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THE Department of History presents its annual bulletin of items concerning the scholarly and professional interests of both faculty and graduate students

Faculty

Professor Louis Pelzer was elected president of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association at the annual meeting held in Cincinnati, April 25-27, 1935. Professor Root and Dr. W. J. Petersen also attended the meeting. Professor Pelzer spoke on "The Changing Frontiers of the American West" at a meeting of the Minnesota Historical Society held last June in St. Peter. He also spent part of September looking up historical materials in New York City and several libraries in New England.

Professor G. G. Andrews in June addressed a meeting in celebration of the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of the founding of Augustana College, Rock Island. He spoke on "The Charles XV Collection on the French Revolution," now in possession of the Augustana College Library. Professor W. T. Root talked to the Women's Club of Cedar Rapids last March on "The Independence of Nations" and in May gave an address on "The Historical Attitude of Mind" at the Honors Convocation, Coe College. In October, Professor C. W. de Kiewiet spoke on the Ethiopian Question before the Cedar Rapids College Women's Club.

Dr. Paul L. Dengler, director of the Austro-American Institute of Education, and Visiting Carnegie Professor in the Department of History, first semester of last academic year, returned to the campus on March 2-3, 1936, to give an address on "The United States of Europe—Dream or Necessity?" and to hold a Round Table Conference.

Professor H. J. Thornton appeared on the Des Moines City Wide Forum September 30, 1935, speaking on the subject "The Future of the Small Business Man." He also spoke before the State Convention of Women's Clubs, meeting in May at Cedar Rapids and gave the address at the Commencement Dinner for mid-year graduates, February 4, 1936. Professor W. R. Livingston addressed the

International Relations Club of Cornell College, March, 1935. Professor Clara M. Daley spent part of the past summer in Mexico with a group of professional people studying the history and archaeology of the country. She also addressed the Tipton Women's Club in May. Professor H. R. Anderson read a paper on "The Status of Testing in the Social Studies" at a meeting of the National Council for the Social Studies held in New York City in November. He also spoke at district conventions and institutes for teachers held at Tipton, Decorah, Charles City, and Vinton.

Dr. W. R. Livingston, Dr. C. W. de Kiewiet, and Dr. H. J. Thornton were advanced to the rank of associate professorship in the Department of History.

Professors Root, Thornton, and Anderson attended the State Teachers Convention in Des Moines in November. Professor Root was elected chairman of the Executive Committee of the Social Science Association. The Iowa Historical Association and the Iowa Political Science Association met in annual convention at Iowa City, May 10-11. Professor H. G. Plum was selected President of the Historical Association for the present year. Professor Quincy Wright of the Department of Political Science, University of Chicago, spoke on "The League of Nations" at the joint evening session.

Professors Pelzer, Livingston, and Root attended the annual meeting of the American Historical Association at Chattanooga in December. Professor Pelzer presided at the dinner of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association and Elmer Ellis, Ph. D., 1930, History faculty, University of Missouri, presided at the Conference of the National Council for Social Studies. The following who received the doctor's degree in history at Iowa were present at the Chattanooga meeting: Bessie L. Pierce, University of Chicago; F. A. Shannon, Kansas State College; E. D. Branch, University of Pittsburgh; L. Dodson, University

of Pennsylvania; Elmer Ellis, University of Missouri; Bertha Reuter, Hardin-Baylor College; P. H. Giddens, Allegheny College; R. L. Welty, Texas Christian; B. C. Shafer, Stout Institute, Wisconsin; C. W. Tebeau, State College, North Dakota; C. E. Sipple, Bradley Polytechnic Institute; C. C. Regier, New River State College, West Virginia.

Professor Pelzer's study of *The Cattlemen's Frontier* has recently appeared from the press of the Arthur H. Clark Company. Professor de Kiewiet will spend the coming summer and first semester in England engaged in research. His study of *The Imperial Factor* is ready for the press. Professor Anderson presented a series of articles dealing with history teaching in *Midland Schools*, October to January, 1936. He has one article on "The Development of Basic Skills in the Social Studies" in *The Social Studies*, February, 1936, and another on "Testing Basic Skills in the Social Studies" in *The Elementary School Journal*, February, 1936. He also helped in the preparation of the tests published by the Co-operative Test Service, as well as those of the Iowa Every-Pupil Tests. Dr. Petersen has an article on "Troops and Military Supplies on the Upper Mississippi Steamboats" in the *Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, July, 1935. He also prepared the usual issues of the *Palimpsest* from February to December, 1935. During the past summer he conducted a river trip on the Mississippi for Iowa authors.

Graduate

E. D. Branch, Ph. D., 1928, research professor at the University of Pittsburgh, has in preparation a volume on transportation and travel in western Pennsylvania. Bessie L. Pierce, Ph. D., 1924, has been elected to membership in the Council of the American Historical Association. S. B. Laughlin, Ph. D., 1921, has recently been made head of the department of Sociology and Anthropology at Willamette University, Salem, Oregon. He is also a member of a committee on research appointed by the sociologists of the Northwest. Philip D. Jordan, Ph. D., 1935, is assistant professor of history at Miami University. James H. St. John, Ph. D., 1927, of the history faculty of Miami, is serving this year as visiting professor at Grinnell College. G. F. Hershberger, Ph. D., 1935, returned to his post on the history staff at Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana.

Paul O. Carr, Ph. D., 1932, resigned from the history staff of the Junior College, Muskegon, Michigan, to accept the headship of the Department of History, Wilson Teachers College, Washington, D. C. Arthur G. Umscheid, Ph. D., 1935, is teaching at St. Ambrose College, Davenport, Iowa, and in the coming summer will teach at Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska. Charles H. Norby, Ph. D., 1935, is a member of the history faculty

of the State Teachers College, Bemidji, Minnesota. Myron L. Koenig, M. A., 1933, and graduate assistant last year, is teaching at Coe College. C. W. Tebeau, Ph. D., 1933, for two years in charge of the educational work of the CCC camp at Skokie Valley, Illinois, is now on the history staff of the State College at Fargo, North Dakota. Harold Briggs, Ph. D., 1929, resigned from the faculty of Culver-Stockton College to accept a post in the University of Miami, Florida. Eugene R. Fair, Jr., M. A., Columbia, 1932, graduate assistant last year, is now on the faculty of the Teachers College, Mankato, Minnesota. Vernom Cooper, Ph. D., 1927, is teaching in the Junior College, Oak Park, Illinois. F. A. Mullin, M. A., 1926, formerly of Columbia College, Dubuque, Iowa, is now Librarian at Catholic University, Washington, D. C. Sylvester Hemleben, M. A., 1928, resigned from New Rochelle College, New York, to accept a post on the history faculty of Fordham University. Anna B. Lynam, M. A., 1933, has been appointed superintendent of the State Industrial School for Girls, Mitchellville, Iowa.

Eleanor Norton, M. A., 1934, is dean of girls and vice-principal at South St. Paul, Minnesota. Lillian Buehler, M. A., 1935, is teaching in the junior high school, Charles City, Iowa. Max White, M. A., 1933, is teaching this year in the high school at Lamoni, Iowa. Esther Martinson, M. A., 1933, is on the staff of the State Teachers College, Valley City, North Dakota. Virgil V. Edmonds, M. A., 1926, is on the faculty of the State Teachers College, Hays, Kansas. Gladys Morris, M. A., 1933, was elected principal of the high school, Britt, Iowa. Hulda Baermann, M. A., 1935, is teaching at North Liberty, Iowa, and Alfred Johnston, M. A., 1935, at Hamburg, Iowa.

Research and Publications

B. J. Hovde, Ph. D., 1924, professor of history, University of Pittsburgh, has one article on "Social Security in Scandinavia" in *The American-Scandinavian Review*, March, 1935, and another on "Municipal Ownership in Scandinavia" in *Common Sense*, September, 1935. Dorsey D. Jones, Ph. D., 1929, history faculty, University of Arkansas, is the author of *Under the Russian Canopy*, recently published by the Burgess Press. E. D. Branch, Ph. D., 1928, research professor, University of Pittsburgh, read a paper on "The Forbes Expedition of 1758" at a session of the American Historical Association in convention at Chattanooga in December. At this convention Fred A. Shannon, Ph. D., 1924, professor of history, Kansas State College, read a paper on "Agricultural Adjustment: An Appraisal of the Appraisers." Dr. Shannon read a paper on "The Homestead Act and the Labor Surplus" at a meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association held at Cincinnati in April.

Francis J. Bowman, Ph. D., 1929, assistant professor, State College, Washington, read a paper on "The Baltic Grain Trade and Dutch Diplomacy during the Seventeenth Century" at a meeting of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association held at Santa Barbara. Richard L. Beyer, Ph. D., 1929, of the history faculty, State Teachers College, Carbondale, Illinois, presents two articles in the *Illinois Teacher*, one on "A Normal School Opens" in the issue for June, 1935, another on "Robert Allyn, a Yankee Crusader in Egypt" in the January issue, 1936. Wasyl Halich, Ph. D., 1934, has an article on "Ukrainians in Western Pennsylvania" in *The Western Pennsylvania Historical Magazine*, June, 1935, and another article on "Ukrainian Farmers in the United States" has been accepted for publication in *Agricultural History*. W. D. Houlette is the author of "The Byrd Library" published in *Tylers Quarterly*, October, 1934, "Some Phases of Colonial Rum Trading before 1763" in *The Journal of American History*, October, 1934, and "Revolvers on the Texas Frontier" in *The American Rifleman*, January, 1936.

Paul H. Giddens, Ph. D., 1930, history faculty, Allegheny College, has an article on "Constitutional Amendments Proposed in the Seventy-third Congress" in the *Law Review of the University of Cincinnati*, May, 1935, another on "Maryland and the French and Indian War 1748-1756" in *Maryland Historical Magazine*, December, 1935, and has edited a diary "A Visit to the Oil Regions of Pennsylvania in 1865" published in the *Western Pennsylvania Historical Magazine*, September, 1935.

Philip D. Jordan, Ph. D., 1935, history faculty, Miami University, has edited *The Letters of Eliab Parker Mackintire to the Reverend William Salter*, published by the New York Public Library. He has also published the following articles: "When Andover Went West" in *The Advance*, August, 1935; "William Salter and the Slavery Controversy" and "Forty Days with the Christian Commission" in the *Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, April, 1935; "Jesse James in Iowa" in *The Palimpsest*, July, 1935, and February, 1936; and "The Juvenilia of Mary Belson Elliott" in *The Bulletin of the New York Public Library*, November, 1935.

C. W. Tebeau, Ph. D., 1933, history faculty, North Dakota State College, has an article on "Some Aspects of Planter-Freedman Relations 1865-1880" accepted for publication by the *Journal of Negro History*. Charles H. Norby, Ph. D., 1935, history faculty, State Teachers College, Bemidji, Minnesota, read a paper on "Classroom Reports, Delivery and Reception" at the District Educational Convention held at Thief River Falls, Minnesota, October, 1935. R. C. Werner, Ph. D., 1927, history faculty, University of Illinois, is co-editor of *The French Foundations, 1680-1693*, published by the Illinois State Historical Library.

Leonidas Dodson, Ph. D., 1927, history faculty, University of Pennsylvania, read a paper on "Pennsylvania through the Eyes of a Royal Governor" before a session of the Pennsylvania Historical Association held in Philadelphia last October. John H. Powell, M. A., 1936, a graduate assistant also read a paper at this session on "John Dickinson and his Political Ideas." Mr. Powell's paper has since been published in *The Pennsylvania Magazine of History*, January, 1936, under the title "John Dickinson and the Constitution."

Gordon W. Prange, M. A., 1934, and graduate assistant for two years, holds a German Exchange Fellowship and is spending the year engaged in research in the archives of Germany and Austria. George P. Cuttino, graduate assistant, has been selected as a Rhodes Scholar. W. J. Van Schreeven, M. A., 1933, holds a Travelling Fellowship from Columbia University. John H. Powell, graduate assistant, spent last summer gathering material in the archives of Philadelphia in preparation of a dissertation on the life of John Dickinson.

Bernard J. Holm, M. A., 1930, is a research assistant for the past academic year. The graduate assistants are George P. Cuttino, A. B., Swarthmore, 1935; John H. Powell, A. B., Swarthmore, 1934; M. A., Iowa, 1936; Millard W. Hansen, Grinnell, A. B., 1933, Iowa, M. A., 1936; Lyle Shelmidine, A. B., Grinnell, 1930; M. A. Iowa, 1935; Wallace Taylor, A. B., Kansas State Teachers, 1931; Grover Platt, A. B., Iowa, 1936. The fellows are Robert Tilove, M. A., 1935, New York University; Lewis Brede-son, A. B., Luther College, 1934; Cornelius Bontekoe, A. B., Calvin College, Michigan, 1933. Wilfred W. Black, A. B., Miami University, 1935, holds a scholarship.

The following were granted the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in history the past year: Philip D. Jordan, "William Salter and the Influence of the Andover Band in Iowa, 1843-1910;" Guy F. Hershberger, "The Pennsylvania Quaker Experiment in Religion and Politics, 1682-1756;" Charles H. Norby, "The West During the Civil War Decade;" Arthur G. Umscheid, "The Continental Tariffs and British Free Trade, 1870-1900."

The Historical Conference

The Sixteenth Annual Conference met on Friday and Saturday, February 7-8, 1936. In spite of severe winter weather the attendance was gratifying. Miss Mary G. Kelty of Chicago and Professor Ernest Horn, College of Education, addressed the session devoted to the teaching of history. Professor W. E. Lingelbach, University of Pennsylvania, gave the Friday night address on the subject, "The New Era." Dr. Frank R. Strong of the College of Law, University of Iowa, gave the after-dinner address, Friday evening, on the subject of "The Supreme Court and the Constitution." The session devoted to

American problems heard Professor Louis B. Schmidt, Iowa State College, on "The Prairies and Great Plains in Our Times," and Professor William F. Ogburn, University of Chicago, on "Future Social Trends." The session given to European affairs was addressed by Professor Paul Knaplund, University of Wisconsin, on "The Present Crisis in its Historical Setting," and Professor James H. St. John on "Germany and the Treaty of Versailles." The luncheon conference for college teachers heard Mr. Myron Koenig, Coe College, open the discussion on "Historical Opportunities in College Geography." The luncheon conference for high school teachers discussed the subject of "Teaching Basic Skills in History" under the leadership of Professor Howard R. Anderson and Professor Harry K. Newburn, of the University of Iowa.

Summer Session 1936

The Summer Session opens for registration on Friday, June 5, and instruction begins Monday, June 8. The full session lasts eleven weeks, divided into a first term of six weeks and a second term of five.

The following courses run through the entire session of eleven weeks. In the American field, "Recent History of the United States" by Professor H. J. Thornton; "History of Iowa" by Dr. W. J. Petersen. In the European field, "History of Europe since 1870" by Professor G. G. Andrews; "History of the British Empire since 1870" by

Professor W. Ross Livingston; "Mediaeval Civilization" an advanced course, and "History of Modern Europe" a general survey course, by Professor Clara M. Daley. In the first term Professor Louis Pelzer will give a course on "American Biography." Professor Howard R. Anderson will offer his course on "The Teaching of History" in the first term, and repeat it in the second.

There will be two seminars running through both terms as follows: "American Civilization" under Professor Thornton, and "Anglo-American Relations" under Professor Livingston. These seminars provide the opportunity for graduate students to receive training in historical workmanship and to begin study on a thesis subject.

Ample opportunity will be given qualified students to do individual work. Such study will be under the direction of Professor W. T. Root and Professor Louis Pelzer in the field of American history and Professor G. G. Andrews in the European field.

It should be noted that the following courses in related fields are accepted for credit in history. The courses by Professor Forest C. Ensign of the College of Education on "History of Education in the United States" and "Comparative Education;" the course in the Department of Latin under the heading "Roman Civilization" by Professor Nybakken; and the following courses given by Dr. J. O. M. Broek, Visiting Professor: "Geography of North America" and "The Geography of Transportation."