NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kress Society

On 26 January 1983 Professor Arjo Klamer (Wellesley College) applied a Lakatosian framework to the controversial new macroeconomics centering about the Muth view of expectations. Klamer stated that empirical testing will not decide who is right. Economists use a variety of subterfuges, strategies and appeals to emotion to win allies and retain adherents. Klamer recounted interviews and written evidence he discussed with Tobin on the one hand and Lucas and Sargent on the other, in order to substantiate his description of how economics progresses. A lively discussion followed which in itself added support to Klamer's position. Klamer allowed Hume and Hegel to have the last words: "Reason is and ought to be the slave of Passion" (David Hume), and "The organ of mediation between finite and infinite is love, not reflection" (Hegel).

The club's new managing director (and the one to contact if you are passing through the Boston area and wish to address the Kress Society) is Professor Philip Mirowski (Tufts University/Economics/Medford/MA/02155.

Laurence S. Moss Babson College

1983 History of Economic Thought Conference

The 1983 History of Economic Thought Conference will be held at Ashburne Hall, University of Manchester, 6-8th September. The Conference fee will be £45.00. Provisional contributions are as follows: B. A. Corry (Queen Mary College, London), "Real Wages and Employment: What did Keynes Really Mean and How Were His Views Subverted?"; M. Evans (University of Manchester), "Marx and Classical Political Economy"; M. Farmer (University Sussex), "Some Thoughts on the Past, Present and Future of the Rational Actor in Economics"; John King (University of Lancaster), "E. S. Cayley"; A. Murphy University of Dublin), "Some Aspects of the Development of Economic Thought in France, 1750-56"; I. Steedham (University of Manchester), "Heterogeneous Labour, Money Wages and Marx's Theory"; K. Tribe (University of Keele), "The 'Nationalokonomie; of Frederich List"; and G. Vanderwalle University of Antwerp), "Sismonde de Sismondi: Liberal, Utopian Socialist, Interventionist, Scientific Socialist or Romantic?".

Further details and booking form are available from Janice Hammond, Department of Economics, University of Manchester, Manchester, M13 9PL.

HES Endowment Fund

The History of Economics Society announces the formation of an Endowment Fund. The purposes of the Fund are consonant with those of the Society, in part, to promote interest and inquiry into the history of economics and to facilitate communication and discourse among scholars working in the field. More specifically the fund may be used to provide special awards to scholars, for example, the Distinguished Fellow Awards or possibly annual awards for outstanding dissertations in the field; and to facilitate participation in the meetings of the Society of foreign scholars not otherwise available. The Fund will be available for such and other uses consonant with the purposes of the Society and the Fund as designated by the Executive Committee of the Society, expenditures generally to be limited to income from the Fund. Contributions to the Fund may be made by direct, perhaps annual, contribution and by testamentary disposition. The Society has been approved by IRS so that contributions are deductible for either income or estate tax purposes.

Joint AEA-HES Sessions at the Annual Allied Social Sciences Meeting

San Francisco December 1983

Session I: MARXIAN ECONOMICS AND THE ECONOMICS OF KARL MARX

Presiding: "Marx on Interconnections Between Alienation and Exploita-

tion," John E. Elliott, University of Southern California

"Marx and Malthusianism: Marx's Secular Path of Wages,"

Samuel Hollander, University of Toronto

"On Exploitation and Domination," John E. Roemer, University

of California at Davis

Discussants: M. Bronfenbrenner

Murray Wolfson, Oregon State University

Session II: STRUCTURAL AND AGGREGATIVE METHODOLGIES IN

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

Presiding: Lawrence A. Boland, Simon Fraser University

Papers: "Linking Mainstream Macroeconomics, Microeconomics and

Keynesian Economics," John M. Letiche, University of Cali-

fornia at Berkeley

"On Keynes's Method," Donald E. Moggridge, University of

Toronto

"The 'Ricardo Effect' Controversy in Light of Keynes," Lawrence

S. Moss, Babson College

Discussants: L. A. Boland

David Levy, George Mason University

Session III: CLASSICAL AND NEO-CLASSICAL MONETARY ECONOMICS

Presiding: Charles F. Peake, University of Maryland

Papers: "Free-Trade v. Central Banking: The Real Bills Doctrine from

Acceptance to Rejection," Arieh Arnon, Technion, Israel Uni-

versity of California at Berkeley

"The Gold Standard: The Traditional Approach," Michael D.

Bordo, University of South Carolina at Columbia

"Walrasian and Classical Monetary Theory Reconsidered,"

Thomas F. Kompas, Iowa State University

Discussants: C. F. Peake

Milton Friedman, Hoover Institute, Stanford