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The central theme of the meeting was "Measurements of Levels of Living." Articles in the issue, apart from Allan Bogue's presidential address with which it begins, were presented at the following sessions (by the authors named):

Comparative Growth and Welfare (Maddison, and Morris and Adelman)

Reassessment of Measures of Levels of Living (Othick, Olney, and McDean)

Levels of Living in Colonial America (Shammas, G. L. Main, and Walsh)

Levels of Living of the European Peasantry (Meyering, Komlos, and Wilbur)

New Perspectives on U.S. Levels of Living (Kearl and Pope, J. T. Main, and Margo and Steckel)

Growth and Equity: Case Studies (Cage, Hanley, and McLean and Pincus)

Incomes in the Twentieth-Century United States (Smiley, Schmitz and Fishback, and Spalter-Roth)

Levels of Living in Recent LDCs (Sanders, Reinhardt, and Fox)

The proceedings conclude with Dissertation and Workshop Summaries.

The Program Committee for the 1982 meeting consisted of Alice Hanson Jones (Washington University), chair; Stuart Bruchey (Columbia University); and Stanley L. Engerman, University of Rochester. We thank them and all the program participants for their cooperation in bringing forth this issue.

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