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of items concerning the scholarly and professional
activities of both faculty and graduate students

The Faculty

Professor Allan G. Bogue was appointed Chairman of the Department, effective September 1, 1959. His paper on "Social Theory and the Pioneer," delivered at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association in Denver in April, 1959, has been published in *Agricultural History*. He is the Iowa representative on the membership committee of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association and is on research leave during the spring semester.

Professor J. F. Gilliam has been serving as Acting Chairman of the Department during the second semester. Since the last *News Letter*, he has published *The Parchments and Papyri, The Excavations at Dura-Europos, Final Report V* (with C. B. Welles and R. O. Fink); "Notae Militares in Isidore, *Etym.* I, xxiv," in *Hommages à Léon Hermann*, and book reviews in the *American Journal of Philology*, *Philological Quarterly*, *Speculum*, and *Classical World*. He presented papers on the *Historia Augusta* at Yale University and on the Roman Army at Bryn Mawr College. He received a grant from the American Philosophical Society to support his studies of the Roman Army last summer. He has been elected to serve as a member of the Committee on Publication of Monographs of the American Philological Association.

Professor Stow Persons served as Visiting Professor at San Francisco State College in the summer of 1959 and has been appointed a member of the Prize Studies Committee of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association.

Professor Alan B. Spitzer read a paper at the Missouri Valley Conference of Collegiate Teachers of History in March on "The Good Napoleon II—Revisionism Become Orthodoxy." He will return to France this summer to continue his research on the French Carbonari.

Professor Samuel P. Hays is a member of the Program Committee of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association and a member of the Executive Committee of the Central Mississippi Valley Branch of the American Studies Association. He has published a review in the *American Historical Review* and is serving as Associate Director of the Honors Program at the State University of Iowa.

Dr. Donald W. Sutherland has continued his work on the Quo Warranto proceedings of Edward I of England and has contributed book reviews to *Speculum*.

Professor W. Ross Livingston spent the first semester of this year as Visiting Professor at the University of California at Los Angeles, teaching courses in the history of the British Empire and the history of Canada, and offering a seminar in the history of the British Empire. Professor Livingston took the place of his former student John S. Galbraith, Ph.D. 1943, who is on sabbatical leave.

Professor William O. Aydelotte delivered a paper on "The

Application of Scalogram Analysis to Parliamentary History" before the New York State Association of European Historians at Cornell University in October, 1959. He has published "Patterns of National Development: Introduction," the first essay in the second section of a symposium entitled *1859: Entering an Age of Crisis*, Indiana University Press, 1959.

Professor William J. Petersen is directing the completion of the move of the State Historical Society of Iowa to its new building. He has contributed a number of articles to the Society's publications, which include a reissue of *Fisher's 1860 Almanac*. He has been appointed by the Governor to the Civil War Centennial Commission and the Mississippi River Parkway Commission.

Professor Charles Gibson has edited *William Hickling Prescott: A Memorial*, published by the Duke University Press. In June he read a paper on "The Retrieval of Materials" at the Conference of Bibliographers Specializing in History in Washington, D.C. He published "The Indian Nobility in New Spain," in *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, and reviews in *Revista Iberoamericana*, *American Historical Review*, *Hispanic American Historical Review*, *The Historian*, and *Handbook of Latin American Studies*. He has received grants from the Rockefeller Foundation and the State University of Iowa for a leave of absence and research abroad next year on Mexican colonial history.

Professor Robert M. Kingdon has published "The Economic Behavior of Ministers in Geneva in the Middle of the Sixteenth Century," in *Archiv fuer Reformationsgeschichte*, and "The Plantin Breviaries, A Case Study in the Sixteenth-Century Business Operations of a Publishing House," in *Bibliothèque d'humanisme et renaissance*. In July he read a paper, "Les idées politiques de Théodore de Bèze d'après son *Traité de l'autorité du magistrat en la punition des herétiques*," at the Colloquy on Theodore Beza, Geneva. He also presented "The Continuing Utility of Burckhardt's Thought on Renaissance Politics" at the Central Renaissance Conference at Lawrence, Kansas, in April. He is serving as a Council member of the American Society for Reformation Research and has published reviews in *Church History* and *Renaissance News*. He has received a Fellowship awarded by the American Council of Learned Societies for research and study in Europe in 1960-61 on the impact of Calvinism on sixteenth-century politics.

Professor Richard N. Hunt has joined the Department to direct the Western Civilization core program and to offer courses in German history. Professor Hunt received his B.A. at Rutgers University in 1952, his M.A. at Yale in 1953, and his Ph.D. at Yale in 1958. He was a Fulbright Student at the University of Bonn in 1953-54 and has taught at Yale and at Connecticut College. His dissertation on "The Internal Development of the German Social Democratic Party

in the Weimar Republic" will be published by Yale University Press.

Dr. Fred J. Levy has been teaching in the Western Civilization core program and offering a course in Tudor-Stuart England this year. He received B.A., A.M., and Ph.D. degrees from Harvard University, where he was a Teaching Fellow from 1956 to 1959. He read a paper on "The Origins of Roman Archaeology in England" at the Central Renaissance Conference in Lawrence, Kansas, in April, and he has received a grant from the American Philosophical Society for research in English antiquarianism in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. Beginning in September, 1960, he will be Instructor in History at the University of Washington, Seattle.

Dr. Joseph Boskin has been a visiting lecturer in American History during this year. Dr. Boskin received his B.S. degree at the State University of New York in 1951, his M.A. at New York University in 1952, and his Ph.D. at the University of Minnesota in 1958-1959. He served as Instructor in the Social Science program at the University of Minnesota in 1958-1959. He wrote his dissertation on "Politics of an Opposition Party: The Republican Minority in the New Deal Period," and he is the author of the article on James G. Blaine in the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* of this year.

Teaching Assistants in the Western Civilization core program this year have been Victor M. Batzel, Harold Bauman, Rosemarie Bougie, Blas Brazil, Richard J. Champoux, Rodney O. Davis, Robert R. Dykstra, Robert L. Gold, Clifton E. Hart, Don S. Kirschner, Robert J. Knowlton, David C. Lukowitz, Donald G. Nugent, Richard V. Pierard, Arnold Pincus, Milton B. Powell, Gerald A. Priori, Helen R. Upson, and Marilyn L. van Dyk.

Graduates

The Department announces with profound regret the deaths of H. Clifford Fox, Ph.D. 1941, and Ernest J. Sixta, Ph.D. 1953. Dr. Sixta, Professor of History at State Teachers College, Trenton, N.J., was killed in a bus accident on October 9, 1959. Dr. Fox, President of Findlay College, Findlay, Ohio, was killed in an automobile accident on Thanksgiving Day.

Bruce E. Mahan, Ph.D. 1927, Dean of the Extension Division of the State University of Iowa, was scheduled to retire on June 30, 1959, but was reappointed for another year while the search for his successor continues. He is now scheduled to retire on June 30, 1960. During the past year he has made additional contributions to the series on local history, "Boyhood in Bedford, 1898-1908," published in *The Bedford Times-Press*. After retirement Dean Mahan plans to continue writing on the middle border and to work on a book, "Iowa's Background for a Better Tomorrow."

Francis J. Bowman, Ph.D. 1929, of the Department of History of the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, served as Chairman of the session on the American Civil War at the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association meeting at Salt Lake City in September. He has been active in the Lincoln Sesquicentennial Anniversary Program in California, and he plans to attend the International Congress of Historical Sciences at Stockholm in August.

Dorsey D. Jones, Ph.D. 1929, of the Department of History of the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, published "He Taught Near Eudora, Arkansas, in the 1860's," an article concerning Milan W. Serl, in the *Arkansas Historical Quarterly*. He will give the Commencement Address at Southwest Missouri State College, Springfield, in May.

Howard R. Anderson, Ph.D. 1930, has moved from the position of Dean of the School of Liberal and Applied Studies to that of Assistant to the President at the University of Rochester. He continues as Director of the University of Rochester Evening Session and the River Campus Summer Session.

Paul H. Giddens, Ph.D. 1930, President of Hamline University, St. Paul, has written eight articles on the history of the petroleum industry, in *Carnegie Magazine*, *American Petroleum Institute Quarterly*, *World Book Encyclopedia*, *Enciclopedia Del Petrolio E Dei Gas Naturali*, *Titusville Herald*, *Our Sun*, and the *New York Herald Tribune*. He has also published a booklet, *The American Petroleum Industry—Its Beginnings in Pennsylvania* (The Newcomen Society in North America, 1959) and a review in the *American Historical Review*.

Paul O. Carr, Ph.D. 1932, has become President of the District of Columbia Teachers College in Washington. He attended the meeting of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education in Chicago in February.

Boyd C. Shafer, Ph.D. 1932, Executive Secretary of the American Historical Association and Managing Editor of the *American Historical Review*, has published *Nationalism, Interpreters and Interpretations* in the series of the Service Center for Teachers of History. In June the *Pacific Historical Review* will publish his article, "History, Not Art, Not Science, But History."

William D. Houlette, Ph.D. 1933, of the Department of History, Drake University, Des Moines, continues to write "The Iowa Record" for each issue of *The Iowan*. He is serving on the Board of Curators of the State Historical Society of Iowa and on the Iowa Civil War Centennial Commission. In the summer of 1959 he directed the Drake University Conference on State and Local History and the History Field Trip to southwest Iowa and southeast Nebraska.

Everett W. Thornton, Ph.D. 1933, of the Department of History, Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, is about to publish an article in *The Social Studies* entitled "Is European Union in the Making?"

Justin Williams, Ph.D. 1933, is now the Director of the Korea Division, International Cooperation Administration, Department of State, Washington, D.C. He served for nearly eight years in Japan as political adviser to Generals MacArthur, Ridgeway, and Clark. In recent years he has contributed reviews to the *American Historical Review*, delivered numerous addresses on American foreign policy, and been active in the meetings of the International Affairs Seminars of Washington and other groups.

J. A. Greenlee, Ph.D. 1934, has been since September the Director of Engineering Personnel and Education at the Collins Radio Company, Cedar Rapids.

Oscar A. Kinchen, Ph.D. 1934, of the Department of History, Texas Technological College, Lubbock, has been awarded a grant by the Board of Regents in aid of his research on the Confederate mission to Canada.

Philip D. Jordan, Ph.D. 1935, of the Department of History, University of Minnesota, has published "Whose Mirror Is a Pitiful Affair: Comments on Social and Cultural History," in *The Present World of History* (Madison, 1959); "The Historian and the Contemporary Problem of Bibliographic Techniques," in *American Documentation*; and "The Pioneer: Myth or Reality? The Period of Early Settlement: Fact or Fiction?" in the *Bulletin* of the Minnesota Council for the Social Studies. He has also published reviews in the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*, *Journal of Southern History*, *Michigan History*, and *Ohio Historical Quarterly*. He was awarded an honorary LL.D. degree by Monmouth College and served as Chairman of the Session on modern bibliographical techniques at the meeting of the Mississippi

Valley Historical Association in Denver. He read papers at the University of South Dakota, the meeting of the American Society of Archivists at Philadelphia, and the St. Louis Conference on Research Possibilities in American History.

Walker D. Wyman, Ph.D. 1935, of the Department of History, Wisconsin State College, River Falls, has become Director of Graduate Studies at the college and has been appointed to the Committee for the Service Center for Teachers of History of the American Historical Association. He has published reviews in the *American Historical Review*, *History News*, and *Minnesota History*.

Vernon Carstensen, Ph.D. 1936, of the Department of History, University of Wisconsin, Madison, has published "The Genesis of an Agricultural Experiment Station" in *Agricultural History*. He has also served on the program committees of the American Historical Association and the Mississippi Valley Historical Association.

Melvin Gingerich, Ph.D. 1938, Executive Secretary of the Historical and Research Committee, Mennonite General Conference, Goshen, Indiana, has completed his eleven-year assignment as Managing Editor of *The Mennonite Encyclopedia* with the publication of the fourth and final volume. He continues as Managing Editor of the *Mennonite Quarterly Review* and has published "The Mennonites in Iowa" in *The Palimpsest* and (with Cornelius Krahn) "Mennonite Research in Progress" in *Mennonite Life*. He is a member of the Church Records Committee of the Society of American Archivists. The Historical and Research Committee of the Mennonite Church, of which he is Executive Secretary, is the result of the merger in 1959 of the Mennonite Research Foundation and the Mennonite Historical Committee.

Martin L. Cole, Ph.D. 1939, Dean of the University of Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, delivered addresses in March and April at Raton, New Mexico, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and Dallas, Texas, on "The Role of the Community in Continuing Education," "Dry Rot in Education," and "The Russian Historian, A Personal Viewpoint."

Melvin C. Wren, Ph.D. 1939, Chairman of the Department of History, Montana State University, Missoula, spent the summer of 1959 in England and on the continent.

Carl B. Cone, Ph.D. 1940, was chosen Distinguished Professor of the College of Arts and Sciences of the University of Kentucky for the year 1959-60. He spent the first semester in England in research for the second volume of his biography of Edmund Burke. In June, 1959, he addressed the Alumni Seminar of the University of Kentucky, and this address has been published as "Ideas that Made the Constitution" in the *Kentucky Law Journal*. He gave the Distinguished Professor lecture at the University of Kentucky on "The Burke Revival" in April. During the second semester he is teaching at Louisiana State University. He has published reviews in the *Journal of Modern History*, *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*, *Catholic Historical Review*, *The Historian*, *Manuscripta*, and *Journal of Southern History*.

Kenneth R. Rossman, Ph.D. 1940, Chairman of the Department of History at Doane College, Crete, Nebraska, received a research grant from the American Philosophical Society last April and a leave of absence in the first semester of this year. He spent the semester at the University of Helsinki Library engaged in research on Finnish history and historians.

Wallace W. Taylor, Ph.D. 1941, Professor of Education at the State University of New York, Albany, has published nine articles relating to the education of physically handicapped children in the *News Bulletin* of the Institute of International Education, *Exceptional Children*, *Rehabilita-*

tion Literature, and the *International Journal for the Education of the Blind*. His book, *The Education of Physically Handicapped Children in Western Europe*, written in collaboration with Isabelle Wagner Taylor, was published early this year by the International Society for the Welfare of Cripples.

Wilfred W. Black, Ph.D. 1942, is currently teaching history and political science at State Teachers College, Frostburg, Maryland. In September of this year he will assume new duties as Professor of History at Findlay College, Findlay, Ohio.

John Miller, Ph.D. 1942, Deputy Chief Historian, Office of Military History, Department of the Army, published last November a volume in the series on the United States army in World War II entitled *Cartwheel: The Reduction of Rabaul*. He has published book reviews in the *American Historical Review*, *Army*, and *Military Affairs*.

John S. Galbraith, Ph.D. 1943, is in South Africa on sabbatical leave from the University of California, Los Angeles.

Mildred Throne, Ph.D. 1946, has published "Iowa Troops in Dakota Territory, 1861-1864. Based on Diaries and Letters of Henry J. Wieneke" and "A Population Study of an Iowa County in 1850" both in the *Iowa Journal of History*. She has published reviews in the *Journal of Economic History* and the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review*.

R. Bruce Harley, Ph.D. 1948, formerly Professor of History at Western Illinois University, has become Deputy Chief of the Historical Division of the Strategic Air Command. His new location is at March Air Force Base, California.

William H. Seiler, Ph.D. 1948, Chairman of the Division of Social Science at Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia, has published "The Anglican Parish in Virginia," in *Seventeenth-Century America*, published by the University of North Carolina Press for the Institute of Early American History and Culture.

Eugene M. Emme, Ph.D. 1949, now holds the position of Historian of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, D.C. His anthology of readings, *The Impact of Air Power: National Security and World Politics*, was the spring, 1959, selection of the Aerospace Book Club. In July he attended the Reserve Officers National Strategy Seminar at the National War College, Fort McNair, Washington. In October he addressed the National Security Studies Group at the University of Wisconsin on "The Environment of Nonmilitary Defense," an address that has been printed as "Survival in the Nuclear Age" in *Air Force*. At the joint American Military Institute and American Historical Association session in Chicago he read a paper on "Technical Change and Western Military Thought, 1914-1945." He has contributed a chapter entitled "The Impact of Aerospace Power upon National Strategy" to *Readings on National Strategy*, which appears this spring. He has also published reviews in *Military Affairs*, *The Airpower Historian*, and *Technology and Culture*.

John J. Kamerick, Ph.D. 1950, has become Dean of the College of Fine and Professional Arts, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.

Paul L. Hughes, Ph.D. 1951, has been promoted to the rank of Professor in the Department of History and Political Sciences at DePaul University. His book, *Crown and Parliament in Tudor-Stuart England. A Documentary Constitutional History, 1485-1714*, was published by G. P. Putnam's Sons, N.Y., in 1959.

Walter F. Peterson, Ph.D. 1951, of the Department of History of Milwaukee-Downer College, has published "American Protestantism and the Middle Class: 1870-1910"

in the *Transactions of the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters*.

John R. Bengtson, Ph.D. 1953, has accepted a position as Assistant Professor of History and Economics at Northern State Teachers College, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Donald Graham, Ph.D. 1953, has been promoted to the rank of Professor of History at Wisconsin State College, Whitewater.

Robert W. Green, Ph.D. 1953, has been promoted to the position of Assistant Head of the Department of History at Pennsylvania State University, University Park, and to the position of Associate Professor of European History. He has published *Protestantism and Capitalism—The Weber Thesis and Its Critics* (D. C. Heath and Company, Boston, 1959).

Phyllis Nelson, Ph.D. 1953, of the Department of Social Science, Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, has completed a revision of *Studying Civilization*, a workbook to accompany the *Civilization Past and Present* by Wallbank and Taylor.

George Breathett, Ph.D. 1954, of the Department of History of Bennett College, Greensboro, N.C., has been awarded a Bennett College Faculty Research Grant for 1959-1960. He has been elected First Vice-President of the Association of Social Science Teachers and during the summer of 1959 was Visiting Professor at Tuskegee Institute. He has published "The Socio-Economic Problem of Haitian Representation in the French National Assembly, 1789-1790" in *Journal of Social Science Teachers*, and, with Edwin R. Edmonds, *A Social Studies Handbook* (Tuskegee Institute, 1959).

Gilbert A. Cahill, Ph.D. 1954, is acting Co-Chairman of the Department of Social Studies at Cortland College of Education, State University of New York. In October he was Chairman of the meeting of the New York State Association of European Historians and he has published reviews in the *American Historical Review* and the *Catholic Historical Review*.

Lawrence J. McCaffrey, Ph.D. 1954, has been appointed Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois and will be Visiting Assistant Professor at the State University of Iowa this summer.

N. S. Tjernagel, Ph.D. 1955, has received a leave of absence from Concordia Teachers College, River Forest, Illinois, and a grant from the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, for four months of research in the British Museum beginning in March. His work will deal with Anglo-Lutheran relations during the reign of Henry VIII.

Harry F. Bangsberg, Ph.D. 1957, is on indefinite leave of absence as Associate Professor of History, Wisconsin State College, Eau Claire, to serve as Assistant to the Director of the nine Wisconsin State Colleges. He has published "The Politics of Foreign Aid" and "The International Development Association," both in the London *Eastern World*, and "The United States and the Colombo Plan" in the New Delhi *India Quarterly*.

Donald Weinstein, Ph.D. 1957, spent the past summer in Florence with a research grant from the American Philosophical Society and then joined the Institute for Research in the Humanities of the University of Wisconsin, as a Fellow for 1959-1960. He read a paper, "Savonarola in Florence," at the American Historical Association meeting in Chicago, published a review in *Speculum*, and has in press a book on a Venetian ambassadorial oration of 1501. For next fall he has accepted an Assistant Professorship at Rutgers University.

Leonard Ralston, Ph.D. 1960, is a member of the Department of History at the State Teachers College, State University of New York, Cortland.

George W. Sieber, Ph.D. 1960, is a member of the Department of History at Lakeland College, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

Degrees

Since the last issue of the *News Letter*, Ph.D. degrees have been granted to Leonard F. Ralston and George W. Sieber. M.A. degrees have been granted to Edward S. Bradley, Robert R. Dykstra, Henry H. Goldman, Harry D. Jackson, Titima Phitakspraiwan, Milton B. Powell, Peter J. Schmitt, Richard T. Sias, Richard W. Wood, and Helen R. Upson.

Iowa History Conference

The thirty-eighth annual Conference of the Teachers of History and the Social Studies at the State University of Iowa took place this year on April 8 and 9. Speakers were Paul A. Varg, Michigan State University, "Birth of Nationalism and the American Revolution"; Norman A. Graebner, University of Illinois, "The End of 'One World,' 1945-1946"; Franklin L. Ford, Harvard University, "German National Socialism—What Kind of a Revolution?"; and James M. Becker, North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, "Education for Participation in World Affairs."

The Summer Session

Courses to be offered in the Department during the Summer Session of 1960 are: Survey of Medieval Civilization, Dr. Sutherland; Medieval England, Dr. Sutherland; Recent European History, 1919-1959, Professor McCaffrey; British Empire, Professor Livingston; Recent American History, 1877-1914, Professor Hays; History of the American West, Professor Bogue; American Foreign Relations, Professor Livingston; History of Iowa, Professor Petersen. Seminars will be offered in Modern Europe, by Professor McCaffrey; American Middle Period and the West, by Professor Bogue; and Recent American History, by Professor Hays. Individual study for undergraduate and graduate students will also be offered. Professor Bogue will be Chairman of the Department.