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The Ellis W. Hawley Prize

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Ellis W. Hawley

The OAH is pleased to announce a new prize honoring Ellis W. Hawley, emeritus professor of history, University of Iowa. The prize will be awarded annually for the best book or dissertation on the political economy, politics, or institutions of the United States, concerning its domestic or international affairs, from the Civil War to the present.

Known especially for his pathbreaking work on the history of the United States in the 1920s and 1930s, Professor Hawley has set a magnificent example over more than 30 years of teaching and scholarship. Beloved for his generosity, he is legendary for his devotion to the careful reading, editing, and encouragement of the work of others; and this devotion has never

been limited to his students, but has long extended to the many scholars who have made the figurative pilgrimage to Iowa City, attracted by a man of unusually penetrating intelligence and selflessness. Made possible, then, by the gratitude of many, including the 28 members of a core "Organizing Committee," the Hawley Prize is dedicated to a gentle and self-effacing scholar, as well as to a historian of the first rank.

Author of *The New Deal and the Problem of Monopoly* and *The Great War and the Search for a Modern Order*, Professor Hawley has been a leading student of the modern state and political economy. His conceptual flair, notably his exploration of the American search for an "associational" order, via media, between laissez-faire and statism, has inspired political scientists and historical sociologists, as well as two generations of historians. His work has challenged scholars to move beyond familiar themes of discontinuity and conflict to confront the American political economy's stubborn tendency to construct planning and cooperative institutions that blur the distinction between public and private spheres. Indeed,

in drawing attention to the continuing tendency of private institutions to assume public roles, Hawley's work has compelled scholars of reform, social welfare, state-building, managerialism, and philanthropy to reconsider the meanings of public and private in American life.

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From the OAH President

This is an especially difficult time of year for advanced Ph.D. candidates in history. Some are still at their home institutions hoping for positions to open up and interviews to materialize. Others are waiting to learn the outcome of applications or interviews. Still others, feeling somewhat demoralized, may be wondering whether it is worthwhile even struggling to complete their dissertations.

Consequently I want to share an unknown narrative concerning one of the most distinguished historians of the United States to practice our craft in this century, a man who came perilously close to leaving his dissertation unfinished and abandoning the profession. I am referring to David M. Potter (1911-71), author of *The Impending Crisis, 1848-1861* (1976), *History and American Society* (1973), *The South and the Sectional Conflict* (1968), *People of Plenty* (1954), and other works.

Potter entered the graduate program in history at Yale in 1932. After four years in residence he left, his dissertation not far along, and became an instructor in the history department at the University of Mississippi, where he took his teaching obligations very seriously. In 1938 he moved to the Rice Institute in Houston where he continued to be a conscientious teacher and established a life-long habit of perfectionism while working at his dissertation. Yale's regulations, however, stipulated that candidates who did not finish within seven years must be dropped from the rolls.

Precisely because the American historians at Yale regarded Potter so highly, in March of 1938 they began imploring him by mail to finish, regaling him with tales of first-rate former students who never finished their degrees because they procrastinated, perfected, or unwisely chose to teach summer school (as Potter did in 1938) rather than writing their dissertations. As Leonard W. Labaree (responsible for administering the graduate program) explained to Potter in a letter of warning:

I would not sermonize you in this fashion if I thought you were just an average

person, but I feel that you have capabilities and promise as a productive scholar which you must not allow to atrophy. I realize the value and broadening experience of your teaching but there is such a thing as overdoing it. You also have, perhaps, a tendency toward being a "perfectionist" in your scholarly work—a quality admirable only if present in limited quantities.

One year later, nearing the close of his seventh year of candidacy, Potter recognized that he would be unable to complete four remaining chapters in less than a month. Consequently, confessing his acute humiliation, he petitioned the history department for a one-year extension. He explained that since leaving New Haven in 1936 he had never taught less than three courses per term and had never taught the same course twice! "I have thought all along," he told Ralph H. Gabriel, "and still think that these academic duties deprived me of any normal opportunity to push projects of my own...."

But I am conscious that, with extraordinary diligence and judgment, I might have overcome the obstacles in question, and that I must forfeit your confidence for the present." He then made a pledge: "if granted an extension, I will either finish the business during the coming summer or abandon my doctoral aspirations altogether."

For reasons that are unclear from Potter's papers at Stanford, he then received from the director of graduate studies a terminal date of May 1, 1941, a two-year extension! Potter met the deadline comfortably, and in 1942 the Yale University Press published his truly distinguished dissertation as *Lincoln and His Party in the Secession Crisis*. In 1942 Yale promptly brought Potter back as an assistant professor of history. Five years later, even before being promoted to a tenured associate professorship, he went off to Oxford to serve a term as the Harmsworth Professor of American History. He achieved so much success there that Oxford pleaded with him to continue for another year; but Yale pulled him back, put him in charge of its American Studies program, made him a full professor in 1949 and one year later advanced him to the Coe professorship. From high anxiety to the pinnacle of success within a decade. Sometimes virtue really is rewarded! □

A Message of Hope

Michael Kammen

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The Western History Association



For nearly 35 years the Western History Association (WHA) has maintained a tradition of camaraderie uncommon among professional historical groups. More recently it has gained a reputation for its spirited annual meetings, where differences perhaps more than fellowship seem to shape the atmosphere. Accommodation and conflict both characterize the WHA. "People talk so much about the New Western historians versus the Old Western historians," says Howard Lamar, "yet the 'reconciliationists,' the generation after the New Western historians exists already, and the WHA is lively and well because it embraces all of these."

Since its inception and first meeting in Santa Fe in 1961 the WHA has attracted and served diverse constituencies. When Jack Carroll first discussed his idea of launching an association for westernists with Don Cutter in 1959, Robert Utley recently recalled, they enlisted his help as a National Park Service historian partly as a way of tapping into the large community of western history buffs. Besides these enthusiasts and a core group of frontier historians who admired Ray Allen Billington, the early WHA included a broad constituency of librarians, museum officials, geographers, political scientists, anthropologists, and a strong showing of art historians.

Many of the non-historians have dropped out of the group over the years, but history buffs were and are an important part of the membership, though it is not easy to determine precisely what was or is meant by "history buff." Some members who in the 1960s were considered buffs might today be considered public historians; and many of the early professional luminaries had for years been linked to groups of history buffs. In fact, many of the early members of the WHA were part of The Westerners, an organization of Western Americana enthusiasts begun in Chicago during the 1940s.

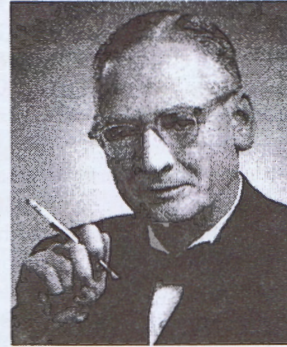
Historian, public historian, history buff, student of western history—however the association describes its various constituents, it has attracted a large and loyal

membership. Some 300 individuals registered in Santa Fe for the First Conference on the History of Western America; today, the association consists of 1,970 individuals and 69 institutions. Although more than 70 percent of the members reside in western states—with California, Colorado, and Texas alone accounting for one-third of all members—the WHA is represented in every state and in several foreign countries.

Even as the association has grown it has continued to attract a sizeable portion of its membership to its conference each year. The Denver 1995 meeting was no exception with approximately all WHA tending.

Lamar, who joined the WHA in 1962 and was president in 1972-73, suggests that this high turnout is due to "a sense of and purposeful... sense of excitement that the annual becomes a real event." Ray Allen Billington, first president of WHA in 1986-87 and a member who has attended every annual meeting, adds that so many spouses were made to feel included at the early conferences that the yearly event took on an air of sociality unmatched, except perhaps by the old Southern Historical Association.

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"polarizing" or "decivilizing" effect in the discipline. Either way, as social event or arena for controversy, the annual conference releases tension and brings members together at least once a year, literally, on common ground.

The topics of papers as well as the people presenting them at the annual meeting have changed in recent years. Norris Hundley, Jr., WHA president last year, noted several trends in annual meeting programs over the years. In 1976, the most highly attended meeting in the WHA's history, women represented only 13 percent of paper presenters and 8 percent of session chairs; in 1995 they accounted for 30 percent of presenters and 21 percent of chairs. In 1976 only 21 percent of the papers discussed non-Anglo westerners (i.e., Native Americans and Chicanos); in 1995 this figure had risen to 40 percent (i.e., Native Americans, Chicanos/Mexicanos, Asian Americans, African Americans, Mestizos, and Native Hawaiians.) Still, some longtime favorite paper topics remain popular. Hundley found that in 1976 and 1995 women's history, the trans-Mississippi West, and 20th-century history were the three most frequent subjects of sessions.

Another way in which the WHA knits together its diverse constituencies is through its publications. The *Western Historical Quarterly*, first published in January 1970, is the association's scholarly journal. From 1964 until it went out of business in 1990, *The American West* was the association's lavishly illustrated magazine. *Montana The Magazine of Western History* has taken its place since that time in providing a more broadly popular publication for WHA members and others interested in the American West.

In addition to these outlets for scholarly work, the WHA supports excellence in historical writing with 11 awards for books, articles, essays, and research. For information about these, or for membership, publications, or conference information, contact the Western History Association, 1080 Mesa Vista Hall, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM 87131-1181; (505) 277-5234; fax(505) 277-6023. □

From the Archivist of the United States

John Carlin

I am pleased to be asked to establish a column from the Archivist of the United States in this newsletter. I want to use this as an opportunity to share mutual concerns and keep the OAH membership advised of our initiatives and the progress we are making at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). I think it is important that we improve communications between NARA and OAH, two key organizations in advancing the history and protecting the archival record of this country.

First, I want to thank you for your words of support and concern regarding the future of government records management in general, and NARA in particular, that were voiced in the open letter from Arnita Jones in the last issue. As was also reported there, I have begun a Strategic Directions Initiative to re-evaluate our operations from top to bottom and radically change our management and social processes.

I have been told it will be impossible to make these changes at NARA, and in your open letter you indicated what a particularly difficult challenge it would be. But I believe we can change for two important reasons. First, NARA is an agency with a truly noble purpose. We are not just any government agency. We will have an impact on whether this country is a democracy at the end of the next century. There is a direct correlation between the decline in public trust in the government and the government's willingness to be open and honest with its citizens. By making our mission of ready access to essential evidence a reality, we will play a dramatic role in ensuring that government remains open and accountable. Second, we have a special group of people who work for this agency. I know the staff understands the importance and significance of our mission and is committed to its work.

The first step of the Strategic Directions Initiative was to sharpen the definition of what NARA is and where it is going by developing the following mission: NARA ensures, for the Citizen and the Public Servant, for the President and the Congress and the Courts, ready access to essential evidence. I believe strongly in the principle of ready access. That is why I was especially pleased that on December 15 the Solicitor General of the United States decided not to appeal the case, *American Historical Association et al. v. John W. Carlin*. This case concerned the agreement made in January 1993 between President George Bush and former Archivist Don Wilson regarding the disposition of computer files transferred from the White House to NARA.

In the future I intend for NARA, myself included, to be more proactive in working with presidential administrations. If we can develop a strong, positive partnership with the White House as soon as a new administration takes office, we can help avoid these costly court battles. Being active on the front lines of records administration with the White House and with Federal agencies is an important element in achieving our mission of ready access to essential evidence.

I am also pleased with the results of our 1996 appropriations bill. In addition to the usual operating expenses, we received special appropriations of \$1.5 million for repairs and alterations for our facilities and \$4.5 million dollars for expanding public access to essential evidence from NARA's holdings. This public access appropriation is the result of special interest from Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska and will continue our current electronic access project. The new money will be used to develop a comprehensive on-line catalog of our holdings and to further develop our public access gateway to the World Wide Web.

Additionally, the digitization of several thousand pages of records to illustrate the breadth and value of our holdings will bring them directly to classrooms, public libraries, and the homes of the American people. Finally, this bill directs that the Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO) be transferred to NARA. ISOO has responsibility for the implementation of federal classification and declassification policies. Overall, this budget will allow us to continue all of our basic operations, undertake some needed repairs, and begin to improve our public access capabilities while we continue our strategic planning process.

NARA has to make fundamental changes in the way it functions and in the culture in which it operates, or it will become irrelevant. I have been preaching this message of change for several months in small group meetings across the entire agency. I am also building a senior management leadership group at NARA and a Strategic Directions Team. We will gather information and ideas from staff, past committees, and task forces about achieving our mission.

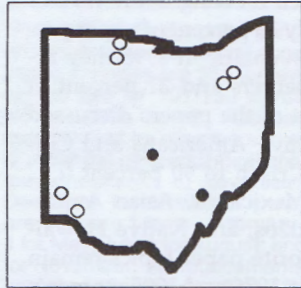
The plan that emerges will be my plan, one that I am comfortable implementing and one that I am confident will set this agency on the right course. Before the plan is finalized, it will be widely circulated and discussed both within and outside the agency. I want to get input from all of the groups, like OAH, that have a stake in the future of NARA.

We do have the people and the talent to fundamentally change NARA. We will continue to fight for access, be an advocate for openness and accountability in government, and work to meet the challenges of access and dissemination in this information age. We will push to be recognized as a source of information, a public trust, that American democracy cannot do without. □

New Directions for History Doctoral Programs?

John R. Dichtl

Ohio Regents Cut Funding for History Ph.D. Programs



Ohio's Board of Regents voted on December 1, 1995, to reduce the state's investment in its history doctoral programs. Six of Ohio's eight public universities authorized to offer the Ph.D. in history lost all state funding for any new doctoral students, and two of these—the University of

Akron and Miami University—have decided to no longer admit new doctoral students. History departments at Bowling Green State University, the University of Cincinnati, Kent State University, and the University of Toledo have yet to determine whether or not they will continue admitting doctoral students for whom there will be no state support.

The cuts at these six schools were in addition to the Board of Regents' decision in November to scale back funding at Ohio University to include only doctorates in Contemporary History while continuing the comprehensive program at Ohio State University. Eliminating six programs and narrowing a seventh, the regents expect to save the state up to \$1.5-\$2 million annually. Doctoral students currently enrolled will continue to be funded by the state until they complete their degrees.

History, Computer Science, and Psychology were the first of nine disciplines at the Ph.D. level to be reviewed by the Board of Regents. On November 17, 1995, the regents decided to continue and possibly increase the state subsidy for Ohio's four Computer Science doctoral programs and to continue supporting all nine of the state's doctoral programs in Psychology.

Review of the history programs began when the eight departments were each asked to do a major self-study, using historians from outside as evaluators. These reports then became the basis for two rounds of reviews by an external panel of historians, and then by the regents'

own Committee on State Investment. This first group, which a regents' press release described as "an External Panel of distinguished historians from colleges and universities outside Ohio," included Barbara D. Metcalf, the University of California at Davis; Norman Graebner, University of Virginia, retired; Gilbert Fite, University of Georgia, retired; Raymond Grew, University of Michigan; and George T. McJmsey, Iowa State University. The Committee on State Investment, according to the regents, consisted of "business and civic leaders from Ohio and nationally known education leaders from outside the state."

In early July 1995 the review panel of historians met in Columbus to consider the self-study reports and to ask for clarification from the history departments, which were given two months to respond. The panel's mission was "to consider the effectiveness of programs in Ohio in the national context of the discipline." After clearing the history program at Ohio State University and recommending a narrowed focus for the one at Ohio University in the first round of review, the panel's principal findings in the second round, according to the regents' December 1 press release, were the following:

- "The market for the services of university faculty/scholars in the field of History (i.e., for historians trained at the Ph.D. level/for Ph.D.'s in History) is very weak, and the performance record of Ohio's public universities in that market is cause for concern." [see Table 1 below]

- "The capacity of a History department to provide high-quality undergraduate instruction and important regional activities is not dependent on its ability to offer the Ph.D. degree."

- "None of the six programs in question can be described as nationally competitive, and none could reasonably expect to advance without a very significant investment of additional resources."

The panel's final recommendation was that two of the six programs be denied state funding for new doctoral students, two other programs be put on a three-year probation, and two be merged into a single Ph.D. program.

In its turn, the regents' Committee on State Investment

decided the history panel's report did not go far enough. Charged with comparing the doctoral programs across disciplines, the committee recommended an end to all state subsidies for these six doctoral programs in history. It based its decision largely on the placement records of the six programs and, according to the regents' press release, the committee agreed with the review panel "that the appropriate placement for doctoral graduates in history is in four year colleges and universities." The committee also concluded that the job market was unlikely to improve in the short or long term, that the six Ohio programs were not nationally competitive, and that unlike Psychology there is no local or regional need for these doctoral programs in history. Data on the placement of Ohio Ph.D. graduates used by the investment committee in reaching its decision is reproduced below:

Table 1: Job Placement of Graduates from the Six Universities, by Category:

28.3% - All four-year colleges and universities
> 14.1% - Comprehensive
> 6.6% - Doctoral universities
25.0% - Temporary employment (including part-time)
13.0% - Not related
7.6% - Two-year
7.6% - Related
5.4% - High School
5.4% - Own
5.4% - Seeking/unknown
2.2% - Foreign

"This action should not be read to suggest that Ph.D. programs in history have no value to Ohio, or that all faculty in these six programs have not performed well, or that the value of doctoral-level study is strictly a function of the marketplace—whether broadly or narrowly-defined," said Regents Chancellor Elaine H. Hairston. "The doctoral programs in History which the state will continue to support should be more than sufficient to sustain Ohio's contribution to training future generations of scholars in the discipline of History." □

Trends in the Production of History Ph.D.s and M.A.s

If events of 1995 are any indication, doctoral programs in history can expect increasing scrutiny from state higher education commissions and legislatures. Gathered here are several charts that compare nine doctoral programs in history during the past decade, and one chart covering three decades of history Ph.D. production.

Figure 1 traces the total production of history doctorates from all Ph.D.-granting institutions during the past 30

years. Numbers are given at five-year intervals from 1964 until the mid-1980s, and then for each year thereafter until 1994.

Figures 2-5 compare doctoral programs at nine schools from across the nation. They were chosen to give a sampling of universities in the northeastern, southern, western, and midwestern regions of the country, as well as a mix of public and private institutions. Miami University and the University of Cincinnati were selected to be representative of the six Ohio Ph.D. programs

that will no longer be receiving state support.

Data for Figure 1 came from the *Summary Report 1994: Doctorate Recipients from United States Universities* (Washington, D.C.: National Academy Press, 1995). Data for Figures 2-5 were compiled from consecutive editions of the AHA's *Directory of History Departments and Organizations*, 1987-88 through 1995-96, which itself is based on information received from reporting institutions.

Fig. 1 Ph.D.s Produced in History, All Schools, 1964-1994

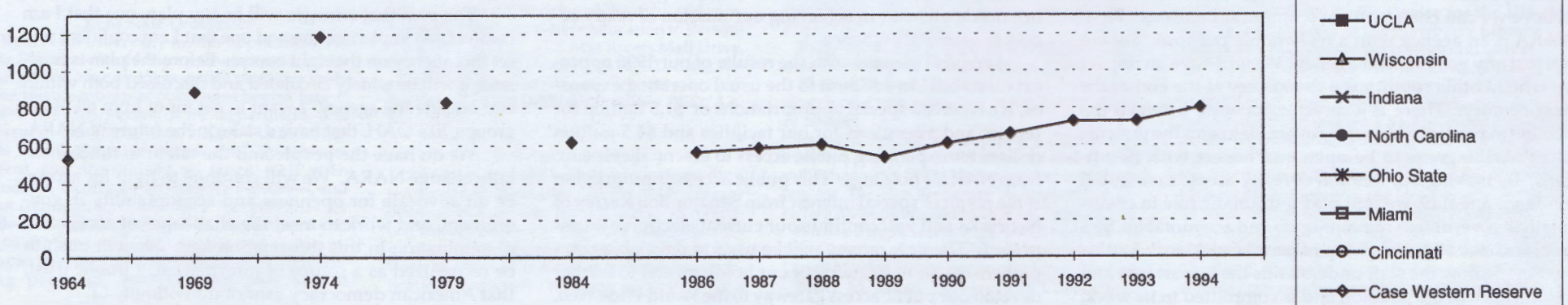


Fig. 2. History Graduate Student Enrollments, Selected Schools

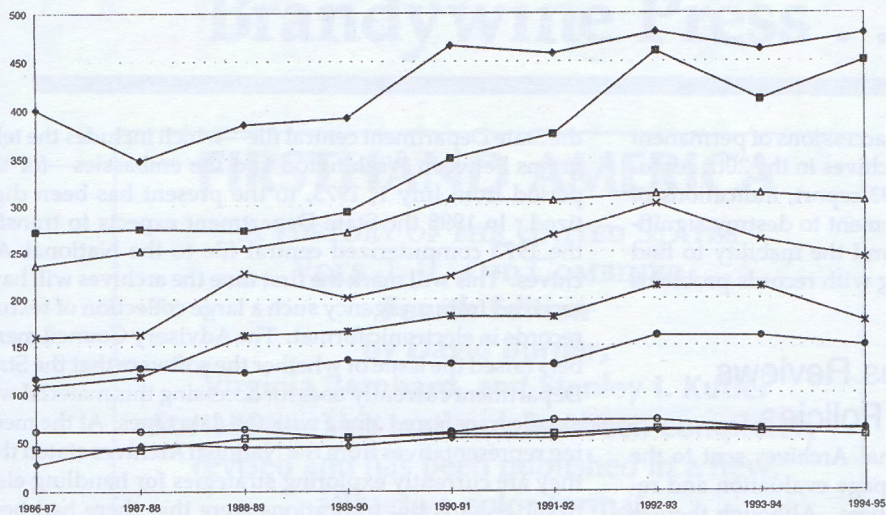


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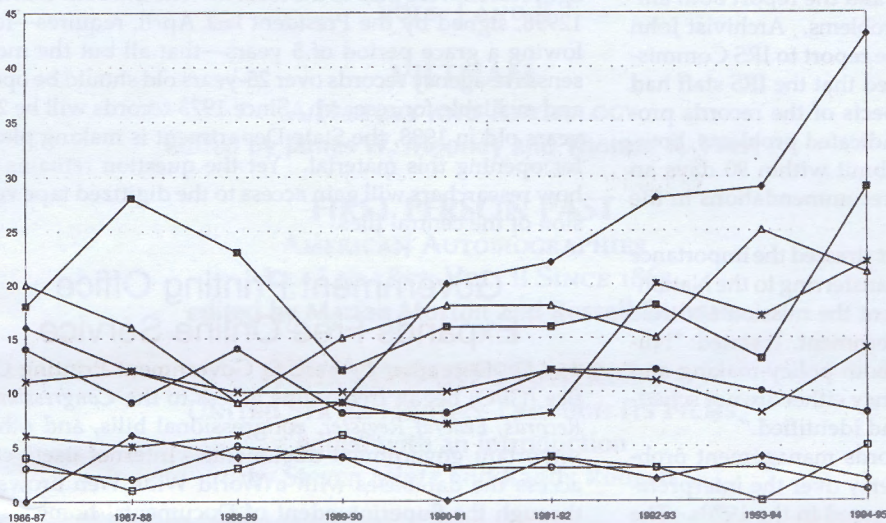


Fig. 4. New Graduate Students Entering History Programs, Selected Schools

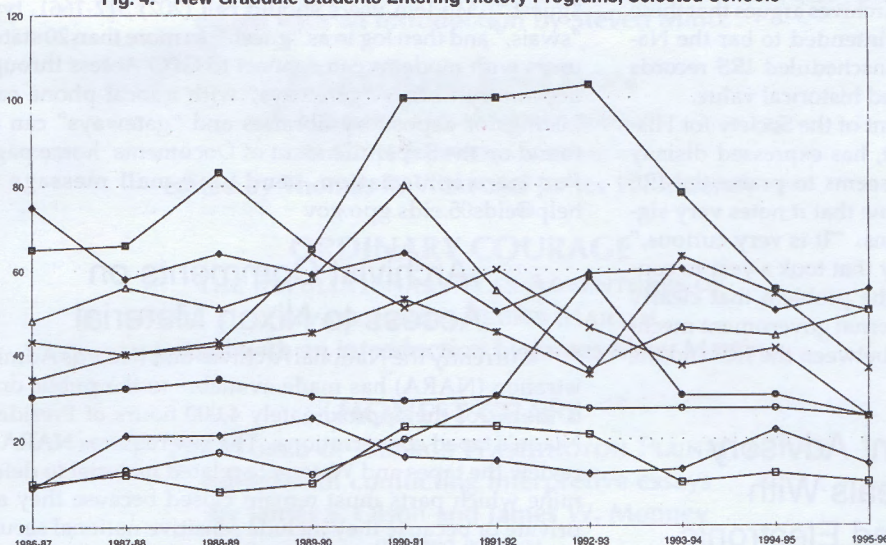
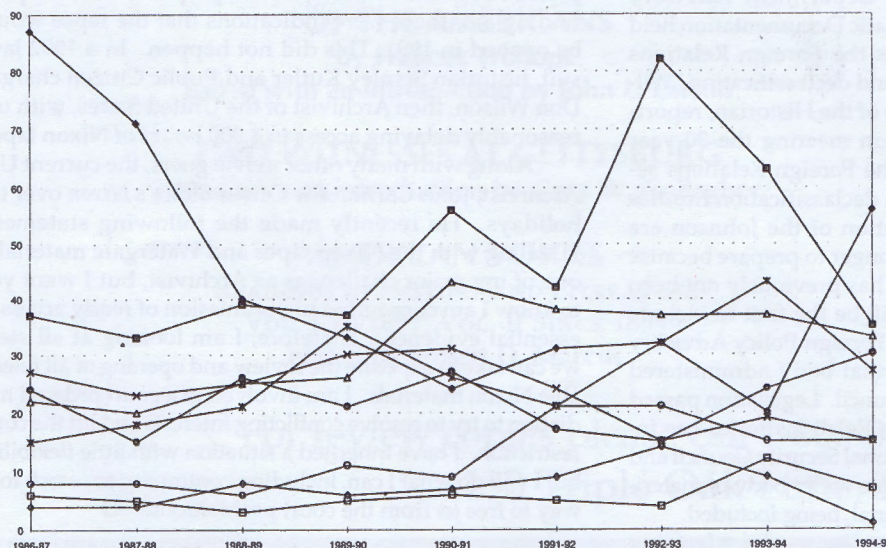


Fig. 5. Masters Degrees Produced in History, Selected Schools



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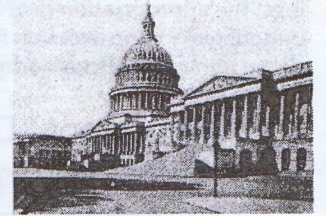
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Library of Congress Faces Criticism on Several Fronts

The Library of Congress' handling of controversial exhibits, various aspects of its personnel and fiscal management policies, and its ability to protect its treasured collection have all come under increased scrutiny from the public and Congress.

On December 18 the Library of Congress dismantled "Back of the Big House: The Cultural Landscape of the Plantation" following criticism by some employees who felt the exhibit was offensive. The exhibit, which used the Library's photographs and documents to depict plantation slave life, had been on display earlier this year at five universities and historic houses with no criticism voiced. Outside consultants including two black scholars were involved in developing of the exhibit. Less than three hours after completing the installation of the exhibit, however, Librarian of Congress James Billington had it taken down. He noted that the exhibit was located in a hallway of the sixth floor of the Madison Building and that mainly employees would have seen it.



Soon after the Library of Congress rejected the exhibit, the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, the main public library of Washington, D.C., announced it would be showing the exhibit in its entirety for several weeks in January. Andrew Venable, the deputy librarian of the Martin Luther King Memorial Library stressed that the exhibit needs to be shown, stating: "It's not until those kind of things are exposed out in the open that one gets an opportunity to heal. It is part of our history. It's a reality." In a press release the Martin Luther King Library noted that the exhibit "offers an uncommon perspective of plantation life, one from the viewpoint of the slaves."

This episode regarding the plantation exhibit followed the Library's decision, made during the first week of December, to postpone a planned exhibition on Sigmund Freud. A key factor in the decision may have been the protests of some who say Freud's theories have been discredited. Since the Library holds a major collection of Freud papers, and since Freud was a giant on the historical landscape of the twentieth century, many historians have voiced the view that the Library was too quick in backing down in the face of some criticism.

On November 29 Senator Mark Hatfield (R-OR), Chair of the Joint Committee on the Library, and Representative Bill Thomas (R-CA), Chair of the House Oversight Committee, co-chaired a hearing on the Library of Congress that focused on a number of fiscal and management issues as well as the security of the collection.

In opening comments senators and representatives stressed the national importance of the library and noted its progress toward correcting some of its problems. Yet despite the hearing's cordial atmosphere, many witnesses described serious deficiencies: Senator Hatfield stated that there would need to be a series of hearings; Senator Connie Mack (R-FL) identified as the impetus of the hearing the alleged collection security problems that a former library police detective described in a letter to the Attorney General in August.

The first panel at the oversight hearing consisted of representatives of the U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) who answered questions about the progress the library had made in correcting problems identified in the 1991 GAO report, "Financial Audit: First Audit of the Library of Congress Discloses Significant Problems." This report "found the Library's financial and accounting records to be in such poor condition that we were unable to audit significant account balances," and it made eight specific recommendations. The library has not executed the most important recommendation—to conduct a comprehensive audit. GAO representatives noted that this stands in the way of assessing the degree of progress made on the other recommendations and that they would not know until completing the initial part of their current study in March whether an audit in 1996 would be possible.

The second panel consisted of the Inspector General John Rensbarger and the assistant inspector general (IG) for investigations for the library. Rensbarger stated that his work had been hampered by the fact that his office was non-statutory and not really independent (as are most agency IG offices); that fund restrictions and a small staff limited his work and affected his independence; and, that the library police (an agency with statutory authority) would not cooperate with the IG and failed to respond to District Court inquiries.

The third panel was made up of representatives of Computer Sciences Corporation, a firm specializing in physical security programs, which began in October a six-month project on improving the library's overall security posture. When asked to evaluate the library's security plan, the company's spokesperson stated it was more a list of problems than an integrated plan. He also noted that the library's greatest security threat was internal and not external.

The last witness was the Librarian of Congress, James Billington. He discussed the library's mission, the acceleration of its tasks with decreasing staff, and the new digital library initiatives. He stressed that no loss is tolerable and that the library wants to work with the Joint Committee to strengthen the library. He said that the library would benefit from several specific actions of Congress: passing legislation to give the IG statutory authority and providing proper authority for the library's revolving funds.

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Billington concluded by agreeing to consider Senator John Warner's (R-VA) suggestion that he hire a strong number-two person to handle day-to-day operations, thereby freeing himself to address broad library challenges and improve the overall library system in the United States.

No dates have been set for further oversight hearings; the appropriation hearings in March, however, will undoubtedly be an occasion for continued review of many of the library's policies and practices.

Government Decides Not to Appeal American Historical Association v. Carlin

The government defendants in the litigation of *American Historical Association v. Carlin* decided on December 15 to dismiss their appeal. This case focused on the efforts of the AHA, OAH, and other plaintiffs, including the American Library Association, to block the implementation of an agreement made in 1993 between former President George Bush and former U.S. Archivist Don Wilson. That agreement gave former President Bush considerable control over the computer backup tapes at issue in the case of *Armstrong v. the Office of the President*, also known as the PROFS case. On February 27, 1995, Judge Charles Richey ruled in favor of the plaintiffs stating that the Bush-Wilson agreement violated the Presidential Records Act. The government appealed the case in May. The appeals court was moving forward on the case and announced in early fall that December 16 was the deadline for the filing of the government's brief. As a result of the decision to drop the appeal, Judge Richey's decision will be the final judgement in this case.

President Supports NEH in Veto Message

On December 18 President Clinton vetoed the Interior Appropriations Bill, which includes funding for the endowments. In his communication to the House that accompanied the veto and which dealt with a wide range of issues, the president concluded by stating: "the bill represents a dramatic departure from our commitment of support for the arts and humanities. It cuts funding of the National Endowments of the Arts and Humanities so deeply as to jeopardize their capacity to keep providing the cultural, educational and artistic programs that enrich American's communities, large and small."

The NEH was closed December 18-January 11 awaiting passage of a third continuing resolution. The first continuing resolution lasting from October 1 to November 13 funded NEH at 90 percent of its fiscal 1995 level, which was \$154.8 million. The second continuing resolution, running from November 14 to December 15, funded NEH at 75 percent of its fiscal 1995 budget, or about \$134 million—an amount still above the \$110 million in the Interior Bill which the president vetoed. The third continuing resolution, which provided funding for the period of December 16 to January 26, funded NEH at \$99.5 million, the level in the fiscal 1996 House Interior Appropriations Bill. The fourth continuing resolution, which provides funding through March 15, preserves NEH funding at the \$99.5 million level.

IRS Historian Resigns in Protest of Records Policies

On December 8, IRS Historian Shelley Davis sent IRS Commissioner Margaret Richardson a letter of resignation noting the unwillingness of the service to deal with serious record keeping deficiencies. "Our record keeping policies," she wrote, "do not ensure that information about our policies, actions, procedures and plans will ever be available to the American public." In 1993 Davis prepared a report stressing specific deficiencies and noting

that there have been virtually no accessions of permanent IRS records into the National Archives in the 20th century. Lack of response to her 1993 report, indications of attempts by IRS records management to destroy significant collections of documents, and the inability to find any internal channels for dealing with records problems led Davis to resign in protest.

National Archives Reviews IRS Records Policies

On December 14 the National Archives sent to the Internal Revenue Service its 50-page evaluation and report on IRS record keeping practices. Although there is no connection between the resignation of the IRS historian and this report (work on it began almost a year ago), the historian's resignation letter and the report both emphasize records management problems. Archivist John W. Carlin's letter transmitting the report to IRS Commissioner Margaret Richardson stated that the IRS staff had been cooperative and many aspects of the records program are satisfactory. He also indicated problems, however, and requested that IRS submit within 90 days an action plan indicating how the recommendations in the report will be implemented.

The National Archives' report stressed the importance of identifying, scheduling, and transferring to the National Archives records that document the mission and role of the IRS within the federal government. It stated: "Numerous records that document both policy-making and high profile programs of the agency either are not scheduled or have not been located and identified."

At the heart of the IRS records management problems is a long standing controversy over the interpretation of federal disclosure laws passed in the 1970s. The IRS broadly interprets its mandate not to disclose information that relates to individual tax returns and tax related documents. The National Archives argues that these disclosure restrictions were not intended to bar the National Archives from viewing unscheduled IRS records to determine their permanent and historical value.

Philip Cantelon, the President of the Society for History in the Federal Government, has expressed dismay with the report, saying that it seems to praise the IRS records managers at the same time that it notes very significant records keeping problems. "It is very curious," Cantelon said "as to why a study that took a year to conduct offered no resolution for the problem that clearly exists at IRS and provides no internal government mechanism for resolving the dispute between the IRS and the National Archives."

State Department Advisory Committee Deals With Declassification and Electronic Records Issues

On December 12 the State Department Advisory Committee on Historical Diplomatic Documentation held its quarterly meeting to discuss the Foreign Relations volumes, records management, and declassification. William Slany, the head of the Office of the Historian, reported that there is some slippage in meeting the 30-year targets for the publications of the Foreign Relations series. While shortage of staff and declassification hurdles have slowed down the preparation of the Johnson era volumes, these have also taken longer to prepare because they are including material that has previously not been available for inclusion. They will be the first to include documents from the President's Foreign Policy Advisory Board, an independent presidential body administered through the National Security Council. Legislation passed in 1992 dealing with the Foreign Relations series has increased cooperation from the National Security Council and other agencies, and has resulted in a wider body of material, such as more intelligence material, being included. The advisory committee also discussed the fact that

the State Department central file—which includes the telegrams between Washington and the embassies—for the period from July 1, 1973, to the present has been digitized. In 1998 the State Department expects to transfer the 1973 computerized central file to the National Archives. This will mark the first time the archives will have received from an agency such a large collection of textual records in electronic format. The Advisory Council members raised the issue of whether the software that the State Department currently uses for accessing this material will also be transferred along with the data tapes. At the meeting representatives from the National Archives stated that they are currently exploring strategies for handling electronic records but indications were that there had been no agreement on the transfer of the software. An advisory committee member stressed that systems used to manage records were part of the records. The Executive Order 12958, signed by the President last April, requires—following a grace period of 5 years—that all but the most sensitive agency records over 25-years old should be open and available for research. Since 1973 records will be 25-years old in 1998, the State Department is making plans for opening this material. Yet the question remains of how researchers will gain access to the digitized tape version of the central files.

Government Printing Office Expands Free Online Service

On December 1, the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) began free online access to the *Congressional Records*, *Federal Register*, congressional bills, and other important government documents. Internet users can access the databases with a World Wide Web browser through the Superintendent of Documents' home page at: http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/. Internet users can also telnet to swais.access.gpo.gov; then log in as "guest." Modem users should call (202) 512-1661, type "swais," and then log in as "guest." In more than 20 states, users with modems can connect to GPO Access through depository library "gateways" with a local phone call. Listings of depository libraries and "gateways" can be found on the Superintendent of Documents' home page. For more information, send an e-mail message to help@eids05.eids.gpo.gov

Archivist Comments on Access to Nixon Material

Currently the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has made available to the public only 63 hours of the approximately 4,000 hours of President Nixon's taped conversations. The law requires NARA to review the tapes and Watergate related material to determine which parts must remain closed because they are private or because they include sensitive national security information, and which parts can legally be released to the public. In 1987, when the National Archives completed its review of the tapes and prepared a 25,000-page finding aid, there were indications that the tapes would be opened in 1991. This did not happen. In a 1992 lawsuit, historian Stanley Kutler and Public Citizen charged Don Wilson, then Archivist of the United States, with unreasonably delaying access to 4,000 hours of Nixon tapes.

Along with many other movie goers, the current U.S. Archivist, John Carlin, saw Oliver Stone's *Nixon* over the holidays. He recently made the following statement: "Dealing with the Nixon tapes and Watergate material is one of my major challenges as Archivist, but I want you to know I am committed to our mission of ready access to essential evidence. Therefore, I am looking at all steps we can take to expedite the review and opening of all releasable Nixon materials. I am involved in a court ordered mediation to try to resolve conflicting interests and lift the court restriction. I have inherited a situation with little flexibility, but I will do what I can, including continuing to search for a way to free us from the court prohibitions." □

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Executive Board Authorizes Fundraising for Prizes

After a complete review of OAH prize funds, the board voted in 1994 to consolidate all prize money in a separate account in order to get a higher return on investment. The board also approved criteria for establishing new OAH prizes: each newly proposed award shall have an endowment large enough "to guarantee adequate funding of the award itself and the administrative and committee expenses connected with it." Three existing OAH prizes are under-endowed according to current prize standards:

ERIC BARNOUW AWARD

The expenses connected with the Barnouw Prize substantially exceed those of more conventional book awards. Costs include not only the \$500 award that goes with the prize, but also those of publicizing the award and showing the winning film at our annual meeting. The fund that sustains the Barnouw Prize is rapidly diminishing. For the past few years, the organization has subsidized part of the cost of the prize from its general operating budget. Solicitation for additional funds that will allow us to continue offering this important prize began in late 1995.

MERLE CURTI INTELLECTUAL-SOCIAL HISTORY AWARD

At present the Curti Prize is underfunded, and the cash award has been subsidized from the operating budget of the OAH. The prize was established at a time when interest rates were much higher than today, so the shortfall has become more acute in recent years. During the spring of 1996 we will undertake a fund drive to make the Curti Prize self-sustaining.

FREDERICK JACKSON TURNER AWARD

The Frederick Jackson Turner Prize does not have an endowment and has been supported from operating funds. After the year 2000 the executive board may consider transferring funds to the Turner Prize from surplus money in the Billington Prize. The criteria establishing the latter prize state, in part, "...while the Ray Allen Billington Fund shall be held in perpetuity, the Council of the OAH, in its wisdom, and in recognition of changing circumstances, may change the specific purpose for which the income is expended, provided it is used to encourage and reward individual scholars pursuing research and writing in (any field) of American history."

We would welcome contributions from members to any of these prize endowments. Checks should be made payable to the "OAH/[name of prize] fund."

National History Education Network/History Teaching Alliance

In response to news that National History Education Network (NHEN) Executive Director Christine Compston has resigned and that the NHEN Policy Board is exploring a new institutional home, the OAH Executive Board at its November meeting discussed the network's future. The board asked the OAH Educational Policy Committee to review the work of NHEN/History Teaching Alliance and to consider the OAH's role. (See page A2 for requests for proposals.)

Executive Board Actions

November 1995

New Harmony, Indiana

At its Fall 1995 meeting, the OAH Executive Board:

- Discussed several possible new publications and agreed to explore the following: an anthology of articles from the *Journal of American History*, materials related to National Park Service historic sites, and teaching units based on documentary sources in cooperation with the National Center for History in the Schools at UCLA.
- Agreed to support an initiative being developed by OAH President-elect Linda Kerber to establish a scholarly exchange program in cooperation with the Japanese Association for American Studies.
- Approved St. Louis as the site of the annual meeting in 2000 and Washington, D.C., in 2001.
- Insofar as how the role of the convention publicity committee has evolved substantially in recent years, the board voted unanimously to change the name and description of the committee as follows, and to appoint an *ad hoc* committee bearing the new name until the change is voted upon at the annual business meeting in March 1996: "Convention Special Events and Publicity. The size of the committee is determined by the President in consultation with the person who chairs the committee. The committee is appointed by the President who also names its presiding officer. The function of the committee is to assist the Executive Director in whatever is deemed necessary to provide adequate publicity for the annual meeting. The committee may also be designated by the President to develop tours and special events to enhance the annual meeting."
- Reviewed procedures for selecting recipients of the OAH Distinguished Service Award and agreed that OAH President Michael Kammen should appoint a subcommittee of the board, composed of one person from each term, charged with presenting recommendations to the full board of people who should receive the Distinguished Service Award. [Note: Kammen subsequently named Joan Rubin (Chair), Paul Boyer, and Joe Trotter to make recommendations to the board in March, 1996, for a Distinguished Service Award to be given at the 1997 Annual Meeting.] The board also agreed to change the format of its presentation at the annual meeting. In the future the incumbent OAH president will announce the award and deliver introductory remarks about the recipient, and the recipient will be invited to make a few brief comments.
- President-elect Linda Kerber announced October 18-19 or November 8-9 as tentative dates for the fall 1996 executive board meeting. The location is not yet determined.
- Agreed to increase the Lectureship fee to \$900 in 1996-97 and to \$1000 effective 2000-01.
- Agreed to create an executive committee of the membership committee. [Note: Michael Kammen subsequently named: Annette Atkins, St. John's University, Chair; Robert Barrows, Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis; Neal Salisbury, Smith College; and David Narrett, University of Texas at Arlington. One additional person will be named.]
- Considered various ways the organization can become more active among historians at the state and local level and welcomes suggestions from members. The board also passed the following resolution: "That the OAH explore being actively involved and have representation at meetings of state historical associations and regional meetings; and, that the OAH provide speakers for such meetings with the goal of establishing closer relationships with these groups." □

Richard McKinzie Symposium

The first of three annual symposia honoring the work and broad interests of the late Richard T. McKinzie, sponsored by the OAH and the University of Missouri, Kansas City, is scheduled for February 15-16, 1996. The program will include public lectures by Michael Kammen, Cornell University, and Barbara Melosh, George Mason University, relating to the theme of federal funding for the arts. There will also be workshops for area teachers and a symposium that will include Rockefeller Foundation Arts and Humanities Director Alberta Arthurs and Museum Curator Henry Adams.

Instituto de Historia de Cuba Workshop on the 105th Anniversary of May Day

Luis H. Serrano Pérez

On the occasion of the 105th anniversary of May Day, the Instituto de Historia de Cuba sponsored a three-day international scientific workshop in April 1995. The workshop focused on labor history in different national contexts, featured 49 papers, and attracted more than 80 participants, from Argentina, Australia, Cuba, Northern Ireland, Peru, Puerto Rico, Spain, and the United States.

The conference succeeded in widening the interpretive focus of scholars working on various national experiences of workers, and the papers presented generated vigorous comparisons and sometimes heated debate. The conference concluded with the recognition that, at least in the case of Cuba, the proletariat remains the most important social group for purposes of analysis. Introduction of new methodologies and investigative techniques promises to enrich the field of scholarship.

Contributions to the session on "National Labour Movements" included papers on the Spanish influence in Cuban labor organizations; the anarchic tendency of late-nineteenth-century workers; the experience of sponsored rural workers; emancipation strategies and acts of rebelliousness; the ideological formation of the Argentine working class; and the unity of the labor union at the onset of the Cuban revolution.

Particularly well-received papers at the May Day workshop included those by Prof. Emmet O'Connor—May Day and labor politics in Ireland, 1890-1923; Dr. Joan Casanova—the Cuban labor movement at the time of the first May Day; Dr. David Ruiz—the influence of May Day on labor strikes in Spain; Prof. Concepción Portuondo—May Day activities in Santiago de Cuba; and Prof. Senen González—May Day commemorations in Argentina. In addition, Dr. José Cantón Navarro presented an excellent paper on José Martí, arguing that the Cuban independence leader understood the revolutionary potential of Cuban workers and based his ideas and political actions on that understanding.

Individuals interested in learning more about this and future conferences sponsored by the Instituto should contact Dr. Luis H. Serrano Pérez, Head of Scientific Information Development, Instituto de Historia de Cuba, Palacio Aldama, Amistad 510, e/ Reina y Estrella, Ciudad de la Habana, Cuba. □

News of the Organization

From the Executive Director

Arnita A. Jones

This editorial is adapted from material prepared for the Conference of Administrative Officers of the American Council of Learned Societies in response to the question: What is the mission of a learned society in the new electronic environment?

For many years OAH's mandate of "promoting historical study and research in the field of American history translated primarily into publishing a learned journal and holding an annual meeting. But in recent decades it has expanded considerably, so that the organization now performs many functions more closely linked with a professional association, engages in advocacy activities, enters into coalitions with other groups for a variety of history-related purposes, and devotes substantial attention to the role of history in the schools. Electronic technologies are already helping us to do some of these things better, and some things differently. They pose worrisome problems as well.

Some things better: While the impact of electronic technology on the flagship *Journal of American History* may be problematic (see below), in general technology has been a boon to our publications program. The *OAH Newsletter*, the *Magazine of History*, all brochures and occasional publications are typeset and designed in-house and transmitted to printers electronically or on disk, a process saving both money and time. Communications within the organization have improved. Both our Internet access and home page on the World Wide Web are facilitated by our being lodged on the campus of

Indiana University, so that we pay no basic fee for connection. We now regularly communicate with our executive board, most committee members, and many other members through the Internet. And the Internet has facilitated international communications. *Connections*, our online and print publication developed in cooperation with the American Studies Association, now has more than 750 electronic subscribers. Clearly an area of great success for the Internet has been advocacy. We have been able to create lists for history department chairs, interested members, and affiliated organizations and bring them (courtesy of National Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History, the National Humanities Alliance and others) late-breaking news. This has been invaluable in recent months when keeping up with events in Washington has been critical.

Some things differently: We recently have used the Internet to substitute a moribund program for one which we hope will prove useful to a wider number of historians. In addition to the job announcements in the *Newsletter*, we traditionally have provided an employment service at the annual meeting. Despite the cost and difficulty of providing this service, we would have continued to do so, given our commitment to helping members find professional positions. But the timing of our meeting—often in late April—resulted in very little use of the service. We have now substituted that annual service with an online job registry through which employers can post ads free of charge. Historians can access the

registry at no charge through our home page on the Web.

Worrisome Problems: The annual cost of producing the *Journal of American History* is more than a half-million dollars. A portion of these costs are underwritten by Indiana University but most comes from OAH membership dues and advertising revenues. We have had numerous offers to make the *Journal* available electronically—through document delivery services, CD-ROM publications, or online services. The only arrangement we have accepted—one in which University Microfilms makes the *JAH* available on CD-ROM through reproduction based on its microfilm collection—produces income no more than a few thousand dollars a year. The *JAH* is one of five history journals included in the Mellon Foundation's JSTOR project which will make back issues of the publications available electronically through a bitmapping process they have developed. Mellon is also supporting the conversion of a number of humanities journals published by Johns Hopkins University Press to electronic form.

How costs of editing and producing history journals can be recovered through various electronic publications systems is a question for which there is not at present a good answer. Historians are perhaps less likely than members of other disciplines to become easily addicted to online scholarly publications, but clearly there is a market for these. We will have to carefully monitor their eventual impact on both membership revenues and the nature of scholarly communication itself. □

Treasurer's Report

Gale E. Peterson

At its meeting in March 1994, the OAH Executive Board decided to move the organization from a calendar year to a July 1-June 30 fiscal year for its budgeting and financial activities. We implemented this change by planning for and operating a six-month fiscal year, from January to June 1995. The new fiscal year will make it easier to manage the uneven cash flow the OAH experiences and to mesh its budgeting cycle with that of Indiana University.

While the financial performance for the transitional period was better than expected, the OAH ran a modest deficit during the short fiscal year. Generally, the OAH is limiting its publishing, advocacy, and other activities to the amount of income available to it. The budget for fiscal 1996, as presented below, anticipates a modest surplus. During late 1994 all funds restricted to the purpose of supporting awards were consolidated into a new Prize Fund, which will

be managed as an investment fund. The OAH now keeps its investments in three funds: an endowment (or "rainy day") fund, the income of which is unrestricted; the Fund for American History, the income of which is allocated by the executive board to support new programs and initiatives; and the Prize Fund. During the six-month fiscal 1995 year the combined market value of these funds increased in value from \$1,220,159 to \$1,359,720. Coinciding with the annual meeting in Washington, the investment committee met with a representative of First Commerce Investors, the agency that handles the OAH's portfolio, and worked out guidelines for how each of the investment accounts should be managed to meet the OAH's short and long-term objectives.

The OAH is basically in sound financial condition. There are more demands on the organization than there are funds available, but expenditures have been limited to the available resources. Meanwhile, the executive director and the board are discussing how and where to find new sources of income to enhance the OAH's capacity to provide services to the profession. More detailed information about the organization's financial performance appears in the tables below. □

FISCAL 1995 OAH FINANCIAL REPORT

	01/01/94 - 12/31/94 Actual	01/01/95 - 06/30/95 Budget	Actual	07/01/95 - 06/30/96 Budget
RECEIPTS				
Membership Receipts				
Institutions	\$ 267,510	\$100,100	\$117,058	\$319,900
Individuals	437,354	223,175	258,548	455,870
Magazine Subscribers	38,664	20,000	9,831	39,000
Advertising				
Magazine of History	1,152	1,500	1,760	3,000
Journal Ads, Sales	62,684	35,000	32,349	68,000
Newsletter Ads, Sales	12,472	7,000	9,276	4,500
Total Advertising	76,308	43,500	44,085	85,500
Other/Publications/Sales	19,130	20,000	17,184	24,000
Annual Meeting				
Registration & Misc.	113,971	129,050	128,077	135,275
Annual Mtg. Advertising	53,220	57,000	49,042	54,000
Annual Mtg. Exhibits	66,802	30,000	22,290	73,500
Total Annual Meeting	233,993	216,050	199,409	262,775
Other Income	36,575	14,000	27,519	38,000
Investment Earnings	50,468	17,000	15,485	34,000
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,160,002	\$653,825	\$ 689,119	\$1,259,045
DISBURSEMENTS				
JAH EDITORIAL OFFICE				
Journal Printing	\$183,139	\$110,960	\$104,382	\$ 240,187
JAH Office Expense	223,275	103,000	109,522	184,921
Total JAH Expenses	406,414	213,960	213,904	425,108
Newsletter Expense	34,516	33,875	30,813	55,754
Magazine of History Expense	88,878	42,952	39,585	79,934
Connections	---	---	---	3,000
Advertising Expense	41,051	24,925	22,316	47,090
Annual Meeting	147,393	134,850	136,988	146,053
Administration/General	423,401	209,801	212,119	393,000
Committee Expense	58,743	33,465	38,356	43,200
Awards/Expenses	5,603	5,775	6,346	5,475
Liaison/Advocacy	40,122	25,800	22,230	35,200
Depreciation/Computers	5,106	---	2,501	5,000
Investment Fees	5,937	3,000	2,714	5,600
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,257,164	\$ 728,403	\$ 727,872	\$ 1,244,464
NET OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ 97,162	\$ 74,579	\$ 38,753	\$ 14,581

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & FUND BALANCES, AS OF JUNE 30, 1995

ASSETS	
Cash	\$49,779
Investments*	
Operating Fund	0
Endowment Funds	610,539
Fund for American History	452,239
Prize Funds	157,381
Other Restricted Funds	19,449
Total Investments	\$1,239,608
Equipment (net of depreciation)	\$11,457
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,300,844

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES

Liabilities:	
Encumbrances	\$ 0
Total Liabilities	0
Restricted Funds	1,281,878
Unrestricted General	18,966
Total Fund Balances	\$ 1,300,844
Total Liabilities & Fund Balances	\$ 1,300,844

* Investment (cost-basis)

News of the Organization

OAH Takes Stand Against Political Interference in History Museums

Recent attacks on the intellectual integrity of museum exhibitions in Washington and a rash of cancellations at the Smithsonian Institution and the Library of Congress have raised an alarm that the OAH has answered. A group of academic and public historians met informally in January and April 1995 to discuss the growing threat and map out a course of action. Late last summer the Rockefeller Foundation came to the rescue with a grant to support the work of the Task Force on Historians and Museums appointed by OAH President Michael Kammen and OAH Executive Director Arnita A. Jones.

The task force held its first meeting December 6 at the Chicago Historical Society. Members talked at length about the central problem: how can museums secure the freedom they need to bring historical perspectives to bear on important public issues? Last April there had been considerable discussion about a museum historians' Bill of Rights. Few who understand the collaborative nature of exhibit planning went away believing that "academic freedom" could provide any real protection. Conversation at the December meeting in Chicago explored a more promising alternative—developing criteria that institutions could use to determine who does and does not have a rightful claim to participate in the exhibit planning process.

The group also talked about two related matters. Museum-goers often fail to understand that many historians and curators employed by history museums and historical societies believe that sometimes those institutions should mount exhibitions that encourage public discussion of significant enduring historical issues. Newspaper reporters and television broadcasters who cover the museum beat have not been much quicker to pick up on this new op-ed exhibit function. The professors on the task force made the further observation that most academic historians have paid little or no attention to public history. Now they are even more bewildered by the flurry of controversy surrounding museum exhibits in the nation's capital and the much maligned National History Standards. The task force will propose measures to address each of these problems at future meetings and will return to Chicago to resume its discussions at the OAH Annual Meeting in March.

In the meantime, colleagues in the trenches are advised to keep their heads down, and, if captured, give only their name and TIAA-CREF policy number to congressional investigators.

The task force has eight members: Robert Archibald, Missouri Historical Society (representing the American Association for State and Local History); Ellsworth Brown, Carnegie Museums and Library (American Association of Museums); Sara M. Evans, University of Minnesota (OAH); Victoria A. Harden, National Institute of Health, Historical Office (Society for History in the Federal Government); Edward T. Linenthal, University of Wisconsin (American Historical Association); Patricia Mooney-Melvin, Loyola University (National Council on Public History); and two members at large, Lonnie Bunch from the Smithsonian Institution and Cary Carson from Colonial Williamsburg. Sharon Caughill, assistant for professional affairs, OAH, provides logistical support. □

—Cary Carson, Chair

Women in Historic Preservation Conference Postponed

The Women's Studies Program and Graduate Program in Public History at Arizona State University regret to announce a postponement of the Women in Historic Preservation Conference scheduled for May 1996. Federal funding difficulties make holding the conference at the scheduled time impossible. The new dates are **March 13-16, 1997**, at Arizona State University in Tempe. All accepted conference papers will be welcome at the new time; a new call for papers will be issued in summer 1996. For further information, contact Mary Rothschild at 602-965-2358 or e-mail ifmxr@asu.edu or Janelle Warren-Findley at 602-965-5264 or e-mail: atjw@asu.edu.

Obituaries

Mark T. Carleton

Mark T. Carleton, associate professor of history at Louisiana State University, died in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on October 1, 1995. A native of Louisiana, Professor Carleton received a bachelor's degree from Yale University and a Ph.D. from Stanford University, where he was a student of David M. Potter.

Professor Carleton came to LSU in 1965 and taught there for 30 years, excepting a brief term in the mid-1970s as a research director for the Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana. His monograph on the Louisiana state penal system, *Politics and Punishment* (1971), made him an authority on the convict lease system. He also wrote *River Capital: An Illustrated History of Baton Rouge* (1981) and numerous articles on Louisiana politics. In 1995 his essay on "The Longs and the Anti-Longs," based on his presidential address for the Louisiana Historical Association, was published in *Huey at 100: Centennial Essays on Huey P. Long*, edited by Glen Jeansonne.

Professor Carleton was one of the most popular teachers in the LSU History Department. His course on Louisiana history drew hundreds of students each semester, and during his career at LSU he won numerous teaching awards. Besides being very active in the Louisiana Historical Association, he also served as a resource person for the state government—as a member of the Louisiana Constitutional Convention Records Commission, 1975-1978, the Council of Economic Advisers to Governor Edwin W. Edwards, 1973-1980, and as Humanist-in-Residence for the Louisiana Legislature during the summers of 1981 and 1982.

—Anne C. Loveland
Louisiana State University

Joseph F. Wall

Joseph Frazier Wall, 75, professor emeritus of history at Grinnell College, died of a heart attack on October 9, 1995. Wall, who had taught at Grinnell since 1947 and retired in 1990, was recognized as the leading authority on industrialist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie. On the Grinnell campus and in the community, Wall was recognized as a leading authority on the college's history, especially the early years.

Wall was born in Des Moines, Iowa, on July 10, 1920, spent his boyhood years in Fort Dodge, and graduated from Grinnell in 1941 with a bachelor's degree in history. A member of Phi Beta Kappa, he earned his M.A. degree at Harvard University and his Ph.D. at Columbia University, both in American history. During World War II he served in the U.S. Navy as a lieutenant, with active duty from 1942-46. He married Beatrice Mills Wall on April 16, 1944. At Grinnell, Wall was named Roberts Honor Professor in 1960, L. F. Parker Professor of History in 1961, E. D. Strong Distinguished Professor in 1972, and the first Rosenfield Professor and Director of the Rosenfield Program in Public Affairs, International Relations and Human Rights from 1980-85. He served as chairman of the faculty from 1966-70 and as dean of the college from 1969-73.

During leaves from his duties at Grinnell, Wall was a Fulbright Research Scholar at the Universi-

ty of Edinburgh in Scotland and a Fulbright Visiting Professor at the University of Gothenburg in Sweden. He also served as chairman of the Department of History at the State University of New York at Albany from 1978-80.

Wall's first book was *Henry Watterson: Reconstructed Rebel* (1956). His second, *Andrew Carnegie*, was published in 1970 by Oxford and won the Bancroft Prize in American History. In 1992 Wall followed his biography of Carnegie with a collection of writings by the industrialist, the first single-volume anthology to cover the span of Carnegie's life. Wall's *Alfred I. Du Pont: The Man and His Family* (1990) was a finalist for the 1991 Pulitzer Prize.

—Office of Public Relations
Grinnell College

Robert W. Sellen

Dr. Robert W. Sellen, professor of history at Georgia State University, died on November 23, 1995, of a heart attack. The son of Arthur G. and Grace W. Sellen was born in Topeka, Kansas, October 13, 1930. He graduated from Washburn University *summa cum laude*. After serving as an Air Force lieutenant during the Korean War and a reserve captain afterwards, he earned M.A. and Ph.D. degrees at the University of Chicago, where he was a Danforth Fellow and University Fellow. He taught at Baker University from 1958 to 1964, serving as chairman of the Department of History and Political Science. Coming to Georgia State University in 1964, he was promoted to full professor in 1968. A popular teacher, Sellen held freshman history students in rapt attention with tales of great events and illustrations from broadsides and newspapers. A prodigious reader, he brought together complex issues of American foreign policy in understandable ways for upper-division and graduate students. He was a visiting professor at New York University three times and lectured at the University of San Marcos and Villareal University in Peru. He appeared on many programs of learned societies, including the American Historical Association and three times at the OAH. He co-edited two books and published sixty articles and 400 book reviews. In 1990 his article, "National Interest: A Neglected Element of American Foreign Policy," appeared in *Midwest Quarterly*. His most recent paper, "Les États-Unis et les crises de l'ère après la guerre froide," was presented in 1994 at the [European] Association of North American Studies Conference in La Rochelle, France, and published in *Annales Du Monde Anglophone* in spring 1995. He was scheduled to give a paper at the March 1996 Missouri Valley History Conference.

Always ready with an apt story, he was frequently interviewed on television and radio about historical and political topics from U.S. national interest to political cultures in various countries. Professor Sellen was also in great demand as a lecturer with adult study groups in the metropolitan Atlanta area. With his wife, Donna D. Sellen, he was active as a host for the Georgia Council for International Visitors and for the Friendship Force.

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I. CONVERSATIONS AND COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDIES: I am preparing a dissertation on American Indian history, but the lack of books and information here concerning my subject makes it difficult to conduct research. I would like to contact scholars with an interest in this topic and would be grateful for any help in locating materials. I am particularly interested to know the number of Indians living in the U.S., the largest Indian reservation, and the addresses of American Indian associations. Contact Mourad Bousba, 68, Rue Khemista, 15000 T121 - 00200, Algeria; tel: 213-6913; fax: 213-321-1690.

NATIVE AMERICAN WOMEN: I would be interested in exchanging ideas with anyone who is interested or knowledgeable in the field of Native American history. My particular interests are: Native women, feminism, political activism, gender differences, (anthropological) representations of Native women, identity and self-image. My intention is to write a dissertation on the topic; unfortunately, since I reside in the Netherlands, I have very few opportunities to find sources or to contact people close-by. Any type of help or communication

would be most useful. Contact Astrid Kogelman, Ameland 60, 3524 AL Utrecht, The Netherlands; tel: 31-30-2888873; email: A.H.J.M.Kogelman@stud.let.ruu.nl

GENDER AND COLONIALISM: An interest group meeting will be held at the Berkshire Conference of Women's Historians, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, 7 June, at lunchtime. Scholars interested in the topic, but unable to attend, should contact Dolores Janiewski specifying area of interest, research projects, teaching in the area, and any interest in group activities: conferences, panels, electronic list, journals, etc. Contact Dolores Janiewski, Department of History, Victoria University of Wellington/ Te Whare Wananga o te Upoko o te Ika a Maui, P.O. Box 600, Wellington, New Zealand; fax: 64-4-495-5261 or 471-2070; tel: 64-4-471-5344, ext. 7042 (office) or 64-4-478-2691 (home); email: Dolores.Janiewski@vuw.ac.nz

SEX EDUCATION: I am researching the history of children's sex education in Canada, especially child sexuality and sexually transmitted disease during the Cold War era. I would like to network with scholars in other countries who are studying similar topics. Contact Christabelle Sethna, Dept. of the History and Philosophy of Education, OISE, 252 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Ontario M5S 1V6 Canada; email: csethna@oise.on.ca

FEMALE IDENTITY AND IMAGE: I am doing research on the psychology of women's development; female identity, especially among adolescent girls; gender and education; women and body image; eating disorders; and sexual harassment and violence against women. I would like to share ideas with others studying these topics. Contact June Larkin, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, 252 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Ontario M5S 1V6 Canada.

TURKISH SCHOLAR OF FICTION, THEATER AND AMERICAN STUDIES: I would like to communicate with colleagues who share my research and teaching interests. I lecture in Greek mythology, American theater and creative writing, and I am an author of short stories. Please contact Dr. A. Didem Uslu, 153 sokak 40/8, Bornova-izmir, Turkey.

DUTCH/AMERICAN THEATER: I'm researching the connections between the LaMama Theater in New York and the Mickery Theater in Amsterdam, The Netherlands (1970-1995). I'm especially interested in the exchange of ideas in theater making, play writing and reactions from the audience and the press. LaMama's goal was to establish a cross-cultural pollination. Producer and founder of the LaMama Experimental Theater Club, Ellen Stewart, was in contact with Ritaart Ten Cate, artistic director of the Mickery Theater in the sixties and seventies. Anyone who is doing research on the LaMama Theater and their international focus is welcome to exchange ideas, information, findings or anything else. Perhaps we could in some way work together! Contact Birgit Spoon, Mecklenburglaan 18, 1404 BH Bussum, The Netherlands; tel and fax: 00-

31-35-6941509; email: b.spoon@stud.let.ruu.nl

AMERICAN ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS: I am working on a dissertation examining the conflation of American environmentalism (from its mainstream to its radical fringe) with a distinct kind of populist politics of race and nation that is sweeping across the U.S. My study is concerned with the manner in which the environmental crisis is used as an index of the disintegration of the social order, as a sign that the "American way of life" is coming apart at the seams. So this study strives to examine why and how the themes of "race" and "nation" -- condensed into the concept of environmentalism -- come to serve as articulators of this national crisis. It is about how these themes function as a mechanism for the construction of an authoritarian racialized consensus, all justified as consistent with the egalitarian spirit of the 1960s civil rights movement in order to achieve a more correct, stable, polite, and moral nation: What I call the slow buildup toward a "soft apartheid" national community. I would like to exchange ideas, information, and resource materials with scholars who have interest in this topic. Contact Sanjay Kharod, Dept. of Geography, Rutgers Univ., New Brunswick, NJ 08903 USA; tel. 908-932-4101 x679; email: kharod@gandalf.rutgers.edu

U.S. / SOUTH AFRICA: COMPARATIVE INQUIRY ON SLAVERY AND RACE CONSCIOUSNESS: In my study about Slavery at the Cape (South Africa) I would like to assess the influence it exerted on creating racial consciousness in South Africa, specifically among the Afrikaners. To put this in greater perspective, it is important therefore to determine what American researchers have done to determine the relation between slavery and race consciousness among Americans. In this regard I am interested to know who are the prominent American researchers in slavery. Is there any conference to be held in the US or elsewhere during 1996 where issues such as slavery, racial consciousness or racism will be discussed? Any information about the above mentioned topics will be greatly appreciated. Contact DJ (Diko) Van Zyl, Professor of South African History, Stellenbosch, South Africa; email: mmb@maties.sun.ac.za

MIGRATION OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS FROM NORTH TO SOUTH: I plan to write my thesis on the internal migration of African-Americans from the North (back) to the South of the United States. I would appreciate any suggestions of books, articles, papers, etc. about this topic, but also addresses of organizations/persons that can provide any information. Contact Allen Wolbink, Jozef Israelsstraat 23, 9718 GB Groningen, The Netherlands; email: A.A.Wolbink@let.ruu.nl

NIAGARA FALLS C.C.C WORKER: I have an article on personal experiences of Niagara Falls worker in the C.C.C. Anyone doing an anthology on FDR and the New Deal who would be interested in such, contact James D. Bilotta; email: an587@freenet.buffalo.edu

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM (CAP): I am doing research on the programs, services, activities, etc. that continued following the termination of the CAP in the U.S., with particular interest in local economic development initiatives and programs for youth. I would like to share ideas with others studying this topic and with scholars who study local economic development outside the U.S. for possible comparisons. Contact Jason Schreiner, Univ. of Kansas, GG1 Bristol Ter., Lawrence, KS 66049 USA; email: jassch@falcon.cc.ukans.edu

DRUG TRADE: I am doing research on the illicit drug trade and narco-terrorism. I would like to exchange relevant research information on this topic and meet other scholars interested in this type of work. Contact Amit Roy, 90 Mahatma Gandhi Road, P.O. Haridevapur, Calcutta - 700082, India.

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MARY ANTIN: For a study of the author of The Promised Land I am looking for recollections, letters, archival materials, oral histories, newspaper clippings, and any other biographical and literary sources. Please send leads to Werner Sollors, Harvard University, 11 Prescott Street, Cambridge, MA 02138 USA; email: sollors@fas.harvard.edu

DIARIES AND LETTERS: Seeking leads on diaries and letters from young women during their puberty and adolescent years for the years 1940 through the end of the 1980s. Contact Christabelle Sethna, Dept. of the History and Philosophy of Education, OISE, 252 Bloor St. W., Toronto, Ontario M5S 1V6 Canada; email: csethna@oise.on.ca

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICIES: I have done research on sexual harassment policies in the U.S. and Canada and would like to learn about such poli-

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cies in other countries. I would also appreciate any leads on diaries and letters where women talk about their experiences of harassment. Contact Sandy Welsh, Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Toronto, 203 College Street, Toronto, Ontario M5T 1P9; email: welsh@epas.utoronto.ca

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TEACHING AMERICAN HISTORY: I am an Mphil and PhD in American Studies with a particular interest in developing innovative teaching aids and ideas. I would like to converse with individuals who could assist me in finding a way to study and work in the United States. Contact: Anita Nahal Arya, N-549 Sector 9, R.K. Puram, New Delhi, 110022, India; fax: India code + 644 2728.

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IV. BOOKS/JOURNALS/ MATERIALS/FELLOWSHIPS

BOOKS, RESEARCH MATERIALS, SYLLABI NEEDED: The Center of American Studies of the Jagiellonian University in Cracow welcomes donations from institutions and individuals, who are willing to participate in scholarly cooperation. We would very much appreciate new or used books, research materials, and syllabi for courses which could be used for our students. Contact Andrzej Mania, Jagiellonian University Center of American Studies, Rynek Glowny 34, Room 1, 31-010 Crakow, Poland; (48-12) 22 03 64; email: uhmania@cyf-kr.edu.pl

NEED BOOKS for a recently established North American Studies Area in the Graduate Program of International Relations of the Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences of the Universidad Central de Venezuela. We plan to establish a transdisciplinary library on American Topics. Therefore, we will welcome any donations of new or used books on American history, culture, society, economy, domestic politics and foreign policy. Contact Vilma E. Petrash, Postgrado en Relaciones Internacionales, CEAP-UCV, Centro Comercial Cediaz, Torre Este, Nivel Mezzanina, Av. Casanova, Sabana Grande, Caracas 1050-A, Venezuela. Fax: (011582) 71-5173; email: vpetrash@conicit.ve

NEED HELP IN ESTABLISHING RESEARCH CENTER OF AMERICAN CULTURE: Southwest Jiaotong University, Foreign Languages Department, is responsible for the teaching of English for all Students (about 10,000) in the school and for a program of English majors. This month a MA program in English literature and Linguistics has been granted from upper educational authority. We are facing a severe problem of lacking updated teaching books, materials, reference books. We are to establish a Research Center of American Culture in our department, hoping in this way we can obtain more English resources. We seek books, journals and video tapes; we are interested in establishing ties with other organizations or institutions which have interests in establishing ties with Chinese institutions; we welcome suggestions on how to run the program effectively. Xia Weirong, Chair of Foreign Languages Department, Southwest Jiaotong University, Chengdu, Sichuan 610031, P.R. CHINA. Fan Yihong, Executive Director, Research Center of American Culture, Southwest Jiaotong University, Chengdu, Sichuan 610031, P.R. CHINA; email: yutan@rose.cnc.ac.cn

BOOKS, JOURNALS, NEWSLETTERS NEEDED: Members of the New African History Workshop, Louisiana State Prison, request materials to assist in constructing a Black Studies curriculum. They would like to add to their institution's library any texts on Cultural Studies, Politics, Economics, Sociology, and Black History in general. Contact The New African History

Workshop, #328424, Mag. 3, Louisiana State Prison, Angola, LA 70712 USA.

JOURNAL FOR CONTEMPORARY HISTORY: This South African journal is published twice annually by the Institute for Contemporary History. It comprises articles with a contemporary, historical or political nature. For further information, contact Alta Coetzer, INCH/INEG, PO Box 2320, Univ. of the OFS, Bloemfontein 9300, South Africa.

JOURNAL OF AMERICAN STUDIES OF TURKEY: The second issue of the biannual interdisciplinary journal JAST published by the American Studies Association of Turkey is out and available. It contains a variety of articles and reviews by American, European and Turkish scholars stationed in different parts of the world. For subscription or single copies write to Gulriz Buken, Department of History, Bilkent University, 06533 Ankara, Turkey, fax: *90 (312) 266-4960, email: buken@bilkent.edu.tr

PASSAGES: A JOURNAL OF TRANSNATIONAL AND TRANSCULTURAL STUDIES is a new interdisciplinary journal published by World Heritage Press. The journal seeks to act as a focal point for the burgeoning literature on transnational phenomena and cross-cultural encounters. Passages welcomes submissions of scholarly articles, as well as writings in other formats, such as personal narratives, interviews, survey articles and summaries of material available in foreign languages. Send manuscripts and queries to the editor, Mohammed A. Bamyeh, Dept. of Sociology, Univ. of Massachusetts, Lowell, MA 08154 USA; tel: 508/ 934-4305; fax: 508/ 934-3023; email: bamyehm@woods.uml.edu

THE PEACE HISTORY SOCIETY (formerly the Council on Peace Research in History) seeks new members. Members receive quarterly copies of the journal *Peace & Change* (now published by Blackwell) as well as the organization's Newsletter. The journal's goal is to transcend national, disciplinary, and other arbitrary boundaries while building bridges between peace research, education, and activism. We welcome articles on a wide variety of topics related to peace activists and movements, conflict resolution, nonviolence, internationalism, race and gender issues affecting peacemaking, cross-cultural and transnational studies, economic development, the imprint of imperialism on societies, and post-cold war upheaval. For information, contact Sina Dubovoj, Secretary-Treasurer, PHS P.O. Box 5874 Bethesda, MD 20824 USA; tel: 301-530-5646

CENTER FOR LITERARY STUDIES, FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF MINAS GERAIS, with the support of the Rockefeller Foundation, offers fellowships for a program of interdisciplinary research, 1997-1999. The objective of the program is to develop studies on the heterogeneity of the late processes of modernization that took place in the various regions of Brazil dating from the 1940s. Themes for eligible research proposals are as follows: 1997, processes of modernization; 1998, Brazil and construction of the later modern and constitution of images legitimizing national identity; 1999, utopian processes of globalizing modernization as seen in aesthetic, social and political experiences. Applications will be considered from research fellows in Social Sciences, Literature, Plastic and Visual Arts, History, and Architecture. Priority given to interdisciplinary projects. Application deadline: February 20th of the year prior to residence. For further information and applications contact Wander Melo Miranda, Centro de Estudos Literarios, Faculdade de Letras/UFGM, Av. Antonio Carlos, 6627, 31270-910, Bela Horizonte, MG, Brazil; tel: (00 55 31) 448-5133 or 448-5106; fax: (00 55 31) 448-5120.

INSTITUTE OF UNITED STATES STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON announces the John Adams Fellowships, 1996-1997. The Institute promotes and coordinates American Studies at the University of London and assists in liaisons between teachers of subjects relating to the United States in other institutions of higher education. Applications are invited from scholars who have held the doctorate for at least two years prior to beginning the fellowship; research can involve any traditional humanities or social sciences discipline with a focus on American Studies. The non-stipendiary awards are tenable for four months to one year; the Institute provides an office and library privileges and expects fellows to offer public lectures and seminars. Applications are due April 26, 1996. Please contact Anna Brooke, Institute of United States Studies, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU; tel: 0171-636 8000, ext. 5100; fax: 0171-580 7352.

GERALD R. FORD LIBRARY: Researchers in national politics, government or related topics, especially in the 1970s, can apply for travel grants up to \$2,000 to use Gerald R. Ford Library collections. Deadlines are March 15 and September 15 of each year. For collections advice and grant information, contact William H. McNitt, Gerald R. Ford Library, 1000 Real Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48109 USA; tel: 313-741-2218; fax: 313-741-2341; library@fordlib.nara.gov

THE COLUMBIA UNIV. ORAL HISTORY RESEARCH OFFICE will hold its annual summer institute in oral history on May 27 - June 7, 1996, in New York City. The institute will offer seminars in oral history method and theory, community history, media applications of oral history and fieldwork methods. Contact Ronald J. Grele or Mary Marshall Clark, Oral History Research Office, Box 20, Butler Library, Columbia Univ., New York, NY 10027 USA; tel: 212-854-2273; fax: 212-854-5378; email: mmc17@columbia.edu

SCHOOL OF CRITICISM AND THEORY, Summer session at Dartmouth College, June 17 - July 26, 1996, invites applications from faculty and graduate students in literature, the arts, the humanities, and related social sciences from around the world. Participants work with the School's faculty in seminars and weekly colloquia on topics ranging from theory of formalism, to memory and textuality. Instructors for the 1996 session include Dominick LaCapra, Michael Riffaterre, Stephen Greenblatt, Elaine Scarry, Philip Fisher, and Jean Molino. Applications are judged beginning March 1, 1996; admission and scholarships are announced on a rolling basis, ending in early April. For further information, contact: The School of Criticism and Theory, Dartmouth College, 6201 Wentworth Hall, Room 307, Box M, Hanover, NH 03755-3526 USA; tel: (603) 646-3756; fax: (603) 646-3838; email: sandra.l.gregg@dartmouth.edu

V. CONFERENCES/CALLS FOR PAPERS/JOURNAL SUBMISSIONS

TENTH ANNUAL MELUS (Society for the Study of Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States) Conference will be hosted by the Department of English, Univ. of North Carolina at Greensboro, April 4 - 6, 1996. MELUS invites 200-word paper abstracts, finished essays, panel proposals, and ideas for forums and plenary sessions on all types of ethnic literature of the United States, including Native American, Asian American, African American, Latino American, and Euro American literature. All program participants must be MELUS members. Topics of discussion may include: Interdisciplinary approaches; Feminist theory; Autobiography/biography; Critical, cultural, and theoretical approaches; Oral traditions; Cinema and literature; Cultural intersections; Health and healing; Ethnicity and ecology. Special call for topics concerning the impact of the current political climate on ethnic literature and scholarship, creative writing, theory, pedagogy. Submit program items and requests for information on registration and housing to Sally Ann H. Ferguson, Chair, MELUS 1996, Department of English, Univ. of North Carolina at Greensboro, 111 McIver Building, Greensboro, NC 27412 USA; tel: (910) 334-5484; fax: (910) 334-3281; email: fergusoa@fagan.uncg.edu

BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR AMERICAN STUDIES Annual Conference will be held at Bodington Hall, University of Leeds, 12 - 15 April 1996. Registration will be held on Friday, April 12. Lord Mayor of Leeds will host a reception; the opening plenary speaker will be Professor Paula Gunn Allen, UCLA. For full details contact Ann Massa, School of English, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT, UK; tel: +44 (0) 113 233 4768/4739/4733; fax: 44 (0) 113 233 4774.

POPULAR CULTURE: The North American Studies program at the Renvall Institute, Univ. of Helsinki, will host the sixth biennial American Studies Conference on May 20 - 23, 1996. The theme of this conference will be "Visions and Divisions: The Changing Faces of Popular Culture." Contact the Renvall Institute of Historical Research, Secretary Seppo Tamminen, PO Box 4, 00014 Univ. of Helsinki, Finland; tel: 358-0-19123107; email: seppo.tamminen@helsinki.fi

THE AMERICANIZATION OF AMERICA: The 1996 meeting of the Israel Association of American Studies will be held November 27 - 28, 1996, at The Hebrew Univ. of Jerusalem. It will examine the Americanization of America as a process of disclosure, whereby, in a variety of narrative forms (historical, fictional, poetic and journalistic) and in different social movements (in the courts and classrooms and on the streets) America comes to express its multicultural heterogeneity. Please send a 2-page abstract by March 1, 1996 to Emily Budick, Dept. of American Studies, The Hebrew Univ. of Jerusalem, Mt. Scopus, Jerusalem 91905.

THE AMERICAN STUDIES ASSOCIATION invites proposals for papers, presentations, performances, films, roundtables, workshops or entire sessions for its 1996 annual meeting October 31 - November 3, 1996. The theme is "Global Migration, American Cultures, and the State." Contact Dave Gutierrez, Dept. of History, 0104, UC-San Diego, La Jolla, CA 92093-0104 USA; tel: 619-534-1996 or Peggy Pascoe, Dept. of History, Univ. of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT 84112 USA; tel: 801-581-5685.

FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES IN THE LIBERAL ARTS, National Invitational Conference will be held June 13 - 16, 1996 at Connecticut College / Toor Cummings Center for International Studies and the Liberal Arts. Papers are invited from faculty and administrators; institutions are requested to send teams of two participants. Room and board provided. For information contact Julia A2E Kushigian, Toor Cummings Center, Connecticut College, 270 Mohegan Avenue, New London, CT 06320 USA; tel: 860/ 439-2024; fax: 860/ 439-5362; email: jakus@conncoll.edu, or, see posting at http://camel.conncoll.edu/ccacad/CISLA/luceconf.html

APRIL IN PARIS, AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSIC AND DANCE AND EUROPE, an International Conference sponsored by the W.E.B. Du Bois Institute for Afro-American Research at Harvard and the University of the Sorbonne, will be held in Paris, April 24 - 27, 1996. For information contact The W.E.B. Du Bois Institute for Afro-American Research, Harvard University, 26 Church Street, Cambridge, MA 02138 USA; tel: 617/ 495-4192; fax: 617/ 496-8547. To register call 1-800-218-1865.

NATIONAL SOCCER HALL OF FAME AND SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN SOCCER HISTORY announce a call for papers for the fourth annual American Soccer History Symposium, to be held in June-July of 1996

at Oneonta, NY. This year's theme is College Soccer History, with four topic areas: pre-NCAA men's collegiate soccer; men's collegiate soccer, early years 1959-73; recent men's collegiate soccer; women's collegiate soccer. Papers may be on an overview of the topic area, or a narrower subject within the topic area. One paper from each area will be chosen for presentation. Formal presentations will be followed by responses from invited guests, and a general discussion. The symposium will part of the NSHF's Annual Hall of Fame Week which includes an international soccer match and Hall of Fame induction ceremonies. Contact Albert Colone, Executive Director, National Soccer Hall of Fame, 5-11 Ford Avenue, Oneonta, NY 13820 USA.

HELLENIC ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN STUDIES, in collaboration with the Department of American Literature and Culture, Aristotle University, announces their third international conference in Thessaloniki, 21-23 March, 1997: "Women, Creators of Culture." The conference will focus on American and/or Greek women's contributions to the development of humanities, social or other sciences, the fine arts, folk arts, and other forms of culture. Paper submissions are invited, in Greek or English, and can cover any field related to the conference theme and adopt a theoretical, historical, comparative, or other perspective. Send titles and abstracts together with short c.v. by June 20, 1996 to Ekaterini Georgoudaki, School of English, Aristotle University, 540 06 Thessaloniki, Greece; tel: (031) 99 7451; fax: (031) 99 7432.

WOMEN OF THE AMERICAN SOUTH: A Multicultural Reader, edited by Christie Farnham for New York University Press seeks submissions. Send manuscripts or descriptions of works in progress to Christie Farnham, 2994 Bankers Dr., Bloomington, IN 47408 USA; email: pope@indiana.edu

THE JOURNAL OF UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST HISTORY welcomes submissions related to any aspect of the history of the Unitarian and/or Universalist religious traditions. Although our emphasis is on American history since the 18th-century, we welcome work related to any place or period (for example, Reformation Europe). Wanted are articles, and for the department "Research Notes," reports of interesting findings from research in progress. Manuscripts must be submitted in triplicate and will not be returned unless accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope; submissions to "Research Notes" should be 1000 words or less. Those interested in writing book reviews for the Journal should submit their name, address, and qualifications. Deadline for the next issue is 1 March 1996. Direct submissions and enquiries to Dean Grodzins, Committee on the Degree in History and Literature, Harvard Univ., Cambridge, MA 02138 USA; email: grodzins@fas.harvard.edu

JAST invites articles on any aspect of American life, society, art and literature, as well as related subjects. Articles which cross conventional borders between academic disciplines are particularly welcome, as are comparative studies of American and other cultures. Book and film reviews are also welcome. For details of submission of manuscripts write to the Editor Gonul Pultar, Department of English, Bilkent University, 06533 Ankara, Turkey, fax: *90 (312) 266 4934, email: gonul@bilkent.edu.tr The JAST homepage, containing various information and all articles, is available on the www at: <http://www.bups.bilkent.edu.tr/jast>

VI. STUDENT/SCHOLAR EXCHANGES

NEW ZEALAND / UNITED STATES: I'd be interested in doing an exchange with an American historian/historians located in Washington state, northern California, Hawaii, or in Connecticut, Pennsylvania, or DC/Maryland area for one semester, Spring or Fall 1997. I'm the only Americanist teaching at Victoria University of Wellington, Wellington, New Zealand. If interested, contact Dolores Janiewski, Department of History, Victoria University of Wellington/Te Whare Wananga o te Upoko o te Ika a Maui, P.O. Box 600, Wellington, New Zealand; fax: 64-4-495-5261 or 471-2070; tel: 64-4-471-5344, etn. 7042 (office) or 64-4-478-2691 (home); email: Dolores.Janiewski@vuw.ac.nz

U.S.-BRITAIN: Young scholar in American Studies the Univ. of Central Lancashire in Preston, England, seeks exchange with an American academic. You would need to be able to teach courses in American Literature and Culture but could have research interests in different areas. I am a specialist in African American culture and history and have published widely on African American literature and music. I teach a range of courses from the following: Modernism, American Film and Film Theory, Cultural Theory and American Studies, Introductory American Literature, American Writing and Literary Theory, American Popular Culture and Narratives of the Black Atlantic, and at the M.A. level, the American Renaissance. My house could be available as part of the exchange. Exchange would teach my classes (usually 3-5 modules/semester-- 7-10 contact hours/week, with 70-120 students altogether). I am especially interested in a six-month exchange--August to January or January to July--though all serious offers will be investigated. The earliest date I would be interested in is January 1997. Contact Alan Rice, Dept. of Cultural Studies, Univ. of Central Lancashire, Preston, PR1 2HE, Britain; tel: 01772-893036; fax 01772-892924; email: a.rice@uclan.ac.uk

VII. HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS

NEED ACCOMM. IN NEW YORK CITY: French University Professor seeks two-bedroom apartment for rent in New York City from 1 February 1996 to 15 May

1996. Write Michel Gresset, 10 Avenue de Paris 78000 Versailles or call 39 50 61 55; fax: 39 25 02 31.

SEEK ACCOM. IN WASHINGTON, DC area for the first half of next December for a scholar conducting research on U.S. diplomatic relations during the Eisenhower years. Rent or exchange for similar facilities near Madrid, Spain. Contact Fernando Termis, Dept. of Contemporary History-UNED, 28040 Madrid, Spain; tel: 34-49-264604; fax: 34-1-398-6718.

EXCHANGE HOUSE PARIS/SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA for August 1996 (Aug. 5-30/dates somewhat flexible). We would like to exchange our 4-bedroom Paris suburban apartment (7 miles to city center/easy

access to public trans./quiet neighborhood by a river) for similar accommodation in L.A. or San Diego. For research purposes, we need to be fairly close to a Univ. of Cal. campus. Fax your offer by April 1 to Prof. Rossignol at 33-1-44-783473.

APT. AVAILABLE IN ROME: completely furnished, belongs to an academic couple now on sabbatical at Harvard. It is a two-bedroom penthouse conveniently located in Quartiere Trieste, a nice residential area just outside the historical center. Excellent public transportation connections. Two bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, kitchen, a living room and a very enjoyable terrace. Available Dec. 1995- June 1996. Rent 1,350 US\$/month, plus utilities. Contact in the USA Daniela Rossi-

ni Pandolfi. tel: 617-495-3729 (work) or 617-729-4617 (home); fax: 617-496-2111; email: pandolfi@helix.mgh.harvard.edu

HOUSE AVAILABLE IN MEXICO: June 1 - August 10, 1996, on campus of the Univ. of the Americas, Puebla, near Mexico City. Two bedrooms, study, gardens, beautifully furnished, in exchange for house or apartment in San Francisco -Stanford area, same time. Contact Paul Rich, University of the Americas, Cholula, Puebla 72820, Mexico; el: (22) 29 24 83; email: rich@udlapvms.pue.udlap.mx

SEEK FEMALE ROOMMATE TO SHARE SMALL STUDIO IN NEW YORK CITY: In March and April

1996 I'm in New York City to do necessary research in the archives of two theatres; LaMama ETC and Ping Chong & Company, situated in East Village and Greenwich. The theatres are on 74A East Fourth Street and 47 Great Jones Street. In that area I'm looking for a small studio, just waiting for the travel agent in Greenwich to confirm the reservation. Would any female student like to share the studio with me to split the rental costs? The price is \$130 dollars a week, meaning \$65 dollars each a week. Facilities are: Shower, Toilette, Kitchenette. Prefer non-smoker. Contact Birgit Spoon, Mecklenburglaan 18, 1404 BH Bussum, The Netherlands ; tel: international-31-35-6941509 (also fax number); email: B.Spoon@stud.let.ruu.nl

Announcements

"Professional Opportunity" announcements should represent an equal opportunity employer. Charges are \$65 for fewer than 101 words; \$90 for 101-150 words; over 150 words will be edited. Application closing dates should be after the end of the month in which the announcement appears. Send announcements to Advertising Director. Deadlines for receipt of announcements are: January 1 for the February issue; April 1 for May; July 1 for August; and October 1 for November. Announcements will not be accepted after the deadlines. Positions listed may also be found on the OAH World Wide Web home page: <http://www.indiana.edu/~oah>

Professional Opportunities

St. Lawrence University

St. Lawrence University is seeking a visiting faculty person for two years to teach three courses per year and to work with faculty in strengthening an interdisciplinary program in American Pluralism. The person will be expected to participate in ongoing faculty reading seminars and to offer workshops for faculty from across the curriculum on incorporating multiculturalism into their courses. Candidates should hold a Ph.D. in a field related to American ethnic studies, but preference will be given to those who have a multidisciplinary background. They should have experience in teaching and developing courses or programs in American multiculturalism. Letters of application should express the candidate's experiences with program building and ideas about how to configure ethnic studies in a small liberal arts college. Send letters and c.v.s to: Peter Bailey, English Department, St. Lawrence University, Canton, NY 13617. Review of applications will begin **January 21, 1996**, and will continue until position is filled. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. AA/EEO

The University of Washington

The University of Washington is seeking applications and nominations for the position of Chair of the Department of American Ethnic Studies. The chair reports to the Dean of the college of Arts and Sciences. Candidates should be full professors and must have demonstrated scholarly achievement in American Ethnic Studies and excellence in teaching; administrative experience highly desirable. Candidates should have multicultural and comparative approaches to research and teaching. Applicants should send a cover letter describing their qualifications for and interest in the position, a curriculum vitae, and the names of three references to: Chair, Search Committee for American Ethnic Studies, c/o Nancy Chinneth, College of Arts and Sciences, Box 353765, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195. The appointment is normally a five-year term and is effective July 1, 1996. Applications will be reviewed beginning **January 15, 1996**. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. AA/EEO.

Kent State University

Kent State University invites applications for the Department of History Chairperson, at the full professor or senior associate professor rank. The twelve-month appointment begins July 1, 1996. As chairperson of the department, it is essential that the applicant have a demonstrable record of academic and scholarly achievement and the ability to work well with students, faculty, administrative personnel, and the community. Must have the potential for effective administration of the department and a strong interest in developing and maintaining an effective advising system, a strong teaching program, and a solid program of

scholarship, publications, and grantsmanship. The successful candidate will hold an earned doctorate and will teach undergraduate and graduate courses. Field open: 19th or 20th Century U.S. preferred. Submit letter of application, resume, and three letters of reference by **March 15, 1996**, to: Chairperson, Search Committee, Department of History, Kent State University, P.O. Box 5190, Kent, OH 44242-0001. EO/AEE

Bradley University

The Department of History of Bradley University invites applications from outstanding scholars for the John Gillett and Augusta Smith Oglesby Professorship of American Heritage. Applicants should have considerable teaching experience, scholarship in American political economy, and background in one or more of the following areas: U.S. diplomatic, early twentieth-century U.S., Pacific Rim/Asia, and Middle East. Excellence in undergraduate teaching, an active research program, and commitment to diversity are essential. This tenure-track appointment will be at the associate professor rank, and applicants should presently hold or be qualified for that rank. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Screening will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. To ensure full consideration, application materials should be received by **March 1, 1996**. The appointment will begin **August 16, 1996**. Send a vita, evidence of successful teaching, and three letters of recommendation to: Dr. William L. Bowers, chair, Department of History, Bradley University, Peoria, IL 61625. EO/AEE.

Bowling Green State University

The Department of History at Bowling Green State University invites applications for a tenure track assistant professor position in 20th Century U.S. social/cultural history with research and teaching interests in one or more of the following areas: gender, race and ethnicity, labor, popular culture, intellectual trends, demography, and social or cultural policy. Preference will be given to candidates who can contribute to the department's M.A./Ph.D. program in Policy History and the University's interdisciplinary M.A./Ph.D. Program in American Culture Studies. Ph.D. required. Teaching experience strongly preferred. Salary and benefits competitive. Send letter of application, vita, and three letters of reference to Chair, U.S. History Search, Department of History, Bowling Green, OH 43403-0220. Screening of applications will begin on **March 1**. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. AA/EEO.

St. Charles County Community College

St. Charles County Community College, outside St. Louis, seeks historian to teach Western/Non-Western Civilization plus some U.S. History surveys. Interest in ethnicity/diversity preferred. The position offers academic rank and continuing contract. Appointment begins **August 1996**. M.A. in history required, college teaching experience preferred. Position contingent upon funding availability and board approval. Send letter, c.v., college application, three letters of reference, official transcripts, and statement of teaching philosophy and commitment to lower division education to Personnel Dept., SCCC, 4601 Mid Rivers Mall Drive, St. Peters, MO 63376-0975; (314) 922-8300. Review of applications begins **February 1, 1996**. Will interview at OAH convention. EEO/AA. M/F/D/V

University College

University College invites applications for a tenure-track Instructor/Assistant Professor position in American history. Ph.D. in American history required. Teaching experience required in American history survey and Western/World Civilization. Scholarship/publications required. Teaching experience at a

two-year college and teaching American government desirable. Candidates evaluated according to the following criteria: Ph.D. degree in American history awarded by date of application; scholarship/publications; total teaching experience; teaching experience in American history; Teaching experience in World history; teaching experience at a two-year college; teaching experience in American government. Appointment to begin **September 1, 1996**. Please send application letter, curriculum vita, statement of pedagogical style, graduate transcripts, and three current letters of reference to Professor Leslie Williams, Acting Head, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Mail Location 206, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH 45221. Applications must be postmarked by **March 31, 1996**. For more information call (513) 556-2929. Women and minorities encouraged to apply. AA/EOE.

The University of Arizona

The University of Arizona Department of History seeks lecturers with a Ph.D. in history to teach during the 1996-97 academic year, pending funding. Appointments are full and part time for one year with potential of renewal. Preferred specialties are Asian, early European, 20th-century U.S., and Latin American history. We will begin processing applications **March 15, 1996**. Send letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and three letters of recommendation to Helen Nader, Head, Department of History, Lecturer Search, Social Sciences 215, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721-0027. The University of Arizona is an EEO/AA/ADA employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

Activities of Members

John Hope Franklin, Duke University, received a Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Clinton.

Jeffrey L. Meikle, University of Texas, Austin, was awarded a research fellowship for 1995-96 by the American Council of Learned Societies.

Bernice Johnson Reagon, American University, was one of the five recipients of the 1995 Charles Frankel Prize, which was presented by President Clinton.

James M. McPherson, Princeton University, received the 1995 Henry Allen Moe Prize in the Humanities from the American Philosophical Society in recognition of his paper, "Who Freed the Slaves?"

Trudy Huskamp Peterson, Acting Archivist of the United States from 1993-95, has been named the executive director of the Open Society Archives in Budapest, Hungary.

Carl Smith, Northwestern University, received the Urban History Association's 1995 prize for the best book in North American urban history for his work, *Urban Order and the Shape of Belief: The Great Chicago Fire, the Haymarket Bomb, and the Model Town of Pullman* (University of Chicago Press, 1994).

Rima Apple, University of Wisconsin, received a 1996 American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Ortho Fellowship for the project, "The Perfect Mother: Mothers and Physicians, 1850-1990."

Kerry W. Buckley is the new director of Historic Northampton, Northampton, Mass.

Thomas R. Dunlap, Texas A & M University, was elected vice-president of the Forest History Society.

Leonard Schlup is compiling a Gilded Age bibliography (1877-1901) of books and articles published since 1973. He has written two chapters for *The Vice Presidents: A Biographical Directory*, to be published in 1996 by Facts on File.

Barnes Riznik is retiring after 20 years as the first director of Grove Farm Homestead and Waioli Mission House museum in Lihue, Hawaii.

Bruce M. Stave, University of Connecticut,

John F. Sutherland, Manchester Community-Technical College, and **Aldo Salerno**, Nassau Community College, received the Homer D. Baddidge, Jr., Award at the annual meeting of the Association for the Study of Connecticut History, for their book *From the Old Country: An Oral History of European Migration to America* (Twayne Publishers, 1994).

Donald Worster, University of Kansas, will present the W. P. Whitsett Lecture in California History, on **April 12, 1996**, at California State University at Northridge.

Ronald D. Cohen, Indiana University Northwest, is currently (1996) president of the History of Education Society.

Michael Frisch, State University of New York at Buffalo, received the Oral History Association's 1995 Book Award for his *Portraits in Steel* (Cornell University Press, 1993).

Gerald W. George was reappointed as executive director of the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

Jeffrey J. Crow is the new director of the North Carolina Division of Archives and History, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

Radcliffe College announces the following opportunities at its **Arthur and Elizabeth Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America**: for Schlesinger Library Honorary Visiting Scholars, four one-year appointments; for faculty and independent scholars, research support grants ranging from \$100-\$2,000 for the summer of 1996 or the 1996-97 academic year; and for graduate students, two or more doctoral dissertation grants up to \$1,500. The deadline for proposals is **February 15, 1996**. Contact the Scholar Program, Schlesinger Library, Radcliffe College, 10 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138.

Missouri Historical Society announces its 1996 fellowship, "People and Place in the American City," for a term of one to three months, with a stipend of \$1,700 per month. Deadline is **February 28, 1996**. Contact the Research Center, Missouri Historical Society, P.O. Box 11940, St. Louis, MO 63112-0040.

Naval Historical Center announces the following opportunities: for established scholars, two Vice Admiral Edwin B. Hooper (\$2,500) research grants; the Rear Admiral John D. Hayes fellowship (\$8,000) for pre-doctoral candidates; and for undergraduate history majors, 4-week history internships in the Washington Navy Yard. Deadline is **February 28, 1996**, for the research grants and the fellowship. Internship applications should be filed two months before the desired beginning date. Contact Senior Historian, Naval Historical Center, Washington Navy Yard, 901 M Street SE, Washington, DC 20374-5060.

North Caroliniana Society invites proposals for Archie K. Davis Fellowships for 1996-97. The modest stipends help cover travel expenses in gaining access to source materials in North Carolina history. Deadline is **February 28, 1996**. Contact G. Jones, North Caroliniana Society, UNC Campus, Box 3930, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-8890.

Herman Dunlap Smith Center for the History of Cartography at the Newberry Library announces 20 openings for college and university faculty in their summer institute, "Cartography and History: Using Maps in Teaching the Humanities," **June 24-July 27, 1996**. Selected participants will receive a \$1,250 stipend plus \$2,500 for travel. Deadline is **March 1, 1996**. Contact Tina Reithmaier, Program Coordinator, The Herman Dunlap Smith Center for the History of Cartography, the Newberry Library, 60 West Walton Street, Chicago, IL 60610-3380; (312) 255-3656 or (312) 255-3523.

The Athenaeum of Philadelphia presents Charles E. Peterson research fellowships and summer internships focusing on "Early Amer-

ican Architecture and Building Technology Prior to 1860," to be used during the period of June 1, 1996-May 31, 1997. Fellowship grants up to \$5,000 are available, and the two to four month summer internships award a \$1,250 stipend per month. Deadline is March 1, 1996. Contact Chairman, Peterson Fellowship Committee, The Athenaeum of Philadelphia, East Washington Square, Philadelphia, PA 19106-3794.

American Numismatic Society (ANS) announces its Graduate Seminar, June 11-August 10, 1996, at the Museum of the ANS. Qualified applicants will receive a \$2,000 stipend and travel fare. ANS also announces the Donald Groves Fund to promote publication in the field of early American (pre-1800) numismatics by providing travel, research, and publication funding, and a fellowship (\$3,500) for graduate students to write a dissertation during the 1996-1997 academic year. Deadline is March 1, 1996. For the Donald Groves Fund, applications should be addressed to the ANS Secretary. Contact ANS, Broadway at 155th Street, New York, NY 10032.

National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) sponsors two 1996-97 fellowships: a Fellowship in Archival Administration with the South Carolina Department of Archives and History (\$35,000 stipend and up to \$7,000 in benefits) and an Editing Fellowship to work on The Marcus Garvey and Universal Negro Improvement Association Papers at the University of California, Los Angeles (\$33,000 stipend and up to \$8,250 in benefits). Both begin August-October 1996. Deadline is March 1, 1996. Contact NHPRC, National Archives Building (Arch 1), Room 607, Washington, DC 20408; (202) 501-5610; fax(202) 501-5601; nhprc@arch1.nara.gov.

Stonewall Jackson Foundation and Washington Lee University present Edmund M. Snyder 1996 Graduate Fellowships (\$3,600 stipend) for summer work and study in American history, museum studies, material culture, and architectural history at Stonewall Jackson House, Lexington, Virginia. Candidates must be enrolled in a M.A. or Ph.D. program and have completed at least two semesters of course work. Deadline is March 1, 1996. Contact Director, Stonewall Jackson House, 8 East Washington Street, Lexington, VA 24450; (703) 463-2552.

Western Reserve Historical Society announces the third Virginia P. and Richard F. Morgan Research Fellowship. This grant is a one-time stipend of \$500 to support research in pre-Civil War Ohio history. Send a letter describing the research project, how the grant will be used, one letter of recommendation, and a resume to Kermit J. Pike, Library Director, The Western Reserve Historical Society, 10825 East Boulevard, Cleveland, OH 44106-1777. Deadline is March 1, 1996.

American Antiquarian Society (AAS) announces visiting fellowships for classroom teachers in grades K-12 and school librarians. At least three fellowships will be awarded for residence of one to two months at AAS during the summer 1996 (\$1,200 stipend per month plus travel allowance). Deadline is March 4, 1996. Contact AAS, 185 Salisbury Street, Room 122, Worcester, MA 01609-1634; (508) 752-5813 or 755-5221.

Indiana Historical Society offers two doctoral dissertation fellowships of \$6,000 each annually to encourage the understanding of the history of Indiana or of Indiana and the regions with which it has been associated. Eligible applicants must be enrolled in accredited institutions and have completed all course work for a doctorate. Deadline is March 15, 1996. Contact the Education Division, 315 West Ohio Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202; (317) 233-5659; fax(317) 233-3109.

Southold Restorations, Inc. announces the Joan Burmeister Romine Scholarship Fund (\$1,000) which is intended to assist undergraduate and graduate students in pursuing courses of instruction relating to Historical Preservation. Deadline is March 15, 1996. Contact Southold Restorations, Inc., 516 East South Street, South Bend, IN 46601; (219) 234-3441.

Early American Industries Association (EAIA) offers grants to individuals or institutions for research relating to early American industries in homes, shops, or on the sea. Individual grants will not exceed \$1,000. Contact the Grants-in-Aid Program, Justine J. Mataleno, Coordinator, 1324 Shallcross Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19806; (302) 652-7297. Deadline is March 15, 1996.

National Humanities Center in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, sponsors summer institutes for high school history and English

teachers. For history teachers, the center offers, "Nature Transformed: Imagination and the North American Landscape," and for English teachers, "The Writing of African American Identity: Self, Race, and Gender." Both programs will run from June 24-July 12, 1996, and provide travel expenses, lodging, most meals, texts, and a stipend of \$750. Deadline is March 15, 1996. Contact Summer Institute Office, National Humanities Center, P.O. Box 12256, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; (919) 549-0661; summrins@unccecs.edu.

Charles Redd Center for Western Studies (CRCWS) at Brigham Young University announces a faculty research grant for the 1996-97 academic year, as well as two summer grants for upper division and graduate students: \$1,000 per project for research dealing with the Mountain West and benefits and up to \$200 in travel funds for the collection of oral history interviews on the Mountain West. Deadline is March 15, 1996. Contact CRCWS, 4069 HBLL, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT 84602; (801) 378-4048.

New York State College of Human Ecology at Cornell University and Cornell's Mann Library offer a summer or sabbatical fellowship of \$3,500 to provide support toward research on the history of home economics or nutrition, and their impact on American society. Contact Office of the Dean, College of Human Ecology, N113 MVR Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853-4401; (607) 257-0568; fax(607) 255-3794. Deadline is March 29, 1996.

Oral History Association invites applications for three awards to be presented at their annual meeting, October 10-13, 1996, in Philadelphia: for a published article or essay, a completed oral history project, and to a post-secondary educator—for work published or completed January 1, 1994-March 30, 1996. Deadline is April 1, 1996. Contact Rebecca Sharpless, Executive Secretary, Oral History Association, Baylor University, P.O. Box 97234, Waco, TX 76798-7234; oha_support@baylor.edu.

University of Minnesota will award one or two Clarke Chambers Travel Fellowships to research in the Social Welfare History Archives or the YMCA Archives, with preference given to dissertation writers. Contact David Klaassen, Social Welfare History Archives, 101 Walter Library, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455; (612) 624-4377; fax(612) 625-5525; d-klaa@maroon.tc.umn.edu. Deadline is April 15, 1996.

American Heritage Center (AHC) at the University of Wyoming is offering travel grants for 1996. The grants are for up to \$500 each and provide support for travel, food and lodging to carry out research using the AMC's collections. Subject areas include: the American West, transportation, conservation, water resources and the performing arts. Contact the AMC, University of Wyoming, P.O. Box 3924, Laramie, WY 82071-3924; (307) 766-4114; fax(307) 766-5511. Deadline is April 15, 1996.

Charles Redd Center for Western Studies at Brigham Young University announces assistantships in the amount of \$7,000 each per academic year for graduate students specializing at BYU in the study of the American West. Deadline is April 15, 1996. There is also a \$500 prize and guarantee of publication for a monograph-length manuscript relating to the Mountain West. Deadline is May 1, 1996. Contact CRCWS, 4069 HBLL, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT 84602; (801) 378-4048.

Institute of United States Studies at the University of London announces two John Adams Fellowships for 1996-97 providing in-kind (non-financial) support. Deadline is April 26, 1996. Send a summary of the research, c.v., and the names and addresses of three references to the Director, Institute of United States Studies, Senate House, Malet Street, London, WC1E 7HU; (0171) 636-8000, ext. 5100; fax(0171) 580-7352.

Music Library Association announces the second annual Dena Epstein Award for Archival and Library Research in American Music, which supports research in the U.S. or abroad on any aspect of American music. Deadline is May 15, 1996. Contact Deane L. Root, Epstein Award Committee, Foster Hall Collection, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; (412) 624-4100; dlr+@pitt.edu.

Institute for the Study of American Evangelicals (ISAE) at Wheaton College has received a three-year grant from the Pew Charitable Trusts to fund a study of the "Missionary Impulse in North American History." Grants of \$2,500 each will be awarded to sup-

port several article-length studies. Deadline is May 15, 1996. Contact Larry Eskridge, ISAE, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL 60187; (708) 752-5437; isae@david.wheaton.edu.

Women and Twentieth-Century Protestantism (WTCP) announces a limited number of \$3,000 grants to fund article-length studies pertaining to women and Protestantism in the period from 1890 to the present. Contact WTCP, Andover Newton Theological School, Newton Center, MA 02159-2243; (617) 964-1100, x292; isae@david.wheaton.edu. Deadline is May 15, 1996.

Simmons College Archives, in conjunction with the Simmons Institute for Leadership and Change, offers a fellowship to encourage use of the College's archival collection. A stipend of \$500 will be awarded for two weeks of research at the College Archives during the 1996-97 academic year. Deadline is June 1, 1996. Contact Simmons College Archives, 300 The Fenway, Boston, MA 02115.

National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) announces supports projects reflecting its strategic plan, "To Protect a Priceless Legacy: The Preservation and Use of America's Historical Records." Eligible for the June 1, 1996 deadline include projects on current documentary editing regarding the formation of basic American political institutions; on creating and updating state strategic plans for meeting records needs, based on the previous state assessments, encompassing both documentary preservation and publication; on carrying out the recommendations in the report of the Working Meeting on Research Issues in Electronic Records; and on developing consortia and centers to edit documents, deal with documentation problems, raise funds for projects, share equipment and staff, and provide training as well as editing. Contact NHPRC, Room 607 (Arch I), National Archives Building, Washington, DC 20408; (202) 501-5610; fax(202) 501-5601.

Urban History Association is conducting its seventh annual round of prize competitions for scholarly distinction: best doctoral dissertation in urban history, without geographic restriction, completed during 1995; best book, North American urban history, published during 1995; and best journal article in urban history, without geographical restrictions, published during 1995. Deadline is June 15, 1996. Contact Professor Ted W. Margadant, Department of History, University of California, Davis, CA 95616.

1997-1998 Fulbright awards for lecturing or advanced research in over 135 countries are available to college and university faculty and professionals. U.S. citizenship and the Ph.D. or comparable professional qualifications required. For lecturing awards, university or college teaching experience is expected. Foreign language skills are needed for some countries, but most lecturing assignments are in English. Deadline is August 1, 1996. Deadlines for special programs: distinguished Fulbright chairs in Western Europe and Canada, May 1; and Fulbright seminars for international education and academic administrator, November 1. Contact USIA Fulbright Senior Scholar Program, Council for International Exchange of Scholars, 3007 Tilden Street, N.W., Suite 5M, Box GNEWS, Washington, DC 20008-3009; (202) 686-7877; cies@ciesnet.cies.org; http://www.cies.org/.

Association for the Study of Connecticut History (ASCH) invites nominations for the 1996 Homer D. Babbidge, Jr. Award for best work in Connecticut history published in 1995. ASCH also invites nominations for the Betty M. Linsely Award for best work in Connecticut history published by, for, or on the behalf of a Connecticut historical society during the previous calendar year. Deadline for both awards is August 31, 1996. Contact Patricia Bodak Stark, 84 Beaver Brook Road, Lyme, CT 06371.

Shaker Museum and Library in Old Chatham, New York, announces the inauguration of the Helen Merritt and Charles Williams Upton Prize in Shaker Studies awarded to the best previously unpublished scholarly essay dealing with some aspect of the history or contemporary situation of the United Society of Believers. The prize consists of a \$500 award; potential publication in *Shaker*, a publication series sponsored by the Shaker Museum and Library; and potential public discussion at an arranged symposium. Manuscripts should be no longer than fifty pages double spaced, including endnotes and illustrations. Deadline is September 1, 1996. Contact Stephen J. Stein, Chairman, Upton Prize, The Shaker Museum and Library, 88 Shaker Museum Road, Old Chatham, NY 12136.

University of Virginia invites manuscripts for the Walker Cowen Manuscript Prize Competition for 1996, given biennially to the author of a book-length manuscript in Eighteenth Century Studies. The prize consists of a \$3,000 award and publication of the manuscript by the University Press of Virginia. Deadline is September 1, 1996. Contact Cowen Award Judges, c/o The University Press of Virginia, Box 3608, University Station, Charlottesville, VA 22903; (804) 924-3468; fax(804) 982-2655; upressva@virginia.edu.

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) and Ortho Pharmaceutical Corporation jointly sponsor two \$5,000 fellowships in the History of American Obstetrics and Gynecology each year. Contact Susan Rishworth, History Librarian/Archivist, ACOG, 409 Twelfth Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024; (202) 863-2578; fax(202) 484-1595; srishwor@capcon.net. Deadline is September 1, 1996.

Yale University's Program in Agrarian Studies will be offering four to six Postdoctoral Fellowships (\$30,000 per academic year) tenurable from September 1997 to May 1998. Fellows must have finished the dissertation and have a full-time paid position to which they can return. Deadline is January 3, 1997. Contact James C. Scott, Program in Agrarian Studies, Yale University, Box 208300, New Haven, CT 06520-8300; fax(203) 432-5036.

The seventeenth annual Bryant Spann Memorial Prize (\$1,000) will be awarded by the Eugene V. Debs Foundation in 1996 for the best published article on social protest and reform. Contact the Bryant Spann Memorial Prize Committee, c/o The Department of History, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN 47809; please enclose a stamped, addressed envelope.

Calls for Papers

Program proposals are welcomed for the American Heritage Center's Fifth Annual Symposium, "Western Lands: Rocks, Rails and Ranching," September 26-28, 1996, University of Wyoming, Laramie, Wyoming. Deadline for submissions is February 15, 1996. For proposal forms, contact Tom Wilsted, Acting Director of the American Heritage Center; (307) 766-6811; fax(307) 766-5511; tomw@uwyo.edu.

The Society for History in the Federal Government requests paper proposals for its meeting, "Seeking a Public Audience for Federal History," to be hosted by Harpers Ferry National Historical Park and the National Park Service on May 2-3, 1996, at the Cliffside Inn, Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. Deadline is February 16, 1996. Contact Attn. 1996 Program Committee, Society for History in the Federal Government, Box 14139, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044; Committee co-chair Bruce Noble (304) 535-6158; noble@wvvc.wvnet.edu; or Committee co-chair Michael McReynolds; (301) 713-7250; mike.mcneynolds@arch2.nara.gov.; http://www.nps.gov/hafe.htm.

Nevada Humanities Committee and the University of Nevada Press seek manuscripts for Volume 19 of The Halcyon Series, *Science, Technology, and the American West*, exploring the effects of science and technology on the 19th- and 20th-century American west. Deadline is March 15, 1996. Contact Stephen Tchudi, Editor, *Science, Technology, and the American West*, Department of English (098), University of Nevada, Reno, NV 89557-0031; (702) 784-6755; fax(702) 784-6266; s_tchudi@scs.unr.edu.

Northeast Conference on British Studies welcomes proposals for papers and panels for its 1996 Meeting, October 11-12, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut. Send a brief abstract of the proposal and a one-page vita to Susan Amussen, NECBS Program Chair, 14 Giles Street, Hamden, CT 06517; fax(203) 624-4345; samussen@tui.edu. Deadline is March 15, 1996.

Society of Automotive Historians seeks proposals for papers to be presented at the symposium, "The Automobile Industry: Past, Present, Future," September 4-6, 1996, Ford Museum, Dearborn, Michigan. Send proposal and one-page abstract to Christopher G. Foster, The Society of Automotive Historians, Inc., 1102 Long Cove Road, Gales Ferry, CT 06335-1812; (860) 464-6466; fax(860) 464-2614; zin@delphi.com. Deadline is April 1, 1996.

Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania welcomes proposals for panels and papers for their symposium, "History and the Significance of the Pennsylvania Railroad," October 11-13, 1996, Strasburg, Pennsylvania. The museum plans to

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publish a book of essays selected from papers presented at this conference. Deadline is April 1, 1996. Contact R. L. Emerson, Director, Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania, Box 15, Strasburg, PA 17579; (717) 687-8628.

Moore College of Art and Design invites paper proposals for its symposium, "The Sartain family and Philadelphia's Cultural Landscape: 1830-1930," April, 1997, at Moore College of Art and Design, Philadelphia. Deadline for submission is April 1, 1996. Contact Page Talbott, 440 Bryn Mawr Avenue, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004-2728; (610) 667-7496; fax(610) 667-3873.

Women and Twentieth Century Protestantism invites proposals for papers on women and different aspects of 20th-century Protestantism for a conference in Chicago, 1997, and a follow-up volume of essays. The project also offers a limited number of \$3,000 grants. Contact Women and Twentieth Century Protestantism, Andover Newton Theological School, 210 Herrick Road, Newton Centre, MA 02159-2243; (617) 964-1100, ext. 292. Deadline is April 15, 1996.

Binghamton University History Graduate Students' conference, "Gendered (Re)Visions: Identity, Culture and Conflict in History," May 10-11, 1996, welcomes papers on all aspects of women's history and gender history. Paper proposals are due by February 1, 1996. Contact Gendered (Re)Visions Conference, Binghamton University History Department, P.O. Box 6000, Binghamton, NY 13901-6000; M. Doak at bb32073@bingvmb.bitnet.

Shenandoah Valley Regional Studies Seminar invites papers, particularly those prepared for precirculation. Seminar meets at 3pm on the third Friday of each month during the academic year, primarily at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia. Deadline is May 1, 1996. Contact Joseph Whitehorn, Lord Fairfax Community College, Box 47, Middletown, VA 22645; (540) 869-1120, ext. 47; or Ann McCleary, Department of History, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA 22807; (540) 568-6132.

American Journalism Historians Association invites paper entries, panel proposals, and abstracts of work in progress having to do with any facet of media history for its annual convention, October 3-5, 1996, London, Ontario. Send research papers to Professor Elizabeth V. Burt, School of Communication, University of Hartford, W. Hartford, CT 06117. Send panel proposals to Professor Jan Whitt, School of Journalism, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 80309. Send research in progress to Professor James D. Startt, History Department, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN 46383. Deadline is May 1, 1996.

League of World War I Aviation Historians sponsors a student paper competition open to undergraduate and graduate students enrolled at accredited institutions. Monetary prizes are awarded for the best original paper on any aspect of aviation during the 1914-1918 war. Deadline is May 31, 1996. Send papers (10 pages in length) to Noel Shirley, 727 Swanswood Court, San Jose, CA 95120.

North East Popular Culture Association, a regional affiliate of the PCA and ACA, holds its annual conference in Hamden, Connecticut, on November 1-2, 1996. Proposed papers or panels on any popular culture or culture studies topics may be submitted (abstract and brief c.v.) by June 1 to the program chair: David L. Cole, Quinnipiac College, Hamden, CT 06518.

Marquette University invites papers for a sesquicentennial conference, "Historical Perspectives on Milwaukee's Urban Experience: 1846-1996." The conference anticipates sessions on any aspect of Milwaukee history or that of its greater metropolitan area. Send abstracts to Dr. Thomas Jablonsky, Institute for Urban Life, Marquette University, Brooks Hall 100, P.O. Box 1881, Milwaukee, WI 53201-1881; fax(414) 288-3259. Deadline is June 7, 1996.

Women and Language welcomes submissions for inclusion in a special issue on "Rethinking Gender," spring, 1997. Items for consideration include poetry, personal narratives, essays, letters, reports of research, criticism, book reviews or book notices on related topics. Send three copies of submissions to **Women and Language**, Department of Communication, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA 22030; ataylor@gmu.edu. Deadline is June 15, 1996.

"Government, Science, and the Environment," the biennial meeting of the American Society for Environmental History, will be held in Baltimore, Maryland, March 5-9, 1997. Deadline for paper proposals is August 1, 1996. Contact Jeffrey Stine, National Museum of American History, MRC 629, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. 20560; fax(202) 357-4256.

Proposals for sessions and papers at the next **Louisiana Historical Association** annual meeting, to be held in Shreveport on March 13-15,

1997, should be directed to Terrence Fitzmorris, the program chairperson, by September 1, 1996. Contact Terrence Fitzmorris, c/o Department of History, Newcomb College, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA 70118.

Hofstra University welcomes papers for its conference, "The Presidency of George Bush," April 17-19, 1997, Hofstra's campus in Hempstead, Long Island, New York. Send prospectus or letter of intent to William Levantrosser, Director, Conference on the Bush Presidency, Department of Political Science, 104 Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY 11550-1090; (516) 463-5666; fax(516) 463-4793; pscwfl@Hofstra.edu; http://www.hofstra.edu/bushconf97.

The Lyceum, Alexandria, Virginia's history museum, is seeking information, artifacts, and research leads in preparation for an exhibition on the "Education of Women in Alexandria Between 1800-1850." Contact Assistant Director Kristin Lloyd at (703) 838-4994.

Association for the Study of Connecticut welcomes paper proposals pertaining to the topic of history of the family in Connecticut and New England for its meeting in November, 1996, at the Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Connecticut. Contact Professor Robert Asher, 181 Lewiston Avenue, Willimantic, CT 06226-2405.

Thomas Nast Society will be publishing the tenth annual issue of its journal in the spring of 1996 and is seeking submission of articles on the American cartoonist, Thomas Nast. Contact The Thomas Nast Society, The Morris-town and Morris Township Public Library, 1 Miller Road, Morristown, NJ 07960.

Aspen World Institute II invites paper proposals for its conference July 8-19, 1996, Aspen, Colorado. The institute will concentrate on World History content, teaching, and assessment. Work will be published in the *Aspen Handbook of World History II*. Contact Heidi Roupp, Box 816, Aspen, CO 81612.

The 11th Annual Siena College, Multi-Disciplinary Conference on World War II, "A Dual Perspective: The 60th Anniversary — Preliminaries; the 50th Anniversary — Aftermath," will be held on May 30-31, 1996. Contact Thomas O. Kelly II, Department of History, Siena College, 515 Loudon Road, Loudonville, NY 12211-1462; (518) 783-2595; fax(518) 783-4293; kelly@siena.edu.

Meetings and Conferences

"State and Economy: Shaping Capitalism, 1750-1914," a conference sponsored by the Seminar for the Comparative History of Labor Industrialization, Technology, and Society, will be held March 15-16, at Emory University. Contact Jonathan Prude, Department of History, Emory University, Atlanta, GA 03022; (404) 727-6555; or contact Judith Miller, e-mail: histjam@emory.edu.

Florida Conference of Historians will meet March 28-30, 1996, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Contact Professor Susan Oldfather, FCH Program Coordinator, Broward Community College-North Campus, Social Science Department, 1000 Coconut Creek Blvd., Pompano Beach, FL 33066.

Two oral history workshops at Vermont College in Montpelier will occur on August 12-16 and August 26-30, 1996. Emphasizing interview skills, project management, fundraising and legal-ethical concerns, these workshops will be led by Charles T. Morrissey, Director of the Archives and Oral History Project at Baylor College of Medicine and Oral History Consultant for the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. Contact Vermont College; (802) 828-8802.

Brown and Benchmark Heritage Symposium on the Olympic Games will be held on April 20, 1996, at the annual convention of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Non-members can request a complimentary admission pass before April 1, 1996. Contact Thomas Jable, Department of Exercise and Movement Sciences, William Paterson College, Wayne, NJ 07470; (201) 595-3270.

OHMAR's (Oral History in the Mid-Atlantic Region) spring conference, "Long Island Sounds," will be held April 20, 1996, at the Port Washington Public Library. Contact OHMAR President John Schuchman at Gallaudet University, Box 2351, Washington, DC 20002; (202) 651-5474; or conference coordinator Elly Shodell, Port Washington Public Library, One Library Drive, Port Washington, NY 11050; (516) 883-4400, Ext. 168.

New England Archivists will hold their spring meeting April 26-27, 1996, at Babson College in Babson Park, Massachusetts. The

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conference will focus on automation in archives and museums. Contact Andy Martinez, NEA Registrar, Babson College Archives, Babson Park, MA 02157; (617) 239-4570; fax(617) 239-5226; martineza@vaxvmsx.babson.edu.

New England Association of Oral History will hold its spring meeting April 27, 1996, at the Dodd Center, University of Connecticut/Storrs. Contact John J. Fox, NEAOH Executive Secretary, Department of History, Salem State College, Salem, MA 01970; fax(508) 777-4754; jfox@mecn.mass.edu.

Center for the Study of Southern Culture, the National Park Service's Natchez Trace Office, and the Mississippi Department of Archives and History are cosponsoring a conference titled "Southern Landscapes: Past, Present, Future," May 16-18, 1996, at the University of Mississippi in Oxford. Reduced registration fee for students. Contact Jennifer Bryant at the Center for the Study of Southern Culture, University of Mississippi, University, MS 38677; (601) 232-5993; staff@barnard.cssc.olemiss.edu.

University of Virginia Division of Continuing Education's 1996 Jefferson Symposium, "Thomas Jefferson and James Madison: A Cordial and Affectionate Friendship," will be held June 3-6, 1996. Contact University of Virginia Division of Continuing Education; (800) 346-3882; http://www.virginia.edu/-continued/jeff.htm.

Tenth Berkshire Conference on the History of Women will be held at the University of North Carolina, June 7-9, 1996. It will feature nearly 200 sessions and workshops. Contact 1996 Berkshire Conference, Division of Continuing Education, CB 1020 The Friday Center, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-1020.

National Endowment for Humanities (NEH) presents a series of summer seminars and institutes for school teachers: "Historical Memory in Southern Culture," June 23-July 19, 1996; contact Harry L. Watson, Department of History, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC 27599; (919) 962-5436. "Writing of African-American Identity: Self, Race, and Gender" and "Nature Transformed: Imagination and the North American Landscape," June 24-July 12, 1996; contact Richard Schramm at the Summer Institute Office, National Humanities Center, 7 Alexander Drive, P.O. Box 12256, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709-2256; (919) 549-0661; rschramm@ecsvax.unc.edu. "Native American Voices in American Literature," July 1-August 9, 1996; contact Lawana Trout, D'Arcy McNickle Center, The Newberry Library, 60 West Walton Street, Chicago, IL 60610; (312) 255-3552. "Cinematic Representations of America's Ethnic Minorities," July 8-August 2, 1996; contact Carole Gerster, University of Wisconsin, River Falls, WI 54022-5001; (715) 525-3354. "The Autobiographies of the Harlem Renaissance," July 8-August 2, 1996; contact Cary D. Wintz, Department of History, Texas Southern University, Houston, TX 77004. Application deadline is March 1, 1996.

National Association of Government Archives and Records Administrators' (NAGA-

RA) annual meeting, "Strategic Partnerships," will be held July 17-20, 1996, at the Sheraton City Center Hotel in Washington, DC, as well as at "Archives II," the National Archives and Record Administration's new facility in College Park, Maryland. Contact Steve Grandin, NAGARA Publications and Member Office, 48 Howard Street, Albany, NY 12207; (518) 463-8644.

Frank C. Munson Institute presents an NEH Summer Institute for College Faculty, "America and the Sea: Maritime History and Culture Since 1776," June 17-July 26, 1996, at the Mystic Seaport Museum, Mystic, Connecticut. Deadline for admission is March 1, 1996. Contact Munson Institute, P.O. Box 6000, 75 Greenmanville Avenue, Mystic, CT 06355; (860) 572-5329; munson@mystic.org.

"U.S. History, Culture, and Politics: 1945-2000," a five-day institute, will take place June 28-July 2, 1996, at the University of Virginia. It will examine the Cold War, the Fifties, the color line, the labor problem, Vietnam, and the Women's Movement. Contact Marilyn Maughan, Division of Continuing Education, P.O. Box 3697, Charlottesville, VA 22903; (804) 982-5276; mjm6n@virginia.edu.

"John Brown: The Man, The Legend, The Legacy" will be the focus of a multidisciplinary symposium, July 24-27, 1996, at Penn State University, Mont Alto Campus. Contact Peggy Russo, Department of English, Penn State Mont Alto Campus, Mont Alto, PA 17237-9703; (717) 352-8076; fax(717) 749-6069; u7k@psuvm.psu.edu.

"The Unpleasantness in the Colonies: The American Revolution," will be held at Trinity College, Oxford, England, August 11-17, 1996. Sponsored by the University of Virginia Division of Continuing Education, this program will investigate the causes, the course, and the consequences of the fight for independence. Contact University of Virginia Division of Continuing Education; (800) 346-3882; http://www.virginia.edu/-continued/oxlet.htm.

(Please note date change.) A joint conference of the Western History Association (WHA) and the Western Literature Association (WLA), "Grasslands and Heartlands: Remembering and Representing the Great Plains in History and Literature," will be held in Lincoln, Nebraska, October 2-5, 1996. For the WHA portion of the conference contact Patricia Campbell, Convention Manager, WHA, University of New Mexico, 1080 Mesa Vista Hall, Albuquerque, NM 87131-1181; (505) 277-5234; fax(505) 277-6023; pcamp@unm.edu. For the WLA portion of the conference contact Susanne George, English Department, University of Nebraska at Kearney, Kearney, NE 68849-1320; (308) 865-8867; fax(308) 865-8806; georges@platte.unk.edu.

Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission presents "The Life and Legacy of Conrad Weiser," November 1-2, 1996, in Reading, Pennsylvania, to commemorate the 300th anniversary of Conrad Weiser's death. Contact Jim Lewars, Administrator, Conrad Weiser Homestead, 28 Weiser Road, Womelsdorf, PA 19567; (610) 589-2934.