LETTER TO THE MEMBERSHIP

The Academy has passed its fortieth anniversary. Surely it is not imperious to take pride in this accomplishment. It is a feat not equalled by comparable organizations in a good many states of the Union. Thus it was most appropriate at the Spring Meeting on April 22, 1972 to honor the surviving founding fathers of the Academy—Drs. Bixler, Cole, Davis, Grimm, McNiff, Robinson, Roseboom and Weisenburger. They and others—living and deceased—have been truly pillars of the Academy, the profession and their institutions, private and public, in Ohio. Let their names be written large in the Book of Life.

Thus we return to the present. As Dr. Twyman stated so eloquently in his presidential address of 1969, there is the penultimate need of soul-searching by the Academy. Why do we exist? Assuredly one might marshal grandiose rhetoric in response. Simply, and perhaps necessarily candidly, we exist because we are. We exist as the Academy because we are historians, namely individuals who want to promote the art, the craft of history by being in this bond; a bond that must evoke the prosaic—maintaining membership, seeking more members, making use of the Speakers Bureau and the Employment Agency; a bond that asks of us attendance at the Fall and Spring meetings, work on committees, contributing ideas to committees, being on panels at the Spring Meeting; preeminently a bond that requires, indeed rightfully demands, that the professorate, its general practitioners and its specialists, be an unwavering phalanx when any forces of Stygian darkness attack boldly, be the assault on an individual searcher of truth or the entire historical profession. Failure to resist is treason, the penalty of ignominy now and eternally.

Where do we propose to go? The portals are wide, the imagination soars. A vast recruitment program. An infinitely strong affirmative to the pleas of the Program and Publication Award Committees. A vigorous assertion of solidarity with the Committee on Strengthening support to preserving the scholarliness of Ohio History. Above all, each in his or her own particular way must give unswerving devotion to the Ohio Academy of History which will root it in granite, not only for another forty years, but in meritorious splendor for earthly duration. Let there be among us an open freemasonry which binds us irrevocably to the Academy’s veritably deserving being.

Erving E. Beauregard, President
Ohio Academy of History

Ohio Academy of History Project for a Guide to Revolutionary Materials in Ohio

The Ohio Academy of History has appointed a committee on the bi-centennial celebration of the American Revolution. One of the projects it is engaged in is the publication of a comprehensive list of major printed and manuscript sources on the American Revolution which are in the collections of Ohio libraries. We believe that such a guide would be an appropriate commemoration of the bi-centennial as well as a useful bibliographic tool. In the case of college and university libraries, this letter is being sent to both colonial historians and librarians at these institutions. We hope that, with student assistance, the preliminary data can be assembled by early next year.

The purpose of the guide is to provide a locator list of all major source collections on the American Revolution which are in Ohio libraries. This will include general collections, such as Peter Force’s American Archives, as well as state and other limited collections, such as the legislative journals of Massachusetts, Boston town records, and Washington’s Writings. In short, the guidelines are that the ma-
terial is located in Ohio and deals with some aspect of the Revolutionary period; it is not limited to material that deals with the Ohio country. The guide will be limited to primary source material and to major items. Single volumes that are widely available will normally not be included, since they are frequently available through inter-library loan. However, information on unique and very scarce single items may be included.

There appears to be relatively little important manuscript material on the Revolution in Ohio, but many Ohio libraries have important, and in some cases rare, printed or filmed collections. Professional historians, librarians, and general readers can usually depend upon the easy availability of such material in eastern libraries. However, this material is not generally available by loan (and Ohio users have no reliable information as to location of such printed and filmed sources closer at hand). We believe that their work would be greatly facilitated by knowing, for example, that within 30 miles of Cleveland there is a complete microfilm of the Adams Papers, a film of the Harbottle Dorr file of Massachusetts newspapers, and at least two sets of the Evans' microcards of early American books.

General secondary literature will not be included. Filmed, printed and manuscript sources will be, and we hope to include material on all aspects of the revolutionary period, social, cultural, and economic, as well as political, military, and diplomatic. The general dates for inclusion are 1760 to 1783. Each item reported will be listed once as completely as possible, followed by a list of libraries holding it. The compilation of such a guide, in the absence of substantial financial support, requires a good deal of work by interested librarians and historians who are generous enough to volunteer their time in compiling the information at their institutions. We expect the guide to become a standard, frequently-used bibliographic tool, and trust that you share our desire to see a full list of your holdings included. We hope that you will kindly undertake this, and be able to reply by March 1, 1973. Printed below are some suggestions on the compilation of the information.

1. SUGGESTIVE LIST OF THE KINDS OF MATERIAL TO BE INCLUDED:

   Manuscripts: Diaries, collections of letters and family papers, orderly books, business and church records, and so forth, including microfilm of such items as The Adams Papers and the Public Record Office material. Because of their unique nature, single manuscript items should be reported; the criterion of including only major collections does not apply here.

   Pictorial: Collections of eighteenth-century maps, views, etchings, portraits, and the like.

   Public Documents: Printed, filmed, or manuscript legislative records, statutes, court records, diplomatic correspondence, town and country records, etc. Examples: W. C. Ford's, *Journals of the Continental Congress; Journals of the Massachusetts House; Boston Town Records; Wharton's Revolutionary Diplomatic Correspondence*. Here, as in other categories, British sources related to the mainland colonies and the Revolution should be included.

   Newspapers and Magazines: Microcard, filmed, or printed editions for the period 1760-1833, e.g., the recent edition of the *Pennsylvania Gazette* and the filmed edition of the *Virginia Gazette*. The American Antiquarian Society's microcard edition of early American newspapers may be treated as a single item.

   Major Printed Papers and Collections: Collections of Writings such as Boyd's *Jefferson Papers* and Fortescue's *Correspondence of George III*. Also, other printed source collections that are not public documents and do not fit into another category—e.g., Burnett's *Letters of Members of the Continental Congress, Force's American Archives, and the Stevens' Facsimiles.*

   Contemporary Pamphlets, Sermons, etc.: Original editions of single items such as Dickinson's *Farmers' Letters* and collections such as the Shipton-American Antiquarian Society microcard edition of the items listed in Evan's American Bibliography. The Shipton set will, of course, be treated as a single item, with no attempt to list each publication in it, as will the Arno reprints *Eyewitness Accounts*, series I, II, and III.

   Society Proceedings and other publications that have substantial amounts of Revolutionary Material: e.g., *Collections of the Massachusetts Historical Society*, the Colonial Society of Massachusetts, *Publications*, and the New England Historic and Genealogical Society *Register*. In general, simply the number of volumes of the series held would be listed; individual volumes of the series would not have to be reported.

II. METHOD OF REPORTING:

   Because of the difficulty of compiling items in editorial work done by mail, we ask that bibliographic information be as complete as possible. Where the information is supplied on the title page of the material, or is obtainable with certainty from other sources, please include:

   1. The author's full first, middle and surname.

   2. The full title unless it runs to more than 20 words, in which case a sufficient and consecutive number of words should be given to ensure identification, including at least the first ten words.

   3. Edition, number of volumes, boxes, reels, feet, etc.

   4. Place of publication; publisher; date of publication or copyright date, if the publication date is lacking. Please use n.p. and n.d. where information is lacking, rather than simply omitting it.

   5. Other relevant or important bibliographic information, such as ownership of a volume by a historic person involved in the Revolution.

   6. Name of the holding library, availability through inter-library loan, special restrictions.

   7. For each item, except printed works, identify the type as Ms., microfilm positive or negative, microcard, fiche, and so forth.

   8. Manuscripts should be treated as in Philip Hamer, ed., *Guide to Archives and Manuscripts.*
III. FORMAT AND ADDRESS:
   Reporting may be done on either 3 x 5 cards (not slips) or in the form of a list on 8 x 11 paper. It is hoped that all entries will be typed. Please send the report of your holdings to:

   Professor John H. Cary
   Department of History
   Cleveland State University
   Cleveland, Ohio 44115

   Please address all questions to the same address. As indicated above, we hope to receive all reports by March 1, 1973.

Ohio Academy of History Committee on
The Bi-Centennial of the American Revolution
John Cary, Chairman (Cleveland State University)
Rev. Lee Bennish, S.J. (Xavier University)
Don Gerlach (University of Akron)
Peter Hoffer (Ohio State University)
Richard Jellison (Miami University)
David Skaggs (Bowling Green State University)
Carl Ubbelohde (Case Western Reserve University)
Virginia Platt (Bowling Green State University)
George Ruppel, S.M. (University of Dayton)

Minutes of Meeting of
Ohio Academy of History Committee on the
Bi-Centennial of the American Revolution
May 9, 1972


1. The proposal for a locator guide to source material on the American Revolution was given final approval. January 1, 1973, was established as a date for reporting of holdings by libraries. The committee expressed a preference for publication of the guide as a separate volume, rather than in the Academy Newsletter or some other form. Mr. Crouch indicated that the Ohio Historical Society might be able to publish it in this form. Since the committee meeting, I have drafted — and will shortly send out — the material soliciting library participation. I have also written to Professor Beauregard, requesting approval of this project by the Academy Council.

2. A proposed guide on the American Revolution for secondary teachers was discussed. Mr. Walker expressed the interest of the State Department of Education in such a guide, as well as in teacher's institutes. The discussion included mention of: audio-visual programs developed at some universities and possible distribution of them; expression of interest by committee members in contributing to the guide; a general preference that the teacher's handbook be self-contained, including source material and the like from which the teacher could teach, rather than an extensive guide to material available elsewhere. It was suggested that a two-day "retreat" on this subject and on teachers' institutes be held for the members of the Academy committee, representatives of the Education Department, members of the state bi-centennial committee, and selected high school teachers. Mr. Walker indicated that his Department might be able to sponsor such a meeting. Carl Ubbelohde agreed to keep in touch with Mr. Walker on the teacher's guide.

3. The Committee also discussed teachers' workshops and institutes. It was felt that they would be most successful if concentrated in 1974-1976 and geographically distributed around the state somewhat as follows:
   Cincinnati: University of Cincinnati, Miami University or Xavier University cooperatively; Columbus: Ohio State University; Cleveland area: Cleveland State University and Case Western Reserve University cooperatively; Northeast area: Kent State and University of Akron cooperatively; Toledo area: Bowling Green State University and University of Toledo cooperatively.

   Such a selection refers only to a possible joint program and proposal for financial support. Any college or university would be free to offer other programs. David Skaggs will continue to handle this aspect of the Committee's work. Further Committee attention to this was postponed until after the May 19 meeting of the state's bicentennial group.

4. In the afternoon, Don Gerlach, Richard Smith, Carl Ubbelohde, and John Cary met with Mr. Arthur Peterson who described the plans of the American Way Foundation for a series of mini-documentaries on the American Revolution. It was felt that colonial historians in Ohio might serve as consultants in the preparation of such films. Matters are presently in abeyance, awaiting the return of one of the foundation's staff to this project and the completion of the first four films. A meeting of the foundation staff and the Academy Committee was suggested.
   John Cary, Chairman

Minutes of Meeting of Executive Council
of the Ohio Academy of History
June 2, 1972

The Executive Council of the Ohio Academy of History convened at the University of Dayton at 3:00 P.M. on June 2, 1972 with the following members present: Erving E. Beauregard, George Knepper, Carl Klopfenstein, Emily Geer, and Arnold Schrier. Professor Jacob Dorn, chairman of the Historical Societies and Archives Committee was also present. Professors Murdock and Stevens were unable to attend. A letter from Professor Stevens in re the status of Ohio History was read. The council then discussed at some length the financial plight and difficulties involved in the crisis facing Ohio History. The council voted unanimously to endorse the recommendation of the Historical Societies and Archives Committee to wit: "that the Academy reaffirms its support for the maintenance of a journal of the highest scholarly standards and has no objections to the society's proposal to have Mr. Porter solicit additional funds from the colleges and universities of Ohio." The council instructed President Beauregard to forward a letter to this effect to Mr. Porter.

President Beauregard made a brief report on memberships in the Academy and commented on joint memberships. The council discussed the Newsletter and agreed that the fall issue should be mailed
by September 15, 1972. The next item on the agenda was a proposal from the Society of American Archivists for an advertisement in the program for its annual meeting to be held in Columbus this fall. The council decided to place no advertisement unless it was a free one seeing no particular advantage to the Academy to do so. After some discussion the council determined to hold the annual spring meeting for 1973 at the Sheraton Inn North in Worthington.

President Beauregard announced that he was working on the committee assignments with some chairman selected and others still to be designated. The meeting concluded with a brief discussion in re the fall meeting at Youngstown University on October 20-21. President Beauregard stated that the Executive Council would meet on Friday, October 20, 1972 at 3:00 P.M. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl G. Klopfenstein
Secretary-Treasurer

MINUTES OF THE SPRING MEETING
of the Ohio Academy of History
April 22, 1972

President George W. Knepper called the business meeting to order at 1:30 P.M. and opened the meeting with an introduction of the committee chairmen and guests at the head table. The Secretary-Treasurer gave the Treasurer's report (a copy of which is appended to these minutes) which showed a balance of $758.28 on hand as of April 14, 1972. He also reported outstanding bills of $416.77 as of the same date. Due to rising costs of operation and the consequent shrinking of the Academy's financial balance, President Knepper announced that by action of the Executive Council in its meeting on April 21, 1972, dues will be increased effective immediately from $3.00 to $4.00 per year.

President Knepper then introduced the incoming president, Erving E. Beauregard who delivered an intriguing address entitled, "Modern Ethiopian History: A Reassessment." Following the address, Professor Charles DeBenedetti (University of Toledo) reported for the Membership Committee 163 regular members, 123 joint memberships with the Ohio Historical Society, and 15 student memberships. The next and pleasant order of business was the awarding of certificates of recognition to seven charter members of the Academy on the Fortieth anniversary of the organization. These distinguished gentlemen were: Raymond Bixler, Arthur C. Cole, Stanton L. Davis, William McNiff, Howard Robinson, Eugene Roseboom, and Francis P. Weisenburger.

Professor Lawrence Kaplan (Kent State) for the Distinguished Service Award Committee announced and presented Distinguished Service Awards to Paul I. Miller (Hiram) and Francis P. Weisenburger (Ohio State). Professor Bernard Sternsher (Bowling Green) announced the winner of the Book Award for that committee. This award went to Professor Charles Chatfield (Wittenberg) for his book, For Peace and Justice: Pacifism in America, 1914-1941.

Professor Charles Morley presented the following slate of officers on behalf of the Nominations Committee: President, Erving E. Beauregard (University of Dayton); Vice President, Arnold Schriker (University of Cincinnati); Secretary-Treasurer, Carl G. Klopfenstein (Heidelberg College).

There were no additional nominations from the floor and the Secretary was instructed to cast an unanimous ballot for these officers. Professor Morley then submitted the names of Professor Harry Stevens (Ohio University) and Professor Henry Whitney (Kent State University) in nomination for the Executive Council. The results of the balloting selected Professor Stevens for the three-year appointment to the Council.

President Knepper then closed the business session with the announcement of the annual fall meeting for Youngstown State University on October 20 and 21.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl G. Klopfenstein
Secretary-Treasurer

Treasurer's Report
April 6, 1971 - April 14, 1972

INCOME
Balance on hand April 6, 1971 $ 988.88
164 OAH Memberships @ $3.00 492.00
123 Joint OAH-OHS Memberships @ $2.00 246.00
15 OAH Student Memberships @ $1.50 22.50
Receipts from sale of books (Spring Meeting 1971) 160.45
Interest on savings account 29.38
Luncheon reservations-registration: Spring Meeting 699.38
Professor Beer for Newsletters 10.00

Total Income $2,648.55

EXPENDITURES
Sheraton Inn (Spring Meeting, 1971) $ 623.86
Zaner-Bloser (four plates) 110.35
College Hill Printer (Newsletter, Membership cards) 203.70
Heidelberg College (Mimeo, postage) 252.94
Erving Beauregard (Postage) 12.00
Good Office Supply 8.00
Postage Stamps 6.00
OHS for one Membership (Reimbursement) 1.00
Secretary-Treasurer 200.00
Heidelberg College (Clerical Aid) 100.00
Postage Stamps 8.00
College Hill Printer (Newsletter) 397.50
Postmaster, Tiffin (Bulk mailing of roster) 26.62

Total Expenditures $1,890.27

Balance on hand April 14, 1972 758.28

Bills Outstanding as of April 14, 1972:
Supplies $ 46.09
Mimeographing 170.42
Postage 161.72
Xerography 32.98
Telephone 5.56

Total Bills Outstanding $ 416.77
REPORT TO THE MEMBERSHIP

The Academy’s leadership and other concerned members have been involved to a considerable degree in problems arising over Ohio History, the quarterly published by the Ohio Historical Society. In late March, 1972 Director Porter of the Society wrote to the then Academy President, George W. Knepper, about the periodical’s “financial problems and the apparent need to buttress our popular output” and suggesting that “Ohio institutions of higher learning join the Society in co-publishing the quarterly by making direct financial contributions of $2,000 per year per co-operating institution, in return for which each participating college or university would name a delegate to the editorial board of Ohio History, which body would have the final authority over content and direction; and also receive up to 50 copies of each issue for its own distribution to history faculty, graduate students and others.” In his reply Dr. Knepper expressed sympathy for the problems facing Mr. Porter and affirmed his intention to refer the matter to the Academy’s Committee on Historical Societies and Archives. In May Chairman Dorn submitted the report of that committee. Thereupon President Beauregard circulated the committee report to the Academy’s Executive Council, along with his suggestions for dealing with the problems raised by Mr. Porter.

The Executive Council agreed to convene and a meeting took place on June 2. At that session the Council unanimously endorsed the committee’s report which President Beauregard communicated to Mr. Porter: “... the Academy’s not objecting to the Society’s proposal to have Mr. Porter solicit additional funds from colleges and universities in Ohio.” Meanwhile on June 2 Mr. Porter wrote to various institutions of higher learning in Ohio suggesting that eight universities join the Society as co-publisher of the journal, each of the eight contributing $2,000 per year to the cost.

In June President Beauregard invited Mr. Porter to meet with the following: chairman of departments of history in Ohio having graduate programs, heads of such programs, the Academy’s Executive Council, the Academy’s Committee on Historical Societies and Archives and certain other Academy members. This meeting occurred on July 1 in Columbus. Present were Messrs. Aeschbacher, Bannan, Beauregard, Bremer, Chastain, Cole, Daniel, Dorn, Grimm, Kaldis, Knepper, Murdock, Porter, Robinson, Ruppel, Schrier, Smith, Stevens and Weisenburger. For over an hour a lively discussion ensued about the plight of Ohio History.

As a result of this illuminating gathering President Beauregard wrote to Director Porter expressing appreciation of the latter’s willingness to be present at the meeting of July 1, urging strongly that the 87 year-old Ohio History be continued in its scholarly vein, reiterating the Academy’s willingness to lend assistance to the Ohio Historical Society in its attempt to solve problems relating to Ohio History and noting these suggestions of the Executive Council: that the Ohio Historical Society make every effort to increase joint membership in the Society and Academy, and that the Society send a letter to all chairmen of departments of history in institutions of higher education in Ohio acquainting them with the problem of funding Ohio History and soliciting contributions on their part.

On July 10 Mr. Porter replied that the Society’s Board of Trustees at its July 7 meeting took “no action” but “a thorough study of the retention of a scholarly journal and the creation of a popular magazine will be made within the next six months by this office.” Also Mr. Porter remarked that this Society continues to acknowledge its responsibility to publish scholarly articles of merit and will take no action affecting the present journal Ohio History without consultation with the Academy.”

The Executive Council, through the Committee on Historical Societies and Archives, will keep contact with the Ohio Historical Society on the matter of Ohio History.

Erving E. Beauregard, President
Ohio Academy of History

Report of the Publication Award Committee for 1971-72
April 21, 1972

A list of all history chairmen in Ohio was compiled from the Academy’s roster, and on October 29, 1971, a letter was sent to each of them requesting information about any book published by a member of the Academy (or to be published) in the calendar year 1971. This request produced information on these books:


Pollock, Norman, Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia: Corridor to the North. Duquesne University Press.


Three anthologies were dropped from the competition.

On February 7, 1972, a first ballot was circulated to the members of the committee, with the request that signed ballots be returned by February 15. Committee members ranked the eight entries by number, and points were calculated on the basis of 8 for 1st, 7 and 2nd, and so forth. In a letter of February 24 the Committee chairman informed the members of the results of the first ballot, enclosing a second ballot containing the three entries receiving the highest number of points on the first ballot (since the gap between no. 3 and no. 4 on the first ballot was considerable). On March 6 the results of the second ballot were circulated by the chairman to the members, with a note expressing the chairman’s belief that the top point-getter on the ballot should be
declared the winner (it had also been the top point-getter on the first ballot; and two of the five members would have had to change their minds to change the results). After allowing a few days in which any member could get in touch with the chairman to recommend an alternative procedure, and after hearing no such proposal from any member, the chairman telephoned the results to the President of the Academy on March 14, and on the same day mailed all of the signed ballots to the President. The winner was Charles Chatfield, *For Peace and Justice*.

It should also be noted that the chairman learned directly from the author in a letter of January 4 of the publication by the State Historical Society of Wisconsin of Eugene C. Murdock, *One Million Men: The Civil War Draft in the North*. Professor Murdock’s book was included on the first ballot.


As chairman of the Publication Award Committee, I have two suggestions for my successor: (1) When requesting copies of books from publishers, send the publishers the names and addresses of the committee members, requesting that copies be sent directly to the members; this will save the time and effort involved in remailing the books to the members; (2) initiate activities as soon as possible after school begins in the fall.

Bernard Sternsher, Chairman
Bowling Green State University
Kimon Giocarini, Hiram College
William Kenney, Kent State University
James Richardson, University of Akron
Themistocles Rodis, Baldwin-Wallace College

Report of the Membership Committee
July 11, 1972

The Membership Committee of The Ohio Academy of History would like to apprise the Executive Committee of its activities for the 1971-1972 academic year. In late January and early February, 1972, the Committee sent a request to each individual holding an official position within the Academy, asking that he or she post an attached letter of invitation for all prospective members of the organization. The Committee also asked each recipient to encourage his or her fellow faculty members to join the Academy and to acquaint graduate students with Academy benefits.

As a result of our efforts and especially the work of Professor Carl Klopfenstein, the Academy presently lists an active membership of 341. Of this number, 213 are regular OAH members; 123 hold joint membership in the Academy and the Ohio Historical Society; and five are life members. Professor Klopfenstein has noted a marked decline in student membership. Because of this fact and because of a general increase in operating costs, the Academy found it necessary to increase annual membership dues for the future from $3 to $4. The Membership Committee is concerned with the slippage in student membership and is anxious to do whatever it can to energize a larger and more active constituency among faculty as well as students. Certainly, it would welcome any ideas or suggestions relevant to these ends.

In closing, the Committee would like to extend its sincere thanks to Professor Klopfenstein for his continuing co-operation and support in its work. We would have been hard-pressed without his help.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles DeBenedetti
Chairman, University of Toledo
Mary K. Howard (John Carroll University)
Robert Kragalott (Ohio Wesleyan University)
Vladimir Steffel (OSU-Marion)

Report of Committee on Historical Societies and Archives
July 24, 1972

The Committee on Historical Societies and Archives for 1971-1972 was composed of Professors John Nethers (Ashland College), Wilhelmina Robinson (Central State University), and Dwight Smith (Miami University), Director Richard Haupt of the Cincinnati Historical Society, and Mr. David R. Larson of the Ohio Historical Society. On the committee for 1972-73, Professor G. Wallace Chessman (Denison University) replaces Professor Nethers.

Although the committee for 1970-71, during the first year of my chairmanship, had considered undertaking a rather active and broadened program of support for research-related activities in Ohio, in practice it has of necessity limited itself to dealing with special problems on an ad hoc or “crisis” basis.

The major item on the committee’s agenda this past year has been consideration of a proposal from Mr. Daniel R. Porter, Director of the Ohio Historical Society, for broadened funding of *Ohio History* through solicitation by the society of cash subsidies from college and university history departments in Ohio. Mr. Porter made this proposal to President George W. Knepper of the Ohio Academy of History in a letter on March 28, 1972, which President Knepper then referred to the committee. Citing financial exigencies in the operation of *Ohio History* and the conviction on the part of the society’s Trustees that they should expand their program of publication in “popular” history, Mr. Porter solicited the academy’s reaction to his proposal to request subsidies of $2,000, in return for which contributing history departments would each receive one seat on the editorial board of *Ohio History*.

After some preliminary discussions between its chairman and President Knepper, the committee met on April 22, 1972, to consider Mr. Porter’s letter. The committee’s judgment was expressed in a letter to the academy’s new president, Erving E. Beauregard, dated May 2, 1972, from which I quote the following summation:

“No, the academy should express its deep appreciation to Mr. Porter for his close consultation with and solicitation of the views of its officers. Secondly, the academy should reaffirm its support
for the maintenance of a journal of the highest scholarly standards and should restate the crucial functions that *Ohio History* fulfills for all kinds of people interested in the history of this state. And thirdly, the academy should indicate that, although its members feel that there are compelling reasons for *Ohio History* to remain primarily the responsibility of the Ohio Historical Society, it does not object to the society's proposal to have Mr. Porter solicit additional funds from the colleges and universities of Ohio. Given the constraining budgetary situations of many, if not all, of the colleges and universities, the academy does not expect that their response can be very generous, but it is the sense of the academy that historians within these institutions will encourage their administrators to provide whatever subsidization is feasible."

The committee's chairman appeared before a meeting of the Executive Council of the academy on June 2, 1972, at which time the council endorsed this report and instructed President Beauregard to communicate the points quoted above to Mr. Porter.

Since then, the committee has not met formally, but several of its members, notably Professors Chessman and Robinson and the chairman, have participated in the ongoing deliberations concerning *Ohio History*, described by President Beauregard in his "Report to the Membership."

Jacob H. Dorn, Chairman
Wright State University

7. COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL SOCIETIES AND ARCHIVES
   Jacob H. Dorn (Wright State), 1970-73, Chairman
   G. Wallace Chessman (Denison), 1972-75
   Richard W. Haupt (Cincinnati Hist. Society), 1970-73
   David R. Larson (Ohio Historical Society), 1972-75
   Wilhelmina Robinson (Central State), 1971-74
   Dwight L. Smith (Miami), 1971-74

8. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE (AD HOC)
   Charles De Benedetti (Toledo), Chairman
   Sharon Bannister (Findlay)
   Charles Ferroni (Ashland)
   Mary K. Hammond (Ohio Northern)
   Vladmir Steffel (Ohio State - Marion)
   Teresa Vialardi (Wooster)

9. BICENTENNIAL OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (AD HOC)
   John Cary (Cleveland State), Chairman
   Lee Bennis, S.J. (Xavier)
   Don R. Gorich (Akron)
   Richard Jollison (Miami)
   Virginia B. Platt (Bowling Green)
   George J. Ruppel, S.M. (Dayton)
   David C. Skaggs (Bowling Green)
   Carl Ubbelohde (Case Western Reserve)

10. NAME OF THE OHIO ACADEMY OF HISTORY (AD HOC)
    Helen K. Osgood (Wooster), Chairwoman
    Richard E. Boyer (Toledo)
    H. Landon Warner (Kenyon)

11. EDITOR OF THE NEWSLETTER
    Kenneth E. Davison (Heidelberg)

PROFILE: SOCIETY OF OHIO ARCHIVISTS

Researchers and research institutions alike have a need to communicate to solve common problems, to learn what is being collected by whom, and to become aware of new programs. In 1968 the Society of Ohio Archivists (SOA) was founded to meet this need.

The SOA is an independent organization governed by a formal constitution and by-laws. Although it seeks and receives support from a number of research institutions, the SOA is not affiliated with any organization. It seeks to promote on a state-wide basis exchange of information, improvement of professional competence, and coordination of activities of archival and manuscript repositories. The organization works to accomplish these goals through meetings, publications, and special projects.

Two meetings are held each year. In the fall a symposium focuses on a specific subject. The spring meeting, designated as the annual business meeting when officers and council members are elected, provides a program of general appeal. The meetings are held in different areas of the state to provide members with the opportunity of visiting various research centers and educational institutions.

The Ohio Archivist is the official organ of the SOA. Now in its third year of publication, this semi-annual newsletter contains information about each upcoming meeting, profiles of Ohio archival institutions, notices of meetings of related professional organizations, articles relating to archival programs, lists of recent accessions by Ohio institutions, and other regular columns. Historians should note that the accessions list in the most recent issue of the *Ohio Archivist* contained more than 170 entries from 18 Ohio institutions.
The SOA is also compiling a Guide to Manuscripts and Archives in Ohio, scheduled for publication in 1974. The Guide, expected to be more than 400 pages in length, will provide information on the records held by churches, businesses, and professional organizations, as well as the holdings of research institutions in the state.

Anyone interested in joining the SOA should write the secretary-treasurer, Mr. Stephen C. Morton, University Archives, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio 43403.

Gerald Newborg, President
Society of Ohio Archivists

PROFILE: THE OHIO FOLKLORE SOCIETY

In 1950, under the stimulus of Stith Thompson and our neighboring Hoosier Folklore Society, the Ohio Folklore Society came together in Columbus for its first meeting. Among its presidents have been Ann Grimes, David Webb, Harry Ridenour, Tristram Coffin, George Kummer, Newbell Puckett, Kelsie Harder, Ray Browne, and Francis Utey. It has met in its best years twice: in the Spring in Columbus with the Ohio College Association and in the Fall at various spots of the Ohio wheel: Millersburg, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Chillicothe, Marietta, Toledo. This year it will meet on October 21 at the Hale Farm in Bath, Ohio, and hopes for a good turnout from the Akron-Cleveland area. At present the President is Patrick Mullen (Ohio State University), Secretary, Kezia Sproat (Ohio State University), Treasurer, Francis Utley (Department of English, Ohio State University, 164 W. 17th Ave., Columbus 43210); the dues of $4.00 (regular) and $10.00 (contributing) may be sent to the last-mentioned. All who are interested in Ohio's traditional history and legend, its creative folklore and folklife, its ballads and tales and riddles and proverbs and superstitions, are welcome to join. The Society publishes a Journal, three issues a year, available to all members; its present editor, Patricia Averill of Heidelberg College, will succeed Linna-Margaret Funk of the same institution in the Fall of 1972 (I-IV [1966-1969]; New Series I [1972]). Articles on Ohio folklore, material from collections, and general articles on the field are acceptable from members; books appropriate to the subject will be reviewed; newsworthy items are published in each issue.

The Society is primarily dedicated to the preservation of the traditional life and verbal art of the State; there are archives of such material at Miami University, Bowling Green State University, and Ohio State University, all open to serious students. Though the publication of Ohio folklore has been scanty, a bibliography by Jean Laubenzels is soon to be published by the Educational Resources Information Center, and it is longer than one might expect. It greatly supplements the fine early work of Mary O. Eddy on the ballads, the "wallpaper series" of David Webb, and the rich private collections of ballads at Baldwin-Wallace College made by Harry Ridenour and dedicated in 1971, as well as the unpublished collections of Ann Grimes at Granville. Newbell Puckett’s collections of Ohio superstitions will be edited by Wayland Hand of UCLA, and published by The Press of Case Western Reserve University; they repose now in the John G. White Collection of the Cleveland Public Library, one of the greatest folklore and popular culture libraries in the world. Bowling Green University, which for a long time took the lead in Ohio folklore and the work of the Society, is now the home of the flourishing Center for the Study of Popular Culture, which also publishes a Journal devoted to those arts and letters which appeal to the bulk of the people.

Francis Lee Utey, Treasurer
The Ohio Folklore Society

RESEARCH GRANTS AND PROJECTS

DON R. GERLACH of the University of Akron has received a Faculty Research Grant to work with the Van Rensselaer Family Papers, a newly acquired collection of manuscripts in the New York State Library.

S. VICTOR PAPACOSMA of Kent State University has an American Council of Learned Societies Grant to study in Greece and England during 1972-73. His colleague at Kent State, Professor YEH-CHIEN WANG, has received a Social Science Research Council Grant to study in Cambridge, Massachusetts at the Institute for East Asian Affairs during 1972-73.

Four historians at Ohio University have received research grants. ALONZO HAMBY has a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship. SUZANNE MIERZ will use a Social Science Research Council Grant to study British efforts to end slave trading and to suppress slavery after the establishment of colonial rule. ALAN BOOTH plans to study the Polaroid Experiment in South Africa which seeks to train and place Africans in skilled jobs. Professor Booth will use grants from the American Philosophical Society and the Ohio University Research Institute for his project. JAMES G. CHASTAIN has a travel grant to Germany from the Ohio University Research Council to research the Second French Republic and German Unity, 1848-50.

ROBERT SHIMP of Ohio Wesleyan University is engaged in a study of "The Composition of Early Stuart Parliaments."

Wittenberg University has received a $20,000 grant from the Lutheran Church in America to pursue a two-year project entitled "Woman and the Human Revolution." Still in the planning stages, its general objectives are to develop a basic bibliography and teaching materials, to propose a set of academic courses or segments of courses in various disciplines, and to devise a comprehensive program including workshops, which will include educators, students, and the public. The information and format will be made available upon completion. Coordinator for the project is Pat O'Connor.

Retirement

Dr. RAYMOND W. BIXLER, Chairman of the History Department at Ashland College retired in June 1972. Professor Bixler also served as Dean (1943-45) and President (1945-48) of Ashland College during a long career at the college commencing in 1929.
LEAVES OF ABSENCE

DON K. ROWNEY of Bowling Green State University has been granted a leave of absence and has received an IREX grant for study in the Soviet Union during the Winter and Spring of 1973.

JAMES FRIGUGLIETTI of Case Western University will be on a one semester leave in the Fall of 1972 to complete a work on Modern French History.

The University of Cincinnati has granted the following leaves of absence: Frank KAFKER (1972-73 year); George ENGBERG (Autumn Quarter); Barbara RAMUSACK (Autumn and Spring Quarters); VSEVOLOD SLESSAREV (Spring Quarter); Gary GEISLER (Autumn Quarter); Peter TOPPING (Autumn Quarter).

John Cunningham of Findlay College will return this Fall from a leave of absence which he used to teach English and study in Japan.

At Kent State University Yeh-Chien WANG and S. Victor PAPACOSMA have been awarded leaves of absence for the Fall and Winter Quarters, 1972-73.

Michael J. EVANS of Keynon College has received a leave of absence for the academic year, 1972-73.

H. L. OERTER of Miami University is on a two-year assignment (1971-73) at Miami University’s European Study Center in Luxembourg. W. Sher-man Jackson of Miami University has a Fulbright Fellowship to Nigeria.

Ohio University has granted leaves of absence to Alonzo HAMBY for September 1972 to June 1973, and Suzanne Miers for the period of September 1972 to April 1973. Carl G. Gustavson will be on leave during the Winter and Spring Quarters in Switzerland to complete a writing project. Alan Booth and James G. Chastain have received Summer Research Grants from Ohio University.

At Ohio Wesleyan University Anna MACIAS will be on leave during the Fall of 1972 and Robert Shimp during the Spring of 1973.

Margaret Ermath will be on sabbatical leave during the Fall term from Wittenberg University.

Charles BERRY of Wright State University will be Leverhulme Professor at the University of Bristol in England next year.

Death

Professor Vivienne Reichard, 45, a member of the History Department at Ashland College since 1962, died on May 10, 1972. Professor Reichard’s specialty was Far Eastern History.

Resignation

Professor John Livingston has resigned from the faculty of The Pontifical College Josephinum.

An Annotated Bibliography

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COMPREHENSIVE SURVEYS:


RENAISSANCE TO FRENCH REVOLUTION:


NINETEENTH CENTURY EUROPEAN:


Starn, Randolph, "Historians and 'Crisis'," *Past and Present*, 52 (August 1971), 3-22. (Use of 'crisis' by historians has increased since Marx and Burckhardt.)


**PRESENT HISTORICAL CONSCIOUSNESS UNDER THE MICROSCOPE:**

Ballard, Martin (ed.), *New Movements in the Study and Teaching of History*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1970. (Toynbee shows the specialist's need for the generalist; includes essays on Black History, Twentieth Century History, Economic History, History and Biology.)

Burguière, Andre, "Histoire et structure," *Annales*, 26 (Pt. 3, May-August 1971), I-VII. (Presentation to a number of Annales devoted to history and structure.)


Gilbert, Felix, and Graubard, Stephen R. (eds.), *Historical Studies Today*. New York: W. W. Norton & Company, 1971. (Segments of history under discussion include political, social, intellectual, quantitative, local, educational, prosopographical, scientific, archaeological, urban, and economic history. In his introduction Felix Gilbert writes "In almost all fields there is a concern for comparative history, for the study of relationships, for the analysis of structure.")

Handlin, Oscar, "History: A Discipline in Crisis?" *American Scholar*, 40 (Summer 1971), 447-465. (Autobiographical; regrets erosion of standards and morale.)


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Koselleck, Reinhart, "Wozu noch Historie?" *Historische Zeitschrift* 212 (February 1971), 1-18. (Weakening of sense of history as object of knowledge and use of historical material as auxiliary to autonomous sciences leads to loss of the historical sense or "dehistorization")

Kristol, Irving, "American Historians and the Democratic Idea," *The American Scholar*, 39 (Winter 1969-1970), 89-104. (Faults both consensus and conflict historians for failing to examine the problematics of the democratic idea and adhering to it in blind faith.)


Mead, Sidney E., "History and Identity," *The Journal of Religion*, 51 (January 1971), 1-14. (History provides awareness "we are one with all of life in time and space").

Pennington, Loren, "The Subculture of Historians and Current Educational Theory," *The History Teacher* 3 (May 1970), 37-43. ("It is a subculture which seeks not to provide the world with the right answers, but only to do its best to get the world to ask the right questions").

Plumb, J. H., "The Function of History; and the Failings of Historians," *Encounter*, 36 (June 1971), 71-78. (Professionalized history fails to use history's power to explain the present and indicate the future.)

Shils, Edward, "Tradition," *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, 13 (April 1971), 122-159. (Neglects the role of historians as custodians of tradition and as innovating interpreters of tradition. Only historian mentioned is Tacitus and his use of the republican past to disparage his own present.)

Stevenson, W. Taylor, "History as Myth: Some Implications for History and Theology," *Cross Currents*, 20 (Winter 1970), 15-28. (Builds on Mircea Eliade in contending that "history is a mythic way of viewing reality").
Weber, Eugene, “Innocents Abroad; the XIII International Congress of Historical Sciences,” Journal of Contemporary History 6 (1971), 87-100. (300 attended this conference at Moscow; 80 papers given; “... no Soviet speaker indicated the bases or the course of his reasoning.” Russian papers on agrarian unrest ended in 1917, all those on East European countries ended in 1945.)

INTERDISCIPLINARY:


Notice of Annual Fall Meeting
October 20-21, 1972
YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY
Youngstown, Ohio 44503


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“PRESENT STATE OF THE PROBLEM” AND SPECIALTIES:

Ahlstrom, Sydney E., “The Problem of the History of Religion in America,” Church History, 39 (June 1970), 224-235. (Suggests that key theme for historians now is: How did America come to its present moral and spiritual condition?)


Garland, Colonel Albert N. (Ret.), "Some Thoughts on the Writing of Military History," *Military Affairs*, 35 (February 1971), 18-20. (A good military historian should not be an operations research analyst.)


Johnson, Benton, "Church-Sect Revisited," *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 10 (1971), 124-137. (Brings Ernest Troeltsch up to date.)


**Notice to Academy Members**

If you publish a book during the calendar year 1972 would you please notify Dr. Janet Ragatz, Chairwoman, History Department, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio 43015. Dr. Ragatz is chairwoman of the Publication Award Committee and is very eager to have her committee informed of every eligible historical work published this year by a member of the Academy for consideration in making its annual award.

Kuklick, Bruce, "History as a Way of Learning," *American Quarterly* 22 (Fall 1970), 609-628. (Applies theories of T. S. Kuhn and Jerome Bruner to historical thought of makers of recent American foreign policy.)


Wright, Monte D., "Demography for Historians," *The Rocky Mountain Social Science Journal*, 7 (October 1970), 1-10.

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UNITED KINGDOM:
Jennings, Bernard, "Group Work in Local History: Adult Education and the Study of History," Victorian Studies, 15 (September 1971), 81-90. (On boom in local history in Great Britain since 1945.)
Pugh, Ralph B., "The Victoria County History," The British Studies Monitor 2 (Summer 1971), 15-23. (An appraisal after 70 years and 150 volumes.)
Speck, William A., "Herbert Butterfield on the Christian and Historical Study," Fides et Historia, 4 (Fall 1971), 50-76. (Critical of Butterfield for ignoring the ambiguity of secular historiography as a "Christian" instrument.)
Winter, J. M., "R. H. Tawney's Early Political Thought," Past & Present, 47 (May 1970), 71-96. (Going to 1914 and using MS contends Tawney's theism made him a critic of Fabianism and Marxism.)

FRANCE:
Simon, John K., "A Conversation with Michel Foucault," Partisan Review, 38 (1971), 192-201. (Shows his historical work as function of his critique of today's conditions.)

GERMANY AND AUSTRIA:
Erdmann, Karl Dietrich, Geschichte, Politik und Padagogik; aufsätze und Reden. Stuttgart: Ernst Klett, 1970. (Includes accounts of German historical associations, and essays on Kant and Toynbee's concepts of history.)
Howe, Leroy T., "Karl Jaspers on History: In Appreciation," The Personalist, 52 (Autumn 1971), 692-716. (Jaspers periodizes history as pre-history, axial history, and post-Columbus.)

The Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies, Vol. 1, No. 1, Autumn 1970. (A publication of the M.I.T. School of Humanities and Social Science.)


The Western Quarterly, Vol. 1, No. 1, January 1970. (Published by the Western Historical Association at Utah State University, Logan, Utah.)

PROMOTIONS

DON R. GERLACH of the University of Akron promoted to Professor of History effective September, 1972. At Ashland College Prof. GERALD W. MACHELLAR is the new Chairman of the History Department replacing RAYMOND BIXLER who retired in June 1972. GARY R. HESS promoted to Professor, and EDWARD I. CHEN and LAURENCE J. DALY both promoted to Associate Professor at Bowling Green State University. The University of Cincinnati announces the promotion of FRANK KAFKER to Professor. Kent State University has promoted ROBERT P. SWIERENGA to Professor and LOUIS PATSOURAS to Associate Professor. ROBERT H. HILLIARD has been named as the first recipient of the recently established Wilfred E. Binkley Chair of History and Political Science at Ohio Northern University. The Binkley Chair, established through a grant of $300,000 from the Carthage Foundation, is named after the late Wilfred E. Binkley, a former president of the Ohio Academy of History. Ohio University announces several promotions: CARL G. GUSTAVSON to Distinguished Professor of History; WILLIAM KALDIS and BRUCE STEINER to Professor; JAMES G. CHASTAIN and RICHARD DOOLEN to Associate Professor; MICHAEL KLINE to Assistant Professor (Zanesville Campus); MICHAEL McTEAGUE to Assistant Professor (Belmont County Campus). JAN HALLENBECK promoted to Associate Professor at Ohio Wesleyan University. At Wittenberg University CHARLES CHATFIELD became Chairman of the History Department on July 1. Wright State University has promoted JACOB H. DORN and ALLAN SPETTER to Associate Professor. PAUL MERRIAM, RICHARD SWAN, and HARVEY WACHTELL were promoted to Assistant Professor. Professor DORN is also Director of the University Honors Program and Professor SPETTER is Assistant Dean of Liberal Arts.
NEW FACULTY

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY:
Assistant Professor Dennis Kelly (United States Urban History)
Assistant Professor Thomas R. Knox (English History)

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI:
Assistant Professor Guido Ruggiero (Medieval)
Visiting Assistant Professor Elizabeth Sato (Asian)

KENYON COLLEGE:
Assistant Professor Michael Frederick (Chinese and Japanese History)

MIAMl UNIVERSITY:
D. S. Chandler (Latin American)
Maria Pyles (Black History)

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY:
Associate Professor David Saffell (American Government)

OHIO UNIVERSITY:
Associate Professor Harry Young (German History; European Intellectual History)
Visiting Assistant Professor William Moore (Recent American)

WILMINGTON COLLEGE:
Samuel Charles Funderburk (American Government)

WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY:
Assistant Professor Tsing Yuan (Far East).

CALENDAR

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY:
Midwest Slavic Conference (October 20-21, 1972).

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI:
Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (October).
Medical History Association (October).

MIAMI UNIVERSITY:
Ohio-Indiana American Studies Association (October 20-21, 1972).

OHIO FOLKLORE SOCIETY:
Jonathan Hale Homestead, Bath, Ohio (October 21, 1972).

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY:
A Medieval Festival is planned for April 16-21, 1973.

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN ARCHIVISTS:
Columbus, Ohio (October 31-November 3, 1972).