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News

An interdisciplinary conference on rural households, class formation, and politics entitled Peasant Production and the Evolution of Social Systems was held at the University from April 11-13, 1980. The participants included Paul Greenough and Hermann Rebel from the departmental faculty, plus 15 faculty in anthropology, economics, and history from other institutions. Professor Rebel was the coordinator of the conference.

The first volume of The University of Iowa Studies in History has been accepted for publication by the University of Iowa Press. The department continues to seek book-length manuscripts of the highest quality, without limitation as to period, method, or source. Inquiries may be addressed to the department.

Faculty

DAVID ARKUSH spent the academic year in Japan's ancient capital, Kyoto, on an ACLS-Mellon grant, trying to learn Japanese and reading Japanese materials on Chinese peasant culture. His study of Fei Hsiao Tung will be published in the Harvard East Asian Monographs series.

WILLIAM O. AYDELOTTE, emeritus, is serving as president of the Social Science History Association during the year 1980. He is actively working on his monograph on the House of Commons in 1841. In September 1979 he paid a brief visit to England to consult with British scholars about this project.

T. DWIGHT BOZEMAN continues work on his book on puritanism. Completion of the project is being aided by a UI developmental assignment for the spring semester 1979-80 and by a National Endowment for the Humanities fellowship through the fall semester 1980-81. He has contributed book reviews to the *Journal of American History*, the *Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, *Theology Today*, the *Journal of Presbyterian History*, and a review article, "New (Whig) Light on the American Great Awakenings," in *Reviews in American History*, September

1979. In December he participated as respondent in a session on nineteenth-century American religious thought at the convention of the American Academy of Religion in New York City.

JEFFREY COX continues to revise his manuscript on the decline of the churches in modern England.

ROBERT R. DYKSTRA completed his tenure as research fellow in the Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History, Harvard University. At the Organization of American Historians convention in San Francisco he gave a speech entitled "New Directions in Oral History." During a second-semester leave he served as part-time visiting professor of history at Worcester Polytechnic Institute and at Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts, and also as an invited participant in the seminar in American social and political history of the American Antiquarian Society. While continuing on the editorial boards of the *Journal of American History* and the *Annals of Iowa*, he also accepted appointment to the boards of *American Studies* and *Upper Midwest History*. He acted as project consultant to the Wichita Historical Museum Association; external examiner for the Committee on Postgraduate Studies and Research, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand; and as a member of the Historic Preservation Program, United States Department of the Interior. His book manuscript on the antislavery and civil rights movements in Iowa politics, 1838-1880, is in progress.

LAWRENCE E. GELFAND's volume *Herbert Hoover: The Great War and Its Aftermath, 1914-1923*, which he edited with introduction, was published by the University of Iowa Press in December 1979. In addition he served as commentator at the symposium on Wilsonian Diplomacy (October), at the meeting of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations at Lawrence, Kansas (August), and at the SALT II Conference held at Des Moines (also August). He chairs the Grants and Aid Committee of the Truman Library Institute and is a member of the Council of the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations and of the editorial board of *Diplomatic History*. He has served this year as president of The University of Iowa Faculty Senate.

RALPH E. GIESEY chaired a session on the concept of property in the French Civil Code at the annual meeting of the American Legal History Society in Williamsburg, Virginia, in October 1979, and gave a paper on contemporary French customs of patrimonial succession at the University of Rochester in March 1980. In April, he served as consultant for the review of the Department of History at Rutgers University at Camden.

JONATHAN A. GOLDSTEIN's paper, "Jewish Acceptance and Rejection of Hellenism," was delivered at Symposium II on Normative Self-Definition in Judaism and Christianity at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, in June 1979. He continues to work on *II Maccabees*, Vol. 41A of the Anchor Bible.

PAUL R. GREENOUGH completed a book manuscript, *Prosperity and Misery in Modern India, the Bengal Famine of 1943-44*. He also had an article published in *Modern Asian Studies* (April 1980), entitled "Indian Famines and Peasant Victims." In the spring of 1980 he presented a paper entitled "Subsistence and Abundance as South Asian Peasant Ideals." He serves as a trustee of the American Institute of Indian Studies. Greenough at present is working on a history of malaria and smallpox control schemes in India and editing a collection of underground revolutionary newspapers from Bengal in the early 1940s.

CHARLES A. HALE, chairman of the department, was also chairman of the 1979 Conference on Latin American History of the American Historical Association. He continues work on a chapter, "Political and Social Ideas, 1870-1930," for the forthcoming *Cambridge History of Latin American* and on a book manuscript, "Scientific Politics and Liberalism in Mexico, 1867-1910."

ELLIS A. HAWLEY has published "Reappraising the Great Engineer," in *Reviews in American History* (December 1979); "Gerard Swope," in *Dictionary of American Biography* (1980 supplement); "Antitrust in American History," in *Encyclopedia of American Economic History* (Scribner's, 1980); and a commentary on regulation in historical perspective, in the *American Economic Review* (May 1980). He was a lecturer and discussant in an NEH summer seminar held at the Hoover Library, an economic history seminar given for the Federal Trade Commission, and a seminar on the 1920s at Geneseo State College. He presented a paper, "Neo-Institutional History and the Understanding of Herbert Hoover," at the George Fox College Symposium, Newberg, Oregon, and commented on papers at the American Economic Association convention and the Missouri Valley History Conference. An Italian edition of his *New Deal and the Problem of Monopoly* will be published in 1981 by De Donato Editore of Bari, Italy. Excerpts from the book have also been reprinted in the latest edition of Gerald Grob and George Billias, *Interpretations of American History*.

JOHN B. HENNEMAN, chairman-elect of the department, continued to serve as secretary-treasurer, North American

section, International Commission for the History of Representative and Parliamentary Institutions. He also acted as consultant to American College Testing and to Unicorn Projects, in the adaptation of David MacCauley's *Castle* to educational television. He is presently executive secretary of the Iowa conference of AAUP.

HENRY HORWITZ has edited the minutes of the London Whig Club in the reign of George I. The volume is now in press.

SYDNEY V. JAMES has been on leave of absence from teaching duties during the academic year of 1979-80, holding a developmental assignment from The University of Iowa and a fellowship at the Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History at Harvard University. He has been living in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and revising a manuscript on changing patterns of institutions in colonial Rhode Island. He has spoken on aspects of his work at the Charles Warren Center and at Boston University. In the winter he completed a term on the Committee on Women Historians of the American Historical Association. His last duty was acting as the committee's penperson to draft a second version of "A Survival Manual for Women (and Other) Historians," and incorporate the suggestions of the committee and its consultants. The booklet is to be published in 1980 by the AHA.

LINDA K. KERBER's book, *Daughters of Columbia: Women, Intellect, and Ideology in Revolutionary America*, will be published this summer by the University of North Carolina Press. She has contributed biographical essays about Laura Ingalls Wilder and Annie Nathan Meyer to the supplemental volume of *Notable American Women*, which will appear next winter. This year she has chaired the Program Committee of the Organization of American Historians and has reviewed books for *Books and Arts* and the *Political Science Quarterly*. She was an invited participant in the Project '87 Conference, The Constitution under Strong and Weak Parties, in Williamsburg, Virginia.

LAURENCE LAFORE was appointed in July 1979 to a third term on the State Historical Board. He published a review of Henry Kissinger's *White House Years* in the *Nation* and "Mountbatten: A Man for the Century" in *TV Guide*.

SARAH H. MADDEN gave a paper at the Humanities' Consortium, Springhill College, Mobile, Alabama, "The Role of the Family in European Statebuilding: Parents and Politicians versus Children and Church in Early Modern Times." She has been appointed a visiting fellow to the Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies, Princeton University, 1980-81.

ALLAN MEGILL returned to the department in January, after three years at the Australian National University. His article, "Foucault, Structuralism, and the Ends of History," appeared in the *Journal of Modern History* in September 1979. He continues work on two book-length

manuscripts, one on the eighteenth century debate on the origin of language, the other a critique of Nietzsche, Foucault, Heidegger, and Derrida.

JAROSLAW PELENSKI served as the American coordinator and principal investigator of the third conference of Polish and American historians devoted to the theme Nation/Nationality—Society—State, which was held in Poznan, Poland, May 27-June 1, 1979. The conference was co-sponsored by the Committee of Historical Sciences of the Polish Academy of Sciences, the Institute of History of the Poznan University, and the Department of History of The University of Iowa. The International Research and Exchanges Board awarded a travel grant to six American historians to participate in the conference. At that conference Professor Pelenski presented a paper entitled "Poland-Lithuania (1454-1573): Nobility, Democracy or Tripartite Mixed Government." During his visit to Poland, he also read a paper entitled "Russia, Poland, and the Ukraine: Historical and Political Perspectives" at a meeting of the Institute of History of the Polish Academy of Sciences. He published an article "State and Society in Muscovite Russia and the Mongol-Turkic System in the Sixteenth Century" in A. Ascher, T. H. Halasi-Kun, B. Kiraly (eds.), *The Mutual Effects of the Islamic and Judeo-Christian Worlds: The East European Pattern* (Brooklyn College Studies on Society in Change, No. 3) (New York 1979), pp. 93-109.

STOW PERSONS is continuing with his research on the Chicago school of ethnic study. His review of *New Directions in American Intellectual History*, edited by John Higham and Paul Conkin, appeared in *Reviews in American History*, VII (December 1979), pp. 447-451.

HERMANN REBEL completed his book manuscript concerning the bureaucratization of property and family relationships among the peasantry of the Habsburg state and coauthored an article with Peter Taylor, "Women's Power in German Peasant Families." He coordinated a conference, *Peasant Production and the Evolution of Social Systems*, which took place at The University of Iowa in April 1980. He contributed reviews for the *Journal of Economic History* and *Social Science History*, and he participated in two radio interviews on IPBN in December on the subject of family history.

MALCOLM J. ROHRBOUGH gave a paper at the third conference of the Polish and American historians, held at Poznan, May 27-June 1, 1979. He served on a committee to evaluate the Historic Sites Program for the Minnesota Historical Society and chaired the national committee to select Fulbright scholars for Australia and New Zealand.

DAVID SCHOENBAUM has published articles in *Foreign Policy*, *Present Tense*, and the *Des Moines Register* and reviews in the *Book World* of the *Chicago Tribune* and the *Frankfurter Allgemeine*. He lectured at the University of Kentucky and at Ohio University. His book on the

Zabern Affair in Imperial Germany will be published by Allen and Unwin.

ALAN B. SPITZER has been a visiting member of the Institute for Advanced Study where he has participated in an interdisciplinary seminar. He is preparing a book on the French generation of 1820.

DONALD W. SUTHERLAND has continued his work in editing for publication the law reports made in four English counties in 1329-1331. The National Endowment for the Humanities has renewed for 1980-81 its grant in support of the project, and the Commonwealth Fund has made a further grant. At the University in the summer of 1979, he directed an NEH summer seminar for college teachers, *Freedom and the Rule of Law: The English Foundations, 1300-1700*. He has been elected to the board of directors of the American Society for Legal History.

STEPHEN VLASTOS spent the summer of 1979 at the Center for Japanese and Korean Studies at the University of California at Berkeley supported by an NEH summer stipend. He coauthored a lengthy review of *Economic and Demographic Change in Premodern Japan, 1600-1868* by Susan Hanley and Kozo Yamamura which appeared in the February 1980 issue of the *Journal of Asian Studies*. During 1979-80 he has been a visiting scholar at the School of Letters of Kyoto University supported by a grant from the Japan Foundation. He is continuing work on his book-length manuscript on conflict in rural Japan in the Tokugawa (1600-1868) period.

JONATHAN WALTON spent the summer of 1979 in various parts of Ontario conducting research on blacks and whites in Chatham, Ontario. He was a commentator for a panel, *Afro-Americans and Third World Consciousness*, sponsored by the University of Nebraska at Omaha. In April 1980, he presented a paper at the OAH meeting entitled "Visions of a Better Life: Black Families in Chatham, Ontario, 1850-1890."

Visiting Faculty

JOHN CHAFFEE, Ph.D., Chicago, 1979, returned to Iowa for the academic year to offer work in Chinese history. He has accepted a position at SUNY at Binghamton beginning fall 1980.

LOREN HORTON, 1978, taught History of Iowa during the spring semester.

WILLIAM ILES, 1978, offered an undergraduate colloquium the fall semester and American Foreign Relations in the spring.

ELAINE KUEHN, M.A., University of Illinois, 1964, taught courses in modern Europe during the spring semester.

SHARON NOLTE, Ph.D., Yale, 1979, offered work in Japanese history this spring. She has accepted a position at Southern Methodist University beginning in the fall of 1980.

WILLIAM SILAG, 1979, taught Survey of American History and a course in quantitative methods.

SHEILA SKEMP, 1974, offered work in American colonial history during the academic year. She has accepted a position at the University of Mississippi beginning in the fall of 1980.

JAMES THANE, 1972, taught a course, History of the American Frontier, during the spring semester.

DALE VLASEK, 1978, taught Survey of American History during the spring semester.

New Graduates

Since the last issue of the *Newsletter*, the degree of doctor of philosophy has been conferred on the following people from the department (the supervisor's name is in parenthesis after the dissertation title).

July 1979:

ADELE HAST, "Loyalism in Eastern Virginia during the American Revolution: The Norfolk Area and the Eastern Shore" (James).

December 1979:

JAMES S. ROBERTS, "Drink, Temperance, and the Working Class in Nineteenth-Century Germany" (Spitzer).

WILLIAM SILAG, "City, Town, and Countryside: Northwest Iowa and the Economy of Urbanization, 1854-1900" (Dykstra).

LOWELL JEROME SOIKE, "Norwegian-Americans and the Politics of Dissent, 1880-1924" (Dykstra).

May 1980:

WILLIAM E. NAWYN, "American Protestant Churches Respond to the Plight of Germany's Jews and Refugees, 1933-41" (Gelfand).

WENDY L. SCHLERETH, "*The Chap-Book: A Journal of American Intellectual Life in the 1890s*" (Persons).

Old Graduates

We are sorry to learn of the death of FREDERICK TILBERG, 1928, retired Gettysburg National Park Historian, on June 17, 1979.

We were also sorry to learn of the death of WILLARD O. MISHOFF, 1933, professor emeritus at San Diego State University.

Due to an error on our part, we have been out of touch with PAUL H. GIDDENS, 1930, for a number of years. After retiring from the presidency of Hamline University in 1968, Dr. Giddens was historical consultant to the Standard Oil Company (Indiana). He has continued publishing on the history of the oil industry and his "Writing a Company History: A Personal Memoir" will soon be published in the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society*. Dr. Giddens resides in Meadville, Pennsylvania.

BOYD C. SHAFER, 1932, professor emeritus of the University of Arizona, reports an essay forthcoming in the *Canadian Review of Studies in Nationalism*, "What We Don't Know and Should About Nationalism."

CHARLETON W. TEBEAU, 1933, resides in Springfield, Georgia, where he writes a column in a weekly newspaper and is a contributor to an encyclopedia.

WALKER D. WYMAN, 1935, president emeritus of the University of Wisconsin at Whitewater, was appointed Wisconsin Folklorist by Governor Lee Dreyfus in September 1979. His *Wisconsin Folklore* was published by the University of Wisconsin in 1979. The honorary doctor of laws was conferred on him by Illinois State University in 1979.

MERRILL G. BURLINGAME, 1936, for his contribution to Montana history was given the second annual award of the board of trustees of the Montana Historical Society at the annual meeting of the society in October in Helena.

VERNON CARSTENSEN, 1936, keeps active in the profession, despite his "full" retirement from the University of Washington in 1978. He served as commentator at the annual meeting of the Canadian Association for American Studies and read a paper, "Hitching Science to the Plow," at the AAAS convention in San Francisco.

HAROLD T. HAGG, 1936, professor emeritus at Bemidji State University, was elected vice-president of the Beltrami County Historical Society and is currently pursuing research on the history of the Mississippi headwaters region.

GORDON W. PRANGE, 1937, retires this year from the University of Maryland after 43 years of service. He reports having taught over ten thousand students, directed 68 M.A. candidates, and 14 Ph.D.'s (plus several still in progress). He has completed *God's Samurai*, a biography of Captain Mitsuo Fuchida, leader of the Pearl Harbor attack. The *Reader's Digest* will publish his manuscript on the Battle of Midway.

THOMAS E. TWEITO, 1939, has retired after 45 years of teaching. He pursues research and writing on pioneering in the Midwest.