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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

TROYER S. Anderson, A.B., Dartmouth, 1922, M.A., Harvard, 1923, D.Phil., Oxford, 1929, formerly on the faculty of Swarthmore College, has joined this department as professor of European history. He is the author of a scholarly study on *The Command of the Howe Brothers during the American Revolution* (1936). He addressed a convocation at Gustavus Adolphus College on "Liberal Education in a Time of Crisis," spoke before the State Teachers Meeting in Des Moines, the Social Science group at Iowa State College, the League of Women Voters at Milwaukee, the Women's Club at Sioux City, and delivered a paper on "Nineteenth Century Revolution" in the Baconian Series on the campus. He is Chairman of the George L. Beer Prize Committee of the American Historical Association, and appeared several times on the Iowa Round Table over WHO Des Moines. Professor Plum's volume on *Restoration Puritanism: A Study in English Liberty* has been accepted for publication by the University of North Carolina Press. Professor Pelzer continues as Editor of the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review* with Dwight L. Agnew, M.A., Iowa, 1938, and Richard G. Lillard, as editorial assistants. Dr. Pelzer was a member of the Conference on the Great Plains held at Lincoln, Nebr., under the auspices of the Rockefeller Foundation, a delegate representing the University at the inauguration of a new president at the University of Kentucky, and attended the meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association at Lexington, Kentucky. Professor Thornton served on the program committee of the American Historical Association, presided at a session of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association at Lexington, was invited to read a paper before the Southern Historical Association at

Montgomery, Ala. Dr. Thornton gave the following addresses, among others: "Teaching the Problems of Peace and War," State Teachers Meeting in Des Moines; "The Community and the War," Grinnell Institute of International Relations; "America as a World Power," Augustana College; "Historical Bases for Optimism," annual banquet of faculty at Iowa State Teachers College. He contributed an article on "Teaching Our Youth in War Time" to the *Midland Schools* (Dec., 1942), and continues his weekly radio talks on "America in the Twentieth Century." Professor Clark published "Bismarck, Russia, the Origins of the War of 1870," in *Journal of Modern History*, (June, 1942) and "Gorchakov and the Black Sea Question, 1866," *American Historical Review* (Oct., 1942). Dr. Clark is a member of the Advisory Board of the Drake University Institute of Pan-American Relations, a member of the editorial board of the *Journal of Central European Affairs*. He gave a series of radio talks on "Builders of Russia" during the first semester and continues with a series on "Latin America" in the second semester. Professor Livingston's article on "Nationalism in the Commonwealth of Australia" appears in the *Pacific Historical Review* (June, 1942) and he is editor of the fifth volume of *Abstracts in History*, containing the abstracts of fifteen Ph.D. theses published by the University. Professor Root's article on "The American Revolution in New Books and New Light" appears in the *Canadian Historical Review* (Sept., 1942). He represented the University of Pennsylvania and the American Historical Association at the inauguration of a new president at Coe College. Professor Goldwin Smith is on leave of absence serving the Canadian government in a civilian capacity; Dr. George P. Cuttino is at an Officers Training Camp, and Dr. John Haefner is an Ensign in the Navy. Dr. William J. Petersen gave his illus-

trated steamboat lecture before the Caxton Club of Chicago in January. His *Reference Guide to Iowa History* was published by the State Historical Society, and an article on "Steamboating" appeared in *Waterways Magazine* (August, 1942). Bruce E. Mahan, Ph.D., 1927, Director of the Extension Division of the University, has been appointed a member of the Federal Radio Education Committee.

Graduate Students in Service

THE information available as the News Letter goes to press:

Alford, Newell G., M.A., 1941, TSS, Lowry Field, Colo.
 Barron, James R., M.A., 1941, AAF, Miami Beach, Fla.
 Black, Wilfred W., Ph.D., 1942, Ensign, USNR.
 Cates, Edwin A., Ph.D., 1932, Lt. Col., Historical Branch, Fort Mason, Calif.
 Colton, Kenneth E., M.A., 1942
 Coppola, Robert, M.A., 1941, TSS, Scott Field, Illinois
 Crowl, Philip A., M.A., 1939, Ensign, USN, Annapolis, Md.
 Garlock, Lawrence E., M.A., 1939, Cpl., AA, Fort Bliss, Texas
 Doty, Franklin A., M.A., 1937, Class'n. Office, Camp Edwards, Mass.
 Hackbarth, Arlen, M.A., 1939, Engrs., Scott Field, Ill.
 Hahn, Cecil O., Ph.D., 1938, Major, AAF, Randolph Field, Texas
 Hall, Howard, M.A., 1940, Lieut., Engrs., Camp Rucker, Ala.
 Hamman, Bernard, M.A., 1937, Sig. Serv. Regt., Fort Monmouth, N. J.
 Keagy, Robert, M.A., 1941, Engr. Sch., Fort Belvoir, Va.
 Johnson, Lee C., M.A., 1941, Fort Douglas, Utah
 Klise, Carlyle, M.A., 1937, Major, Postmaster, N. Y. C.
 Land, Aubrey C., M.A., 1939, Cpl., Fort Benning, Ga.
 Libakken, Leslie, M.A., 1939, Sgt., HQ. Co., Fort Sheridan, Ill.
 Low, Augustus C., Ph.D., 1941, Sgt., QM Platoon, Carlsbad, N. M.
 Martin, Alfred S., Ph.D., 1941, Lieut., Engrs., Atlantic Beach, Fla.
 Miller, John Jr., Ph.D., 1942, USMC, Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
 Norland, Selmer, M.A., 1942, Sig. Corps Regt., Arlington, Va.
 Norby, Charles H., Ph.D., 1931, Lieut., USN Flight Preparatory Sch., Liberty, Mo.
 Rockwood, Robert B., M.A., 1940, Comm. Sq., McClellan Field, Sacramento, Calif.
 Rossman, Kenneth, Ph.D., 1940, OTC., Fort Monroe, Va.
 Sener, William H., M.A., 1938, Sgt., AAF, Atlantic City, N. J.

Shelmidine, Lyle S., Ph.D., 1939, Ensign Naval Tng. Station, Quonsett Pt., Conn.
 Seiler, William H., M.A., 1941, USNR, Chicago, Ill.
 Sterling, Everett, Ph.D., 1940, Cpl., Air Base Sq., Columbus, Ohio.
 Stinehart, James S., M.A., 1941, Lieut., Coast Artillery, Fort Monroe, Va.
 Taylor, Wallace, Ph.D., 1941, OCS., Miami Beach, Fla.
 White, Roland A., M.A., 1933, QMTR, Fort Warren, Wyo.
 Williams, Justin, Ph.D., 1933, Lieut., Brooks Field, San Antonio, Texas
 Young, Lloyd F., M.A., 1941

Graduate Students

CHESTER E. Sipple, Ph.D., 1931, is now Dean of the College at Bradley Polytechnic Institute; Gordon W. Prange, Ph.D., 1937, promoted to an associate professorship at the University of Maryland; and John A. Greenlee, Ph.D., 1934, assistant registrar at Ames, appointed to an assistant professorship of history on part time. John H. Powell, Ph.D., 1938, is now assistant professor at the University of Delaware; Howard Kramer, Ph.D., 1942, is teaching at Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.; Carl B. Cone, Ph.D., 1940, is assistant professor at Louisiana State University; Lulu M. Johnson, Ph.D., 1941, resigned from Tougaloo College to accept a post at West Virginia State College; Everett W. Thornton, Ph.D., 1933, is now professor of history at Oklahoma Baptist University; Melvin C. Wren, Ph.D., 1939, resigned from The American University to join the faculty of Montana State University.

During the past summer J. H. St. John, Ph.D., 1927, Miami University, taught at the State College for Teachers, Albany, N. Y., Paul O. Carr, Ph.D., 1932, Teachers College, Washington, D. C., at Catholic University; and Wasyl Halich, Ph.D., 1934, at Teachers College, Superior, Wis. Boyd C. Shafer, Ph.D., 1932, Stout Institute, served as tax expert for the minority of the Senate Finance Committee during the past summer, and Homer Calkin, Ph.D., 1939, is serving as Analyst in the War Policy Unit, Department of Justice at Washington.

R. L. Beyer, Ph.D., 1929, So. Ill. Normal University, has been reelected president of the Southern Ill. Historical Society; Paul H. Giddens, Ph.D., 1930, Allegheny College, served as chairman of the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Historical Association; P. D. Jordan, Ph.D., 1935, is a member of the program committee for the 1943 meeting of the MVHA, and is editor of the Teachers Section of the *Miss. Valley Historical Review*. G. F. Hershberger, Ph.D., 1935, Goshen College, served as discussion leader at the Conference on Historic Peace Churches and Rural Life (Richmond, Indiana). H. T. Hagg, Ph.D., 1936, is chairman of the Social Studies Instructors of the Minnesota

Teachers Colleges. C. W. Tebeau Ph.D., 1933, University of Miami, Fla., is editor of *Tequistá*, journal of the Historical Association of Southern Florida.

Those who received the M.A. degree in 1942 are now teaching in the high schools as follows: Helen Flynn, University High School of the University of Chicago; Eileen Henderlider, Sycamore, Ill.; Norman Taylor, Pontiac, Ill.; Ruth Goodman, Rock Island, Ill.; Elsie Bach, Los Cruces, New Mexico; Esther Sadler, Graner, Mo.; G. A. Luther, M.A., 1942, is dean of the Junior College, Elkader, Iowa and Orloe Salls, M.A. 1941, dean of the Junior College, Waukon, Iowa. Dale Taylor, M.A., 1940, is in charge of teacher training at Norris, Tenn.; Esther Humphrey, M.A., 1938, High School, Davenport, Iowa; Lenora Purdy, M.A., 1941, Junior H. S., Davenport; Mary Condon, M.A., 1941, High School, Creston, Iowa; Arthur Neumann, M.A., 1941, Junior College, Red Oak, Iowa; Elmer Lack, M.A., 1929, Junior High School, Moline; Laura Bailey, M.A., 1929, normal training, Kellerton; Raymond Slicher, M.A., 1940, High School, Fort Madison; Ruth Morrison, M.A., 1941, travels for the Lux Company.

Research and Publication

THE books published during the past year or two include John H. Powell, Ph.D., 1938, University of Delaware, *Richard Rush* (University of Pennsylvania Press); C. Clifford Fox, Ph.D., 1942, Dubuque University, *German Presbyterianism in the Upper Mississippi Valley* (Ypsilanti, Mich.); R. L. Lokken, Ph.D., 1939, Teachers College, Dickinson, No. Dak., *The Public Domain in Iowa* (State Historical Society, Iowa); S. J. Hemleben, M.A., 1928, Fordham University, *Plans for World Peace Through Six Centuries* (University of Chicago Press); and P. H. Giddens, Ph.D., 1930, Allegheny College, *The Beginnings of the Petroleum Industry* (Pa. Historical Commission).

F. J. Bowman, Ph.D., 1929, University of Southern California, presents an article, "Sweden's Wars, 1611-1632," *Journal of Modern History* (Sept. 1942); G. W. Prange, Ph.D., 1937, *University of Maryland*, on "Hitler's Propagandist Techniques," *Proceedings of Middle States Association of History* (vol. XXIX); D. D. Jones, Ph.D., 1929, University of Arkansas, "Breckenridge: An Arkansan at the Court of the Czar," *Arkansas Historical Quarterly* (Feb., 1943), "Chesney Chose the Euphrates Route," *Historian*, 1942. B. C. Shafer, Ph.D., 1932, Stout Institute, on "That Everlasting Peace," *Social Education*, (Dec., 1942); W. D. Wyman, Ph.D., 1935, Teachers College, River Falls, Wis., on "Atchison: Famous Frontier Depot," *Kansas Historical Review* (August, 1942) and a paper on "The Last Stand of the Wild Horse," M.V.H.A. Program, Lexington, Ky.; Wallace Taylor, Ph.D., 1941, Teachers College, Albany, N. Y., on "Teaching World Order," *Changing World* (May, 1942); O. A. Kinchen, Ph.D.,

1934, Texas Technological Institute, on "Pioneers of No Man's Land," *West Texas Historical Magazine* (1942), and "The Squatters of Cimarron," *Chronicles of Oklahoma* (Jan., 1942). Carl B. Cone, Ph.D., 1940, Louisiana State University, has two articles in the *Palimpsest*, "Clinton Politics in 1903" (Aug., 1942) and "Champion Fire Teams" (Sept., 1942); G. F. Hershberger, Ph.D., 1935, Goshen College, a booklet *Christian Relationships to State and Community*, Vol. V in series *Mennonites and their Heritage*; Melvin Gingerich, Ph.D., 1938, Bethel College, Kansas, two papers, one on "The Place of Our Colleges in After-War Reconstruction," program of Kansas State Teachers Association, and "The Need of a Mennonite Rural Life Paper," Mennonite Conference, Winona Lake, Indiana, an article on "A Mennonite Sojourn in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa," *Palimpsest* (Dec., 1942). E. W. Thornton, Ph.D., 1933, Okla. Baptist University, an article "That Unit on Democracy," *Social Studies* (Dec., 1942); M. C. Latta, M.A., 1925, Doane College, Nebr., on "The Reaction to Socialism in American Protestantism," *Papers Mich. Academy Science and Arts* (vol. xxvii, 1942); Martin Cole, Ph.D., 1939, Augustana College, S. Dak., an address on "Geography and a New Society," So. Dak. Educational Association; Arthur Umscheid, Ph.D., 1935, Creighton University, an article on "Historiography and World War II," *Social Studies* (1942); H. W. Rice, Ph.D., 1938, Marquette University, an article on "Wisconsin—1942," *Collier's National Year Book*, and an address on "Teaching Social and Economic Problems in War Time," Wisconsin Teachers Convention.

Howard R. Anderson, Ph.D., 1930, Cornell University, co-author of a *World History* (Houghton, Mifflin), co-author of maps in the Webster Costello World History Series, editor of *The Thirteenth Yearbook* of the National Council for the Social Studies. Elmer Ellis, Ph.D., 1930, University of Missouri, is the author of a section on "Methods and Materials" in the *Yearbook* mentioned above, and prepared a bulletin on "Adapting the Missouri Course of Study in the Social Studies to the War Emergency" for the State Department of Education.

P. D. Jordan, Ph.D., 1935, Miami University, an article "Some Lincoln and Civil War Songs," *Lincoln Quarterly* (Sept., 1942), "New York Times' Survey of United States History," *Miss. Valley Historical Review* (Sept., 1942), "Keeping Up with the War News," *ibid.*, (Dec., 1942). R. L. Beyer, Ph.D., 1929, So. Ill. Normal University, an article on "The Historical Society in War Time," *Journal of So. Ill. Historical Society* (June, 1942). P. H. Giddens, Ph.D., 1930, Allegheny College, is engaged in editing a documentary history of the petroleum industry in Pennsylvania. G. W. Prange, Ph.D., 1937, University of Maryland, received a grant-in-aid from the Social Science Research Council.

Twenty-third Historical Conference

THE usual Conference could not be held this year because of the difficulties of travel. In order that the historical continuity of the Conferences be not broken a Radio Conference was held on Saturday morning, March 20. The Conference was well attended in the Old Capitol and the program was heard over the air through the University Station WSUI. The general theme was "America and the Peace." Dr. Bernadotte E. Schmitt, professor of history at the University of Chicago, spoke on "What to do with Germany and Japan" and Dr. Chester W. Clark, professor of history at the University of Iowa, discussed "The German Michael and the Russian Bear." The Round Table discussion was shared by Dr. Schmitt and Dr. Clark, together with Dr. H. J. Thornton of the department of history and Dr. C. Addison Hickman of the College of Commerce.

Summer Session, 1943

THE regular eight weeks session opens for instruction June 7 and closes July 30. In the field of American history Professor W. T. Root offers "Factors and Problems in American History"; Professor H. J. Thornton, "The United States in the Twentieth Century" and a graduate

seminar in "American Civilization"; Professor W. R. Livingston, "Constitutionalism and Liberty in America." In a broader field Professor Livingston gives "Imperialism and Conflict since 1870"; and in the European field Professor Troyer S. Anderson offers "Modern Liberalism," and "Twentieth Century Europe, Peace and War."

The staff holds itself responsible for the conduct of directed readings. This is in the nature of individual study and the purpose is to care for the needs of students not served by formal courses. Though the Summer Session provides for the same type of work that is given during the regular semester, a special effort is made to meet the needs of graduate students working toward higher degrees.

An Independent Study Unit of three weeks following the regular session is available for qualified graduate students.

There is also available a six weeks session from April 26 to June 5, which with the regular summer session of eight weeks makes an academic semester. In this six weeks period the department offers Dr. Root on "The American Revolutionary Era"; Dr. Livingston "British Expansion and European Imperialism 1815-1870"; Dr. Anderson, "Europe at the Close of the Nineteenth Century." These courses by Dr. Livingston and Dr. Anderson serve as logical preludes to courses given by them in the eight week period.