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

FACULTY

Professor G. G. Andrews read a paper dealing with the question "Should the Association Devote More Attention to the Teaching of History" before a session of the American Historical Association meeting in Minneapolis. Professor W. R. Livingston contributed an article on "Australasia in Conference 1883-1887" to the *Pacific Historical Quarterly*, March, 1932. Dr. Livingston spent some time in Ottawa to study and observe the meetings of the Imperial Conference and he will give a paper on "The Imperial Conference—a Developing Institution" as one in the series of Baconian Lectures at the University. Professor C. W. de Kiewiet was on leave of absence during the summer and first semester doing research in London. Professor H. J. Thornton contributed one article on "Oats in History" to the *Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, July, 1932, and another on the "Literary Diary of Ezra Stiles" to the *Journal of American History*, October, 1932. His book on the *History of the Quaker Oats Co.* has just been issued by the University of Chicago Press. Dr. H. R. Anderson has been promoted to an assistant professorship. He read a paper on "Testing in American History" before the meeting of the National Council for Social Studies in Washington, D. C., and discussed the same subject at the spring meeting of the Southeastern State Teachers Association at Ottumwa. Dr. Anderson and Dr. Lindquist of the College of Education presented an article on "The Improvement of Objective Testing in History" in the *Second Yearbook of the National Council for Social Studies*. Professor Clara M. Daley spoke as a representative of the University before meetings of the alumni in Fargo, North Dakota and Moorhead, Minnesota, and also gave addresses before the D. A. R. in Cedar Rapids and the Junior College in Muscatine.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

Elmer Ellis, Ph.D., 1930, has been promoted to an

associate professorship of history in the University of Missouri. F. A. McNeil, Ph.D., 1930, is now head of the history department in Principia College, St. Louis. Dr. McNeil taught during the summer in the branch school of the University of Missouri at Rolla. J. N. Thurber, M.A., 1929, is now lecturer in the Extension Division of the State College at Buffalo. W. O. Mishoff, M.A., 1923, is Acting Librarian at George Peabody College for Teachers. Charles Norby, M.A., 1931, Fellow in history, received a scholarship for study at Harvard during the past summer. Morris McEldowney, M.A., 1929, is continuing his graduate work in Boston University. E. A. Davis, M.A., 1931, who taught the past year at Drury College, is now a graduate assistant in Louisiana State University.

H. F. Swansen, M.A., Minnesota, 1927, Fellow in history the past year, accepted a post in Dana College, Blair, Nebraska. B. C. Shafer, Ph.D., 1932, is teaching in Stout Institute, Menomonie, Wisconsin. E. H. Cates, Ph.D., 1932, is professor of history in Upper Iowa University, Fayette. W. D. Wyman, M.A., 1931, accepted a post in the State Teachers College, River Falls, Wisconsin. P. O. Carr, M.A., 1927, who received the doctor's degree at the close of the summer session, returned to his post as professor of history in the State Teachers College, Aberdeen, South Dakota. A. G. Umbreit, M.A., Wisconsin, 1921, who likewise received the doctor's degree in August, resumed his work as dean of the Junior College, Muskegon, Michigan.

Howard Chase, B.A., 1932, who majored in history, was awarded the Sanxay Prize and elected to pursue graduate work in the University of London. E. P. Alexander, M.A., 1931, was awarded a Roberts Fellowship for further graduate study in Columbia University.

J. H. St. John, Ph.D., 1927, of the history faculty of Miami University, read a paper on "Independent Study in History and Political Science" at the Conference on Social Science held at Northwestern Uni-

versity. Elmer Ellis, Ph.D., 1930, read a paper on "The Training of Social Studies Teachers for the Senior High School" at the Minneapolis meeting of the American Historical Association. F. I. Moats, Ph.D., 1926, professor of history in Simpson College, read a paper on "The Relation of a General Course in History to a First Course in Government" before the Iowa Political Science Association. W. N. Brigance, Ph.D., 1930, now at Wabash College, addressed the Northeast Indiana State Teachers Association meeting in Fort Wayne. John A. Vieg, M.A., 1929, on the faculty of the Junior College at Burlington, continued his graduate work at the University of Chicago the past summer and recently spoke before the Conference on Journalism meeting in Iowa City on "The Business Side of High School Periodicals."

Ruth Friedrich, M.A., 1932, is teaching in the high school at Crystal Lake, Illinois. Florence Kent, M.A., 1930, is teaching in the Junior College at Elkader, Iowa, and N. E. Demoney, M.A., 1930, in the Junior College at Estherville, Iowa. Paul O. Conant, M.A., 1931, lately teaching in St. Louis, died in October.

The graduate appointments for the present year are as follows: Charles Norby, M.A., 1931, University Fellow; A. G. Umscheid, B.A., 1932, and W. J. Van Schreeven, B.A., 1932, University Scholars. The graduate assistants are: C. W. Tebeau, M.A., 1931, Cecil Marshall, M.A., 1932, R. A. White, B.A., 1930, E. W. Thornton, M.A., Chicago 1927, and G. W. Prange, A.B., 1932.

Most of the faculty attended the annual meeting of the American Historical Association in Minneapolis. The members of the staff met with former and present graduate students, all told a score, at breakfast in the Hotel Nicollet. Professor Pelzer and Dr. Petersen represented the faculty at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association held in Lincoln, Nebraska, and there met at least seven former graduate students.

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

Several students devoted the past summer to field trips, gathering material for intensive studies. C. W. Tebeau, M.A., 1931, followed the trail of the post-war planter in the South and explored the sources for his study of "The Southern Planter since the Civil War." W. D. Wyman, M.A., 1931, followed the Western trail, visiting Council Bluffs, Sioux City, Lincoln and Salt Lake to gather material for a study of "The Missouri River Towns in the Westward Movement." Wasyl Halich, M.A., 1929, went eastward interviewing important persons and uncovering valuable sources for his thesis on "Ukrainian Immigration into the United States." H. F. Swansen, fellow in history last year, visited various places in the state collecting

evidence for a study of "The Norwegians in Iowa." Leonidas Dodson, Ph.D., 1927, now of the faculty of history in the University of Pennsylvania, spent the summer in research among the Colonial Office papers in London. Elmer Ellis, Ph.D., 1930, spent several months working in the Congressional Library exploiting papers dealing with the career of Senator Teller. E. H. Cates, Ph.D., 1932, also worked in Washington on material pertinent to his thesis on "National Defense and Public Opinion since 1914."

Alexander Spotswood, Governor of Virginia, 1710-1722, by Leonidas Dodson, Ph.D., 1927, has just been issued by the University of Pennsylvania Press. *The Era of the Muckrakers*, by C. C. Regier, Ph.D., 1922, now at New River State College, West Virginia, has just come from the University of North Carolina Press. C. E. Sipple, Ph.D., 1930, teaching at Bradley Polytechnic Institute, published his thesis, *British Foreign Policy Since the World War*, in the University of Iowa Studies. The study of *Jeremiah Black* by W. N. Brigance, Ph.D., 1930, now of the faculty of Wabash College, has been accepted for publication by the University of Pennsylvania Press.

The following articles by present or former students have appeared during the past year. M. L. Hansen, M.A., Iowa, 1917, Ph.D., Harvard, of the history faculty of the University of Illinois, read a paper on "The Relations of Immigration to Some of the Fundamental Factors of American Life" at one of the sessions of the American Historical Association. Chester Kirby, M.A., 1923, of the history faculty at Brown University, presents an article on "The Attack on the English Game Laws in the Forties" in the *Journal of Modern History*, March, 1932. "The Silver Republicans in the Election of 1896" by Elmer Ellis, Ph.D., 1930, appeared in the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review* for March, 1932. The same magazine for September, 1932, printed a study by W. N. Brigance, Ph.D., 1930, on "Jeremiah Black and Andrew Johnson." P. H. Giddens, Ph.D., 1930, teaching in Allegheny College, contributed several articles: "Trade and Industry in Colonial Maryland, 1753-1769," *Journal of Economic and Business History*, May, 1932; "Arthur Lee, First Envoy of the United States to Spain," *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, January, 1932; "Maryland and the Stamp Act Controversy," *Maryland Historical Magazine*, June, 1932. "An Immigrant Family of 1876" by C. C. Regier, Ph.D., 1922, appeared in the July number of *Social Science*. A paper by H. E. Briggs, Ph.D., 1929, of Culver-Stockton College on "Early Bonanza Farming in the Red River Valley" read at a session of the American Historical Association at Minneapolis, was later published in *Agricultural History*. S. P. Fogdall, Ph.D., 1921, now at Ottawa University,

Kansas, continues to contribute articles to *Kolding Folkeblad* on American political and economic conditions. W. H. Walker, Ph.D., 1928, now assistant professor of history, Kansas State Teachers College, Hays, has an article on "Farm Relief of a Past Era" in *The Aevend*. M. G. Burlingame, M.A., 1928, acting head of the history department in Montana State College, presents an article on the "Contribution of Iowa to the Formation of the State Government of California in 1849" in the *Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, April, 1932. F. J. Bowman, Ph.D., 1929, teaching at Washington State College, has an article on "The History of Sweden" in the new *Collier's Encyclopedia*. C. F. Griffith, M.A., 1926, professor in St. Ambrose College, Davenport, has an article on "The Erection of the Diocese of Davenport" in *Mid-America*, April, 1932. W. J. Petersen, Ph.D., 1930, lecturer in history, and research associate in the State Historical Society of Iowa, has published "Indians and the Steamboats on the Upper Mississippi," *Iowa Journal of History and Politics*, April, 1932; "Steamboating in the Upper Minnesota Fur Trade," *Minnesota History*, September, 1932; "Early Mississippi Steamboats," *Midland Schools*, October, 1932; and various articles in the *Palimpsest*. E. D. Obrecht, M.A., 1932, presents an article on "The Influence of Luther Martin in the Making of the Constitution" in the *Maryland Historical Magazine*, September, 1932. W. D. Wyman, M.A., 1931, presents two articles in the *New Mexico Historical Review*, "F. X. Aubrey; Sante Fe Freighter, Pathfinder, Explorer" (January), and "Bull-whacking; a Prosaic Profession Peculiar to the Great Plains" (October). W. Halich, M.A. 1929, now pursuing graduate work, contributes articles on the Ukrainians in America to *Svoboda*, leading Ukrainian newspaper in the country.

ABSTRACTS OF DOCTOR'S DISSERTATIONS

It is difficult to find a channel of publication for doctor's theses. The cost of printing is too heavy for the purse of the author. Publishing houses usually do not accept works lacking in commercial value. Endowed presses do not have sufficient funds to publish all worthy studies. One alternative has been followed by the department in publishing a *Volume of Abstracts*, just issued in the *University of Iowa Studies*. Herein one finds the abstracts of twelve theses, averaging fourteen pages each, and giving the essential findings of the studies and the material upon which they are based. This device makes known at once the results of these studies to scholars in history. A scholar interested in one of these dissertations is free to borrow a typewritten copy from the University Library.

The list follows: R. L. Beyer, Ph.D., 1929, Illinois

State Normal University, "Robert Hunter, Royal Governor of New York"; P. H. Giddens, Ph.D., 1930, Allegheny College, "Maryland in the Time of Governor Horatio Sharpe 1753-1776"; C. N. Evanson, Ph.D., 1930, Luther College, "Francis Nicholson, Royal Governor in the Chesapeake Colonies"; A. S. Williamson, Ph.D., 1927, Hamline University, "Credit Relations between the Colonial and English Merchants"; J. H. St. John, Ph.D., 1927, Miami University, "Anglo-Spanish Commercial Relations 1700-1750"; F. I. Moats, Ph.D., 1926, Simpson College, "The Educational Policy of the Methodist Church prior to 1860"; H. E. Briggs, Ph.D., 1929, Culver Stockton College, "The Settlement and Economic Development of Dakota Territory"; T. P. Christensen, Ph.D., 1924, "The History of the Danes in Iowa"; W. J. Petersen, Ph.D., 1930, State Historical Society of Iowa, "Steamboating on the Upper Mississippi 1823-1861"; Vernom Cooper, Ph.D., 1927, Cotner College, "The Public Career of William Boyd Allison"; H. R. Anderson, Ph.D., 1930, University of Iowa, "The International Status of Belgium 1813-1839"; W. G. Swartz, Ph.D., 1929, Illinois State Normal University, "Anglo-Russian Rivalry in the Far East 1895-1905".

DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS

The following doctor's theses are now in progress. N. H. Baxter, M.A., Chicago, 1927, Park College, Missouri, *Laurier's Influence in British Imperial Relations*; Richard Drost, M.A., 1927, Central College, Iowa, *Germany and the Pacific Islands*; M. Gingerich, M.A., 1930, *The Mennonites in Iowa*; J. A. Greenlee, M.A., 1931, *Development of Responsible Government in New Zealand*; W. Halich, M.A., 1929, *Immigration from the Ukraine into the United States*; W. D. Houlette, M. A., 1931, *Plantation and Parish Libraries of the Old South*; R. O. Hummel, M.A., Nebraska, 1931, *The Legislature of Colonial Virginia*; O. A. Kinchen, M.A., University of Oklahoma, 1920, Texas Technological College, *Lord John Russell and Canadian Self Government*; L. E. Mantor, M.A., 1925, State Teachers College, Kearney, Nebraska, *History of Fort Kearney*; C. E. Marshall, M.A., 1932, graduate assistant, *Origins of a New Society in New Spain*; Kathryn Meyers, M.A., 1932, graduate assistant, *Alfred Deakin, Imperial Statesman*; W. O. Mishoff, M.A., 1923, Peabody's Teachers College, *Indian Policy of Sir William Johnson*; C. H. Norby, M.A., 1931, Fellow in history, *The West During the Civil War Decade*; H. W. Rice, M.A., 1926, Marquette University, *Early History of C. M. and St. Paul Railway*; H. F. Swansen, M.A., Minnesota, 1927, Dana College, Nebraska, *The Norwegians in Iowa*; C. W. Tebeau, M.A., 1931, graduate assistant, *The Southern Planter since the Civil War*;

E. W. Thornton, M.A., Chicago, 1927, graduate assistant, *Emergence of a New American Colonial Policy*; Justin Williams, M.A., 1928, State Teachers College, River Falls, Wisconsin, *British Naval Stores Policy*; W. D. Wyman, M.A., 1931, State Teachers College, River Falls, Wisconsin, *Missouri River Towns in the Westward Movement*; B. W. Yount, M.A., Illinois, 1930, *Study of the Replies to Burke's Reflections on the Revolution in France*.

THE HISTORICAL CONFERENCE

The Twelfth Annual Historical Conference was held February 5, 6, 1932. The history teachers of Iowa and nearby states were fortunate to hear Professor Carl Russell Fish, University of Wisconsin, give an address on "The Profession of Historian", Professor Arthur C. Cole, Western Reserve University, on "The History Teacher's Philosophy of History", Professor F. H. Hodder, University of Kansas, on "Modernizing American History" and Professor Elmer Ellis, University of Missouri, on "The Problems of Training History Teachers". From our own faculty Professor E. F. Lindquist of the College of Education, Professor G. D. Haskell of the Department of Economics, Professor Livingston, and Professor Root of the Department of History also addressed the Conference.

The Thirteenth Annual Conference was held on Friday and Saturday, February 3, 4, 1933. It was a pleasure to have with us several well-known guest speakers. Professor J. S. Reeves, University of Michigan, eminent in the field of history and jurisprudence, spoke on the subject "Democracy and the Control of Foreign Relations." Professor H. F. MacNair, University of Chicago, took for his subject "The Contemporary Far East". Professor M. L. Hansen, University of Illinois, discussed "Some Broader Aspects of the History of Immigration". Professor E. B. Wesley, University of Minnesota, and Professor H. R. Anderson, University of Iowa, analyzed the important question of objective examinations in history. Professors Wesley and Anderson have been actively engaged in fundamental and constructive studies in history testing. Professor Livingston, a student of the British Empire, discussed "The Principles and Methods of the British Imperial Commonwealth" and Professor de Kiewiet, engaged in research in England

during the past year, discussed "England Today". Professor Root spoke on "Good Teaching of History". The departments of English and history at the University High School presented the play "Beauty and the Jacobin" under the direction of Professor M. F. Carpenter. Apart from the question of providing entertainment, the play suggested a possible correlation of the work in history and literature.

SUMMER SESSION 1933

The Summer Session for 1933 opens for instruction June 12. The faculty and courses may be listed as follows. Professor Root will offer a course on Factors and Problems in American History. It will deal with the essential factors and forces of our history, with the contributions of new knowledge, and with the several schools of historical interpretation. Professor Livingston will present one course on American Foreign Relations, another on the British Empire 1763-1870. Professor de Kiewiet will offer a study of the Economic History of Europe since 1492 and Professor Anderson will give a course on European Absolutism 1598-1763. All these courses run through both terms under the same instructors. Professor Van der Zee will offer in the first term a course on International Problems since 1815. Professor Anderson will give during both terms a basic course on history teaching, and an advanced course dealing with specific problems in the field.

There will be given also ample opportunity for qualified students to do individual study. Professor Root in the American field and Professor de Kiewiet on the European side will direct students electing to do individual readings on some phase or period of history suited to the needs of the particular person. All the members of the staff stand ready to direct the research of students engaged in the writing of theses for higher degrees.

The members of the Department are always pleased to have news of their former students. Occasionally we receive visits from those spending a brief time in Iowa City, frequently we receive letters giving interesting bits of news or asking suggestions about further study. Thrice welcome are these visits and letters.