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of items concerning the scholarly and professional
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The Faculty

Professor W. Ross Livingston served again during the summer of 1951 with the United States Air Force Aeronautical Chart and Information Service in the capacity of Historian. During the academic year 1951-52 he has been Visiting Professor of history at the University of California at Los Angeles.

Professor Persons delivered a paper at a meeting of intellectual historians from middle-western Universities at the Newberry Library in October 1951 on "Progress and the Organic Cycle in Eighteenth-Century America." He also spoke at a meeting of the Humanities Society at the State University of Iowa in November 1951. He was a discussant at a session of the meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association in Chicago in April 1952. The two-volume study of American socialism of which he is co-editor is scheduled to be published by the Princeton University Press in May 1952.

Professor Emeritus Harry Grant Plum is continuing his research in English History.

Professor H. J. Thornton has published "Chautauqua Moves West," in the *Iowa Library Quarterly*, "Pageantry at Chautauqua," in the *Chautauqua Bell Tower*, and will publish a third article on the Chautauqua in the *Iowa Journal of History* this spring. During the year he has delivered addresses to the Wisconsin State Jewelers Association, to Teachers' Institutes at Ottumwa, New Hampton, and Columbus Junction, Iowa, and to service clubs at Waterloo, Mason City and other Iowa communities. He has also delivered a number of commencement addresses at junior colleges and high schools in Iowa.

Associate Professor Robert S. Hoyt has two forthcoming articles on the social and legal history of Anglo-Norman England, and has contributed reviews to the *Philological Quarterly*, *Speculum*, and the *American Historical Review*. He is now engaged on a bibliographical essay on publications since 1935 dealing with the history of representative institutions in Western Europe to the end of the eighteenth century for the fourteenth volume of *Etudes Présentées à la Commission Internationale pour l'Histoire des Assemblées d'Etats* which will be published by the International Congress of Historical Sciences in 1953.

Associate Professor George L. Mosse spent the fall term of the current academic year in Europe lecturing and doing research. He served as Visiting Expert with the U.S. High Commission in Germany and made a lecture tour of ten cities. He also lectured in Israel and at the University of Birmingham in England. During the summer of 1951 he represented S.U.I. at the 500th anniversary celebration at the University of Glasgow and at the Anglo-American Historical Conference in London. He published "Puritanism and Reason of State in Old and New England," in the *William and Mary Quarterly* and book reviews in the *American Historical Review* and the *Archiv fuer Reformationsgeschichte*. His article "Change and Continuity in the Tudor Constitution" has been republished in *The Making of English History* edited by R. L. Schuyler and Herman Ausubel.

Assistant Professor Charles Gibson has published a number of reviews in *The Hispanic American Historical Review* and *The Southwestern Historical Quarterly*. He contributed a paper, "Codice Cuetlaxcohuapan: Problems of Dating" to the Congreso Internacional de Historia Municipal e Institucional, Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic, meeting in April 1952. His book on the history of Tlaxcala in the 16th century will be published by the Yale University Press this spring. Mr. Gibson addressed the S.U.I. Humanities Society in November 1951 on "Interpretations of the Conquest of Mexico."

Assistant Professor J. F. Gilliam published *The Dolicheneum: Parts II, The Inscriptions* and IV, *Interpretation in Excavations at Dura-Europos*, Volume IX, Part 3. He has also published "Paganus in B.G.U. 696" in *The American Journal of Philology* and "Notes on PSI 1307 and 1308" in *Classical Philology*, as well as reviews in the *American Journal of Archaeology* and *Classical Weekly*.

Assistant Professor Nicholas V. Riasanovsky was one of the speakers in the session on the origin of the Moscow state at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association in December 1951. He has published book reviews in the *American Historical Review* and the *American Oxonian*. During the year he has addressed the Des Moines League of Women Voters, the City Forum at Ft. Madison and the Faculty Women's Club at Iowa State College, as well as numerous other organizations in Iowa City

and in the State of Iowa. His book on the Slavophiles will be published by the Harvard University Press this fall.

W. O. Aydelotte published "Wollte Bismarck Kolonien" in *Deutschland und Europa: Historische Studien zur Völker- und Staatenordnung des Abendlandes*, a Festschrift for Professor Hans Rothfels, and book reviews in the *Journal of Modern History* and *The Political Science Quarterly*. His article "The England of Marx and Mill as Reflected in Fiction" has been republished in *The Making of English History* edited by R. L. Schuyler and Herman Ausubel.

Assistant Professor Philip A. M. Taylor has been giving the lectures in the trailer of the Western Civilization core course and has also been giving an advanced course in European Economic History. Mr. Taylor addressed the S.U.I. Humanities Society in February 1952, on "Vision, Enterprise and Discipline in Mormon Colonization." The following have served in 1951-1952 as sectional instructors in the core course: Earl S. Beard, John R. Bengtson, Norbert J. Gossman, Robert W. Green, Dwight W. Hoover, Harry M. Hutson, Anne Kingsley, Lawrence J. McCaffrey, Robert E. McMinn, Robert S. Moth, Mary Ruigh, and Donald Weinstein.

We also have news of several former members of the Western Civilization staff. Lenore Rickels, M.A. 1947, is Assistant Professor of History at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana; Phyllis Nelson, M.A. (Radcliffe) 1947, who holds a University Fellowship at S.U.I. this year, has been appointed, effective September 1952, Assistant Professor of History at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Indiana; Neelak S. Tjernagel, M.A. 1949, will teach this summer at Concordia Teachers' Seminary in Chicago; Ernest F. Sixta, M.A. 1949, has spent the last two years in England on a Fulbright Fellowship, and is also teaching this year at the Institut Française in London.

Graduate Students

Bryn J. Hovde, Ph.D. 1924, has spent the academic year 1951-52 at the University of Wisconsin as visiting professor and acting director of the Scandinavian Area Study. Fred A. Shannon, Ph.D. 1924, published during 1951 the third edition of his *America's Economic Growth* and an article in the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*. He also delivered a paper at the annual historical conference at S.U.I. in March 1952.

Bruce E. Mahan, Ph.D. 1927, Dean of the S.U.I. Extension Division, has been for the past two years director of the Motion Picture Previews section of the *National Parent-Teacher Magazine* and has written a column on audio-visual instruction through motion pictures for each issue of the magazine. He has also compiled a feature article, "Bedford in 1861" for each issue of the *Bedford Times Press* for the past year. James H. St. John, Ph.D.

1927, continues as Assistant Dean of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Frederick Tilberg, Ph.D. 1928, published *Gettysburg National Military Park*, Handbook #9, in the National Park Service Series. Francis J. Bowman, Ph.D. 1929, gave a paper on "Historiography and War, 1600-1660" at the December 1951 meeting of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association and also presided at another session at this meeting. Willis G. Swartz, Ph.D. 1929, Dean of Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, has been appointed to a Fulbright lectureship in international relations at the University of Peshawar, Peshawar, Pakistan, 1952-53. Howard R. Anderson, Ph.D. 1930, was one of the staff members at the UNESCO International Educational Seminar on the Teaching of History in the summer of 1951. In October 1951 he was transferred to the Division of Higher Education in the U.S. Office of Education where he is Chief for Social Sciences. His major responsibilities there are for the teaching of social sciences in colleges and for over-all developments in the area of general education.

Elmer Ellis, Ph.D. 1930, is spending the academic year 1951-52 on a Fulbright Fellowship in Holland. He is teaching American History in the University of Amsterdam and also making a large number of lecture appearances before various organizations. Paul H. Giddens, Ph.D. 1930, continues work on his history of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana and expects to complete the manuscript during the summer of 1952. He has given addresses to the Nebraska Oil Marketers Association, at Omaha, the Syracuse (N.Y.) Technology Club, and the student body of Wells College. He participated in the Brookings Institution Seminar on U.S. Foreign Policy at the University of Pittsburgh, April 1951.

Boyd C. Shafer, Ph.D. 1932, has been promoted to a full professorship at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. He has published "The Mysteries of the Bibliotheque Nationale," in the *Library Journal* and has an article forthcoming in the *American Historical Review*. A. G. Umbreit, Ph.D. 1932, Director, Muskegon Community College, Muskegon, Michigan, has been appointed Director of Secondary Curriculum for the Public Schools in the City of Muskegon. Everett W. Thornton, Ph.D. 1933, Chairman of the History Department at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Oklahoma, has published "Soviet Membership in the U. N.," in *The Social Studies*, and "The Christian Student and World Peace," in *The Baptist Student*. Wasyl Halich, Ph.D. 1934, who is a member of the history staff at the State Teachers College, Superior, Wisconsin, has published "Ukrainians in North Dakota," in *North Dakota History*. He will teach this summer at the Northern College of Education, Marquette, Michigan.

Guy F. Hershberger, Ph.D. 1935, published in November 1951 his new book *The Mennonite Church in the Second World War*. Philip D. Jordan, Ph.D.

1935, who is Professor of History at the University of Minnesota, has published articles in *The Education Digest*, *The Clearing House*, *The Roundup*, and the *Ohio State Medical Journal*. He has also published book reviews in the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*, *United States Quarterly Book Review*, *Journal of Southern History*, *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society*, *Wisconsin Magazine of History*, and *Michigan History*. Arthur C. Umscheid, Ph.D. 1935, has been promoted to a full professorship in the Department of History at Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska. Walker D. Wyman, Ph.D. 1935, spoke at a session of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association in April 1951 and read a paper, "Nothing But Prairie and Sky," at the meeting of the National Council of Social Studies in November 1951. He has published book reviews in the *Wisconsin Magazine of History*, *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*, *Pacific Historical Review*, and the *Pacific Northwest Quarterly*. His compilation of *California Emigrant Letters* will be published in the spring of 1952.

Melvin Gingerich, Ph.D. 1938, Director of Research of the Mennonite Research Foundation, Goshen, Indiana, is managing editor of the *Mennonite Encyclopedia*, of which Volume I is to be published later this year. He is also managing editor of the *Mennonite Quarterly Review*, in which he published last year an article on "The Mennonite Church in World War II: A Review and Evaluation." He has also, in collaboration with Dr. Cornelius Krahn, published two articles, "Mennonite Research in Progress" and "Mennonite Bibliography 1950" in *Mennonite Life*. Laura M. Nanes, Ph.D. 1938, who teaches history at Central College, Pella, Iowa, will teach American History this summer in Northeastern Missouri State Teachers College, Kirksville, Missouri. Herbert W. Rice, Ph.D. 1938, Professor of History at Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has published "Early Rivalry among Wisconsin Cities for Railroads," in the *Wisconsin Magazine of History*.

Homer L. Calkin, Ph.D. 1939, carried on negotiations in Tokyo during the summer of 1951 for the transfer of SCAP records to the Department of State and acted as consultant to a group of Japanese historians working on a history of American-Japanese relations during the past 100 years. During the past year he has published "Inventorying Files," in the *Public Administration Review*, "Military Police Replacements in World War II," in *Social Science*, and a book review in the *American Archivist*. Martin L. Cole, Ph.D. 1939, Academic Dean of Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, New Mexico, has contributed a chapter on the Reformation to *The New History of Civilization* to be published by the Commission on Christian Higher Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ. Millard Hansen, Ph.D. 1939, is Director of the Social Science Research Center of the University of Puerto Rico and is also teaching at the University. In November 1951 he gave a research paper to the Milbank Memor-

ial Fund seminar on population problems in agricultural areas. Lyle Shelmidine, Ph.D. 1939, is visiting professor at the University of Puerto Rico during the academic year 1951-52. Thomas E. Tweito, Ph.D. 1939, Dean of Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa, published an article "Frontier Journalism" in *The Palimpsest* and, in March 1952, addressed the Wartburg College Faculty on "Practical Problems of the Small College."

Carl B. Cone, Ph.D. 1940, who is a member of the History Department at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, has just brought out his biography of Richard Price with the University of Kentucky Press under the title of *Torchbearer of Freedom*. He also published "Richard Price and Pitt's Sinking Fund of 1786," in the *Economic History Review*. During the academic year 1951-52 he has had a faculty fellowship from the Fund for the Advancement of Education, and he spent the first semester of the year working at Yale. He will teach in the 1952 summer session at the University of Missouri. Kenneth R. Rossman, Ph.D. 1940, Chairman of the Department of History at Doane College, Crete, Nebraska, will publish his book on Thomas Mifflin with the University of North Carolina Press in June 1952.

H. Clifford Fox, Ph.D. 1941, continues as President of Findlay College, Findlay, Ohio. Alfred S. Martin, Ph.D. 1941, has been in Korea since the summer of 1951 and expects to return to the United States in August 1952. He is a Lieutenant Colonel in the Military Advisory Group to the Republic of Korea. Wilfred W. Black, Ph.D. 1952, who is Professor of History at Grove City College, Grove City, Pennsylvania, has published an article "The Social Scientist in the Atomic Age," in *The Social Studies*. John Miller, Jr., Ph.D. 1942, is a member of the Pacific Section, Office of Military History, Department of the Army Special Staff. He prepared the chapter on historical method for the Office of Military History's *Guide to the Writing of American Military History* which was published in 1951. He is now writing another volume, dealing with South and Southwest Pacific Area operations in 1943-1944, in the series *The U.S. Army in World War II*.

Franklin A. Doty, Ph.D. 1946, has been promoted to an associate professorship of Social Science at the University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida. Mildred Throne, Ph.D. 1946, Associate Editor, State Historical Society of Iowa, has published "'Book Farming' in Iowa, 1840-1870," in the *Iowa Journal of History*, and "The Burlington and Missouri River Railroad in Iowa," and "Streamliners in Iowa," in *The Palimpsest*. She has also edited for publication "The Memories of Aristarchus Cone," and "The Civil War Diary of C. F. Boyd," both of which have appeared in the *Iowa Journal of History*.

R. Bruce Harley, Ph.D. 1948, who is a member of the Department of Social Sciences at Western Illinois State College, Macomb, Illinois, has published "Dr. Charles Carroll — Land Speculator, 1730-

1755," in the *Maryland Historical Magazine*. Eugene M. Emme, Ph.D. 1949, of the Air University Research Studies Institute, Montgomery, Alabama, delivered the Zeta Sigma Oration at Morningside College in May 1951. He has completed a chapter on "The German Air Force as a Diplomatic Instrumentality Between World Wars" which will be included in *A Case-Book on Psychological Warfare*, edited by Morris Janowitz of the University of Michigan and published by the University of Illinois Press. Keach D. Johnson, Ph.D. 1949, a member of the History Department of the University of Maine, Orono, Maine, has had an article accepted for publication by *The Journal of Southern History*. Donald F. Pierce, Ph.D. 1949, has been promoted to the position of chairman of the Division of Social Sciences and Education at Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas. He spent a month in the summer of 1951 doing research at the Huntington Library.

Morris R. Boucher, Ph.D. 1950, has been teaching at Harding College, Searcy, Arkansas, for the past two years. During the first year he served as acting head of the History Department. He has been promoted to an associate professorship. Paul M. Davis, Ph.D. 1950, is continuing his work as chief of the Historical Office, Air Materiel Command, Dayton, Ohio. Lee C. Johnson, Ph.D. 1950, has been promoted to an associate professorship at Eastern Oregon College of Education, La Grande, Oregon. Walter P. Metzger, Ph. D. 1950, who is a member of the Department of History at Columbia University, will be on leave of absence in 1952-53 to work, in collaboration with Professor Richard Hofstadter of Columbia, on a history of academic freedom in the United States. The project is being financed by the Louis M. Rubinowitz Foundation and is to be finished in time for the Columbia Bicentennial Celebration in 1954.

Robert W. Iversen, Ph.D. 1951, who has been Assistant Professor of Social Science at Drake University for the past three years will be a Carnegie Visiting Professor at Columbia University for the academic year 1952-1953. Mr. Iversen will teach a course in Contemporary Civilization in Columbia College.

Since the last News Letter, Ph.D. degrees in history have been granted to the following: Paul L. Hughes, Seymour Lutzky, George R. Muirhead, and Walter F. Peterson. Paul L. Hughes is a member of the History Department at De Paul University in Chicago and has been appointed chairman of the History Core Course Committee there. Seymour Lutzky is doing government work in Washington, D.C. George R. Muirhead is on the staff of the Teachers' College of Connecticut at New Britain, Connecticut. Walter F. Peterson, who has recently published a book review in the *American Historical Review*, is a member of the History Department at Buena Vista College, Storm Lake, Iowa.

M.A. degrees in history since our last News Letter have been received by the following: John R. Aiken, George A. Boeck, LeRoy F. Gereau, John Gimbel, Donald R. Goodyear, David C. Riede, Thomas G. Ryan, Nile B. Norton, Harry F. Bangsberg, Williard D. Conrad, Jim L. Fife, Paul J. Frank, Margaret L. Griggs, Robert B. Hilsabeck, Richard C. Hubacek, Dean L. Marshall, John G. McCallum, Ferdinand C. Reichmann, Robert E. Roberts, Hans W. Spurrier, Dan L. Wilcox, Austie K. Wurster, and Earl K. Haden.

The Historical Conference

At the Thirtieth Annual Historical Conference, which met Friday and Saturday, March 28 and 29, 1952, the following papers were delivered: Daniel J. Boorstin, University of Chicago, "Conformity in American History"; George L. Mosse, State University of Iowa, "The New German Nihilism"; Hajo Holborn, Yale University, "History and Humanism Since the Renaissance"; Fred A. Shannon, University of Illinois, "Concerning the Rewriting of History"; and Burr W. Phillips, University of Wisconsin, "German Education 1947-1951."

The Summer Session

The regular Summer Session of eight weeks will open Wednesday, June 11, and close Wednesday, August 6. Courses offered in the Department this summer will be as follows: *Ancient and Medieval Culture*, Mr. Hoyt; *Survey of Early Modern Europe: 1500-1648*, Mr. Greenlaw; *French Revolution and Napoleon*, Mr. Greenlaw; *Survey of Modern Europe, 1815-1870*, Mr. Riasanovsky; *History of Russia, 1800 to the Present*, Mr. Riasanovsky; *American Colonial Period*, Mr. Lamar (of Yale University); *Social and Economic History of the American People*, Mr. Thornton; and *History of Iowa*, Mr. Petersen.

In addition, the following seminars will be offered: *The American Middle Period and the West*, Mr. Lamar; *American Social and Economic History*, Mr. Thornton; and *Historiography and Philosophy of History*, Mr. Hoyt.

Root Memorial Room

The Winfred Trexler Root Seminar Room in the new University library building was dedicated Friday, March 28, 1952, in a formal ceremony immediately following the evening session of the Annual Historical Conference. Mrs. Root and many of Professor Root's former students and friends were present. The Department takes this occasion to express its renewed thanks to the many friends and students of Dr. Root who have generously contributed to the fund which will be used for the commemorative plaque and for accessories in the room.