

Crabgrass Frontier: The Suburbanization of the United States (New York: Oxford University Press, 1985), will be the keynote speaker. Jackson was scheduled to give the keynote address at the inaugural Small Cities Conference in September 2001 but was unable to attend due to the terrorist attacks in New York on September 11. Other featured conference participants include Theodore

Caplow, Commonwealth Professor of Sociology at the University of Virginia; David Bodenhamer, executive director of The Polis Center at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis; Jack S. Blocker, professor of history at the University of Western Ontario, Canada; and John Buenker, professor of history at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. Sessions will consider the historical, economic, political, social, and cultural aspects of the small city experience. Conference participants will include social scientists, humanists, urban planners, and public officials.

The conference will be held November 1-2, 2002, at Ball State University and the Minnetrista Cultural Center. For more information, contact Bruce Geelhoed, director Center for Middletown Studies 206 Bracken Library **Ball State University** Muncie, IN 46306 Phone: (765) 285-8037 Fax: (765) 285-3571 E-mail: bgeelhoed@bsu.edu

Friday, November 1 10 A.M.-noon, Room 225, Bracken Library, Ball State University

Session 1: Asphalt Neighborhoods: The Struggle Between Community and Business Expansion Panelists: Doug Furbee, owner-operator, ACE Hardware,

Steven D. Gentry, mayor, Crawfordsville, Indiana

Thomas D. Hamm, professor of history, Earlham College

New Castle, Indiana

Sessions will be held at the Minnetrista Cultural Center, 1200 N. Minnetrista Parkway, Muncie, Indiana, telephone

Session Titles and Participants

(765) 282-4848, and on the Ball State campus.

Moderator/Commentator: Jeffrey Cannon, director, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Program, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill This session will also include a viewing of the documentary, Store Wars, produced by Micha Peled. Noon, Minnetrista Cultural Center Registration: The conference will feature an exhibit prepared

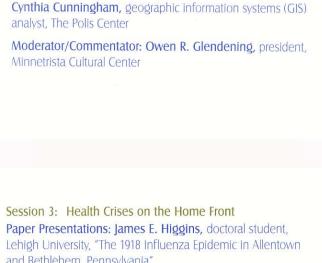
by Paul W. Stout, map librarian at Ball State University, which will contain "Bird's Eye View" displays of small cities covered in some of the conference presentations. The exhibit will be available for viewing at the Minnetrista Cultural Center.

Session 2: Measuring Progress in Small Town Indiana: The

Panelists: David Bodenhamer, executive director, The Polis Center Indiana University-Purdue University Indiananolis

Potential for Community Information Systems

1:15-2:45 P.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center



Session 5: Marian Doesn't Work Here Anymore: Redefining Roles for Libraries in Small Cities Panelists: Virginia Nilles, director, Muncie Public Library Suzanne Rice, acting dean, Bracken Library, Ball State University Moderator/Commentator: John B. Straw, director, Archives and Special Collections, Ball State University 5-6 P.M., E. B. and Bertha C. Ball Center Reception for conference participants, hosted by President

Moderator/Commentator: Patrick M. Barkey, director, Bureau

of Business Research, Ball State University

6:15-7:30 P.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center

8 P.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center

Blaine A. Brownell

Conference dinner

the Small City

Saturday, November 2 7:30–8:15 A.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center Registration and continental breakfast 8:30-9:45 A.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center Plenary Session: A Separate Universe: The Quest to Define

Panelists: John Buenker, professor of history, University of Wisconsin-Parkside, and Theodore Messmer, former official.

Performance by the Ball State Saxophone Quartet, led by professor George W. Wolfe, Ball State School of Music

1:00-2:00 P.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center

2:15-3:45 P.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center

**Small Cities** 

Small Cities and Airports"

**Keynote Address:** "The Changing Shape of Small Town America," Kenneth T. Jackson, Jacques Barzun Professor of History and the Social Sciences, Columbia University. Presiding will be Blaine A. Brownell, president, Ball State University

Session 8: Getting There: Transportation Issues in

Paper Presentations: Janet Bednarek, associate professor of history, University of Dayton, "If You Build It, They Will Come:

Hannah McKinney, professor of economics, Kalamazoo College, "How Can We Redevelop If You Won't Help Us:

Transportation and the Revitalization of Brownfields" William C. Barnett, graduate student, University of Wisconsin, "Transportation Connections and Disconnections for an Island City: The Changing Paths in and out of Key West, Florida" Moderator/Commentator: J. Paul Mitchell, professor and chair emeritus, urban and regional planning, Ball State University Session 9: The Business and Political Culture in Small Cities Paper Presentations: David Kirchner, associate professor of history, Millikin University, "Urban Regimes in the Small City: Changing a Big-City Model to Fit a Small-City World" Benjamin Nelson Reames, graduate student, Columbia University, "Sleepy Cities and Social Capital: How Local Institutions Prevent Political Activism in Kalamazoo" Craig Semsel, independent scholar, Cleveland, Ohio, "The Transit Systems of Euclid and North Olmsted, Ohio, 1930s-1980s" Moderator/Commentator: Cecil E. Bohannon, professor of economics, Ball State University 4:15-5:45 A.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center Session 10: Challenging Racial Boundaries in Middletown Panelists: Melinda J. Messineo, assistant professor of

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luncheon on Saturday, November 2. There is a separate charge for the conference dinner on Friday, November 1. Registration is due on or before September 15, 2002. The registration charge after September 15 will be \$55. Checks

Students and faculty at Ball State University and members of the Minnetrista Cultural Center may attend the sessions at no charge and purchase separate tickets for the luncheon and dinner, if

Pre-registration (includes conference and luncheon) \$45

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Conference dinner, Friday, November 1

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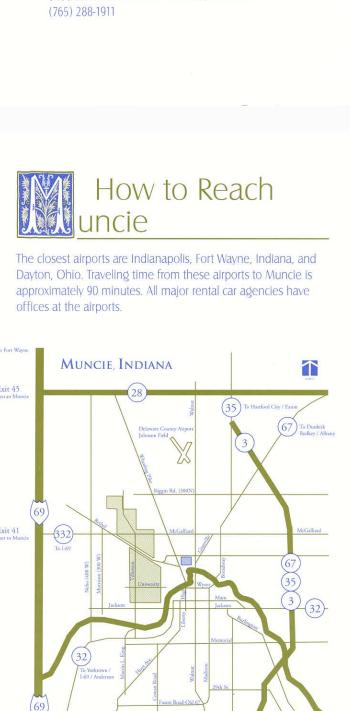
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Sharon Kandris, Social Assets and Vulnerabilities Indicators (SAVI) Project lead, The Polis Center and Bethlehem, Pennsylvania" Michael C. Jarrell, director of automated services, Bracken Library, Ball State University, "Confronting the White Plague: The Outbreak of Tuberculosis in Delaware County, Indiana in 1917-1918" Moderator/Commentator: William G. Eidson, professor of history emeritus, Ball State University 3:15-4:15 P.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center Session 4: Land Use in Central Indiana: Scenarios of **Economic Development** Panelists: John J. Kirlin, director, Center for Urban Policy and the Environment, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis John Ottensman, professor of public affairs, School for Public and Environmental Affairs, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

The World Bank, Washington, D.C. Moderator/Commentator: James Connolly, associate professor of history, Ball State University 10:00-11:30 A.M., Minnetrista Cultural Center Session 6: The Federal Presence in Middletown Panelists: Theodore Caplow, Commonwealth Professor of Sociology, University of Virginia Howard Bahr, professor of sociology, Brigham Young University Louis Hicks, associate professor of sociology, St. Mary's College Moderator/Commentator: Stephen Johnson, professor of sociology, Ball State University Session 7: Race and Community Formation in Two Cultures Paper Presentations: Jack S. Blocker, professor of history, University of Western Ontario, Canada, "Building Networks: Cooperation and Communication Among African-Americans in the Urban Midwest, 1860-1910" Anene Eijkeme, assistant professor and director, Pan-African Studies Program, Barnard College, Columbia University, "Onitsha: An African Urban Scene, 1886-1960" Moderator: Stephanie Beswick, assistant professor of history, **Ball State University** Commentator: Jay Spaulding, professor of history, Kean University, New Jersey Noon, Minnetrista Cultural Center Luncheon

sociology, Ball State University Ione DeOllos, associate professor of sociology, Ball State University Moderator/Commentator: Molly Ford Flodder, executive director, TEAMWork for Quality Living, Muncie, Indiana The information presented here, correct at the time of publication, is subject to change. Ball State University practices equal opportunity in education and employment and is strongly and actively committed to diversity within its community C THE PART OF egistration Name Mailing address\_

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