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**Isaiah Bowman (1878-1950)**
- American geographer educated at Harvard and Yale, where he taught from 1905-15.
- Published on physical geography, regional geography (mainly South America), and political geography. Most noteworthy work: *The New World*, 1921.
- Chief territorial adviser to President Woodrow Wilson at the Versailles Peace Conference.
- His work at Versailles helped to demonstrate the applied value of the discipline of geography.
- President, Johns Hopkins University, 1935-1948.

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**Ethnographic map of Jugo-Slavia, 1921, from *The New World*, by Isaiah Bowman**

**Resource production and consumption map from *The New World*, by Isaiah Bowman**
Countries At War, 1914

Fenneman’s diagram from “The Circumference of Geography”

The “Fractional Code” For Land Use Mapping
Developed in 1933 by Vernon C. Finch

- Facilitated detailed study of small areas to help identify unifying characteristics of broad regions.
- Major step in promoting geography as a tool for planners.
- A manual GIS?
- Used numbers or alpha-numerics (e.g., 6a) to identify different kinds of land use. By combining them as fractions on maps, multiple characteristics could be shown.
- Study focused on Montfort, Wl.

Carl O. Sauer
1889-1975

- Professor of Geography, U.C. Berkeley, 1923-57. Chairperson for 30+ years.
- Supervised 40 doctoral dissertations, several by people of future prominence.
- Founder of the sub-discipline of cultural geography (“the Berkeley School”).
- Saw culture as an active force that shapes and modifies the physical environment (not vice versa).
- Fervent opponent of environmental determinism.

“The Berkeley School” of Cultural Geography

- Focuses on the impact of human culture (especially material culture) on the land.
- Sees culture as an active agency that can transform a passive natural landscape into a cultural landscape that reflects the cultural attributes of the human modifiers – which is rather the opposite of environmental determinism.
- The cultural landscape, therefore, is viewed as the principal unit of study.
- A cultural landscape may itself be subsequently transformed time and again by future occupants, resulting in a cultural landscape consisting of features put in place by different peoples from different times and cultures.

From Carl O. Sauer, The Morphology of Landscape”