

BOOK NOTES

Proceedings of the IAHS International Symposium on Housing Problems 1976

Over 100 papers presented at the International Association of Housing Science Symposium on Housing Problems in Atlanta, May 24-28, 1976, are arranged in the two volume conference *Proceedings*. The papers cover virtually all aspects of housing from the design of solar homes to "The Socio-psychological Effects of Residence in Different Structure Types Upon the Poor." The two volume set may be ordered for \$30 by IAHS members, and \$40 by non-IAHS members, from:

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Quality Housing Environment for Rural Low Income Families, Bulletin Y-102, Tennessee Valley Authority, Muscle Shoals, Alabama, 35660. 1976, 124 pp. (Single Copies Free)

This booklet presents the proceedings of a workshop of the same title, conducted in September 1975 by the Tennessee Valley Authority, the S-95 Regional Research Technical Committee, and the Southern Rural Development Center. The purpose of the workshop was to increase communication among housing researchers and consumers of research—policy makers and extension personnel. Among the AAHE members who participated in the workshop by giving papers or conducting workshops were Tariq Durrani, Homer Hurst, Kandi McKown, Jessie Mize, Alice Stubbs, Alice Underwood, Kay Stewart, Savannah Day, Mary

Wallace Crocker, Doris Needham, Frances Fortenberry, Betty Campbell, and Walter Moran.

The proceedings reflect the wide array of disciplines represented and are divided into two basis parts—papers presented and the reports of the six workshop groups. The papers give excellent background information, including bibliographies, and cover the topic areas of "Regional Growth Patterns Affecting the Rural South", "The Role of Technology in Housing", "The Constraints to Improved Housing", and "The Future of Rural Housing in the South". The workshop recommendations and discussion topics would form the basis for interesting class discussions.

Although focussed on the south, the problems presented are the basic housing problems of the U.S., particularly of rural areas. This booklet would be of value to all housing educators, as the real problem focus is not the regional problem, but the problem of effecting change by influencing policy decisions.

—Suzanne Lindamood

Housing and Social Policy, by Chester W. Hartman. (Englewood Cliffs, N.J.: Prentice-Hall, 1975.)

This book would be a useful addition to any course on housing policy. The author is an advocate of relatively radical positions, such as the outrageous proposition that everyone has the right to decent housing. Even those who disagree with Hartman's assumptions, however, will find his analysis to be enlightening.

—Sherman Hanna

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