London School of Economics 編集発行の Population Studies が経営不振で発行コストが上昇していることに主として起因している。すでに会費は年間 100ドル近くになっており、ここで来年さらに会費が上るならば、貧しい途上国や為替事情の非常に悪い東欧諸国の会員にとって会員たり続けることが困難になることが指摘されている。そこでこれ以上 Population Studies 発行のコストが上るならば、国際人口学会は Population Studies 以外に独自のジャーナルを発行することに踏み切り、Population Studies への負担を止めるべきとの意見が強かった。したがってもうしばらく Population Studies の成り行きを見守るが、最悪の時にはそれに代る新しい発表雑誌の創刊も考えられることになった。

(河野稠果記)

国際人口学会「アジアにおける出生力転換:多様性と変化」に関するセミナー

国際人口学会(IUSSP)の出生力と家族計画の比較分析に関する委員会は、表記のセミナーをタイの首都バンコクのチュラロンコン大学において1988年3月27日から31日にかけて開催した。本研究所から大谷憲司技官が同会議に出席する予定であったが病気のため欠席し、論文のみを提出した。会議の内容は以下の通りである。

Session I: Overview papers on the timing and the nature of the fertility transition in Asia

- The empirical evidence of fertility transition in Asia by Iqbal Alam and J. R. Rele
- Initial patterns of starting, stopping and spacing. Do these patterns affect the course of fertility decline? by Peter McDonald

Session II: Regional Differentials within Large Asian Countries

Papers should emphasize interpretation, but another of their aims is also to document the differentials.

- · Regional fertility differentials in India and their causes by K. Srinivasan
- · Regional fertility differentials in China and their causes by Xizhe Peng
- Regional fertility differentials in Indonesia and their causes by Terence Hull and Sri Harijati Hatmadji

Session III: Cross National Differences

- Muslim fertility differences across countries by Sultan Ahmad and Lado Ruzicka
- · Chinese sub-group fertility differences across countries by Zeng Yi & He Fenggin
- Ethnic fertility differences: a comparison of Singaporean and Malaysian experience by Saw Swee Hock
- Fertility transition in Asia: a perspective from seven cross-national micro-demographic studies by Ian Pool

Session IV: Country Studies on Social Change and Fertility

A. High Fertility

 Continuing high fertility in Bangladesh, Nepal and Pakistan and its causes by Iqbal Shah and John Cleland

B. Retardation

- Retardation of fertility decline in Sri Lanka and its causes by Shyam Thapa and Linda Piccinino
- · Retardation of fertility decline in the Philippines and its causes by Josefina Cabigon
- Retardation of fertility decline in Malaysia and its causes by Tan Boon Ann and Richard Leete

C. Continuous decline

- The reasons for continuous fertility decline to low levels in the Republic of Korea and other Asian countries by Kwon Tai Hwan
- · The reasons for continuous fertility decline to low levels in China by Jiang Zhenghua

Session V: Consequences of Rapid Fertility Decline

- Consequences of rapid fertility decline on women's life-cycle behaviour and resources for children by Mayling Oey & Peter Gardiner
- · Consequences of rapid fertility decline on old age security by Gavin Jones
- Consequences of fertility decline in Matlab: a test of a child survivorship hypothesis by Badrud Duza
- · The social consequences of rapid fertility decline in China by Liu Zheng & Liu Lihua
- · The social consequences of rapid fertility decline in Japan by Kenji Otani & Makoto Atoh

Session VI: Special Session on Issues Concerning Demographic Transition in Thailand — Napaporn Chayovan

- Fertility decline in Thailand: the Chiang Mai experience by Tieng Pardthaisong
- Health availability and development and mortality decline in Thailand by Santhat Sermsri
- Nuptiality patterns in Thailand : their implications for further fertility decline by Bhassorn Limanonda
- Fertility revolution in Thailand: implication and its consequences by Apichat Chamratrithirong
- Impact of integration of population in development on fertility transition in Thailand by Warren Robinson & Jawalaksana Rachapaetayakom

Session VII: Overview - John C. Caldwell

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