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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.

THE FACULTY

Dr. H. J. Thornton spent the summer in research and writing. During the first semester he visited the colleges of the state as Graduate College Research Lecturer and addressed the students on the subject, "The Place of the South in American History." Dr. Louis Pelzer taught during the past summer at the University of Missouri. Dr. W. T. Root addressed the History Teachers Conference at the University of Illinois in November. Dr. H. R. Anderson gave a series of talks on "The Improvement of Instruction in the Social Studies" at the Tri-County Teachers Institute at Decorah in October and later addressed the Schoolmasters Club of Garden City, Iowa, on, "The Improvement of Pupil Learning in History."

At the annual meeting of the Iowa Historical Association, held at Ames last March, Dr. C. W. de Kiewiet spoke on "Present Day England and Her Problems" and Dr. W. R. Livingston gave a paper on "The Imperial Conferences of 1930-1932." At the annual convention of the American Historical Association held at Urbana in December, Dr. Louis Pelzer read a paper on "Pools and Associations of the Western Cattle Ranges," and Dr. H. J. Thornton a paper on "Regional Competition for the Northwest's Supplies." Dr. Pelzer is serving as chairman of the program committee for the annual meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association to be held at the University of Missouri in the spring.

Dr. Pelzer's study of *The Cattleman's Frontier* has been accepted for publication by the A. H. Clark Publishing Company. An article by Dr. Thornton on "The United States in 1833" appeared in the *Palimpsest*, February, 1933. Dr. Howard Anderson is joint author of a study of "The Critical Issues in the Construction of a General Achievement Test," *Review of Educational Research*, February, 1933. He also jointly with others presents an article on "Testing in the Social Studies" in the series *Aids for History Teachers*. Dr. Anderson prepared the general

achievement tests in five different fields of history published by the coöperative Test Bureau, a service of the National Council on Education. Dr. W. J. Petersen was reelected recorder of the Iowa Historical Association. During the past summer he conducted a group of teachers on an extensive motor tour of the East. Dr. Petersen contributed several articles to the *Palimpsest* during the past year.

Dr. Paul L. Dengler of the University of Vienna was a guest of the Department in November and gave a public address on "Austria and the Peace of Europe" as one of the series of Graduate Lectures. In the Baconian Lectures Dr. Livingston spoke last year on the subject "The Imperial Conference, a Developing Institution" and this year Dr. Harry G. Plum discussed "Some Aspects of a Former Depression."

GRADUATE STUDENTS

During the past year the degree of doctor of philosophy was conferred upon the following candidates from the Department: W. D. Houlette, C. E. Marshall, W. O. Mishoff, C. W. Tebeau, E. W. Thornton. Dr. Marshall is continuing his research as a post-doctoral fellow in the Department. Dr. Thornton returned to his duties as Dean of the Junior College, Fort Dodge. Dr. Mishoff is doing bibliographical work at the University of Wisconsin.

E. P. Alexander, M.A., 1931, is serving a second year as a Roberts Fellow at Columbia University. W. J. Van Schreeven, M.A., 1933, is also a holder of a Roberts Fellowship at Columbia.

Vernon Cooper, Ph.D., 1927, taught during the spring term, 1933, at the State Teachers College, Terre Haute, Indiana. Sylvester Hemleben, M.A., 1928, is now head of the history department in New Rochelle College, New York, and also offers courses in history in Fordham University. He also taught, 1932, in the Catholic Summer School of America, Washington, D. C. Boyd C. Shafer, Ph.D., 1932, has

been promoted to a full professorship at Stout Institute, Menomonie, Wisconsin. Dr. Shafer discussed "Vocational Education and Social Reorganization" at the Wisconsin State Teachers Convention which met in Milwaukee last November. Paul Giddens, Ph.D., 1930, of the history faculty in Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania, taught during the summer of 1933 at the State Teachers College, Terre Haute, Indiana. Paul O. Carr, Ph.D., 1932, resigned from the Northern State Teachers College, Aberdeen, South Dakota, to accept a post in the Junior College, Muskegon, Michigan. At a state meeting of the junior colleges Dr. Carr was chosen chairman of the history section. A. G. Umbreit, Ph.D., 1932, Dean of the Junior College, Muskegon, spoke before the Michigan Vocational Teachers Association on "The History of Trade Co-operative Movements in America." Elmer Ellis, Ph.D., 1930, of the history faculty of the University of Missouri, read a paper on "Permanent Influence of High School World History" at the N. E. A. meeting in Minneapolis in February, 1933, and another on "Social Studies Teachers and the Present Crisis" at a convention of the Missouri Teachers Association. Chester E. Sipple, Ph.D., 1930, has been promoted to an associate professorship at Bradley Polytechnic Institute.

During the present academic year the research assistants are Charles H. Norby, M.A., 1931; Chester W. Crowell, M.A., 1933; and Vernon Carstensen, M.A., 1932. The graduate assistants are Gordon W. Prange, A.B., 1932, and Philip D. Jordan, M.A., 1928, Northwestern University. The graduate fellows are Arthur G. Umscheid, M.A., 1933; Vergil Fogdall, M.A., 1933; Max White, M.A., 1933; Milford E. Wence, A.B., 1933. The graduate scholars are Israel A. Levitan, M.A., 1933, Northwestern University, and Alvin C. White, A.B., 1933, Augustana College.

Charles L. Green, M.A., 1928, is on the history faculty of the State Teachers College, Moorhead, Minn. Charles F. Strong, M.A., 1930, is teaching at Monmouth College. Rosa Lambert, M.A., 1933, is teaching in the junior high school, Aberdeen, South Dakota; Roxana Schaper, M.A., 1933, in the high school, Charter Oak, Iowa; Myron Koenig, M.A., 1933, at Grinnell, Iowa; Robert Smith, M.A., 1933, at River Falls, Wis.; Rolfe von Gortz, M.A., 1933, at Mabel, Minn.; Julia Browning, M.A., 1933, at Harvey, Iowa. Waldemar V. Johnson, M.A., 1929, is teaching in the Denfield High School, Duluth, Minn., Faye L. Holt, M.A., 1932, teaches in St. Paul's Academy, Tuscaloosa, Ala. Lulu Johnson, M.A., 1930, is on leave of absence from Tougaloo College, Mississippi, to do further graduate work. E. D. Tussey, M.A., 1926, is teaching in the high school at Phoenix, Arizona.

Former graduate students in attendance at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association, Urbana, Illinois, December, 1933: Bessie L. Pierce, Ph.D., 1923, University of Chicago; Fred A. Shannon, Ph.D., 1924, Kansas State Agricultural College; Marcus L. Hansen, M.A. 1917, University of Illinois; Elmer Ellis, Ph.D., 1930, University of Missouri; Paul H. Giddens, Ph.D., 1930, Allegheny College; Howard R. Anderson, Ph.D., 1930, University of Iowa; R. C. Werner, Ph.D., 1927, University of Illinois; Chester A. Kirby, M.A., 1923, Brown University; W. J. Petersen, Ph.D., 1930, University of Iowa; F. A. Mullin, M.A., 1925, Columbia College; Boyd C. Shafer, Ph.D., 1932, Stout Institute; Chester E. Sipple, Ph.D., 1930, Bradley Polytechnic Institute; Henry F. Staack, M.A., 1925, Augustana College; S. L. Rugland, M.A., 1929, Dean of Junior College, Mason City; Verna Elefson, M.A., 1927, State Teachers College, Wayne, Nebraska; and Melvin Gingerich, M.A., 1930, Junior College, Washington, Iowa.

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION

Bessie L. Pierce, Ph.D., 1923, is the author of *Citizens' Organizations and the Civic Training of Youth*, Pt. III: Report of the Commission on the Social Studies, American Historical Association. Harold E. Briggs, Ph.D., 1930, teaching at Culver-Stockton College, contributes several articles: "The Settlement and Development of the Territory of Dakota 1860-1870" in the *North Dakota Historical Quarterly*, April, 1933; "The Development and Decline of Open Range Ranching in the Northwest" accepted by the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*; "Grasshopper Plagues and Early Dakota Agriculture 1864-1876" accepted by *Agricultural History*. Paul H. Giddens, Ph.D., 1930, Allegheny College, has published "Contemporary American Opinion of Napoleon," *Journal of American History*, December, 1932; "Land Policies and Administration in Colonial Maryland 1753-1769," *Maryland Historical Magazine*, June, 1933; and "Proposed Amendments to the Constitution introduced during the First Session of the 72nd Congress," *George Washington Law Review*, June, 1933. Dr. Giddens has been appointed by the Western Pennsylvania Historical Society to make a survey of historical sources in the northwestern part of the state. Dorsey D. Jones, Ph.D., 1929, University of Arkansas, contributed two articles to *Social Science* in 1933, "The Soviets Look Ahead," (August), "Hitler and Hitlerism" (October). Dr. Jones has one article on "Colleges Need Russian History," *Journal of Higher Education*, October, and another on "The Jew Leaves the Pale," *Sociology and Social Research*.

Philip D. Jordan, M.A., Northwestern, 1928, graduate assistant, contributed to the *Annals of Iowa* during 1933, "Notes on the Salter-Shackford Correspondence."

dence", "Thomas Gregg's Letters to the *New York Express*," and a paper on "James M. Broadwell." To his credit also are the following articles, "The Funeral Sermon; A Phase of American Journalism" in the *American Book Collector*, September, 1933; "Hoodwinking the Church," in *The New Viewpoint*, March, 1933, and sketches in the *Dictionary of American Biography*. He is editing "The Letters of Eliab P. Mackintire of Boston to Reverend William Salter of Burlington, Iowa, 1845-1863" to be published serially in *The Bulletin of the New York Public Library*.

Leonidas Dodson, Ph.D. 1927, University of Pennsylvania, is joint editor of *The Journal of Philip Vickers Fithian*, soon to appear from the press. Francis J. Bowman, Ph.D., 1929, Washington State College, read a paper on "The European Naval Situation during the Early Years of the Thirty Years' War" at a meeting of the Pacific Coast Historical Association in December, 1932, which was printed in the *Pacific Coast Historical Review*, June, 1933. *Directed Study Workbook in World History* by Elmer Ellis, Ph.D., 1930, University of Missouri, was published recently by Scribners.

W. N. Brigance, Ph.D., 1930, Wabash College, has an article on "Whither Research" in the *Quarterly Journal of Speech*, November, 1933. S. P. Fogdall, Ph.D., 1921, Ottawa University, Kansas, continues to contribute articles on historical matters to the *Kolding Folkeblad*. A second article on "The Influence of Luther Martin on the Making of the Constitution" by Everett D. Obrecht, M.A., 1932, appeared in the *Maryland Historical Magazine*, December, 1932. "A Louisiana Volunteer" a group of letters edited by Edwin A. Davis, M.A., 1931, of the department of history, Louisiana State University, appeared in the *Southwest Review*, October, 1933. Raymond L. Welty, Ph.D., 1924, Texas Christian University, has an article on "The Army and Mining Frontier 1860-1870" in *The Frontier*, March, 1932, and he gave a series of lectures this winter before the Dallas Civic Federation. C. C. Regier, Ph.D., 1922, New River State College, West Virginia, contributed an article on "The Struggle for Federal Food and Drug Legislation" to the journal of *Law and Contemporary Problems* (Duke University).

Cecil E. Marshall, Ph.D., 1933, is continuing his researches into the "Origins of a New Society in New Spain" as a post-doctoral fellow. E. P. Alexander, M.A., 1931, is working on the "Life of James Duane" for his doctoral dissertation at Columbia University. Father Francis A. Mullin, M.A., 1925, Columbia College, Dubuque, received the degree of Ph.D. from the Catholic University of America, 1932, presenting a thesis on "A History of the Cistercians in Yorkshire,

1131-1300." Joseph S. Jackson, M.A., 1924, Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pennsylvania, was awarded the Ph.D. degree at the University of Pennsylvania, presenting a thesis on "The Public Career of Sir Francis Burdett."

Wasył Halich, M.A., 1929, spent the past summer gathering material in the Dakotas for his study of the Ukrainians in the United States. Mr. Halich during the past year contributed five articles on the subject to *Svoboda* (Jersey City), the largest Ukrainian newspaper in the world. He is joint author of an article on "The Ukrainians in the United States" to be published in the Ukrainian Encyclopedia. Dr. Elmer Ellis continued his researches this past summer in the Library of Congress in preparation for his book on Senator Teller. Walker Wyman, M.A., 1931, State Teachers College, River Falls, Wisconsin, continued the past summer his search in the field for material bearing on his study of the Missouri River Towns in the Westward Movement.

A *Topical Directory* for the first nineteen volumes of the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review* and for the ten volumes of the *Proceedings* of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association will be published by that body. It was compiled by W. D. Wyman, M.A., 1929, State Teachers College, River Falls, Wisconsin, and C. H. Norby, M.A., 1930, fellow in history, under the direction of Professor Louis Pelzer.

DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS

The *News Letter* of last year reported twenty doctoral theses in progress. Six have been finished, two discontinued, and twelve are still in progress. Eleven new dissertations in progress are as follows: Vernon Carstensen, M.A., 1932, research assistant, "History of the University of Iowa: Liberal Arts College to 1880"; C. W. Crowell, M.A., 1933, research assistant "Public Career of Edward Randolph"; Vergil Fogdall, M.A., 1933, fellow, "Lord Bolingbroke and the Tory Party"; Harold T. Hagg, M.A., 1933, teaching assistant, "Congress of Paris of 1856"; Guy F. Hershberger, M.A., 1926, "The Pennsylvania Quaker Experiment in Religion and Politics, 1682-1756"; Lulu M. Johnson, M.A., 1930, "The Slavery Question in the Old Northwest, 1787-1840"; Philip D. Jordan, M.A., Northwestern University, 1928, graduate assistant, "The Influence of the Andover Band in Iowa"; Israel A. Levitan, M.A., Northwestern University, 1933, graduate scholar, "Some Aspects of Wesleyanism and the Evangelical Movement"; Laura M. Nanes, M.A., 1933, "John Milton's Ideas of Liberty and their Political Influence"; A. G. Umscheid, M.A., 1933, fellow, "Continental Tariffs and British Free Trade, 1870-1900"; Max White, M.A., 1933, fellow, "Laws of the Revolutionary Assemblies against the Emigres and Non-juring Clergy."

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS OF HISTORICAL SOURCES

Recently the Department issued a *News Letter* to acquaint scholars with a few of the special bodies of sources which we have been able to gather within the past few years for the Library. We thought it well to make generally known the nature and location of this material. Future bulletins will make known other collections.

In the field of the British Dominions the Library now possesses about 2500 volumes of the official publications dealing with the legal and political history of these British nations. The parliamentary debates, the sessional papers, the legislative journals for the Dominion of Canada and the several provinces are on the shelves of the Library. The Library is also well supplied with official sources from the commonwealth of Australia and the provinces, from New Zealand and the Irish Free State.

In the field of the French Revolution we have secured a distinctive collection of pamphlets, newspapers, bound volumes. One purchase of material consisted of 1200 items, aggregating between six and eight thousand books and pamphlets. Another notable acquisition contains over one thousand pamphlets and more than that number of odd copies of revolutionary newspapers. These collections include the writings and addresses of many famous men of the Revolution.

The Law Library is well equipped with a wealth of documentary material, consisting of reports of court decisions and volumes of statute law. In the field of American case-law the Library is essentially complete. For Great Britain the Library has not only the reports of the principal courts, but the printed records of many special kinds of courts. Here are also the judicial decisions from most of the British Dominions, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, but also of India, the Gold Coast, Uganda and other areas where native law is administered.

A new and significant method of gathering historical sources is being worked out in the Department. This is a photographic process which by simple and inexpensive means copies MSS on to cinematographic film. There is already available a complete collection of all the papers of Lord Carnarvon, containing upward of 24,000 pages. Another impressive set of these photographic copies contains some hundreds of thousands of pages of despatches and documents relating to British-African affairs. It is the intention of the Department to add to this collection by making copies of materials that by their very nature (original documents, rare books, etc.), cannot be purchased by the Library.

THE HISTORICAL CONFERENCE

By the time this *News Letter* is issued the Fourteenth Historical Conference will belong to the past.

It was held in Old Capitol, February 2-3. Our guest speakers were Professor Samuel N. Harper, University of Chicago, on "Bolshivism and the Russian Peasant"; Professor E. E. Dale, University of Oklahoma, on "The Spirit of the West"; Professor Louis Gottschalk, University of Chicago, "The French Government and Lafayette's American Venture of 1777"; Professor Nelson V. Russell, Coe College, on the "German Youth Movement"; Professor C. F. Littell, Cornell College, "A Social Scientist Looks at the Revolution of 1933"; Mr. S. L. Rugland, Dean of the Junior College, Mason City, on "History in the Junior College."

From our own faculty, Dr. E. B. Reuter, professor of sociology, discussed the "American Melting Pot" and Dr. Harry K. Newburn, principal of the University High School, spoke on "Directing the Study of History." Professor Harry Grant Plum gave the after-dinner address Friday evening. The Friday luncheon conference of college teachers of history was presided over by Dr. O. F. Ander, professor of history, Augustana College.

HISTORY IN THE SUMMER SESSION, 1934

The Summer Session opens for instruction June 11. There will be the usual eleven weeks Session divided into two terms of six and five weeks respectively. Professor Root will offer a course on the Colonial Era of the 18th century culminating in the American Revolution and Professor Thornton will give a course on the Recent History of the United States. Professor Livingston will offer two courses, one on the History of the United States 1783-1860, the other on the British Empire 1870-1900. Professor Andrews will present a course on Modern European History Reappraised. The foregoing courses run through both terms under the same instructors.

During the first term Professor Plum will give two courses, one on Britain in the XXth century and the other on Tudor and Stuart England. Professor de Kiewiet in the first term will offer a course on the History of European Culture. Professor Anderson will give in both terms an advanced course dealing with the problems of history teaching.

Ample opportunity will be afforded qualified students to do individual study. Professor Root in the American field and Professor Andrews in the European field will direct students electing to do individual readings on some phase or period suited to the needs or choice of the particular person. Professor Thornton will conduct a Seminar on the Cultural History of the United States and Professor de Kiewiet will give a Seminar on Principles and Problems of Research and Writing. The history staff will be ready to direct the research of students engaged in the writing of theses for higher degrees.