

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
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HISTORY 402

MR. SCHULTZ

AMERICAN URBAN HISTORY 1870 TO THE PRESENT
11:45-1:00, M,T,W,R, 1111 Hum.

TEXTS:

Howard Chudacoff, THE EVOLUTION OF AMERICAN URBAN SOCIETY
(2d ed.)
Sam Bass Warner, Jr., STREETCAR SUBURBS: THE PROCESS OF
GROWTH IN BOSTON, 1870-1900
William Riordan, PLUNKITT OF TAMMANY HALL
Reprint Collection of Articles on Urban America
(purchase at Kinko's)

Examinations:

There will be two examinations, one scheduled on July 7th, the second a final examination on August 4th. Both examinations will be essay questions and will take place in class. The instructor will hand out study questions in advance of each examination.

Because of the pressures of time and the amount of material in the course, you must do the reading promptly and regularly. If you fall behind, you will find catching-up difficult. You also will profit more from the lectures and discussion of the material when you have read about the topic in advance.

Writing Assignment:

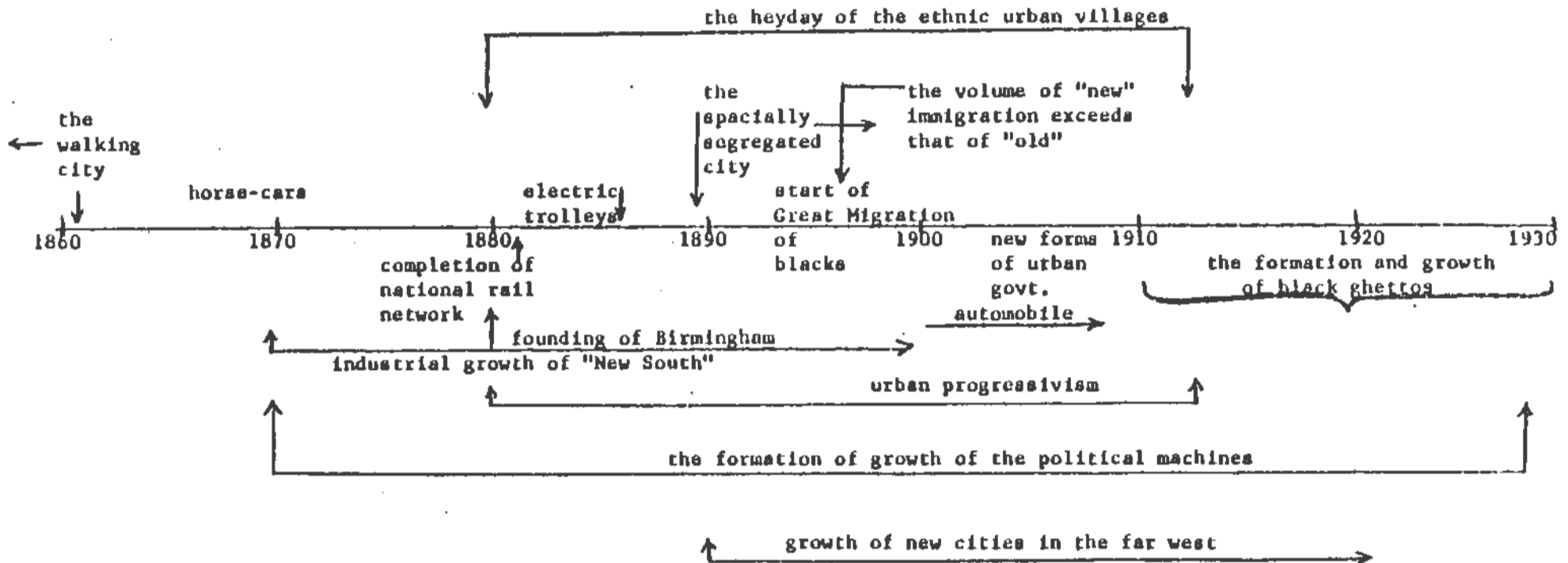
All undergraduate students enrolled in the course will write one short (4-8 pages) essay-review based upon a sufficient variety of materials to allow analysis of differing viewpoints on the subject. Reading for the essay-review will be in addition to that required for the course in general. We will hand out in class a format for the essay-review and a selected set of suggested readings. You are not confined to those readings. You may choose other materials after consultation with the Instructor. Students eager to do a research paper based on primary materials rather than the essay-review may do so. Any and all graduate students enrolled in the course must write an original research paper as must any undergraduate honors students.

Please Note: The instructor has organized lectures under various topical headings rather than in a strictly chronological order. To aid your chronological awareness (this is a history course that discusses changes over time) the instructor has provided two "timelines" that pinpoint items of principal interest to us in this course.

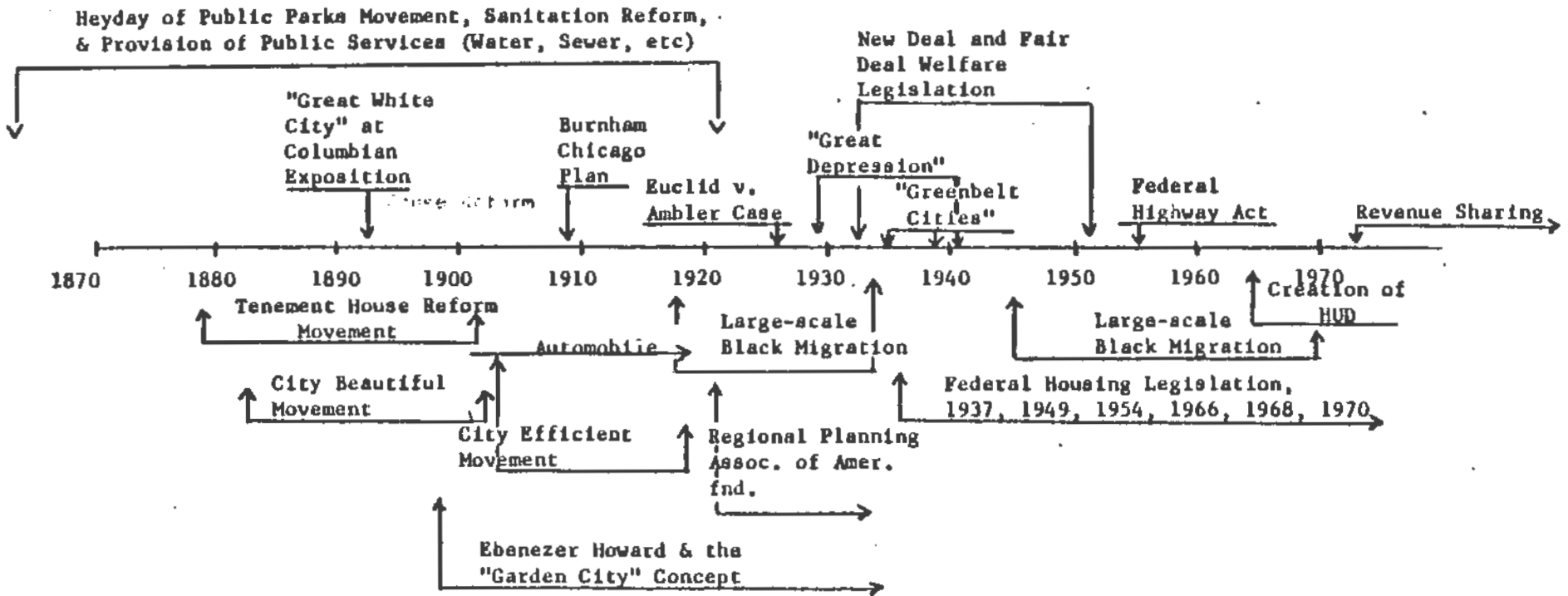
LECTURE TOPICS

<u>Lecture</u>	<u>Date</u>
I. URBAN AMERICA: AN OVERVIEW	
1. The Problems of Urbanization	June 14
2. The City in American Thought and Fiction	15
3. Cities in the Fabric of State and National Government	16
II. THE PHYSICAL RISE OF THE MODERN CITY	
1. Steel Rails and the National Web of Cities	June 20
2. After "Tara": Cities in the "New South"	21
3. The Decline of the "Walking City"	22
4. The Rise of Industrial Urban America	23
III. THE SOCIAL GEOGRAPHY OF AMERICAN CITIES	
1. Work and Workers in Urban America	27
2. The "New" Immigration to the Urban Villages	28
3. The Rise of the Black Ghetto	29
4. Housing the Urban Masses	30
5. A Rush to Suburbia	July 5
* * * * Review Session for Mid-Term * * * *	July 6
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IV. POLITICS AND REFORM IN THE CITIES	
1. City Bosses and the Politics of Survival	July 11
2. Oiling the Urban Machine	12
3. The Urban Origins of Progressive Reform	13
4. Cities in the Great Depression: Last Hurrah or New Hello for Machine Politics?	14
V. A NATION OF CITIES	
1. The City as Sewer	July 18
2. Planning the Metropolis	19
3. Running Cities from the White House: I	20
4. Running Cities from the White House: II	21
5. Civil Rights in Urban America	25
6. From the White House to the Black House: The Pitiful Path to Public Housing	26
7. Urban Renewal or Urban "Removal"?	27
8. The Martial Metropolis	28
VI. THE PRESENT AND FUTURE OF URBAN AMERICA	
1. The "Tanning" of the Nation	Aug. 1
2. Cities for Sale? The Future of Urban America	2
* * * Review Session For Final Examination * * *	3
* * * FINAL EXAM, AUGUST 4 * * *	

TIMELINE OF
MAJOR EVENTS #1



TIMELINE OF MAJOR EVENTS, # 2
(PHYSICAL CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION
OF CITIES)



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Suggested Topics and Readings for Essay-Reviews

Upon consultation with the instructor(s), students may choose one of the following topics, or any other appropriate one of their choice, for the essay-review. We urge you to begin work on this as early in the semester as possible.

Architectural History

Lewis Mumford, The Brown Decades: A Study of the Arts in America, 1865-1895
Vincent Scully, American Architecture and Urbanism

Building

James Marston Fitch, American Building: The Historical Forces that Shaped It (2d ed.)
Carl W. Condit, American Building

Landscape

John B. Jackson, American Space: The Centennial Years, 1865-1876
William H. Whyte, The Last Landscape

Urbanscape

Kevin Lynch, Image of the City
Christopher Tunnard & Boris Pushkarev, Man-Made America: Chaos or Control?

or,

John A. Kouwenhoven, The Columbia Historical Portrait of New York
Harold M. Mayer & Richard C. Wade, Chicago: Growth of a Metropolis

Inter-city Transportation

Jean Gottman, Megalopolis
George N. Hilton & John F. Due, The Electric Interurban Railways in America

Intraurban Transportation

George Rogers Taylor, "The Beginnings of Mass Transportation in Urban America, Parts I and II," The Smithsonian Journal of History, I (Summer, Autumn, 1966), 35-50, 31-54
George M. Smerk, Urban Mass Transportation: A Dozen Years of Federal Policy

Metropolitan Growth

Eric E. Lampard, "History of Cities in Economically Advanced Areas," Economic Development and Cultural Change, III (Jan., 1958), 81-136
Allan Pred, The Spatial Dynamics of U.S. Urban-Industrial Growth, 1800-1914

Urban Biography

Robert M. Fogelson, Fragmented Metropolis, Los Angeles 1850-1930
Bayard Still, Milwaukee (rev. ed.)

Urban History

Urban Crime

- David R. Johnson, Policing the Urban Underworld: The Impact of Crime on the Development of the American Police, 1800-1887
Roger Lane, "Urbanization and Criminal Violence in the Nineteenth Century," Jour. of Social History, II (Dec., 1968)
Humbert Nelli, "Italians and Crime in Chicago, 1890-1920," American Jour. of Sociology (1969)

Urban Violence

- Ellisrud Rudwick, Race Riot in East St. Louis
Kenneth T. Jackson, The Ku Klux Klan in the City, 1915-1930

Police in the City

- James F. Richardson, Urban Police in the United States
Roger Lane, Policing the City: Boston, 1822-1885

Immigrants in the Cities

- Moses Rischin, The Promised City: New York Jews, 1870-1914
Humbert Nelli, The Italians in Chicago, 1880-1930

Blacks in the Cities

- Howard N. Rabinowitz, Race Relations in the Urban South, 1865-1890
St. Clair Drake & Horace Cayton, Black Metropolis

or

- Florette Henri, Black Migration: Movement North 1900-1920
Karl and Alma Taeuber, Negroes in Cities: Residential Segregation and Neighborhood Change

Black Ghettos

- Gilbert Osofsky, Harlem: The Making of a Ghetto
Kenneth L. Kusmer, A Ghetto Takes Shape: Black Cleveland, 1870-1930

Urban Slums

- Gerald D. Suttles, The Social Order of the Slum
Harvey W. Zorbaugh, The Gold Coast and the Slum

Social Mobility in the Cities

- Howard Chudacoff, Mobile Americans: Residential and Social Mobility in Omaha, 1880-1920
Thomas Kessner, The Golden Door: Italian and Jewish Immigrant Mobility in New York City, 1880-1915

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Urban Finances

- Roger E. Alcaly & David Mermelstein (eds.), The Fiscal Crisis of American Cities
Dick Netzer, Economics of the Property Tax, chs. IV, V
George F. Break, Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations in the United States, ch. V

Housing

- Roy Lubove, The Progressives and the Slums
Thomas Lee Philpott, The Slum and the Ghetto: Neighborhood Deterioration and Middle-Class Reform, Chicago, 1880-1930

Landscape Architects and the City

- Laura Wood Roper, FLO: A Biography of Frederick Law Olmsted
Norman T. Newton, Design on the Land: The Development of Landscape Architecture, chs. XXI-XXIV, XXVIII-XXIX, XXXI-XXXIV

Garden Cities

- Ebenzer Howard, Garden Cities of Tomorrow (1898, U.S. edition 1965)
Clarence S. Stein, Toward New Towns for America

City Planning

- Mal Scott, American City Planning since 1890, chs. 1-5
Roy Lubove, Community Planning in the 1920's

Urban Renewal

- Jane Jacobs, The Death and Life of Great American Cities
Charles Abrams, The City is the Frontier, Part II

Urban Planners

- Thomas S. Hines, Burnham of Chicago: Architect and Planner
Robert A. Caro, The Power Broker: Robert Moses and the Fall of New York

Urban Government

- Ernest S. Griffith, A History of American City Government, 1870-1900
Kenneth Fox, Better City Government

Urban "Liberal" Politics

- Frederic C. Howe, The City The Hope of Democracy
John D. Buenker, Urban Liberalism and Progressive Reform

Urban Political Machines

- Seymour Mandelbaum, Boss Tweed's New York
Zane L. Miller, Boss Cox's Cincinnati

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Urban Political Machines (contd)

Theodore J. Lowi, At the Pleasure of the Mayor: Patronage & Power in New York City, 1898-1958

Milton Rakove, Don't Make No Waves, Don't Back No Losers: An Insider's Analysis of the Daley Machine

Urban Reformers

Allen F. Davis, Spearheads for Reform: The Social Settlements and the Progressive Movement, 1890-1914

Melvin G. Holli, Reform in Detroit: Hazen S. Pingree and Urban Politics

Urban-Federal Government Relations

Mark I. Gelfand, A Nation of Cities: The Federal Government and Urban America, 1933-1965

Urban America and the Federal System (Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations Report M-47, October, 1969)

Urban Elites

E. Digby Baltzell, Philadelphia Gentlemen: The Making of a National Upper Class

Robert Dahl, Who Governs? Democracy and Power in an American Community

Urban Workingclasses

John Cumbler, Working-Class Community in Industrial America

Herbert G. Gutman, Work, Culture & Society in Industrializing America, Parts I & III

Workingclass Quarters

Robert A. Woods & Albert J. Kennedy, The Zone of Emergence

Herbert J. Gans, The Levittowners

Company Towns

Stanley Buder, Pullman: An Experiment in Industrial Order and Community Planning

Bennett M. Berger, Working-Class Suburb: A Study of Auto Workers in Suburbia

Religion in the City

Henry F. May, Protestant Churches and Industrial America

Will Herberg, Protestant-Catholic-Jew

Education in the City

David B. Tyack, The One Best System: A History of American Urban Education
Pgs. 71-291

Lawrence A. Cremin, The Transformation of the School