WORTLEY, University of Manitoba
Paul of Monembasia and his spiritually beneficial tales
- 12:00 Meeting of the executive committee, CSPS / Réunion de l'exécutif SCEP
- 10:45 à 12:15 (University College, Room 383):
SR Assessment Committee
- 14:00 Peter BOOTH, Acadia University
Constantine's conversion properly Roman
- 15:00 Leo FERRARI, St. Thomas University
St Augustine's conversion some insights of science
- 20:00 Joint meeting with the Canadian Theological Society
Réunion conjointe avec la Société Canadienne de Théologie
(University College, Room 244)
- Walter H. PRINCIPE, Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies, Toronto
Catholicity, a Threat or a Help to Cultural Identity?
- 21:00 Social Hour / Réception
(Pembina Hall, Tartan Room)

Tuesday, June 3 (University College, Room 376)

- 9:30 Michel DESJARDINS, Erindale College, University of Toronto
The Sources for Valentinian Gnosticism: a question of methodology
- 10:30 John EGAN, Regis College, Toronto School of Theology
The indwelling of the Holy Spirit in Christ according to Gregory Nazianzen
- 11:30 Pierre BOGLIONI, Institut d'études médiévales, Université de Montréal
L'invasion longobarde en Italie et la vocation monastique de Grégoire le Grand
- 14:00 Theodore DE BRUYN, St Michael's College, Toronto School of Theology
Pelagius interpretation of Roman 5,12
- 15:00 Germain HUDON, Université Saint-Paul, Ottawa
Patristique et théologie: leurs rapports mutuels
Communication avec discussion ouverte, bilingue
Paper and open discussion, both bilingual
- 16:00 CSPS Annual General Meeting / Assemblée générale annuelle de l'ACEP
- 17:30 ACEP/CSPS Reception: (place à annoncer / place to be announced)
- 20:00 CTS, CSBS, CSSR Joint Session / Session conjointe de la SCT, SCEB, SCER
(University College, Room 240)
- Normand PAGÉ, Université d'Ottawa: Approches phénoménologiques du sacré en art contemporain
- Invitation aux membres de l'ACEP / Members of the CSPS are cordially invited

Wednesday, June 4

- 9:00 to 10:30 Annual General Meeting of the CCSR (205 Robson Hall)
Assemblée générale de la CCSR (Robson Hall, 205)
- 10:30 (University College, Room 375)
Joanne McWILLIAM DEWART, Trinity College, University of Toronto
Augustine on time and history
- 12:00 Meeting of the Executive Committee, CSPS

Notre représentant local / Our local representative:

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NOUVELLES DE NOTRE ASSOCIATION / NEWS FROM OUR SOCIETY

Le Président, Germain Hudon, a rédigé pour le CRSHC le rapport sur notre Association, en vue de l'évaluation statutaire, introduite depuis deux ans pour toutes les associations qui font partie de la FCH.

Dans un document très étoffé, il a défendu le caractère spécifique de nos études, face à des disciplines connexes, comme la théologie ou l'histoire du christianisme. La réflexion sur ce point sera d'ailleurs poursuivie dans une des séances du programme annuel. Il a aussi souligné les progrès réalisés par l'Association dans le recrutement de ses membres et dans l'ensemble de nos activités (congrès annuel, bulletin, publications des membres). Il a enfin évoqué les lignes du développement à venir. Les résultats de cette évaluation seront connus vers la fin du mois de mai.

En tant que Président de notre Société, Germain Hudon a participé au dîner-causerie tenu le 24 avril 1986 au Cercle Universitaire, 453 rue Laurier est, Ottawa, pour examiner les résultats du groupe de travail Nielsen, chargé par le gouvernement d'examiner tous les programmes gouvernementaux existants. Les participants ont examiné en particulier le volume 16: Education et recherche, qui concerne directement les études supérieures.

Le Bulletin est heureux d'accueillir le texte suivant, de notre Vice-Présidente, Joanne McWILLIAM DEWART, sur le langage non-sexiste dans le domaine de la religion. Ce problème sera d'ailleurs discuté lors de la réunion annuelle de notre Association.

NON-SEXIST LANGUAGE

"The importance of language rights is grounded in the essential role that language plays in human existence, development and dignity. It is through language that we are able to form concepts; to structure and order the world around us" (The Supreme Court of Canada ruling on the Manitoba language question to comply with the Manitoba Act, 1870).

It is precisely because language does form concepts and structures and orders the world that feminists consider it essential that (a) male terminology must not be used to refer to humankind, female and male, and (b) that the Deity of the Jewish-Christian tradition must not be exclusively, or even predominantly, referred to as male.

(a) English and French have no word corresponding to anthropos or homo; their words for humankind--'man' (or 'mankind'), 'l'homme'--are the same as that for the male person. While it is grammatically correct, therefore, to use 'man' or 'l'homme' in a gender inclusive way, there is inherent in the equivocal character of the term the danger of the male becoming normative for the human person and the female either deviant or invisible.

Non-sexist language is easy to ridicule, as shown by Bernard Levin's column in the Times of London last summer. Terming the one who asks that non-sexist language be used as "the Pest" and his/her aim as "rubbish", Levin used his considerable skill to hold up 'spokesperson' and 'the human species' to scorn. My point in introducing the Levin article, is to illustrate that resistance to non-sexist language is, in some cases at least, based on more than concern for linguistic purity, and that the assertions of difference slide without apology into those of inequality. Levin wrote:

Vive la difference. For what is behind this wearisome nonsense has nothing to do with discrimination against women. It is part of one of the worst of all the plagues of our world, the desire to pretend that all human beings are, or if they are not should be, obliged to become, identical. Since inequality is built permanently into the human gene structure--so that most of us...could never run a mile in four minutes or play the violin like Sir Yehudi Menuhin...--and since people who direct the movement I have described [feminists] cannot...bear to face that elementary truth, those who wish to push their mad and odious view forward...must pretend that our inability to rival Sebastian Coe or Sir Yehudi is due only to our environment, and...find instances in which the names of things can be made equal even if the things themselves cannot.

(b) Because of this assumption that sexual differentiation implies superiority and inferiority, male terms have--almost without exception--been applied to the God of the Jewish-Christian tradition as the more suitable, and the conception has been fostered--intentionally or unintentionally--that God is indeed male. I presume sufficient sophistication among the members of the societies represented in the Corporation to be assured that none of us thinks that this is the case, that we recognize that God transcends all human categories, including that of gender, and that therefore all language, including the anthropomorphic, is metaphorical at best.

Nevertheless old habits die hard, and I urge the acceptance of the motion of which notice was given at the CCSR annual general meeting, June 4, 1985, at the Universite de Montreal. It reads:

"That the Corporation implement a policy of non-sexist (i.e. gender neutral when appropriate) language in its publications".

In practice this would involve:

(a) that 'l'homme', 'man', 'mankind' and the related pronouns and adjectives not be used to designate the human race or hypothetical individuals as representative of the race.

(b) that male terms not be used predominantly of the God of the Jewish-Christian tradition (i.e. that female terms be used with equal frequency or/and gender neutral terms be employed).

Monsieur William E. TAYLOR, Président du Conseil des recherches en sciences humaines du Canada, a écrit aux officiers de notre Association une lettre chaleureuse de remerciement pour l'appui qu'ils ont apporté en faveur du plan quinquennal du Conseil.

Germain HUDON, Pierre BOGLIONI, Joanne DEWART, ainsi que plusieurs autres membres de notre Association avaient en effet écrit des lettres pressantes et précises à l'Honorable Jake Epp et à tous les membres du Comité du Cabinet du Premier Ministre pour le développement social, pour défendre l'importance des études humanistes et appuyer le plan quinquennal proposé par Monsieur TAYLOR.

Voici des extraits de sa lettre:

I write to inform you of post-Budget developments and to thank you for your support of the SSHRC Five-Year Plan. This support was vital in persuading the Government to increase our grants at a time when many other department or agency budgets were frozen or cut. Secretary of State Benoît Bouchard, through whom we report to Parliament, has asked me to thank you on his behalf; I know the Council would want me to do the same.

Even though the budget for the next five years does not match your need and our request, the Government has signalled the importance it gives to research. The press release announcing the five-year financing for the three granting councils has been widely distributed. The highlights for the SSHRC are summarized below.

The guarantee of a base budget is something the research community has been seeking for some years. It provides the stability we need to plan for the best use of program funds over five lean years. In addition, it allows us to add to the base through a cumulative matching scheme.

The Ministers noted at the February 28 press conference that, if the university community is as persuasive with the private sector as it has been with Government, there will be no shortage of private participation. Mr. Bouchard expressed his confidence that banks, insurance companies, law firms, foundations and companies trading with foreign countries would be among those supporting humanities and social science research. He met with Council Executive March 4 to discuss strategy for attracting private support.

(Suivent les bilans et prévisions budgétaires pour les cinq prochaines années).

William E. Taylor
Président du CRSHC / SSHRC

Nous recevons de la part du Père Téléphore GAGNON, p.s.s., la lettre suivante, que nous signalons à nos membres:

We received from Father Telesphore GAGNON:

M. le Professeur de Patrologie
a/s M. le Doyen
Faculté de Théologie

Monsieur le Professeur,

En tant que membre du comité de rédaction du BULLETIN DE SAINT-SULPICE je viens solliciter votre bienveillante collaboration comme spécialiste en patrologie. Le BSS est une revue annuelle des Prêtres de Saint-Sulpice qui traite de questions intéressant ceux qui oeuvrent dans la formation des candidats au ministère presbytéral.

Faisant suite au voeu de l'Assemblée générale des Prêtres de Saint-Sulpice de 1984 demandant que des numéros soient consacrés à certaines matières d'enseignement dans les séminaires, le comité a décidé de dédier le numéro de 1987 à l'enseignement de la Patrologie.

Lors de notre réunion, nous avons décidé de demander à nos différents professeurs de patrologie de traiter les points suivants:

1. Comment est organisé l'enseignement de la patrologie dans mon séminaire? Le programme du séminaire comme tel.

2. Comment j'enseigne la patrologie: le contenu de mon cours, les textes que j'utilise, le lien que je fais avec les autres traités de théologie. La méthode employée.

3. Pourquoi enseigner la patrologie aujourd'hui? Qu'est-ce qui me motive à le faire? Les orientations ecclésiales? Quelle est l'objectif de cet enseignement?

4. Comment les étudiants réagissent-ils? Aiment-ils la matière? Y a-t-il eu une évolution?

5. En quoi devrait consister une bibliothèque de patrologie? Quelle devrait être la bibliographie fondamentale dans ma langue ou dans d'autres langues? Textes pour les professeurs, comme textes pour les étudiants. Commenter et apprécier chaque titre.

6. S'il y a lieu, peut-être seriez-vous intéressé à faire une communication d'un extrait de votre cours? Un chapitre par exemple?

Lors de notre réunion nous avons pensé faire appel aux divers spécialistes de l'enseignement de la patrologie dans nos milieux respectifs, en France, aux Etats-Unis et au Canada. Peut-être seriez-vous intéressé à faire une communication sur un des points mentionnés plus haut?

Nous serions très honorés d'une réponse affirmative de votre part et nous vous prions d'excuser l'audace de cette demande. Mais c'est notre charisme de responsables de la formation sacerdotale qui nous pousse à le faire.

NOUVELLES DE NOS MEMBRES / NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

Le Secrétaire sollicite encore de la part de nos membres l'envoi de renseignements sur leurs activités et celles de leur milieu dans le domaine des études patristiques: publications, participations à des congrès, mémoires de maîtrise et thèses de doctorat (soutenances, résumés), passage de collègues à l'étranger. Please send all informations you would like to see in the Bulletin about your work in the field of Patristic Studies. Cela permettra aux membres qui n'ont pas pu participer à la réunion annuelle de se faire connaître davantage. This will also greatly help to strengthen our Society. Send news and announcements for the next Bulletin (November 1986) to Prof. Pierre Boglioni, Secrétaire de l'ACEP/CSPS, Institut d'Etudes Médiévales, Université de Montréal, C.P. 6128, Montréal, H3C 3J7.

Voici les nouvelles reçues depuis le dernier Bulletin:

Pierre BOGLIONI (Université de Montréal)

Le congrès organisé par notre collègue sur Le pluralisme linguistique dans la société médiévale (Montréal 29 avril - 3 mai 1986), a connu un succès inespéré, qu'on peut considérer comme un signe encourageant d'un intérêt renouvelé pour les disciplines historiques et humanistes. Environ 200 participants ont en effet suivi 60 conférences ou communications, données par des collègues de dix pays (dont une trentaine du Canada). Certaines de celles-ci touchaient aux problèmes de langue dans l'Antiquité Tardive, notamment à propos de Byzance et des rapports entre la langue grecque et la langue latine. Les Actes de ce Colloque seront publiés bientôt, par les Publications de l'Institut d'Etudes Médiévales de l'Université de Montréal.

Stephanie DAVID (Université Saint-Paul, Ottawa)

"I am looking forward to completing the requirements for the M.A. (Theology) degree through Saint Paul University. That should be in the Spring 1986. Apart from the foregoing, I regret to admit that my academic pursuits are "on hold" while I concentrate my energies on pursuing a career with Health and Welfare Canada. Of course, my interest in Christian history is still keen and I attempt to keep abreast with developments in the field, especially those contributions by feminist historians."

Georges M. DE DURAND (Université de Montréal)

Notre collègue est parti le 29 avril pour Lyon, où il collaborera pendant l'été avec l'Institut des Sources Chrétiennes autour du projet d'édition complète des oeuvres de Cyrille d'Alexandrie. Il rappelle à tous nos membres la possibilité de participer à ce projet (cf. Bulletin X, 2, Novembre 1985, p. 6).

Leo C. FERRARI (Department of Philosophy, St. Thomas University)

has just completed an article on 'arbor' for the AUGUSTINVS LEXIKON which is being published in Germany. Also in press with the Augustinian Studies is "Saint Augustine's 'Discovery' of Paul's Writings (Conf. VII, 21, 27)". Missing from a previous volume of the Bulletin was notice of the publication of Dr. Ferrari's book: The Conversions of Saint Augustine (The 1982 Saint Augustine Lecture, The Augustinian Institute, Villanova University). In summarizing Dr. Ferrari's numerous publications of the last twenty years, this book presents his new insights and interpretations regarding Augustine's evolution at its various stages from the Hortensius episode up to and including his final conversion to Catholicism.

J. KEVIN COYLE (Saint Paul University, Ottawa)

The sabbatical means I have relatively little to report. My project is the preparation of a critical edition of Augustine's "De moribus ecclesiae catholicae et de moribus Manicheorum" for the CCL series of Turnhout, Belgium.

My two latest articles also have an Augustinian theme:

- "In Praise of Monica: A Note on the Ostia Experience of Confessions IX" in Augustinian Studies 13 (Villanova: 1982), pp. 87-96.
- "'Monastic' Terminology in Augustine's De moribus ecclesiae catholicae" in Studia Patristica, XVI (Berlin: 1985), pp. 497-500.

Despite the 1982 date, the first-mentioned article only appeared this year.

Emilien LAMIRANDE (Université d'Ottawa)

Le Président d'honneur de notre Association, Emilien LAMIRANDE, a été affligé depuis quelques mois d'ennuis de santé, qui l'ont obligé à ralentir considérablement ses activités. C'est pour cette raison qu'il a dû renoncer à préparer la conférence autour des "Perspectives patristiques sur la condition de la femme", qu'il avait prévu donner en séance conjointe lors de la réunion de Winnipeg. Nous lui présentons nos souhaits les plus chaleureux, en attendant de le revoir bientôt parmi nous.

Gérard VALLEE (Université McMaster)

Enterré quelque part en Allemagne, dans l'otium créateur d'un congé sabbatique, Gérard Vallée envoie à tous les membres ses salutations cordiales, avec celles des collègues des "vieux pays".

UPCOMING CONFERENCES / ANNONCES DE CONGRES

Notre Bulletin est heureux d'annoncer les colloques suivants qui, tout en concernant plutôt la période médiévale, peuvent intéresser les patrologues qui étudient l'Antiquité tardive:

AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN MEDIEVAL STUDIES

CONVERSION AND CONTINUITYINDIGENOUS CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES IN MEDIEVAL ISLAMIC LANDS

(Université de Toronto, 23, 24, 25 October 1986)

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THE IMAGE OF THE "RUSTICUS" IN THE MIDDLE AGES

"Sixteenth Medieval Workshop" qui aura lieu à l'Université de Colombie-Britannique

14 - 15 novembre 1986

toutes personnes désireuses de soumettre une communication doivent le faire avant le 15 mai 1986. Celle-ci ne doit pas dépasser 20 minutes et le résumé doit être soumis en 100-150 mots.

Veillez faire parvenir votre résumé à:

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Peter Campbell Craigie, 1938-1985

In memoriam

Professor Peter Campbell Craigie (born on August 18, 1938) died as the result of a car accident on September 26, 1985, at the age of forty-seven. At the time of his death he was Vice-President (Academic) of the University of Calgary. His wife Elizabeth and his children Gregor and Gillian survive him, along with his father and two brothers.

Peter Craigie came to Canada in 1968 to pursue his Ph.D. at McMaster University, after having completed the M.Th. at Aberdeen in Semitic Studies, a Dip. Theol. at the University of Durham, and a B.A. in Semitics at the University of Edinburgh. Upon completion of his Ph.D. in 1970 he taught at Carleton University for one year, then moved back to the Department of Religion at McMaster from 1971-74. He then moved to the University of Calgary, where he was successively Chairman of the Department of Religious Studies, Dean of Humanities, and Vice-President (Academic).

He became an important figure in the study of religion in Canada, and a strong and vigorous advocate of the humanities nationally. He was, in this current year, the President of the Canadian Society of Biblical Studies, having been Executive Secretary earlier for several years (1975-78). He had also been extremely active in the Canadian Corporation for Studies in Religion (President, 1979-81; Vice-President, 1977-79) and the Canadian Federation for the Humanities. Churches, study groups, universities, and colleges sought him out as a scintillating, witty, and provocative speaker. His legacy will be most closely associated with his work with Ugaritic literature. Among his recent publications are the *Word Commentary on the Psalms 1-50*, *The Problem of War in the Old Testament*, *Ugarit and the Old Testament*, *The Book of Deuteronomy*, *The Book of Ezekiel*, *The Twelve Prophets*, Vol. 1. Most of these were written while he was heavily involved in university administration and they testify to his dedication to scholarly pursuits. As a scholar, teacher, administrator, and public figure his achievements were outstanding and his potential almost unlimited.

Peter was a man of exceptional grace and charm. By nature warm and friendly, he impressed even those who met him only briefly. To those who knew him well the wisdom and tact, the light humour and ready wit, the ability to take his tasks but not himself seriously, and the constant twinkle in his eye will be sorely missed. My own memories, which go back some twenty years, leave me with a profound sense of sadness at his passing, but a profound sense of gratitude that he was here.

The Canadian Society of Biblical Studies is establishing a memorial fund, aimed at creating a Lectureship in Religious Studies in his name which would bring scholars of international stature to lecture in Canada on the occasion of the annual meetings of the Learned Societies. Contributions (made out to the 'CSBS: Craigie Fund') should be sent to S. G. Wilson, Department of Religion, Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario K1S 5B6. Tax-deductible receipts will be issued. The family will be notified of the list of donors to the fund.

Stephen G. Wilson Carleton University