

# History Newsletter

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The Department of History presents its annual bulletin of items concerning the scholarly and professional activities of faculty, graduates and graduate students.

### The Faculty

Professor Fritz René Alleman joined the Department as Visiting Professor of History for the spring term. A native of Switzerland, he studied at the Institute for Political Studies in Berlin and began his career in journalism in 1928. During World War II he served as London correspondent for *Die Tat* of Zurich and since 1949 has been its German correspondent. From 1960 to 1964 he was also co-editor of *Der Monat*, one of central Europe's most prestigious monthlies, then published in Berlin. His many publications include *Bonn is not Weimar* (1956), *Developing Nations* (1954), *The Arab Revolution* (1959), *Fidel Castro* (1961), *Between Stability and Crisis* (1963), and *Twenty-Five Times Switzerland* (1966). Another book, *Eight Times Portugal*, will be published in April, 1971. At Iowa, he has conducted courses in German history (1918 to present) and Latin American communism.

Professor William O. Aydelotte has been on research appointment for the first semester of the 1970-71 year and on leave for the second semester. He served as Visiting Professor at the University of Leicester, in England, during the spring term, January through March. A second and revised edition of his book, *Bismarck and British Colonial Policy* was published in June, 1970.

Professor Robert R. Dykstra continues to pursue his interest in computer-aided analysis of voting patterns in recent American history. He is currently working with election data from Wisconsin, 1904-1952, in order (among other things) to test various hypotheses—at the precinct level—respecting continuities and lack of continuities between LaFollette Progressivism and support for Senator Joseph McCarthy. His recently published book, *The Cattle Towns*, appeared last fall in a paperback edition issued by Atheneum.

Professor Lawrence Gelfand taught during the summer session of 1970 at the University of Montana. He delivered a lecture at Buena Vista College in Storm Lake, Iowa, in November, 1970. In the summer of 1970, he was appointed by Governor Ray to a two-year term on the Board of Curators of the State Historical Society of Iowa. He is Chairman of the Bibliographical Committee, Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations. In March he represented President Boyd of The University of Iowa at the annual meeting of the Board, Truman Library Institute, in Independence, Missouri.

Professor Ralph E. Giesey did research in France last year with the help of a Guggenheim award. During the course of the year he attended an international conference on Jean Bodin in Munich, presented a lecture at the University of Reading, attended the International Congress for Historical Sciences in Moscow, and made short trips to Switzerland, the Lowlands, Spain, the British Isles and around France, working on "The Writings of Francois Hotman."

Professor Jonathan A. Goldstein read a paper, "The Civic and Religious Policy of Antiochus IV," at the meeting of the American Academy of Religion in New York in October, 1970. He is continuing work on his commentary to First and Second Maccabees.

Professor Charles Hale is continuing his work on Mexican political thought in the late nineteenth century. He presented a paper, "Ideas and Political History," at the Southern Historical Association meeting in Louisville in November, 1970. In

April, he gave a lecture on "The Quest for National Identity in Latin America" in an Ibero-American Studies Symposium at the University of Wisconsin. His article, "The History of Ideas: Substantive and Methodological Aspects of the Thought of Leopoldo Zea," will appear in the May, 1971 issue of the *Journal of Latin American Studies*. He is beginning a term as a member of the Board of Editors of the *Hispanic American Historical Review*. He is also serving as chairman of the committee on Mexican Studies of the Conference on Latin American History.

Professor David Hamilton's survey course on modern East Asia, which he teaches jointly with Professor Stephen Large, was broadcast on the radio this spring.

Professor Peter T. Harstad of Idaho State University joined the Department this past year as Visiting Professor to conduct studies in the American Middle Period. Professor Harstad received his Ph.D. in 1963 from the University of Wisconsin. He has taught at Idaho State since that time. In the summer of 1970, he taught as Visiting Associate Professor of History at the University of Washington. This past year, he has completed a manuscript, *Life and Letters of Dr. Thomas Steel, Frontier Physician*. He has also been at work on a book concerning health conditions and the practice of medicine in the Midwest during the middle decades of the nineteenth century. In March he delivered a public lecture at Bethany College in Mankato, Minnesota, entitled, "Doctors and Drugs in America, 1830-1860." He has recently been appointed to the Danforth Associate Program.

Professor Ellis W. Hawley is co-author with Gerald Nash, Murray Rothbard and Robert Himmelberg of *Herbert Hoover: Liberal or Conservative*, which will appear in the American Forum Series. His essay, "The New Deal and Business," will appear in *The New Deal at the National Level: A Reappraisal* (John Braeman and others, editors), to be published by the Ohio State University Press. A second printing of his *The New Deal and the Problem of Monopoly* (paperback edition) is scheduled for 1971. Portions of *The New Deal and Monopoly* are also being or will be reprinted in four additional anthologies: (1) Otis Graham, editor, *The New Deal: The Critical Issues* (Little, Brown, 1971); (2) Richard Abrams and Lawrence Levine, editors, *The Shaping of Twentieth Century America* (Little, Brown, 2nd ed., 1971); (3) Jordan A. Schwarz, editor, *Modern America* (Houghton Mifflin, projected for January, 1973); (4) David Burner and Robert Marcus, editors, *Problems in American History* (Appleton-Century-Crofts, 1971). He presented a paper, "Herbert Hoover and the 1920's: Forty Years Later," at the banquet symposium of the Greater North Plains History Conference at Grand Forks, North Dakota, in October, 1970. He is currently the Iowa representative of the Membership Committee of the Organization of American Historians.

Professor John Henneman presented a paper, "The Constitutional Impact of Brigand Companies in Fourteenth Century France," at the Midwest Medieval Conference in Madison, Wisconsin, in October, 1970. He has published "The French Estates General and Reference Back to Local Constituents, 1343-1355" in *Studies Presented to the International Commission for the History of Representative and Parliamentary Institutions*, vol. XXXIX, Louvain, 1970, pp. 31-52.

Professor Henry Horwitz published with T. K. Moore an

article, "Who Runs the House? Aspects of Parliamentary Organization in the Later 17th Century," in the June, 1971, issue of the *Journal of Modern History*.

Professor Sydney V. James, Department Chairman, continues his study of colonial Rhode Island. His "Colonial Rhode Island and the Beginnings of the Liberal Rationalized State" appeared in Melvin Richter, editor, *Essays in Theory and History* last fall.

Professor James Kittelson has completed his manuscript, *Wolfgang Capito, From Humanist to Reformer*. He will be moving to Ohio State University next autumn as Associate Professor.

Professor Laurence Lafore gave the Earl Wright Lecture at Shippensburg State College in Pennsylvania in November, 1970, the Stanley Foundation Lecture at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa in January, 1971, and the Mead Lecture in History at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut in April. He has also published four reviews in the *New York Times Book Review*.

Professor Stephen Large has finished his manuscript, *The Japanese Labor Movement, 1912-1919: Reform and Revolution in the Yuaikai*, for publication by Sophia University Press in Tokyo. During the spring term his survey course on modern East Asian history, taught jointly with Professor David Hamilton, was broadcast on the radio. This past year, he became a member of the Midwest Japan Seminar. Next year, he will be on leave to go to Japan with the help of a University of Iowa Faculty Research Fellowship, a Hill Family Foundation Fellowship and an East Asian Research Grant from the Social Science Research Council. He will do research there for a book on the Japanese labor movement between the World Wars.

Professor Ross W. Livingston, Professor Emeritus, has taught a course on the British Empire this spring.

Professor Sidney E. Mead has published "In Quest of America's Religion" in the *Christian Century*, June 17, 1970—an article in the *Christian Century's* "How My Mind Has Changed" series, which will be published in book form. His other recent publications include, "History and Identity" in the *Journal of Religion*, January, 1971, and, in March of this year, "The Fact of Pluralism and the Persistence of Sectarianism" in a symposium edited by Professor Elwyn A. Smith and published by Fortress Press with the title, *The Religion of the Republic*. Though he could not attend the American Historical Association meetings in Boston this year, his criticism of a paper presented by Professor Timothy L. Smith of Johns Hopkins was read at the meeting and will be published. In March he participated in a symposium on the American Revolution sponsored by the Institute of Early American History at Williamsburg, Virginia. At Williamsburg, he served as a critic of a paper presented by Professor William G. McLoughlin of Brown University on "Religion and the Republic." In April he presented two lectures on "Modernization and the Churches" at the spring convocation of the United Theological Seminary in Minneapolis.

Professor Stow Persons attended, in August, 1970, the International Congress of Historical Sciences held in Moscow, where he presented a paper on the Gentry in the United States, published by the Nauka Publishing House, Moscow.

Professor Malcolm J. Rohrbough has been on leave this year working on an institutional history of the trans-Appalachian frontier, 1775-1845.

Professor John Scherer has conducted courses in Russian history this year at Iowa, as Visiting Assistant Professor. Professor Scherer received his Ph.D. from Indiana in 1968. This year he completed a manuscript on Russian intellectual history during the early nineteenth century. He is currently preparing a series of articles on changes in Soviet society.

Professor David Schoenbaum has published an article on American policy in Vietnam in *Der Monat*, an article on the 1969 West German Election in *Polity* and a review in *Saturday Review*. He has attended conferences on civil-military problems at the Air Force Academy and the State Department. He is also a member of the American Historical Association Committee on TV and Documentary Film.

Professor Alan Spitzer was on leave during the spring semester. He spent most of his time in France continuing his

research in the political and social history of the French Restoration. His book, *Old Hatreds and Young Hopes: The French Carbinari Against the Bourbon Restoration*, will be published by Harvard University Press in May, 1971.

Professor Donald Sutherland will be on leave next academic year, with the assistance of a University Research Professorship, a senior fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities and a travel grant from the American Philosophical Society. The purpose of the leave is to finish his book on the assize of novel disseisin (a summary proceeding used in medieval English courts to give recovery of real property) and to edit a series of law reports from the royal court held in Northamptonshire in 1329-1330. He plans to work in Iowa City, with occasional research trips to England.

Professor Oscar Williams, of Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois, joined the Department this spring as Visiting Professor to conduct a course in Afro-American history, 1860-present. Professor Williams received his Ph.D. in 1969 from Ohio State. He is currently Assistant Professor of History and Coordinator of Black Studies at Bradley. In April he read a paper, "A Comparison: Charles A. Beard and Carter G. Woodson, Father of Afro-American History," at the Organization of American Historians meeting in New Orleans. He also served as Commentator at the meeting of the Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists in Montgomery, Alabama. His book, *Northward Bound: From Sharecropping to City Living*, was published in February, 1971, by American Educational Publications in Middletown, Connecticut. He is also contributing editor to *The Origins of Tomorrow: Readings in Global History to the Age of Exploration*, Volume I, June, 1971, and Volume II, *Readings in Global History from the Age of Exploration to the Present*, September, 1971 (Holbrook Press, Inc., Boston). His article, "Ancient Ghana," has been accepted for publication in the winter issue, 1970-1971, of the *Journal of Social and Behavioral Science*.

### Graduates

Leonidas Dodson, Ph.D. 1927, is retiring after 41 years as a member of the History Department of the University of Pennsylvania and 26 years as University Archivist.

Willis H. Walker, Ph.D. 1928, formerly Professor of History at Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois, continues to enjoy his retirement after 44 years of teaching in six different institutions. He makes his residence in Decatur.

Francis J. Bowman, Ph.D. 1929, Professor Emeritus at the University of Southern California, chaired a session on "The Enlightenment and the Baltic Area" at the Second Annual Meeting of the Conference for Baltic Studies held at San Jose State College in November, 1970. He has also published a book review in the *American Historical Review*.

Elmer Ellis, Ph.D. 1930, President Emeritus, University of Missouri, spent most of March and April at Orissa University of Agriculture and Veterinary Science, consulting with its administration on its administrative structure.

Paul H. Giddens, Ph.D. 1930, retired President of Hamline University, has published, "Writing a Company History," *Public Relations Journal*, November, 1970, and "The 1969 Intercollegiate Football Season in Retrospect," *Liberal Education*, December, 1970. After two years of work, 1969-1970, he completed his special assignment as historical consultant to the Standard Oil Company (Indiana). His work resulted in an inventory of materials and records on the history of the company since 1950 and a series of interviews with key retirees of the company.

Paul O. Carr, Ph.D. 1932, former President of the District of Columbia Teachers College (retired 1966), is currently working with the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association, a department of the NEA.

Edwin H. Cates, Ph.D. 1932, Professor of History at St. Cloud State College in St. Cloud, Minnesota, wrote a book entitled, *A Centennial History of St. Cloud State College*, which was published by the Dillon Press, Minneapolis, 1969. In 1970 he supervised a college portrait program for St. Cloud, which resulted in the painting of many portraits of the Col-

lege's most distinguished alumni. The portraits were done in Florence, Italy. His book and the portrait program were part of a general commemoration of St. Cloud's centennial.

Boyd C. Shafer, Ph.D. 1932, James Wallace Professor of History at Macalester College in Saint Paul, Minnesota, was elected First Vice-President of the International Committee of Historical Sciences at its meeting in Moscow in August, 1970. He has also been awarded the Troyer Steele Anderson prize of the American Historical Association for the greatest contribution to the Association's goals of historical study during the last decade.

Everett W. Thornton, Ph.D. 1933, continues his retirement activity as curator of Oklahoma Baptist Records under the joint sponsorship of the Oklahoma Baptist Historical Society and the library of Oklahoma Baptist University. During 1970 he contributed to *The Oklahoma Baptist Chronicle, Baptist History and Heritage* and the new Volume III of *Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists*.

Charlton W. Tebeau, Ph.D. 1933, Professor of History, will retire from teaching in the History Department, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida, at the end of this academic year. In 32 years of service at Miami, he was chairman of the Department from 1946 to 1969. His *History of Florida* was published in March, 1971, by the University of Miami Press. He will continue to reside in Coral Gables and will pursue research and writing in local history.

William D. Houlette, Ph.D. 1933, published *Iowa: The Pioneer Heritage* in February, 1971 (Wallace-Homestead Book Company, Des Moines). He continues to edit the "Iowa Record" section of *The Iowan* magazine.

Oscar A. Kinchen, Ph.D. 1934, Professor Emeritus of History at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas, published a book, *Confederate Operations in Canada and the North: A Little-Known Phase of the American Civil War* (Christopher Publishing House, Boston, 1969). He is continuing his research on civil war espionage.

Philip D. Jordan, Ph.D. 1935, who retired from the University of Minnesota in 1969 and who is now residing in Burlington, Iowa, published *Frontier Law and Order: Ten Essays* (University of Nebraska Press, 1970). He has also written articles in *Pacific Northwest Quarterly* and the *American Archivist*. Several of his book reviews have appeared in *Nebraska History* and the *East Texas Historical Journal*. He was recently elected Member of Western Writers of America, Inc., Trustee of the Burlington Free Public Library, Member of the Boy Scout Council for Southeastern Iowa and Director of the Des Moines County Historical Society. He has also delivered five talks and lectures in Iowa and Illinois this past year.

Arthur C. Umscheid, Ph.D. 1935, Dean of the Graduate School at Creighton University in Omaha, published a book review on M. S. Anderson's *The Eastern Question, 1774-1923* (New York, St. Martin's Press, 1966) for *The Catholic Historical Review*, Vol. IV, No. 4, January, 1970.

Walker D. Wyman, Ph.D. 1935, Professor of History at Wisconsin State University, River Falls, has published with John Hart a pamphlet, *The Legend of Charles Glass*. His book, *Nothing But Prairie and Sky*, originally published by the University of Oklahoma Press in 1954, has been re-issued as Volume 45 of *The Western Frontier Library*.

Vernon Carstensen, Ph.D. 1936, Professor of History at the University of Washington, participated in the program of the Western Historical Association meeting in Reno this past autumn. His paper, "The Fisherman's Frontier on the Pacific Coast: The Rise of the Salmon-Canning Industry," was included in a group of essays honoring George Anderson under the title, *The Frontier Challenge: Responses to the Trans-Mississippi West* (John G. Clark, editor, University of Kansas Press, 1971). This year, he has served as chairman of the University Senate at Washington.

Gordon W. Prange, Ph.D. 1937, Professor of History at the University of Maryland, wrote the manuscript upon which the movie, "Tora! Tora! Tora!", dealing with Pearl Harbor, was based. His book, *Tora! Tora! Tora!*, published in Japanese by Reader's Digest (1966), has sold 150,000 copies. The text has recently been published in paperback in Japanese. His

English-language book on Pearl Harbor will be published by McGraw-Hill later in 1971. He also has a contract with McGraw-Hill for a book entitled, *God's Samurai*, a study of Captain Fuchida Mitsuo, leader of the Japanese attack at Pearl Harbor. This book will also appear in late 1971. Reader's Digest has accepted his study on the Battle of Midway, which will be published in condensed form in the summer of 1972. In April of this year he addressed a Social Science Conference for Teachers at Youngstown University in Youngstown, Ohio, on the topic, "The Japanese Background of the Pearl Harbor Attack." Also in April he addressed the faculty and student body of the United States Air Force Academy on "Pearl Harbor, the Superlative in Incredibilities."

Melvin Gingerich, Ph.D. 1938, has published two articles in the *Menonite Quarterly Review* this past year: "Research Topics on the Menonite Central Committee" and "A Menonite Central Committee Bibliography," in the July, 1970, issue. In December, 1970, his book, *Menonite Attire Through Four Centuries* was published by the Pennsylvania German Society.

The Department regretfully reports the death of Dr. Myron L. Koenig (Ph.D. 1938) in March, 1970. Dr. Koenig had recently retired from the Department of State, where he had served with distinction as Dean of Academic Relations at the Foreign Service Institute. He had been scheduled to participate in the Iowa History Conference this spring.

The Department has learned with deep regret of the death of John H. Powell (Ph.D. 1938) on January 1, 1971, at Ottumwa, Iowa. He was 56. The University of Texas at El Paso has created the John H. Powell Memorial Collection in the University Library in Professor Powell's memory. The Collection will focus on material of the Revolutionary period in American history.

Homer L. Calkin, Ph.D. 1939, is co-editor of *Documents on Germany, 1944-1970*, published by the Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate, 1971.

Millard Hansen, Ph.D. 1939, Professor of Social Sciences at the University of Puerto Rico, has been on leave to serve as Executive Director of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on the Presidential Vote for Puerto Rico, a group jointly appointed by President of the United States and Governor of Puerto Rico.

R. L. Lokken, Ph.D. 1939, has retired as President of Valley City State College in Valley City, North Dakota. He is currently Professor of History at Valley City State College. He and his wife now live at 263 Fourth Street S.E. in Valley City.

M. C. Wren, Ph.D. 1939, Professor of History at the University of Toledo, has published *The Western Impact Upon Tsarist Russia* (Holt, Rinehart, and Winston) this past year. He spent the summer of 1970 in Berlin, Munich and England where he worked in the Foreign Office documents of the Public Records Office in London. During the summer of 1971 he will teach at the University of Nebraska.

Carl B. Cone, Ph.D. 1940, resigned from the chairmanship of the Department of History at the University of Kentucky at the end of the fall semester, in order to spend a sabbatical year in London, where he is doing research on George III with the help of a grant from the American Council of Learned Societies. He has recently published book reviews which have appeared in the *American Historical Review*, *Catholic Historical Review*, *North Carolina Historical Review* and the *Southern Historical Review*. The European history section of the Southern Historical Association elected him to serve as vice-chairman for 1971-1972, with automatic succession to chairmanship later. He has also completed a manuscript for *Encyclopedia Britannica* on eighteenth century England.

Lulu M. Johnson, Ph.D. 1941, Professor of History at Cheyney State College in Cheyney, Pennsylvania, will retire in June, 1971, after 40 years as teacher and administrator. Professor Johnson is presently Director of the Division of Social and Behavioral Science at Cheyney. She served as Dean of Women at Cheyney from 1950 to 1967. Her career included teaching at Talladega College in Alabama, Tougaloo College in Mississippi, West Virginia State College and Florida A & M University, as well as Cheyney. Her permanent residence will be in Millsboro, Delaware.