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Virginia B. Platt
President, Ohio Academy of History

Under Arnold Schrier's leadership, the Academy last year recorded a number of excellent achievements. A felicitous relationship with the Ohio Historical Society and the Society of Ohio Archivists helped to produce the stimulating Spring meeting graciously hosted by the staff of the Ohio Historical Center. From Friday evening sessions a movement has developed to establish a Media section within the Academy. The membership Committee has brought a number of scholars into the Academy from the community colleges and from among high school teachers. Our joint committee with the Society of Ohio Archivists has worked to find professional historians and archivists to advise local historical societies. We now know much more about the situation of women in the profession through the work of the Committee on the Status of Women. New and continuing members of all of the Academy committees are pursuing the work done during the past year with continuing enthusiasm.

Two of our members have agreed to assume the duties carried for some years by Carl Klopfenstein and Kenneth Davison. We thank Carl and Ken and welcome their replacements, Arthur Steele of Toledo, our new secretary-Treasurer, and Stuart Givens of Bowling Green, who

assumed his duties as Editor of the Newsletter with the present issue.

Financial aid made possible by President Hollis Moore of Bowling Green State University has made it feasible to revise the Roster again during the summer. The intention was to bring into the Roster's coverage the professional historians serving in community and technical colleges, and those in such other institutions as have been inadvertently omitted in the past. Not all institutions approached have responded, but we have added eleven to our list.

Preparing the revised Roster has been an enlightening, if somewhat disturbing, undertaking. There has been little attrition of historians in schools previously covered by the Roster; however, there have been dismally few new appointments. A respectable number of liberal arts colleges continue to maintain their sabbatical programs; leaves of absence from state institutions seem to be shrinking in numbers. Noteworthy is the disappearance for all practical purposes of the rank of Instructor. The increase in the use of lectureships and of the ranks of Visiting and part-time Assistant Professor gives one pause.

Serious consideration needs to be given to the apparent decline in the status of persons just entering the profession; that is, of those who are fortunate enough to obtain any institutional appointment. Many are currently acting as journeymen in the medieval sense. They often are not meaningfully integrated into departmental activity; they are not accumulating years toward tenure; and they do not obtain any equity in retirement credit or various fringe benefits. One would hope that methods can be found to move them toward full membership in the guild of historians. Our aim must be to avoid the creation of a subordinated intellectual proletariat. Members who have suggestions as to such methods are urged to write to me, to John Carrigg of the Committee on Standards, and/or to Marian Morton of the Program Committee.

Virginia B. Platt
President, The Ohio Academy of History

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 5, 1974

The executive council of The Ohio Academy of History met on April 5, 1974 at the Scot's Inn in Columbus with the following members present: Schrier, Beauregard, Gara,

Geer, Stevens, Platt, and Klopfenstein. Professor Davison, editor of the *Newsletter*, and Professor Steele of the University of Toledo were also in attendance. After the council approved the agenda and the minutes, President Schrier commented on and complimented the work of Mrs. Hedlin in the preparation of the program format for the upcoming spring meeting. He then observed that the mail ballot sent out by the OAH-SOA Joint Archives-Library Committee in January 1974 had received unanimous approval in re the proposal submitted for the vote.

President Schrier then noted that the Academy had a tentative invitation to hold the fall meeting of 1974 at the Cleveland State University but that he did not as yet have a written confirmation on this. He indicated that he did have a firm commitment for 1975 at Case Western Reserve University.

Professor Platt raised for discussion the locale for the spring meeting of 1975. She indicated a preference for the continuation of meeting at the Ohio Historical Center but that if an invitation did not come to do so, she would contact the Fawcett Center of Ohio State University. This item was discussed briefly and Mrs. Platt asked each council member to write her in re their reactions concerning the locale for 1975.

The Secretary-Treasurer made a brief report in re finances and membership. The meeting concluded with a report from Professor Davison in re the *Newsletter*. He indicated that there is an imbalance on input with not enough European and non-western materials being submitted. He asked the council members for suggestions and some discussion followed. It was suggested that perhaps people should be appointed in various fields to feed material to the editor and also the possibility of a journalistic advisory board. Following this discussion the meeting was adjourned by President Schrier.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl G. Klopfenstein
Secretary-Treasurer

MINUTES OF ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING APRIL 6, 1974

President Arnold Schrier called the annual business meeting of the Ohio Academy of History to order at 1:00 P.M. Professor Harold Grimm, President of the Ohio Historical Society, welcomed the Academy on behalf of the Society. President Schrier then introduced the incoming president, Virginia B. Platt (Bowling Green State University) who delivered an interesting address entitled, "In Search of Colonial Women: Some Uses of Commercial Records."

The Secretary-Treasurer gave the Treasurer's report showing a balance on hand as of April 6, 1974 of \$1392.84. Professor Jacob Dorn (Wright State) presented for the Nominations Committee the following slate of officers for 1974-1975: President, Virginia B. Platt (Bowling Green); Vice-President, Carl G. Klopfenstein (Heidelberg); Secretary-Treasurer, Arthur R. Steel (Toledo). There being no additional nominations from the floor, the Secretary was instructed to cast an unanimous ballot for these

officers. Mary K. Howard (John Carroll) was elected to the Executive Council to succeed Emily Geer (Findlay) whose term expired.

Professor Eugene C. Murdock (Marietta), Chairman of the Distinguished Service Awards to Harold J. Grimm (Ohio State) and James M. Rodabaugh (Miami). Professor Zane Miller (Cincinnati), Chairman of the Publications Award Committee announced the recipient of that award. Professor Alonza L. Hamby (Ohio University) received the award for his study, "Beyond the New Deal: Harry S. Truman and American Liberalism."

Professor Ronald L. Pollitt, Chairman of the Program Committee, commented briefly on the shaping of the program for this spring meeting and acknowledged the work of his fellow committee members. Professor Wallace Chessman (Denison), Chairman of the OAH-SOA Joint Archives-Library Committee, presented a report noting that item sixteen thereon had been implemented prior to this meeting via a small ballot which resulted in an unanimous approval.

Professor Mary K. Howard (John Carroll), Chairman of the Committee on the Status of Women in the Historical Profession, reported on the work of that committee in which she indicated the intention to prepare a roster of teachers, graduate students, and women not in universities and colleges; to secure more information on the status of women, and to involve more women in professional activities.

Professor R. Vladimir Steffel (Ohio State), Chairman of the Membership Committee, made a brief report indicating a membership of 369. Professor John J. Carrigg (Steubenville) reported for the Standards Committee, noting that a bill before the legislature to require a M.A. in education for teaching had died in committee and commenting on the threat to history in the high schools.

Professor Carl Ubbelohde (Case Western Reserve) submitted a progress report for the ad hoc Committee on the Bicentennial of the American Revolution. He noted three developments: (1) progress on the Guide to Sources on the American Revolution in Ohio libraries, (2) and institute this coming summer at Bowling Green State University for high school teachers on the historiography of the American Revolution, and (3) a grant from the George Gund Foundation to the Advisory Committee on the Bicentennial.

President Schrier closed the meeting by announcing that the fall meeting of the Academy for 1974 will be held at Heidelberg College and at Case Western Reserve University in 1975.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl G. Klopfenstein
Secretary-Treasurer

FALL MEETING
Ohio Academy
October 4 & 5
Heidelberg College

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts, April 5 - July 2, 1974

(books turned over to new secretary-treasurer on July 2)

Balance on Hand, April 5, 1974	\$1392.84	
187 Luncheons at \$5.50	1028.50	
6 Luncheons at \$3.50	21.00	
104 Meeting Registrations at \$2.00	208.00	
35 OAH Memberships at \$4.00	140.00	
3 Student Memberships at \$2.00	6.00	
7 Advt.s. for Program at \$100.00	700.00	
Sale of Books at Exhibit	352.94	
Interest on Savings Account	24.60	
Total Income to July 2, 1974	\$3873.88	\$3873.88

Expenditures, April 5 - July 2, 1974

Ray Johnson Catering	583.87	
AAA Chair Rental and Sales	94.50	
Kentucky Fried Chicken	100.00	
Beaver Press (Program)	685.04	
Gerald Newborg	16.25	
Good Office Supply (Name tags)	5.00	
Wilhelmina Robinson (Refund)	5.50	
Paul McStallworth (Refund)	5.50	
Secretary-Treasurer	100.00	
Zaner-Bloser Company (plaques)	103.41	
Bicentennial Committee	31.45	
Heidelberg College	179.63	
(Supplies and postage)		
Total Expenditures to July 2, 1974	\$1910.15	\$1910.15

Balance on Hand July 2, 1974 \$1963.73

Accounts since transfer of funds to new secretary-treasurer

Receipts:
4 OAH Memberships at \$4.00 16.00

Expenditure:
Ohio Cold Type Co. (stationery) 49.43

Balance on Hand August 22, 1974 in Savings account, First National Bank of Toledo \$1930.30

Arthur R. Steele
Secretary-Treasurer

THE OHIO ACADEMY OF HISTORY COMMITTEES,

1974 - 75

1. Executive Council

Ex-Officio

Virginia B. Platt (Bowling Green), President
Carl G. Klopfenstein (Heidelberg), Vice President
Arthur R. Steele (Toledo), Secretary-Treasurer
Arnold Schrier (Cincinnati), Immediate Past President

Elected

Harry R. Stevens (Ohio University), 1972-75
Larry Gara (Wilmington), 1973-76
Mary K. Howard (John Carroll), 1974-77

2. Nominating Committee

Robert T. Ortquist (Wittenberg), Chairperson
Ronald L. Pollitt (Cincinnati)

3. Program Committee

Marian J. Morton (John Carroll), Chairperson
K. Austin Kerr (Ohio State)
Carl Klopfenstein (Heidelberg)
Lee Makela (Cleveland State)
Herbert L. Oerter (Miami)
Taylor Stults (Muskingum)
Robert L. Zangrando (Akron)

4. Distinguished Service Award Committee

Erving Beauregard (Dayton), Chairperson
Thomas LeDuc (Oberlin)
Lawrence S. Kaplan (Kent State)

5. Publication Award Committee

Lorin Lee Cary (Toledo), Chairperson
Lyle A. McGeoch (Ohio University)
James N. Rodabaugh (Miami)
James Ronda (Youngstown)
John E. Saffell (Mount Union)

6. Committee on Standards

John J. Carrigg (Steubenville), 1972-75 Chairperson
Hugh Earnhart (Youngstown), 1973-76
Carl G. Gustavson (Ohio University), 1972-75
Gary Hess (Bowling Green), 1973-76
James M. Kittelson (Ohio State), 1972-75
Richard W. Smith (Ohio Wesleyan), 1972-75

7. Ohio Academy of History - Society of Ohio Archivists Joint Archives-Library Committee

G. Wallace Chessman (Denison), OAH, 1972-75
Chairperson
William D. Aeschbacher (Cincinnati), SOA, 1973-76
George W. Knepper (Akron), OAH, 1974-77
David R. Larson (Ohio Historical Society), SOA, 1972-75
Thomas H. Smith (Ohio University), OAH, 1974-77
Richard J. Wright (Bowling Green), SOA, 1973-76

8. Membership Committee

Vladimir Steffel (Ohio State-Marion), Chairperson
Sharon Bannister (Findlay)
Donald Bream (Amherst High School)
Charles De Beneditti (Toledo)
Charles Ferroni (Ashland)
John Kesler (Lakeland Community College)
Robert Shimp (Ohio Wesleyan)

9. Committee on the Status of Women in the Historical Profession

Emily Geer (Findlay), Chairperson
Edie Hedlin (Ohio Historical Society)
Jack T. Kirby (Miami)
Janet Ragatz (Ohio Wesleyan)
Marion C. Siney (Case Western Reserve)
Donna Van Raaphorst (Cuyahoga Community College)
Roy Wortman (Kenyon)

10. Bicentennial of the American Revolution (Ad Hoc)

Carl Ubbelohde (Case Western Reserve) Chairperson

John Cary (Cleveland State)
 Lee Bennish, S.J. (Xavier)
 Don R. Gerlach (Akron)
 Richard Jellison (Miami)
 James C. O'Donnell III (Marietta)
 George J. Ruppel, S.M. (Dayton)
 David C. Skaggs (Bowling Green)

11. Editor of the Newsletter
 Stuart R. Givens (Bowling Green)

What is the Profession Doing?

OHIO MEDIA GROUP FORMED

Growing out of conversations at the Spring Meeting of the Academy an organizational meeting was held to form an Ohio Historians' Media Group. The purpose of the group is to share expertise in the production of instructional media, explore more effective distribution and publication of such teaching resources, and encourage wider research and utilization of unpublished visual records of the past. Any person who might be interested in the group should contact Professor Stephen Scholl, History Department, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio 43015.

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF SOUTHERN HISTORY

A long-term project to provide specialists in Southern History with a compendium of this generation's scholarship on the history of the American South has been under way since 1967 at Bowling Green State University. Edited by David C. Roller and Robert W. Twyman, the **Encyclopedia of Southern History** will be a volume of over one million words and will contain approximately 3000 separate articles. Emphasis in the project has been to provide a volume to meet the needs of the teacher and the scholar even more than the general public. With this in view specialists who are invited to contribute are being instructed to accompany their articles with not just "a book or two" as references, but rather a fairly complete bibliography, including major original source collections, for the benefit of other research scholars. In addition to the hundreds of biographies of Southern personages, historical events, geographic locations, and terms unique to the South, there will be, for example, separate articles on the newspapers, universities, and historical societies of the South with a discussion of their major research holdings. Other articles will deal with the holdings of museums, public libraries, and archives. The historiography of each period in Southern history will receive separate treatment, as will many of the major individual historians of the South.

The volume is scheduled for publication in the summer of 1976 and has been contracted for by the Louisiana State University Press. According to Roller and Twyman, "the undertaking has been expensive and has seemed overwhelming at times but, thanks to the amazing degree of cooperation and enthusiasm from scholars all over the United States, it is coming along fine and we've enjoyed every minute of it."

OARBAC: A CALL TO ACTION

Commenting on the future commemorations of America's Independence, John Adams wrote in 1776 that,

"It will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the greatest anniversary festival. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations..."

Justifiably, Americans have since 1776 recalled independence with enthusiastic celebrations. However, for our nation's bicentennial we should be able to go beyond the usual demonstrations suggested by John Adams and make the bicentennial era a period to reflect thoughtfully upon our past 200 years and evaluate our goals and aspirations for the coming century.

The celebration of the American Revolution bicentennial offers Americans a unique opportunity to evaluate the nation's achievements and consider problems and opportunities presently confronting us. It is not only a time for commemorating our national heritage, we must also attempt to give real value to those principles upon which the United States was founded. To this end the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission was established by Congress on July 4, 1966 to oversee and coordinate bicentennial programs nationwide.

To insure national participation each state has established a bicentennial commission. The Ohio American Revolution Bicentennial Advisory Commission (OARBAC) composed of 15 members including state senators and representatives, state officials, and private citizens appointed by the Governor is working with the Ohio Historical Society in the development and coordination of Ohio's bicentennial programs. Dr. Robert E. Cecile serves as the Commission's chairman.

OARBAC sincerely hopes that members of the Ohio Academy of History will play a particularly important role in Ohio's bicentennial commemoration both in Ohio's educational institutions and in local bicentennial groups. Professional historians have the experience and expertise necessary to insure the success of the bicentennial program in Ohio.

To assist the state colleges and universities prepare bicentennial programs the George Gund Foundation of Cleveland has granted the Ohio American Revolution Bicentennial Advisory Commission \$100,000 for distribution throughout the state on a matching grant basis. Ohio's institutions of higher learning are being asked to organize bicentennial committees, set priorities, make plans and submit proposals to OARBAC for financial assistance. For further information regarding bicentennial plans, Academy members are asked to call David Twining, College Coordinator, OARBAC, Ohio Historical Center, Columbus, Ohio 43211, telephone (614) 466-5803.

The Ohio American Revolution Bicentennial Advisory Commission hopes that members of the Ohio Academy will participate actively on local community committees. Those members desiring information about the bicentennial communities program or any aspect of bicentennial plans in Ohio are urged to contact the bicentennial headquarters located in the Ohio Historical Center in Columbus.

Dr. Michael J. Devine
 Administrator, OARBAC

WOMEN ARCHIVISTS

The women archivists of the Ohio Historical Society have published two issues of a new magazine which is called **MS Archivist**. Anyone interested in it may contact either Edie Hedlin or Sara Fuller at the Society office - Ohio Historical Center, Interstate 71 and 17th Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43211.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES & RECORDS SERVICE

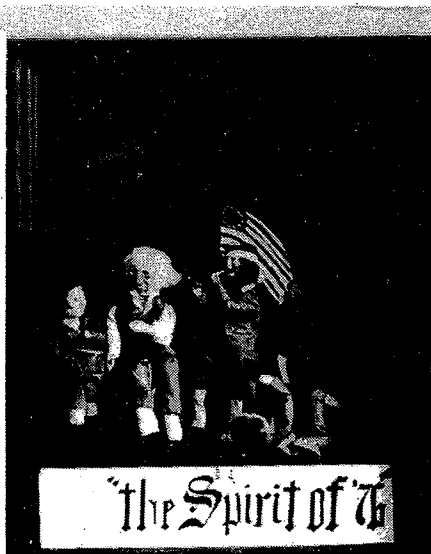
The National Archives and Records Service (NARS) operates eleven regional Federal Archives and Records Centers. Permanent records, documenting regional and local activities of Federal field offices, are preserved by the Regional Archives. For the six North Central states the center is in Chicago at 7358 South Pulaski Road - 60629.

To increase the availability of Federal documents for local research, NARS also has a program for selecting, microfilming, and depositing in its Regional Archives, some of the records retained in the National Archives. The microfilm are available for use in the Center reference room or through the interlibrary loan program. There is no cost except for return postage.

To assist researchers in various fields NARS has recently published the first of a series of planned guides of microfilm available at the Chicago Center. Anyone interested in this guide or other information about the Regional Archives should contact Mr. Bruce C. Harding, Regional Archivist, at the address above or by phone at (312) 353-8541.

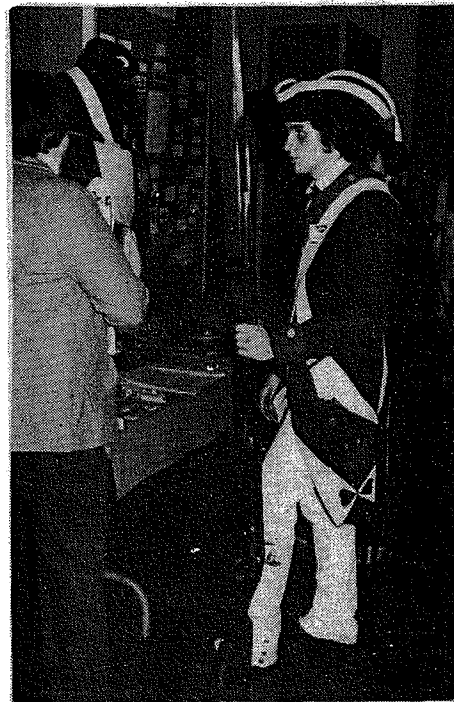
HISTORY DAY IN CLEVELAND

May 11, 1974, was HISTORY DAY in Cleveland, when more than 125 junior and senior high school students presented essays, exhibits, and performances related to the theme **OHIO AND THE PROMISE OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**. Directed by Professor David Van Tassel (CWR), this first annual HISTORY DAY, in commemoration of the Bicentennial of the American Revolution, was sponsored by the Case Western Reserve Department of History and the Western Reserve Historical Society, the Cleveland Council of Social Studies Teachers, the Diocesan Social Studies Teachers Organization, the Cleveland Area Arts Council, the Greater Cleveland



Bicentennial Commission, and was supported in part by the George Gund Foundation.

Three \$100 prizes, and other special awards, were announced at a banquet at the Crawford Auto Museum. The prizes were given for entries ranging from an essay, to a slide and tape presentation, to the portrayal of a Revolutionary War soldier.



New Courses and Programs

In these days when we hear so much about history and historians being irrelevant and unbending, it is refreshing to see the amount of activity that is going on in schools around the state. Below are a number of examples that have come to hand:

Bowling Green State University:

In the summer of 1974, the History Department sponsored an institute on the American Revolution, with Professor David Skaggs serving as Director. During the 1974-75 academic year the department will offer several experimental courses including the following: History of World War II (Professor Patrick Alston); History of Spanish-Americans; History of American Medicine (Professors Bernard Sternsher and Lawrence Friedman); History of Poverty, Crime, and Violence (Professor James Q. Graham); Development of Anglo-American Law (Professor Thomas Knox); and, The Superpowers--Russia and the U.S. (Professors Sternsher and Don Rowney).

Case Western Reserve University:

The department is initiating a new Masters of Arts program in History and Museum Studies this fall. The program parallels in structure the current Masters of Arts in History and Archival Administration. It is designed to prepare students for work in historical museums and societies. It combines course work in history and a sequence of three courses in museum studies. An introductory course, **THE MUSEUM AND THE COMMUNITY**, will be coordinated by Dr. Genevieve Miller of the Howard Dittrick Museum of Historical Medicine and will involve lectures by staff members of the

Western Reserve Historical Society and the Cleveland Museum of Art. A second course, HISTORICAL MUSEUMS AND RESTORATIONS: FUNCTIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS OF CULTURAL PROPERTIES, will be a seminar in the Western Reserve Historical Society Museum, directed by Jairus Barnes, Chief Curator, and Karen Grochau, Curator of Education. The third museum course will be an internship (in the summer) in either the Western Reserve Historical Society or the Howard Dittrick Museum of Historical Medicine.

University of Cincinnati:

The Laboratory in American Civilization is designed to offer undergraduate students the opportunity to engage in systematic inquiry into the nature and processes of American civilization. Organized for instructional purposes as an upper division seminar team-taught within the Department of History, the Laboratory will carry three or six undergraduate credits per quarter. Students must enroll for three consecutive quarters.

One purpose of the Laboratory is to provide a situation in which faculty, selected pre-doctoral graduate fellows, and upper division undergraduates may engage in collaborative research and analysis of commonly agreed upon problems. In 1974-75, students will work in close collaboration with Professors Zane L. Miller and Henry D. Shapiro of the Department of History and faculty consultants drawn from other departments of the University in a series of short-term, cumulative research projects directed at a general inquiry into the relationship of culture, environment, and population in American history, using the history of Cincinnati as a convenient test case.

Denison University:

The Senior History Comprehensive Exam has been replaced with a Senior Year Project which must be completed for graduation as a History major. The plan was developed largely by Professor John Kirby.

During the student's junior year he consults with his advisor for the purpose of establishing an individualized project for the following year. The project may include a number of different options. Ideally, the project brings to bear a wide range of learning experience on a particular subject. While the focus may be narrow, students must consider how their training in history and other disciplines prepared them to develop such a project. If a traditional research approach is chosen, students must incorporate an introduction which gives some analysis of their methods and relates them to specific courses and books that have been important in their education.

A joint student-faculty advisory board reviews all proposed projects. Each individual project is overseen by two staff administrators.

Owens Technical College:

In the Spring Quarter a newly developed course in Ohio History will be offered as an elective in General Education and will be included as an offering in the Continuing Education program. The course will include field trips to local/regional historical sites, and will attempt to heighten awareness of Ohio's historical significance through an emphasis on regional historical events and their relationship to the development of Ohio.

Wittenberg University:

In the fall term Prof. Wade Wilkison will teach with

Prof. Stan Mikel of the Chinese Department a course for freshmen on Chinese Culture. The course will make use of extensive reprints and extracts and of many films.

During the winter term Professors Wilkison, Joseph O'Connor, and Peter Celms will teach a course entitled Revolution and Reform which compares the Russian, Nazi, and Chinese Revolutions. The course will be offered as a part of the new "living-learning program" for freshmen.

World War I: Asia, Europe, and America will be offered in the Spring term by Professors Wilkison, Celms, and Charles Chatfield. The approach will be a comparative one.

Youngstown State University:

Professor Joseph May is experimenting with the use of journals as an approach to the teaching of history. He is convinced that the method does make a difference in the response of students.

An oral history program to train graduate students, support faculty research, and to preserve the memories of individuals has been initiated by Professor Hugh Earnhart. The program is oriented toward, but not restricted to, people and events in northeastern Ohio. As part of the program a graduate course is offered in the techniques of gathering oral history materials, and in their processing and utilization.

LIBRARY AND MEDIA ACQUISITIONS

University of Cincinnati:

In July of 1973 the University of Cincinnati established a Special Collections Department (Main Library - Room 610) to bring the University's manuscript collections together into one department. The History Department started two manuscript collections in the late 1960's. The Archives of Medical History, with Dr. Henry D. Shapiro as Curator, got under way with the gift of Dr. Albert B. Sabin's papers. Since that time this collection has emphasized the collecting of the papers of virologists, geneticists, and ophthalmologists. The medical collection includes the papers of Dr. Karl Ascher, Dr. John Phair, and Dr. Cecil Striker. The Archives of Medical History has also tried to document the history of hospitals and medical schools and we have thus far collected the records of the Cincinnati General, Seton, and Dunham Hospitals in Cincinnati as well as the records of the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine and its predecessor institutions.

The Urban Studies Collection constituted the other collection started under the auspices of the History Department. This collection, with Dr. Zane Miller as Curator, secures the records of metropolitan organizations and institutions as well as the papers of prominent figures in urban history. The Cincinnati Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union and the Cincinnati Human Relations Commission are among the organizations which have agreed to deposit their records in the Urban Studies Collections. This collection also contains the papers of Alfred Bettman, a national figure in city planning, and Robert Goldman's materials on proportional representation in various American cities. A major project of the Urban Studies Collection is to obtain the papers of Cincinnati's twentieth-century mayors.

The University of Cincinnati, in cooperation with the Ohio Historical Society, also serves as the local center for

the Ohio Network of American History Research Centers. As a network center, it acquires and preserves local government records, newspapers, and manuscript collections pertaining to the eight counties of southwest Ohio. Records from the offices of the Hamilton County Auditor and Coroner, as well as records from Hamilton, Ohio and Butler and Clinton counties are now in hand.

Wittenberg University:

Wittenberg University has been the recipient of a generous grant of over 1,000 books and periodicals on Japan. The new English language materials, known as the Matsumoto Collection, will enhance the already substantial East Asian library collection and the East Asian Studies program. The grant was made possible through the following agencies: the International House of Japan, the Ministries of Education and Foreign Affairs of the Government of Japan, the Cultural Affairs Agency, the Japanese National Commission for UNESCO, the Japan Foundation, and a number of major Japanese publishers.

The Department of History is one of twelve national recipients of an award from the American Historical Association and the Little Foundation in connection with the Feature Film Project of the AHA.

The award consists of a film projector with multiple audio sets for individual listening, and the film cartridge version of *The Emperor and the General*. Prof. Wade Wilkison will test the equipment and film in courses and report to the AHA.

The department also was awarded the complete slide-cassette series on *The Arts in French Civilization*, the award being made jointly with the French department. The series is bilingual. This grant, together with the BBC film series on *War and Society* was made under an International Dimensions Grant from HEW.

Awards, Grants, and Leaves

Antioch College:

HANNAH GOLDBERG and ROBERT S. FOGARTY will spend 1974-75 doing research and writing in England.

Capital University:

JAMES L. BURKE has been granted an academic leave of absence for January through June of 1975 to study at Duke University.

Case Western Reserve:

Leaves of absence have been granted for the academic year to DONALD LAING, MORRIS ROSSABI, and BERTRAM WYATT-BROWN.

DAVID VAN TASSEL has been granted an NEH award to support planning and preparation for a symposium on Aging: New Challenges to Research in the Humanities which is to be held in 1975.

University of Cincinnati:

SAUL BENISON has received a Guggenheim Fellowship which he will use to further his work on the history of poliomyelitis and the National Foundation. He will also continue his work on an oral history of the development of Dr. Albert Sabin as a virologist.

The Police Foundation of Washington, D.C. has funded the work of GARY NESS on the Community Sector Policing Program.

PETER TOPPING, Charles Phelps Taft Professor of History and Later Greek Studies, has been awarded an

NEH Senior scholar grant for 1974-75.

The following have been granted leaves for some part of the academic year: DANIEL BEAVER, GETZEL COHEN, HERBERT SHAPIRO, and DAVID STERLING.

Oberlin College:

Leaves of absence have been granted to MARCIA L. COLISH, CHARLES W. HAYFORD and DAVID C. RANKIN.

Ohio State University:

SAMUEL C. CHU has been awarded a research grant by the ACLS to work on his book length project on the First Sino-Japanese War (1894-1895).

The U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, has named HARRY L. COLES Distinguished Visiting Professor for the 1974-75 year.

TIMOTHY E. GREGORY has been awarded a Gennadion Fellowship in post classical Greek studies by the American School of Classical Studies in Athens, Greece.

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowships have been granted to MARC L. RAPHAEL and R. VLADIMIR STEFFEL.

MERRITT ROE SMITH has received a Harvard-Newcomen Postdoctoral Fellowship from the Harvard University Graduate School of Business.

An ACLS research grant has been made to EUGENE J. WATTS to continue work on his project on the St. Louis Police, 1861-1971.

Ohio University:

JAMES CHASTAIN will be on leave through the Fall Quarter to carry on research on French-German policy during the Revolution of 1848.

University of Toledo:

The following have received university research grants: LORIN LEE CARY, CHARLES DE BENEDETTI, WILLIAM D. HOOVER, MARVIN L. MICHAEL KAY, WILLIAM H. LONGTON, ROGER D. RAY, and ROBERT FREEMAN SMITH.

Sabbatical leaves have been given to W. EUGENE HOLLON for work on an "Epilogue" to his book entitled *The Great American Desert* and to WILLIAM HENRY LONGTON for work on his book on natural science and thought in the Old South.

Wittenberg University:

JOSEPH O'CONNOR is on sabbatical leave through the Fall Term. He is doing research and study in Yugoslavia.

A year's sabbatical has been extended to ROBERT CUTLER in order to study history and science at Pennsylvania State University.

CHARLES CHATFIELD is Visiting Professor at Gustavus Adolphus College during the Fall Term.

College of Wooster:

JOHN HONDROS is on leave for the academic year pursuing in London and Beirut his study of the occupation of Greece by Nazi Germany.

For the coming year FLOYD WATTS will be on leave in London while completing his study of Sir Gordon Guggisberg, a British West Africa colonial administrator.

Xavier University:

JON MOULTON will be on leave during the 1974-75 year to do research in German political history.

Youngstown State University:

ALVIN SKARDON has been relieved of instructional

duties for the academic year 1974-75 to write a history of Youngstown University. It will begin in 1888 when classes were begun at the YMCA and end with the take over by the state university system in 1967. This book is intended to be not only an institutional history but also a contribution to the history of Urban Higher Education. The first chapter, will, therefore, deal with the rise of cities in the United States and the origin of Urban Universities. Dr. Skardon plans to pay special attention to the YMCA college movement which was prominent around 1900 and to which a number of present urban universities owe their origin including Youngstown. The concluding chapter will study the interrelationship between the University and the life of Youngstown.

Appointments and Promotions

University of Akron:

JAMES F. RICHARDSON was promoted to Professor.

Bowling Green State University:

Promoted to the rank of Associate Professor were THOMAS DE COLA, RONALD SEAVOY, and RICHARD J. WRIGHT.

JOSEPH AKE has been appointed as an Assistant Professor at Firelands Campus.

Case Western Reserve:

BERTRAM WYATT-BROWN has been made Professor.

ANDREW HSIEH and JOHN WUNDER have been named as Visiting Assistant Professors. JAIRUS BARNES, KAREN GROSHAU, and RONALD LEWIS have been appointed as Lecturers.

University of Cincinnati:

ZANE MILLER has been promoted to full Professor and RONALD POLLITT to Associate.

New appointments to the department are: BEVERLY SMITH, ANN TWINAM, and WALTER WILLIAMS.

Lorain County Community College:

NICHOLAS ZENTOS was promoted to the rank of Assistant Professor.

Oberlin College:

ROBERT E. NEIL has been named Chairman of the department.

ANTHONY GARAVENTE has been appointed for one year as an Instructor.

Ohio State University:

ALLAN R. MILLETT and JOHN A.M. ROTHNEY have both been named full Professor.

R. VLADIMIR STEFFEL has been made an Associate Professor at the Marion Campus.

University of Toledo:

NAPOLEON J. CASAMBRE has been named Visiting Professor of Asian History. This past year he was associated with the Center for East Asian Studies at the University of Kansas.

The rank of Associate Professor has been given to WILLIAM H. LONGTON.

Wittenberg University:

ROBERT CUTLER and JOSEPH O'CONNOR were both promoted to Associate Professor.

CHARLES CHATFIELD has been made a Professor. During the Fall Term JOE LEWIS of Central State University will be a Visiting Professor teaching a course on Civil Rights to Black Nationalism.

RICHARD ORTQUIST will serve as Chairman during Charles Chatfield's leave Fall Term.

Youngstown State University: LOWELL J. SATRE was elected Chairman of the department effective July 1.

Promoted to the rank of Associate Professor were HUGH G. EARNHART and SAUL FRIEDMAN.

Death

The Ohio Academy of History and the entire profession acknowledge regretfully the death of LAWRENCE F. HILL, Emeritus Professor, who died in May. Professor Hill served as a teacher and scholar in the field of Latin American history at Ohio State University from 1922 until his retirement in 1959

Retirements

A.B. ERICKSON has retired as Professor Emeritus from Case Western Reserve University. Graduate students who studied under Professor Erickson have published a biography, and his bibliography. The Arvel B. Erickson Fund has been established in his honor at Freiburger Library, from which materials in the field of British history will be acquired. Students and friends of Professor Erickson who wish to contribute to the fund may direct their contributions to The Librarian, Freiburger Library, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio 44106.

MARGARET S. ERMARTH retired after twenty years at Wittenberg University, where she pioneered courses in Russian Studies, American Immigration, and Women in History. Before joining the department she had taught at Gustavus Adolphus College and had been employed with the ACLS and the National Archives, having been a James Franklin Jameson Fellow at the Library of Congress. She is the author of biographical sketches in the *Dictionary of American Biography* and *Adam's Fractured Rib* (1970), and the translator of the *Von Hassell Diaries* (1947). Professor Emerita, she is regarded as a member at large by the department.

ROBERT WALCOTT, who has taught English history at the College of Wooster since 1946, has announced his retirement effective in June 1975.

CLIO'S CORNER

Collegians Look at the Past

From time to time the Editor will print, as space and demand warrant, some of the actual pearls that have come forth from students over the years. Any contributions will be appreciated, although not recognized, in the column.

The author's explanation of the Danish invasions, the Norman Conquest, the Church's role in England, and all other aspects of English history were concise, forthright, and seemingly accurate, as compared to the class lecture notes.

Techompse was a great indian chief.

Cyrus McCormick invented the mechanical raping machine which put hundreds of men out of work.

I began noticing how the Canadians were

misconsrewing noble American actions.

The Plomison line is one that ships are not to go above insinkage.

William the Conqueror extended the Danelaw and vasselated all the nobles.

The Battle of Britain was bruttle.

Admiral Nelson's affair with Lady Hamilton which lowered his prestige did not dim his navel genius.

Confusionism was very humanistic.

Finally, there is nothing new in history . . . During this time Harding, College, and Hoover served, but the great scandles during Harding's term didn't help his party any and when the depression hit Roosevelt won in a landslide for the democratics.

CALENDAR

October 4-5: Fall meeting of the Ohio Academy of History at Heidelberg College.

October 5: Ohioana Day sponsored by The Martha Kinney Cooper Ohioana Library Association.

October 9: Henry Steele Commanger will give a lecture at 8 p.m. in the Powers Auditorium at Youngstown State University.

October 10-12: Shaker Bicentennial Convention to be held in Cleveland. All inquiries should be addressed to The Western Reserve Historical Society, 10825 East Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio 44106, c/o Shaker Bicentennial Convention.

October 13-14: American Jewish Historical Society Conference on "Methodology and Innovations in Urban Jewish Historical Writings". At Ohio State University.

October 26-27: British Midwest Studies meeting at Minneapolis.

November 8-9: American Society for Eighteenth Century Studies Conference, will be held at the Fawcett Center for Tomorrow. There will be a session in history on Friday morning including Professor Henry Snyder of Kansas University. Saturday there will be a seminar on 18th Century Background to the French Revolution conducted by Louis Gottschalk. Additional information may be obtained from Professor John C. Rule, Department of History, Ohio State University.

November 9: "The World of Women's Work" will be the theme of this one day conference which is jointly sponsored by the Women Historians of Greater Cleveland and the History Department of Case Western Reserve University. Various aspects of the theme will be examined, including changes in the status and styles of working women and interrelationships with social structures and institutions.

February 28-March 1: The Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies Conference on "The Classical Tradition in the Middle Ages; Imitation and Adaptation" will be held at Ohio State.

April 25-26: Spring Meeting of the Ohio Academy of History. Fawcett Center of Tomorrow on the Ohio State campus will be the site of the meeting.

May 2-3: Sixth Annual Meeting of the Association of Ancient Historians in the Fawcett Center, OSU. Sessions on Greek, Roman, and Near Eastern (Late Roman/Sassanian History, and Greek Archaeology. Additional information from Prof. J.M. Balcer, Dept. of History, OSU.

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