

Note to Readers

The 1999 issue of *The Florida Geographer* contains three articles and a bibliography provided by the staff and members of the Florida Geographical Alliance. The Alliance pays for the publication of the *Florida Geographer*, and its members pay dues to the Florida Society of Geographers. When I accepted the editorship of the journal, I believed that one of its missions would be to disseminate geographical knowledge among Alliance members. I hope that the Alliance will continue to submit articles to the journal. In addition to the three Alliance articles, there is one jointly written by a geography student and professor from the University of Florida, another from a geography professor at the University of South Alabama, and one from two meteorology graduate students and their professor at Florida State University. Since submissions were less this year than last, I am publishing an article based on research that I have been doing for many years concerning Florida cities.

I thought that the Society might celebrate the millenium with an issue devoted to the future of Florida. I had the idea to request these articles from professional geographers as well as K-12 teachers. I, however, was dissuaded from doing so by several people. It was their opinion that it would be difficult to find people who would volunteer to write these articles, and even more difficult to get some of those who accepted to complete their papers during the prescribed period. Since submissions were slower this year than last, as the year progressed I came to agree with their view. I continue to believe that the *Florida Geographer* is a good venue for quality student papers. I want to express my appreciation to those professors this year who encouraged their students to submit papers, and hope more will do so next year. Meanwhile, this year as in previous ones, I shall continue the search for potential articles by pouring over the convention programs of the Florida Society, the Southeastern Division of the AAG, and also that of the national AAG.

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