Editor's Note

This is the second volume of the Ohio Academy of History's Proceedings. These are some of the best papers presented at the spring 2000 conference at Otterbein University and reflect the broad interests of the Academy.

The Ohio Academy of History, founded in 1932, has provided a venue for historians to present their research to colleagues from Ohio colleges and universities. The *Proceedings* expand the opportunities to communicate current scholarship with colleagues.

The biographical sketch of President James O'Donnell (1999-2000) was omitted from the 1999 Proceedings. It will be found in NOTES ON CONTRIBUTORS, page 70.

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