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RESEARCH IN PROGRESS:

Erik Brandt (University of Nijmegen) is pursuing doctoral research on “Culture and violence: Anthropologists studying violent confrontation in Highland New Guinea and the Balkans.”

James Goodman (Rutgers University) is pursuing a project on liberals and radicals who changed their minds about race, 1965-1995.

John P. Jackson (Florida State University) is pursuing doctoral research on the social scientists (including Robert Redfield) who were active in the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund’s campaign to desegregate schools in the United States, culminating in the Supreme Court decision in *Brown v. Topeka Board of Education*.

Maria Lepowsky (University of Wisconsin) is carrying on research on the career of Charlotte Gower, one of the early doctorates of the University of Chicago, who taught at Wisconsin during the 1930s, travelled in China after being fired from Wisconsin in 1937, and subsequently worked as an analyst for the CIA.

David Madden (Ohio State University) is pursuing research on a dissertation tentatively entitled “How American anthropologists transformed discipline into institutions to protect intellectual autonomy, 1945-1963.”

Suzanne Marchand (Princeton) is pursuing a project on “Ethnographic Romanticism and the Decline of the West: German Primitivism and Exoticism, 1880-1970).

Rebecca Pels (University of Virginia) is at work on a doctoral dissertation, tentatively entitled “Creating African studies: The politics of area studies in the U.S. 1945-65”

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II. Recent Work by Subscribers

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