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The **8th National Congress of Philosophy** has been held at the **National University of Mar del Plata** 27 November - 1 December 1995. Although the number of papers was unexpectedly high, only three of them were devoted to Leibniz' thought: **Oscar Esquisabel** on "Ratio universalis. The Leibnizian Order of the Sciences: Analysis and Synthesis," **Evelyn Vargas** on "Juridical Topic and Mathematical Tradition in the Leibnizian Concept of 'Case'," and **A. Guillermo Ranea** on "Monads on the Silk Road: How to keep an Empire within the Pinhead of Rationality." Two outstanding Leibniz scholars attending the Congress, **Quentín Racionero Carmona** (Madrid) and **E. de Olaso** (Latinamerican Leibniz Society) devoted their contributions to the forthcoming celebration of the fourth centenary of Descartes' birth.

The Conference on Early Modern Philosophy with a special section on Leibniz announced (in last year's "News from Argentina") by the Department of Philosophy of the National University of La Plata for 1995 has been postponed until November 1996. Scholars interested in attending the Conference are warmly invited to contact Dr. A. Guillermo Ranea (Departamento de Filosofía, Facultad de Humanidades, Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Calle 48 e/ 6 y 7 Piso 4°, La Plata 1900, Argentina; Fax: (0054) (21) 25 37 90.

We hopefully expect that the doctoral dissertations on Leibniz by the above-mentioned young scholars Esquisabel and Vargas at the Department of Philosophy of La Plata (under the direction of A. G. Ranea) will be finished in 1996.