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Larry Arnhart, *Darwinian Natural Right: The Biological Ethics of Human Nature*

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“Two Cultures Revisited,” Yu Zhenhua's essay in this issue, marks the first time that *TAD* has had a contribution from a scholar teaching in a Chinese university. This is an interesting essay that carefully analyzes the issues treated in Polanyi's *The Study of Man*, which was published only a year after *Personal Knowledge*. Percy Hammond's “Parts and Wholes--Contrasting Epistemologies” compares the discussion of parts, wholes and knowledge in Peter Simons, Ernest Nagel and Polanyi. He develops interesting criticisms of Polanyi's ideas about emergence. My own review essay in this issue summarizes themes in Ursula Goodenough's book *The Sacred Depths of Nature* as well as her broader discussions of religious naturalism. This piece is simply an effort to encourage members to take a look at Goodenough's writing, since she will give a paper in one session (co-sponsored by the AAR “Religion and Science” group) of the November 2002 Polanyi Society annual meeting that is devoted to her work. The second session will feature papers by Esther Meek and Richard Moodey (see the full program on page 4). In News and Notes, I mention several interesting scholarly projects, including the publication of a new Polanyi bibliography. Please continue to e-mail to me notices about papers and publications. Finally, note also biologist Goodenough's review of a work on moral matters by a political scientist drawing on both biology and the philosophical tradition.

Let me remind you that in the next issue there will be a flyer asking that you to pay your membership dues which go up from \$20 to \$25 US for the year beginning in the fall. Flyers are the simplest and cheapest device I have to notify members while operating within the bulk postage regulations. If you have a question about your standing, please write or e-mail me. Postage rates, particularly outside the US, are increasing so I must soon provide more push for prompt dues payment in order to keep the society solvent. In the next year, the Society will make an effort to increase library subscriptions. There are some requests for *TAD* materials that are not being met by the interlibrary loan system because we do not have enough library subscriptions. If you are willing to work to get a local institution signed up, please write or e-mail me. We may be able to provide some back issues free to libraries.

Phil Mullins

Tradition and Discovery is indexed selectively in *The Philosopher's Index* and *Religion One: Periodicals*. Book reviews are indexed in *Index to Book Reviews in Religion*.

NEWS AND NOTES

Just off the press is *A Classified And Partially Annotated Bibliography Of Michael Polanyi, The Anglo-Hungarian Philosopher Of Science* put together by M. W. Poirier. This 430 page volume, representing many years of careful labor, is divided into three major sections dealing with primary, secondary, and tertiary works, plus a whole set of internal divisions (13 in the first, 13 in the second, 7 in the third of these major sections, with many annotations), a brief biography of approximately 24 pages, a timeline, and an index of secondary and tertiary authors. This volume was published by Canadian Scholars' Press Ind. but is distributed by University of Toronto Press, 5201 Dufferin Street, TORONTO, Ontario, M3H 5T8 or 2250 Military Road, TONAWANDA, New York, 14150. It is selling for \$39.95 US and \$49.95 Canadian. In the US and Canada, you can call the University of Toronto Press toll free at 1-800-565-9523; copies may be ordered by e-mail at utpbooks@utpress.utoronto.ca A future issue of TAD will have more about this new publication.

Starting this Spring, Chris Goodman received funding from the Earhart Foundation to become a Visting Scholar at the Philosophy Department at Sheffield University, England. This should enable him to complete a book on Polanyi that he has been working on.

S.R. Jha presented a paper, "Michael Polanyi's Phenomenology of Science and Knowledge," at the International Conference on Intentionality: Past and Future held June 19-23, 2002, at the University of Miskolc, Hungary,

An essay by Ivan H. Ellingham (a psychologist interested in Polanyi), "Madness and Mysticism in Perceiving the Other: Towards a Radical Organismic, Person-Centred Interpretation" was recently published in G. Wyatt and P. Sanders (eds.),

Rogers' Therapeutic Conditions: Evolution, Theory and Practice, Volume 4: Contact and Perception (Ross-on-Wye: PCCS Books, 2002: 234-258). In September, another essay, "Foundation for a Person-Centred, Humanistic Psychology, and Beyond: The Nature and Logic of Carl Rogers' 'Formative Tendency'" will be included in J. C. Watson, R. N. Goldman and M. S. Warner (eds.), *Client-Centered and Experiential Psychotherapy in the 21st Century* (Ross-on-Wye: PCCS Books).

Two essays by Dale Cannon on teaching philosophy have been published in the last year: "A Post-Critical Approach to Conceiving and Teaching Introduction to Philosophy," *APA Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy*, 00:2 (Spring 2001), 186-191; "Levels of Socratic Irony and Escape from the Cave in Introduction to Philosophy," *APA Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy*, 01:1 (Fall 2001), 201-203.

The recent issue of *Polanyiana* (Vol. 10, No.1-2, 2001) has now been put on the web. It is available, as are many past issues, from the home page of *Polanyiana* (<http://www.kfki.hu/chemonet/polanyi/index.html>).

Electronic Discussion List

The Polanyi Society supports an electronic discussion group exploring implications of the thought of Michael Polanyi. Anyone interested can subscribe; send e-mail to Struan Jacobs (swjacobs@deakin.edu.au) who is the moderator. The address for the list is polanyi-list@deakin.edu.au

2002 Polanyi Society Annual Meeting in Toronto

The Polanyi Society annual meeting is to be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on November 22 and 23, 2002. As in past years, meetings are held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion and Society for Biblical Literature. Because of pressure for space, these large umbrella professional organizations are now carefully monitoring hotel reservations. It is necessary to register for the AAR/SBL annual meeting to be eligible for hotel accommodations in one of the primary hotels near where meetings are held. However, anyone who is interested is welcome to attend the Polanyi Society meetings, whether or not they are attending the AAR/SBL meetings. There are, of course, other hotels in the area. If you want information about registration for the AAR/SBL meetings go to <http://www.aar-site.org/meetings/default.asp>. You can phone for additional information (1-800-575-7185 [U.S. & Canada], 1-330-425-9330 [outside U.S. & Canada]) or e-mail (aarsblreg@conferon.com).

The room locations for the annual meeting sessions are not yet available. They will either be in the Metro Toronto Convention Centre or one of the three nearby AAR/SBL annual meeting headquarters hotels. The locations will be posted on the Polanyi Society web site (<http://www.mwsc.edu/~polanyi>) as soon as they are known. The two Polanyi Society sessions will also be listed in the AAR/SBL Annual Meeting Program as Additional Meetings of the Polanyi Society. Any late room changes will be noted in the program. Information will be included in the issue of *Tradition and Discovery: The Polanyi Society Periodical* to be published in the fall of 2002..

The November 22 session, co-sponsored by the Religion and Science Group of the AAR, will be focused around a paper by Ursula Goodenough, a prominent cell biologist who has for several years been an articulate voice in religion and science discussions. The November 23 session will include papers by Esther L. Meek and Richard W. Moodey. Abstracts of some papers are presently available on the Polanyi Society web site (<http://www.mwsc.edu/~polanyi>). When the complete papers are available in the fall of 2002, they can be downloaded from this web site by clicking on the title.

Program

Friday, November 22, 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m

Theme: From Biology to Morality with Polanyian Footnotes

Presentation by Ursula Goodenough, Washington University, St. Louis

Respondents:

Nancy Howell, Saint Paul School of Theology

Phil Mullins, Missouri Western State College

Diane Yeager, Georgetown University

Open Discussion

Saturday, November 23, 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

“Learning to See: The Role of Authoritative Guides in Knowing”

Esther L. Meek, Covenant Theological Seminary

Respondent: Paul Lewis, Mercer University

”Moral Passion and Moral Judgment: Polanyi and Lonergan on Ethics”

Richard W. Moodey, Gannon University

Respondent: Vincent Colapietro, Pennsylvania State University

Open Discussion

Business Meeting 11:30 a.m.

Chair: Marty Moleski

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WWW Polanyi Resources

The Polanyi Society has a World Wide Web site at <http://www.mwsc.edu/~polanyi/>. In addition to information about Polanyi Society membership and meetings, the site contains the following: (1) the history of Polanyi Society publications, including a listing of issues by date and volume with a table of contents for recent issues of *Tradition and Discovery*; (2) a comprehensive listing of *Tradition and Discovery* authors, reviews and reviewers; (3) information on locating early publications; (4) information on *Appraisal* and *Polanyiana*, two sister journals with special interest in Polanyi's thought; (5) the “Guide to the Papers of Michael Polanyi” which provides an orientation to archival material housed in the Department of Special Collections of the University of Chicago Library; (6) photographs of Michael Polanyi; (7) five essays by Michael Polanyi.