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ABSTRACT

This bibliography consists of 72 publications related to agricultural development, community development, rural development, economic development, and rural sociology. The entries, all published in the 1980s, and available from the National Agricultural Library's (NAL) Rural Information Center, are broken down as follows: 32 journal articles; 15 books; 14 journals; 6 articles of international interest, 5 audiovisual resources; 4 bibliographies; and several indexes and abstract sources. Each entry includes author, title, publication date, publication source, paging, the NAL call number, and, in some cases, a brief abstract. (TES)

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ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY/PATHFINDER: RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SCOPE: Because rural development is a broad topic, it is best to illustrate the scope by including the following definitions. The first four are by Lawrence W. Libby (from "Natural Resource Linkages to Agricultural and Rural Development" in Interdependencies of Agriculture and Rural Communities in the Twenty-First Century; the North Central Region: Conference Proceedings, ed. Peter F. Korsching and Judith Gildner, 79. Ames, Iowa: North Central Regional Center for Rural Development, c1986.)

Agricultural Development: Community development resulting from changes within agriculture, defined to include all activities from production to retail sales. Community of interest is not limited to rural areas; "improvements" involve more than traditional economic variables.

Community Development: Focused change where indicators of improvement include more than economic variables. Feelings of well-being among community members, however that community is defined, might involve a more responsive government, greater opportunity for political access, a sense of having some impact on community change, improved services, or improved economic circumstances.

Economic Development: These directed actions designed to alter economic circumstances of people. Success is measured in per capita incomes, gross national or state product, market share, income share, or some other monetary indicator of economic change.

Rural Development: Community development in nonmetropolitan areas designed to enhance the options for people living there.

The final definition is from Wilkinson, K.P. "In Search of the Community in the Changing Countryside." Rural Sociology. v. 51 (1) p. 13. Spring 1986.

Rural Sociology: Sociology applied toward understanding rural life, and . . . science applied for the purpose of improving the well-being of people in rural areas.

BOOKS

Books about rural development can be found under that subject in the card catalog. Many frequently mentioned are:

Block, John R., Frank W. Naylor, Jr., Willard (Bill) Phillips, Jr. Better Country: A Strategy for Rural Development in the 1980's. Submitted to President Reagan February 4, 1983. NAL Call No.: aHN90.C6U5.

Block, John R., Frank W. Naylor, Jr., Willard (Bill) Phillips, Jr. Rural Development and the American Farm: a Partnership for Progress. July 1984. NAL Call No.: aHN49.C6R87.

Block, John R., Frank Wesley Naylor, and Willard Phillips. Rural Resources Guide: a Directory of Public and Private Assistance for Small Communities. (Washington, D.C.): US Dept. of Agriculture, Office of Rural Development Policy, (1985?). NAL Call No.: aHN90.C6B54.

Bradley, Doug. Revitalizing Rural America: a Cooperative Extension System Response. (Madison, Wis.): Produced by Division of Cooperative Extension, University of Wisconsin-Extension, 1986. 28 p. NAL Call No.: HC103.B7. Included in the RIC reference collection, it is an essential work to read. These first four sources would be the best works to examine once a basic knowledge of rural economics has been acquired.

Carlson, John E., Marie L. Lassey, and William R. Lassey. Rural Society and Environment in America. New York: McGraw-Hill, c1981. xxii, 425 p. NAL Call No.: HT421.C28. A good basic text written at about the undergraduate level.

Economic Research Service. Rural Economic Development in the 1980's: Preparing for the Future. Washington, D.C.: Agriculture and Rural Economy Division, Economic Research Service, US Dept. of Agriculture, 1987. 1 v., various pagings. NAL Call No.: HN90.C6R78. "The papers in this volume provide up-to-date information on changes in the structure and performance of the rural economy and on alternative policies to facilitate the adjustment of displaced people and their communities." (p. i).

Fransman, Martin. Technology and Economic Development. Boulder, Colo.: Westview Press, 1986. 161 p. NAL Call No.: HC59.72.T4F7. Deals with industrialization in developing countries and its effects on economic development. A rather advanced text.

Korsching, Peter F., and Judith Gilmer. Interdependencies of Agriculture and Rural Communities in the Twenty-First Century; the North Central Region: Conference Proceedings. Ames, Iowa: North Central Regional Center for Rural Development, c1986. xvii, 237 p. NAL Call No.: HD1773.A3I5. Stated intention of the conference was to answer two questions: "What is the role of the agricultural sector in a program of rural development?"

How can rural development programs improve both agricultural and nonagricultural sectors of rural America?"

Kuennen, D.S., and S.E. Hastings. Delmarva in the Eighties: a Guide to Social and Economic Characteristics. Newark, Del.: Cooperative Extension Service, University of Delaware, (1985). Extension Bulletin of the University of Delaware Cooperative Extension Service. v. 138. 60p. NAL Call No.: 275.29-D37. Describes regional development programs in Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia.

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. Rural Public Management. Washington, D.C.: OECD Publications and Information Centre, 1986. NAL Call No.: HN49.C6R89. Has a more international scope, but gives good introduction.

Reeder, Richard J. Rural Governments: Raising Revenues and Feeling the Pressure. Washington, D.C.: US Dept. of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, 1985. iii, 51 p. NAL Call No.: aHT392.A53-no. 51. Technically more difficult, but still of value.

Reinschmiedt, L.L. Rural Economic Policies. Mississippi State, Miss.: The Station, May 28, 1987. 13 p. Staff Paper Series-Mississippi State University, Department of Agricultural Economics, Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station. NAL Call No.: S79.S73. Informative about rural development legislation currently in force, but not hopeful about the future. The author concludes with the pessimistic statement, "The only way to solve problems in rural areas is to make them urban areas so that they become urban problems." (p. 11)

Stocker, Frederick D. Research Needs for Rural Public Services. (Washington, D.C.): iv, 16 p. 1985. NAL Call No.: aHN49.C6S7. Identifies possible topics of research spinning off from the National Rural Community Facilities Assessment Study, begun in 1978 and completed in 1983, largely in the area of public services.

United States. Congress. House. Committee on Agriculture. Subcommittee on Department Operations, Research and Foreign Agriculture. Computer-Based Information Systems and Services for Rural America. (Washington, D.C.?: s.n., 1982?). 20 leaves. NAL Call No.: S494.5.I47C66. Contains a very good chronology.

Waterfield, Larry W. Conflict and Crisis in Rural America. New York: Praeger, 1986. iv, 235 p. NAL Call No.: HD256.W35. This excellent source covers a wide range of topics on rural development.

CALL NUMBERS

Call numbers for browsing are found under two classification schemes. The NAL classification scheme was used until 1966. Call numbers in the area of rural development are 1-6, 100, 148-173, 275-278, and 281-287. Under the Library of Congress classification system used since 1966, the call numbers are found in HB, HC, HD1401-2210, HT401-485, and S. Prospective browsers are reminded that a pass, available at circulation and in work areas, is required for admission to the stacks.

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- MacLean, J.T. Appropriate Technology for Rural Development, 1979-March 1986. Beltsville, Md.: National Agricultural Library, 1986. Quick Bibliography Series (86-79). NAL Call No.: aZ5071.N3.
- Rodgers, Pamela H. Financial Management Training Materials for Local Governments: an Annotated Bibliography. Mississippi State, Miss.: Southern Rural Development Center, 1982. iv, 231 p. NAL Call No.: Z7164.L8R6. Not only where to get training materials, but also how to use them.
- Warf, Barney. Nonmetropolitan Growth in the United States: a Bibliography. Chicago, Ill.: Council of Planning Librarians, 1985. 11 p. NAL Call No.: Z690.A1C62-no. 162.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Rural development is a rapidly growing field. Ongoing and ever-changing research projects necessitate the inclusion of core journal articles to provide the most current knowledge. Some attempt has been made to prioritize them if more advanced technical knowledge is required for comprehension.

- Adams, D.W. "Effects of Finance on Rural Development." In Undermining Rural Development with Cheap Credit, ed. D.W.Adams, D.H. Graham, and J.D. von Pischke, 11-21. Boulder, Colo.: Westview Press, c1984. NAL Call No.: HD1440.D44U53. Argues that credit plans can actually impede rural economic growth by

being so readily available that nonpayment statistics increase, thereby lowering the chances of borrowing for others.

- Apthorpe, R. "Agriculture and Strategies: the Language of Development Policy." In Room for Manoeuvre: an Exploration of Public Policy Planning in Agricultural and Rural Development, ed. E.J. Clay and B.B. Schaffer, 127-141. Rutherford, N.J.: Fairleigh Dickinson University Press, 1984. NAL Call No.: HD1417.R66. The relationship between physicalism, institutionalism, and distributionalism as described by the author seems almost to parallel that between the id, the ego, and the superego, putting the article on a very advanced level, although interesting on a philosophical plane. Clay's book itself is interesting to browse, its guiding concept that of the creative aspects possible in policy planning.
- Azam, K.M. "Whither Rural Development?" Agricultural Administration. v. 23 (2) p. 65-73. 1986. NAL Call No.: S3.A32. A well written article in the "teach them to fish" tradition, counseling cooperation and involvement.
- Beale, C.L. "Rural America Today: Progress and Problems in Achieving Development." Proceedings of the Agricultural Outlook Conference. v. 59 p. 585-590. 1982. NAL Call No.: 1.90-C20U8. A good synopsis of rural development on a historical basis, with statistical background. Its predictions seem trustworthy as well.
- Bluestone, H. "The Boom Has Faded, and Many Rural Areas Lag Behind." Farmline. v. 6 (4) p. 12-13. Apr 1985. NAL Call No.: aHD1401.A2U52. Bluestone, of the Economic Research Service, chose his title well. He speaks of the apparent end of the "boom" in rural migration, and the resulting shrinkage of industry.
- Bonner, W.S., and D.E. Voth. "The Changing Composition of the Rural Population." Arkansas Farm Research. v. 34 (4) p. 4. July/Aug 1986. NAL Call No.: 100-AR42F. Compares rural and urban population growth in Arkansas as well as nationally between 1900 and 1980.
- Breimyer, H.F., and L.P. Schertz. "Profile of Farming and Rural America." Yearbook of Agriculture. p. 10-19. 1982. NAL Call No.: 1-AG84Y. An easy-to-read summary.
- Brown, Jr., A. "Rural Communities in an Industrialized Agriculture." Increasing Understanding of Public Problems and Policies. p. 81-84. 1985. NAL Call No.: 275.29-F22. Relatively easy to read.
- Clawson, M. "The Role of the Agricultural Economist." Journal of the Northeast Agricultural Economic Council. v. 12 (2) p. 1-6.

1983. NAL Call No.: HD1773.A2N6. Well-written, almost philosophical discussion of the past, present, and future of economics.

Dillman, D.A. "The Social Impacts of Information Technologies in Rural North America." Rural Sociology. v. 50 (1) p. 1-26. Spring 1985. NAL Call No.: 281.28-R88. A very good non-technical article giving a sense of the history and context of rural sociology.

Dillman, B.L. "Rural Development in an Austere Environment: the Challenge of the Eighties." Southern Journal of Agricultural Economics. v. 14 (1) p. 55-62. July 1982. NAL Call No.: HD101.S6. See below.

Gordon, J.R. "Discussion: Rural Development in an Austere Environment: the Challenge of the Eighties." Southern Journal of Agricultural Economics. v. 14 (1) p. 63-64. July 1982. NAL Call No.: HD101.S6. This article is in response to the previous entry. The issue at hand is Reaganomics and is discussed somewhat more technically than in Schuh's article to follow.

Heddinger, L. "Cooperative Opportunities for Rural Libraries." Rural Libraries. v. 3 (1) p. 61-73. 1983. NAL Call No.: Z675.V7R8. It is interesting to draw comparisons between the opportunities and problems of rural communities and those of rural libraries as revealed in this article.

Kinney, Jr., T.B. "Research to Help Rural Revitalization." Agricultural Research. v. 35 (9) p. 2. Oct. 1987. NAL Call No.: 1.98-AG84. A very good brief discussion.

Linkous, J.D. "Appalachian Local Development Districts Evolve to Meet New Challenges." Appalachia. v. 19 (2/4) p. 22-27. Spring 1985. NAL Call No.: HC107.A13A6. Well-done, detailed article discusses Georgia, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina in particular.

McCoy, D. "Regenerating Rural America." New Farm. v. 9 (1) p. 38-39. Jan 1987. NAL Call No.: S1.N32. This essay seems to be attempting to "sell" small-scale farming to city dwellers, but it describes the emotional issues well.

Miller, J.P. "Rural America Has a Corporate Job Connection." Farmline. v. 6 (7) p. 12-13. July 1985. NAL Call No.: aHD14C1.A2U52. Points out the fact that not all jobs in rural America involve farming.

"New Hope for Rural America." New Farm. v. 9 (2) p. 22-23, 25-26. Feb 1987. NAL Call No.: S1.N32. Well-written article citing rural-based enterprise as the best hope for rural development.

- Pulver, G.C., and G.R. Rogers. "Changes in Income Sources in Rural America." American Journal of Agricultural Economics. v. 68 (5) p. 1181-1187. NAL Call No.: 280.8-J822. A more detailed discussion of the subject of non- and off-farm income.
- Redman, B.J. "Rural Development: a Critique." American Journal of Agricultural Economics. v. 62 (5) p. 1031-1036. NAL Call No.: 280.8-J822. Suggests that economics are overemphasized at the expense of human values.
- Reid, J.N., and J.M. Stam. "Regional Approaches to Rural Government: What Role in the Eighties." Rural Development Perspectives. v. 4 p. 24-27. Sept 1981. NAL Call No.: aHT392.A55. The authors imply that since regional agencies exist to provide services on a larger scale than rural local governments can supply, they will continue to exist only as long as funding is available, federal policies do not change, and other means of providing their services are not found. Interesting perspective on growth of regionalism.
- Rodale, R. "How Healthy is Your Town?" Rodale's Organic Gardening. v. 34 (10) p. 19-20. Oct. 1987. NAL Call No.: S605.5.R64. A good basic introduction written in Rodale's usual readable style.
- "Rural America Makes a Comeback." Farmline. v. 2 (4) p. 10-11. May 1981. NAL Call No.: aHD1401.A2U52. Good general article which indicates that statistics may be self-fulfilling indicators of the services available to rural areas.
- Schuh, G.D. "Reaganomics and Rural Development." Journal of the Northeast Agricultural Economic Council. v. 11 (2) p. 1-5. Fall 1982. NAL Call No.: HD1773.A2N6. As interesting for its background information as for the discussion of economics.
- Thompson, Paul B. "The Social Goals of Agriculture." Agriculture and Human Values. v. 3 (4) p. 32-42. Fall 1986. NAL Call No.: HT401.A36C2. Discusses moral issues of agriculture, such as conservation and efficiency without abuse, from the historical perspective of such philosophers as Locke and Jefferson as well as modernists like Aiken and Berry.
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Wells, B., and S. Padgitt. "Community and Rural Development." Extension Review. v. 56 (1) p. 46-47. Winter 1985. NAL Call No.: 1-EX892EX. Informative brief discussion from the viewpoint of extension sociologists.

Wilcox, D., and B. Brower. "Helping Local Governments into the Computer Age." New York's Food and Life Science Quarterly. v. 16 (4) p. 18-21. 1986. NAL Call No.: S95.E2. There are other articles in the same issue which may be of interest: Paul Eberts' "The Changing Face of Rural New York," and David Monk's "Rural Schools: a Search for Excellence."

Wilkinson, K.P. "In Search of the Community in the Changing Countryside." Rural Sociology. v. 51 (1) p. 1-17. Spring 1986. NAL Call No.: 281.28-R88. Indicates that community development is not often studied from a sociological point of view because the current consensus of opinion seems to be that the rural community as an entity no longer exists. Good discussion.

Williams, D.G. "Goal Conflicts in Rural Economic Development." Agricultural Economics Research. v. 32 (3) p. 21-25. July 1980. NAL Call No.: 1-EC7AGR. Gives a not unintelligible introduction to the concept of linear program and the use of models.

Youmans, R. "The Changing Face of Rural America: Discussion." American Journal of Agricultural Economics. v. 68 (5) p. 1194-1195. Dec. 1986. NAL Call No.: 280.8-J822. A good discussion of basic factors of change, both causal and effective, such as the reduced ties to natural resource industries, more economic diversity, wider range of commerce involvement, and more off-farm and non-farm ventures.

SERIAL TITLES

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- American Journal of Agricultural Economics. Lexington, Ky.:
American Agricultural Economics Association. NAL Call No.:
280.8-J822.
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Economics, University of Kentucky. NAL Call No.: HT390.G74.
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Montana State University. NAL Call No.: 281.28-R88.
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Supt. of Documents, US GPO, distributor. NAL Call No.:
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- Sociology and Rural Life Series. State College, Miss.: Mississippi
Agricultural Experiment Station. NAL Call No.: Film S-725.
- Successful Farming. Des Moines, Iowa: Meredith Corporation. NAL
Call No.: 6-SU12.
- The Rural Sociologist. Ames, Iowa: The Rural Sociological Society.
NAL Call No.: pending. For information, contact RIC.

INDEXES AND ABSTRACTS

There are several indexes and abstracts in which one can find good coverage of terms such as rural areas, rural communities, rural development, and rural planning. Two of the best are publications from CAB Abstracts: Rural Development Abstracts (NAL Call No.: Z5074.E3R8) and Rural Extension, Education, and Training Abstracts (NAL Call No.: Z5074.E8R8). A large section of Sociological Abstracts (NAL Call No.: 241.3-So12) is devoted to Rural Sociology and Agricultural Economics. Agrindex, a publication of the Food

and Agriculture Organization, also contains information in the applicable categories. Its call number is Z5073.A34. The last source valuable enough to be included is United Nations Documents Index, by the Dag Hammerskold Library, found at Z6481.U524.

OF INTERNATIONAL INTEREST

For those interested in the field of rural development as it applies to other countries, the following periodicals may be of interest. The articles cited here are included as a starting point for further browsing.

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Cloke, P. "Implementation, Intergovernmental Relations, and Rural Studies: a Review." Journal of Rural Studies. v. 2 (3) p. 245-253. 1986. NAL Call No.: HT401.J68. Although its interest is primarily British, this article is a good basic overview.

Conover, T. "A Cooperative Beyond Borders." Grassroots Development. v. 9 (2). p. 43-51. 1985. NAL Call No.: HC121.J68. Another case study dealing with Latin America, it summarizes many of the problems of rural development in one statement: "You cannot do development by simply making gifts."

Enyedi, Gyorgy, and Joeke Veldman, eds. Rural Development Issues in Industrialized Countries. Budapest: Centre for Regionalized Studies, 1986. NAL Call No.: HN49.C6R8719. Covers a wide range.

Lindley, W.I. "Rural Youth in the Less Developed Areas." Agricultural Education Magazine. v. 57 (7), p. 8-10. Jan 1985. NAL Call No.: 275.8-AG8. This article covers Southern Asia, South America, and Latin America.

Williams, Simon, and Ruth Karen. Agribusiness and the Small-Scale Farmer: a Dynamic Partnership for Development. Boulder, Colo.: Westview Press, 1985. xv, 319 p. NAL Call No.: HD1417.W5. The stated scope is the Third World.

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Economic Research Service, US Dept. of Agriculture. Your Hometown. Washington, D.C.: Economic Research Service, 1987. 1 videocassette (1 hour). NAL Call No.: pending. For information, contact RIC.

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