

# **Ohio Academy of History**

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# Message To The Academy

To acknowledge the service of Arthur R. Steele as long-time Secretary-Treasurer of this Academy is to footnote the obvious. But the obvious is often the most obscure, so let me say simply for the Academy: "Thanks, Art, for dignified leadership and proper counsel." His replacement, William D. Aeschbacher, offers us experience, enthusiasm for history, and dedication to promoting the Ohio Academy of History. Let me note a special vote of appreciation to all the officers and the committees of this Academy for 1978-1979. Too numerous to name personally, they made the year a full and complete experience in history.

History, the muse of all reality. We cudget in her vineyards, for our salvation.
History's truths are always part of our eternity.
Yet we see them in our notebooks but dimly.

Robert Hartje

Robert Hartje President Ohio Academy of History

There is great new excitement in history in these complex days. This could be the topic sentence of any season of acknowledgement of the importance of our discipline, axiomatic to those in the classroom. Still, there is a new excitement among us as though we were just discovering ourselves and where we've been. Students again sign up for our courses. Leaders of nations turn our way for counsel. Government agencies, legislators, boards of directors, and foundations offer us resources for research, study and fresh interpretation. We revel in the prospects for greater recognition. Then we glance straight into our new opportunities, and the horizons become cloudy in the face of reality. We still work in the shadows of the Watergate tapes, Roots, the John Jakes' novels, Bicentennial minutes, television "history", Eric Erickson and Fawn Brodie, and Time On the Cross. All have stimulated new interest in history. All have raised new questions, resurrected lingering old doubts.

Also caught in this swirl of change are our continuing thrusts toward better understanding of the "unsung" in our past: women, ethnic groups, the blacks, and those previously inconspicuous as individuals in the recordings of yesteryears. Then we must also interpret the energy crises, the falls of presidents and kings, the losses of personal identity, gross materialism, and the impact of the computer-all from our recovery of the past. To assist us we now turn to old colleagues for new tools: psychologists, scientists. doctors, anthropologists, artists, and poets, just to name a few. Very substantial, are new allies: the improving museums, the extended libraries, the fine archives, and the historical sites with their new visibility across this land. But the eighteen minute gap in the Watergate tape keeps us awake at nights, reminding us of the fragility of our efforts and of our materials.

All these factors and projections affect us personally as historians, affect our teaching, our research, our interpretations. So some of us enter into the life of the Academy, in part to participate with a special community of scholars who are attempting to unravel some of these tangles. Perhaps, in this association, historians, as did Theodore H. White in In Search of History, become "we" instead of the "I" that so often limits our vision. Hopefully, the association with the Academy extends our understanding, freeing us from the indictments Richard Rovere made of White and Sir Isaiah Berlin made of Tolstoy, that these two famous chroniclers of war "knew what took place in wars but not why wars took place..."

So, in Ohio, we attempt to move with the tides, but not against the truths of the past, and often we historians move together. Achievements within the Academy indicate the caliber of our members. Books appear from the important presses authored by our members including an important new Encyclopedia of Southern History. Recognition comes to teaching excellence, leadership roles in other academies, administrative skills, our interdisciplinary pursuits. We concern ourselves with others seeking understanding: American Studies, Popular Culture, Medieval Studies, Far Eastern Institutes, to name a few. Our programs of recent years have shown our struggle for new interpretations and our use of new materials.

With all our achievements, there is much to do. We still need more women in the teaching ranks of history. Black historians form a still too small minority. Our membership numbers are too small. Attendance at our final programs lags. We do not receive enough material for our informative Newsletter. Our agenda speaks too often to mere paper presentations and too little with the large issues of our state in which we also have a stake. We share too little of our concerns with the high schools, the history buffs, and others whose interests parallel our own.

For agenda in the coming year the executive committee has offered the following as possibilities: set up teaching awards for college and high school teaching. We might even consider a separate award for the two year college. We want to make a more intensive effort to bring into the Academy our colleagues from the high schools and even from elementary education and other disciplines as well as from the professions. We want to continue our progress in achieving understanding between the historical societies and the college world. I personally will attend all the Board of Directors meetings of the Ohio Historical Society during my year of ex-officio membership. We are especially interested in their recent loss of their director, one of our own members, and the search for his replacement. We hope to make our presence as a society of greater visibility to college presidents and foundations leaders.

Our first annual meeting is early this year, the first weekend in October, at Kent State University. You will be hearing more of it from our members and our hosts. Mark your calendars well to be there. Ours is a profession of fun, one which we love, one which is of sharing—materials and ideas. Join us in the fellowship phase of our endeavors and meet at least one new historian from Ohio.

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, APRIL 20, 1979

Fawcett Center, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

The Council met at 9:15 p.m. with all members present except former president G. Wallace Chessman. Also present was William D. Aeschbacher (Cincinnati), the selection of the Nominations Committee for next year's Secretary-Treasurer.

President Dwight L. Smith announced that he had asked Harris L. Dante (Kent State), chairman of the

Standards Committee, to make his report to the Executive Council because its length precluded convenient presentation at the membership business meeting.

Prof. Dante first cited a report he had made to the National Coordinating Committee for the Promotion of History showing that three years ago 900,000 students in Ohio schools were taking Social Studies, and of these about half (467,920) were taking History courses. He found History enrollments holding up on the secondary level because of state requirements. Contrary to the frequently-expressed opinion, Prof. Dante found that Economics, Sociology, and Psychology do not have very high enrollments (Psychology, 29,100; Economics, 19,000). He found 50 different History courses listed in tabulations over the state.

Prof. Dante next commented upon the results of a questionnaire he had sent to chairmen of History departments of Ohio colleges and universities regarding the size of History enrollments in relation to total enrollment at the institutions. Three chairmen noted an increase in History enrollment over five years ago and four were holding even; in the remainder History enrollment declined. For more details see the tabulation in an adjoining column of the Newsletter.

Comments after the presentation focused on the decline in History requirements for students in Engineering, Business, and other colleges as contributing significantly to the overall decline in History enrollments. Ronald Pollitt suggested the possibility of department heads meeting and then attempting to sell the various professional college deans on the desirability of changing requirements. On another front, Robert Hartje pointed out that we do not necessarily want more History majors but rather more students to be exposed to the historical perspective. We should try to influence curriculum change in this direction.

President Smith next reported, in the absence of Prof. Lois Scharf (John Carroll), that the Committee on the Status of Women in the Historical Profession, which she chairs, is now not certain whether it wishes to advocate publication of a roster of women available for teaching positions. A further question of the relationship of Prof. Scharf's committee to the Sub-Committee on Employment Opportunities chaired by Prof. Dorothy Behen (Youngstown State) would seem to require the airing of these questions at a meeting with the Executive Council. President Smith reported Prof. Scharf's willingness to meet with the Council at its October session at Kent State University.

The Council approved postponement of the beginning of Prof. Chessman's 5-year term as Historian of the Ohio Academy of History until he returns to the United States in late summer. In other business, the Council accepted the invitation to meet at Hiram College in October 1980. The perpetual problem of format for a roster compatible with the Academy's budget was raised again and Prof. Aeschbacher,

nominee for the Secretary-Treasureship, expressed awareness of the need to explore alternate avenues.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur R. Steele, Secretary-Treasurer treasury, the largest sum ever reached at the annual sale.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur R. Steele, Secretary-Treasurer

## CORRECTION TO MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR OCTOBER 1978

Co-Chairman of the Membership Committee was incorrectly listed as James Hodges. The correct identification is James Banks (Cuyahoga Community College - West).

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING, FAWCETT CENTER, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, APRIL 21, 1979

Perhaps transported into a state of good feeling by the entertaining and inspirational luncheon address of Vice-President Robert Hartje on the merits of local historical museums, the membership shunned all controversy as it listened to various committee reports, elected new officers, and recognized the winners of the annual awards.

Elected to office without opposition were Robert Hartje (Wittenberg), president; Ronald L. Pollitt (Cincinnati), Vice-President; and William D. Aeschbacher (Cincinnati), Secretary-Treasurer. For a seat on the Executive Council, James A. Hodges (Wooster) defeated James L. Burke (Capital) to fill out the balance of Prof. Pollitt's term to 1981. For the full three-year term, replacing Harry Lupold (Lakeland), the membership elected R. Vladimir Steffel (Ohio State-Marion) over James Banks (Cuyahoga Community College-West).

The Distinguished Service Award was presented to Robert L. Jones, professor emeritus of Marietta College. The Publication Award Committee unanimously agreed to recognize Garfield, a Biography by Allan Peskin of Cleveland State, as the outstanding publication of the past year by a member of the Academy.

Appropriately, Michael Starr of Hiram announced the celebration honoring the centenary of Garfield's election to the presidency, which will be held at Hiram College in 1980, and invited the membership to participate at its fall meeting in that year. Meanwhile, it was announced that the fall meeting of 1979 will be held at Kent State University, October 5-6.

The retiring Secretary-Treasurer rounded out his final year of service with the appropriate round sum of \$1800.00 on hand in the treasury, plus the equally round sum of \$300.00 owing from the Ohio Historical Society for joint memberships. At adjournment members desiring to purchase books on exhibition at half price moved rapidly into the salesroom, and within a few moments added about \$500.00 to the

### OHIO ACADEMY OF HISTORY COMMITTEES, 1979-80

This year special committee announcements will come to you in a letter announcing the details of the OAH fall meeting. The reason for this is that the committee chairmen have been particularly heavily involved in the appointing of their committees and this has taken a little longer. Here is a list of the executive committees and the committee chairmen:

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Exofficio - Robert Hartje (Wittenberg), President; Ronald Pollitt (Cincinnati), Vice President;

William Aeschbacher (Cincinnati), Secretary-Treasurer;

Dwight L. Smith (Miami), Immediate Past President;

Elected - Barbara E. Clements (Akron), 1977-80 James Hodges (Wooster), 1978-81

R. Vladimir Steffel (OSU-Marion), 1979-81

Program - Richard Ortquist (Wittenberg), Chairman Nominating - Richard Crofts (Toledo), Chairman

Publication Award - Alan Peskin (Cleveland State), Chairman

Distinguished Service Award - George Lobdell (Ohio University), Chairman

Status of Women - To be named at the October (1979) meeting.

Membership - Michael Devine (Greater Cincinnati Consortium), Chairman

**Standards** 

1980 - Richard W. Smith (Ohio Wesleyan)

David C. Twining (Western Reserve Historical Society)

1981 - Harris L. Dante (Kent State) Chairman

David Van Tassel (Case Western Reserve)

1982 - Charles Alexander (Ohio University)

**Local Arrangements Chairmen** 

Fall Meeting - Henry Whitney (Kent State)

Spring Meeting - Dennis East and James Richards (Ohio Historical Society)

Newsletter Editor - Stuart R. Givens (Bowling Green)
Roster Editor(s) - William Aeschbacher (Cincinnati)

Arthur R. Steele (Toledo)

Historian - G. Wallace Chessman (Denison)

### FALL MEETING OCTOBER 5 & 6

Ohio Academy Kent State University

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# AROUND AND ABOUT THE PROFESSION

### THE STATE OF THE PROFESSION

As reported in the Executive Council Minutes appearing in this Newsletter, Harris L. Dante, Chair of the Standards Committee, reported on the results of a questionnaire sent to the History departments of Ohio colleges and universities. The report is a part of the continuing efforts of the Academy to cooperate nationally in the promotion of History. The results of the questionnaire, which appear below, tend to document the general assumptions that have been held.

### HISTORY ENROLLMENTS IN OHIO COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES 1973-74 AND 1978-79

### TOTAL ENROLLMENTS BY SIZE OF SCHOOL

Size of School	1973-74	1978-79	Percent Change
0-999	4,983	5,353	+ 7.43
(7 reporting)	21,725*	19,154*	11.02
1,000-4,999 (14 reporting)	21,/25	19,154 ^	- 11.83
5,000-14,999	44,762	50,018	+ 11.74
(5 reporting)			
15,000 and over	176,660	189,627	+ 7.34
(8 reporting)			

### HISTORY COURSE ENROLLMENTS BY SIZE OF SCHOOL

Size of School	1973-74	1978-79	Percent Change
0-999	896	690	- 22.99
(7 reporting)			
1,000-4,999	5,339 *	4,091*	- 23.38
(14 reporting)			
5,000-14,999	7,392	6,020	- 18.56
(5 reporting)			
15,000 and over	19,516	13,930	- 28.62
(8 reporting)			

### HISTORY ENROLLMENT COMPARED WITH TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY SIZE OF SCHOOL

Size of School	Percent Change   Fotal Enrollment	-	Difference
0-999	+7.43	- 22.99	- 30.42
(7 reporting) 1,000-4,999 (14 reporting)	- 11.83 <b>*</b>	- 23.38 *	- 11.55
5,000-14,999	+ 11.74	- 18.56	- 30.30
(5 reporting) 15,000 and over (8 reporting)	+ 7.34	- 28.62	- 35.96

11 of 14 reporting-Data Incomplete for 3 Institutions

### TOTAL ENROLLMENTS BY TYPE OF SCHOOL

Type of School	1973-74	1978-79	Percent Change
Comm. Colleges	25,991	28,468	+ 9.53
(4 reporting)			
Private Colleges	46,504	48,682	+ 4.68
and Universities			
(21 reporting)			
Public			
University	201,626	218,120	+ 8.18
(10 reporting)			

### TOTAL FACULTY \*STUDENT RATIOS BY SIZE OF SCHOOL

Size of School	1973-74	1978-79	Percent Change
0-999	1/30	1/20	- 33.33
1,000-4,999	1/64	1/60	6.25
5,000-14,999	1/88	1/68	- 9.33
15,000 and over	1 88	1/68	- 22.72

Includes full-time and part-time faculty 5 of 7 reporting 12 of 14 reporting

### HISTORY COURSE ENROLLMENTS BY TYPE OF SCHOOL

Type of School	1973-74	1978-79	Percent Change
Community Colleges	2,486	2,262	- 9.01
(4 reporting) Private Colleges and Universities	10,667	8,337	- 21.84
(21 reporting)			
Universities (10 reporting)	23,816	17,256	- 27.54

### HISTORY COURSE ENROLLMENTS COMPARED WITH TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY TYPE OF SCHOOL

	Percent Change	Percent Change	
Type of School	Total Enrollment	Hist.Enrollment	Difference
Community			
Colleges	+ 9.53	- 9.01	- 18.54
(5 reporting)			
Private Colleges	+ 4.68	- 21.84	- 26.52
and Universities			
(21 reporting)			
Public	•		
Universities	+ 8.18	- 27.54	- 35.72
(10 reporting)			

### SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The fiftieth annual Ohioana observance and luncheon will be held at the Fawcett Center for Tomorrow, Ohio State University, on Saturday November 3rd. Among the awards to be given are several for books of historical interest.

Garfield (biography) by Allen Peskin. (This years OAH Publications Award winner.)

The Plains Across (history) by John D. Unruh, Jr. (posthumous award)

The Brasspounder (Ohio scene) by D.G. Sanders Zoar Blue (juvenile historical novel) by Janet Hickman

# SPRING MEETING Ohio Academy

April 4-5 Fawcett Center For Tommorrow Columbus

### ACTIVITIES OF SOCIETIES AND CENTERS

Several societies and centers within the state have been active in the ongoing business of promoting history. Among those activities, the following may be of interest.

### C.A.C.

During the first half of 1979, the Center for Archival Collections, Bowling Green State University, added two new staff members. Debra Biggs joined the Center as local records specialist and Marilyn Levinson assumed the position of cataloger. During the period, two grants were announced. Under the terms of a \$9,000 grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, a two-part survey of the historic resources of the state's Lake Erie shoreline is under way. Staff members currently are inventorying all historic sites and structures on Lake Erie's Bass Islands to pinpoint candidates for the state and national registers, with a final report due in September. The other phase of the project involves the development of a preliminary list of shipwrecks in the part of Lake Erie within Ohio boundaries. A report incorporating both the list and related historical data will be produced. The Center also will take part in a cooperative microfilming project sponsored by the Ohio Historical Society and the Genealogical Society of Utah. The project, with an estimated term of three years, will involve extensive microfilming of local government records throughout the state of Ohio.

Center acquisitions included the papers of Edward Lamb, noted Toledo industrialist and attorney; many of the records reflect his involvement in cases involving organized labor from the 1930s through the 1950s. The records of the city of Galion, Ohio (1869-1954) also were obtained. The papers of the University president's office (1914-1972), an estimated 35 linear feet, were processed, as was the Wilson Marine Transit Company Collection (ca. 1890-1970), 69 linear feet. June 30 also marked the end of the second year of the Ohio Labor History Project, during which the Center for Archival Collections has acquisitioned and processed the records of twenty labor unions.

### G.C.C.C.U.

Michael J. Devine, long associated with the Academy, has been named the Executive Director of the Greater Cincinnati Consortium of Colleges and Universities.

The Consortium, organized in 1973, consists of twelve public and private institutions of higher learning in the Greater Cincinnati area. It serves the needs of its members and the larger community in which it operates through encouraging cooperation and seeking funding from many sources.

The Executive Director reports to a governing board comprised of the presidents of the member

institutions. The address for Mike Devine is G.C.C.C.U., Walker Hall, 1500 Dana Avenue, Cincinnati 45207.

### W.R.H.S

The History Library of the Western Reserve Historical Society has completed work on the processing and description of the records of the Cleveland, Ohio, Federation for Community Planning (formerly the Welfare Federation) under the terms of a grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

The CFCP records amount to 64 linear feet and date from 1913 to 1974. They are now open to researchers, and a register of 72 pages and appendices also is available.

The recently-processed collection not only documents the workings of an urban welfare system, particularly in the 1930s, but also covers a wide spectrum of specific social concerns. It is especially useful in detailing the resettlement of Japanese-Americans in Cleveland after World War Two, the problems of vagrancy and shanty towns during the Depression, and a growing concern for the elderly since the 1930s.

The Society also was a co-host during the summer of the American Association of Museums. The attendance broke a record with over 1700 delegates in attendance.

### History and Architecture

Professor John Strassburger directed a pilot program at Hiram College – funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities – which linked together the curriculum of architecture and history. In collaboration with Michael Starr of History and David Anderson of English he organized three courses which spanned the history of American culture. Under terms of the grant, the three selected for the Hiram Library more than \$5,000 worth of books in architectural history. Additionally, the History Department has developed a slide collection of over 1,000 slides. The program proved to be popular with both the Hiram student body and the NEH evaluator.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

The following articles and books have been published since the Spring Newsletter.
University of Akron

Four books have been published so far this year by faculty at Akron. They are: GUY S. ALITTO, The Last Confucian: Liag Shu-ming and the Chinese Dilemma of Modernity (California UP); JUNE K. BURTON. Napoleon and Clio: Historical Thinking, Teaching and Writing during the First Empire (Carolina Academic Press); BARBARA EVANS CLEMENTS, Bolshevik Feminist: The Life of Aleksandra Kollontai (Indiana UP); and H. ROGER GRANT Insurance Reform:

Consumer Action in the Progressive Era (Iowa State UP).

### **University of Dayton**

Twayne Publishers have recently printed in its United States Authors Series Lincoln Steffens written by PATRICK PALERMO. Two articles and a monograph by TONY RHEE have been published by the Center for Southeast Asian and Far Eastern Studies. An article about Margaret MacDonald by ALICE VINES has appeared recently in the Victorian Institute Journal. FRANK MATHIAS has had two reprints appear: "Teaching Mountain Children" (Appalachian Consortium Press) and "Kentucky: Its History and Heritage" (Forum Press).

### **Lakeland Community College**

HARRY F. LUPOLD has had two articles published this summer. They are "Ohio's Forgotten Historian" (The Ohioana Quarterly) and "The Pioneer Printer: Eber D. Howe and the Painesville Telegraph" (Western Reserve Magazine).

### **Muskingum College**

Three faculty members have had books published this year. They are: JOE L. DUBBERT, A Man's Place: Masculinity in Transition (Prentice Hall), WILLIAM L. FISK, A History of Muskingum College, and RONALD A. MULDER, The Insurgent Progressives in the U.S. Senate and the New Deal (Garland Publishing Co.).

### **Ohio State University**

Two recent works appearing from the Ohio State faculty are: MARC LEE RAPHAEL, ed., Understanding American Jewish Philanthropy (Ktav), and JOHN C. RULE (with Linda and Marsha Frey), ed., William Harrison Letters (Ohio State UP).

### **University of Toledo**

ROBERT FREEMAN SMITH was inadvertently omitted from the listing in the Spring Newsletter as a contributor to the Encyclopedia of American Foreign Policy. He contributed the essay on "Reciprocity" to the Encyclopedia.

### **Voices of History**

Three Ohio diplomatic historians have contributed to a cassette series published by Michael Glazier, Inc. entitled Voices of History. LAWRENCE S. KAPLAN of Kent State has a presentation on "Jefferson Foreign Policy," WARREN F. KUEHL of Akron on "The United States and International Organization," and ROBERT FREEMAN SMITH of Toledo on "The United States and the Castro Revolution."

### **Western Reserve Historical Society**

Merging Traditions: Jewish Life in Cleveland by SIDNEY VINCENT and JUDAH RUBINSTEIN has

been jointly published by the WRHS and the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland.

### Wright State University

TSING YUAN has an article on urban disturbances in 16th and 17th century China in the recently published From Ming to Ch'ing (Yale UP).

# AWARDS, GRANTS, LEAVES, HONORS, AND OFFICES

### **University of Akron**

GUY S. ALITTO has been granted a one-year leave, commencing in December, in order to join the faculty of Harvard University as an Associate Professor of History.

### **Bowling Green State University**

An NEH Grant for 1979-80 will aid LAWRENCE FRIEDMAN to complete his study of American abolitionists. STUART R. GIVENS received a grant from the Government of Quebec which enabled him to attend the Quebec 1979 Seminar in Quebec City. A recipient of an Eleanor Roosevelt Institute Grant, GARY HESS is continuing research at the Roosevelt Library on American policy in Southeast Asia. FUJIYA KAWASHIMA, as a result of a Social Science Research Council Grant, spent the summer doing research on Korean social history at Harvard University.

LAWRENCE FRIEDMAN will be on leave during the current academic year. On leave Spring Quarter 1980, EDWARD CHEN will be Visiting Professor, Graduate School for Policy Study, National Sitama University, Japan.

### University of Cincinnati

HARRIETTE FLORY of the Raymond Walters College will be on a "work-study assignment" to investigate materials for a developmental course in history. The course is designed to be a part of the college's new developmental program.

### **Cleveland State University**

Using a Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Grant, LEE A. MAKELA will be doing research in Japan during the Fall Quarter.

TIMOTHY RUNYAN will be on leave during the coming academic year in order to co-author a book on Medieval naval history. MELVIN DRIMMER will be on leave Winter and Spring Quarters to complete a book on Friedrich Nietzsche as will JULIUS WEINBERG who is working on a book on American Jewry since 1945.

### **University of Dayton**

LEROY EID spent the summer in Chicago on a NEH Summer Seminar at the Newburry Library. U of D Research Council Summer Grants were awarded to

### FRANK MATHIAS and ALICE VINES.

PATRICK PALERMO was chosen as a co-winner of the Alumni Award of Professor of the Year for 1978-79. He was also appointed Director of the U of D Honors Program.

TONY RHEE is on leave during the Fall of 1979.

### **Edgecliff College**

ENAYETUR RAHIM has been invited by the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars of the Smithsonian Institution to prepare a scholarly guide on the South Asian resource materials in the Washington area for publication by the Smithsonian Press.

### Hiram College

Continuing his leave for another year, KIMON GIOCARINIS will serve again as Director of Studies for the Hiram College-Year-in-Athens program.

### **Kent State**

An American Council of Learned Societies and a Social Science Research Council Grant will enable YEH-CHIEN WANG to spend the academic year doing research in Taiwan.

### **Miami University**

MICHAEL J. HOGAN has received a Tom L. Evans Research Grant from the Truman Library to aid his study entitled "The Marshall Plan and the Making of Foreign Policy from 1947-1952."

On leave during the Second Semester of 1979-80 will be MICHAEL J. HOGAN and W. SHERMAN JACKSON.

### **Oberlin College**

CLAYTON KOPPES is the recipient of a McCandless Curriculum Development Grant from the College. He will be on released time during the coming year. On leave during the Second Semester will be BARRY McGILL.

### **Ohio State University**

A variety of research grants have been received by the department faculty. They include: MANSEL G. BLACKFORD on a Fulbright-Hays Lectureship in Japan; HAO CHANG with a ACLS Award; HARRY L. COLES - Faculty Professional Leave, 1979-80; CARTER V. FINDLEY with a ACLS-SSRC Award; TIMOTHY E. GREGORY, a Samuel H. Kress Professorship of Hellenic Studies in Athens; K. AUSTIN KERR-Faculty Professional Leave, 1979-80; JAMES M. KITTELSON on a NEH Fellowship for Independent Study and Research; and LEILA J. RUPP a Radcliffe Research Scholar.

### Ohio Wesleyan University

On leave Fall Term will be RICHARD SMITH. ROBERT KRAGALOTT will be gone during the

Spring Term, 1980.

### **Wright State University**

TSING YUAN is the recipient of a grant from the American Philosophical Society.

# APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, AND RESIGNATIONS

### **Bowling Green State University**

DON ROWNEY and JACK THOMAS have been promoted to the rank of Professor.

Two individuals have recently received appointments to new positions. GARY HESS has been named the new Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations. MICHAEL MOORE has accepted the position of Acting Assistant Dean of the Firelands Campus.

### **University of Cincinnati**

HARRIETTE FLORY of Raymond Walters College has been promoted to Associate Professor.

IRVINE ANDERSON, also of Raymond Walters, has resigned to accept a position with General Electric Company. NANCY FOGELSON has been named Visiting Instructor to replace him.

### **Edgecliff College**

Newly promoted to the rank of Associate Professor is SISTER BEVERLY McGUIRE, R.S.M.

Two new part-time faculty have been appointed. They are THOMAS BACKER and JOHN PUTKA, S.M.

### **Kent State University**

YEH-CHIEN WANG has been named Professor and GLEE E. WILSON Associate Professor.

### **Lakeland Community College**

Beginning with Fall classes JOHN C. KESLER will hold the rank of Professor.

### **Miami University**

Two members of the department have been raised to the rank of Associate Professor. They are ROBERT GELWICK and BRUCE W. MENNING.

### **Muskingum College**

A number of leadership roles are being held by members of the History faculty at Muskingum. DAVID R. STURDEVANT has been re-elected Executive Secretary of the Faculty. TAYLOR STULTS has been appointed Coordinator of the Social Science Division. Replacing him as Department Chairman is LORLE ANN PORTER. RONALD A. MULDER is sharing time between the department and his position as Director of Planning-Foundation Resources.

### **Oberlin College**

STEVEN MINTZ has been reappointed as Assistant Professor. He is replacing DAVID C. RANKIN who has resigned. For the First Semester MAURICE ISSERMAN has been engaged to teach.

### The Ohio Historical Society

The Society has announced the resignation for "personal reasons" of the Director, THOMAS H. SMITH.

### **Ohio State University**

Starting with the Fall Quarter both STEPHEN F. DALE and CARTER V. FINDLEY will hold the rank of Associate Professor.

Newly appointed faculty are JULIA C. BONHAM in the History of Technology and PERRY M. ROGERS in Roman History.

### **Ohio Wesleyan University**

PAUL RICHARD BOHR from U.C.-Davis is joining the History Department as Assistant Professor of East Asian Studies.

JANET RAGATZ has resigned in order to establish her own educational program consulting firm in Boston.

### **Owens Technical College**

DAVID L. MILLER has assumed full time teaching and has been promoted to the rank of Professor.

### **University of Toledo**

Four members of the history faculty have been promoted to the rank of Professor. They are LORIN LEE CARY, RICHARD A. CROFTS, M.L. MICHAEL KAY, and ROGER D. RAY.

### RETIREMENT

After serving for fifteen years on both the main and the Firelands campuses of Bowling Green State University, THOMAS G. DE COLA has retired. He will be well remembered for his humane temperament and his humor by all who knew him.

### **DEATHS**

### University of Akron

THEODORE T. DUKE, Head of the Department of Classics at the University of Akron, died July 16th. An Akron native, he received his B.A. from the University in 1939 and his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins in 1946. That same year he accepted the position of Instructor at his alma mater where he remained to the time of his death. He was Head of the Department of Classics from 1948 on. Duke was well known for his classroom

teaching. The University recognized this in 1977 when he was made a co-recipient of the school's "Outstanding Teacher Award."

### **University of Cincinnati**

Two long time members of the History faculty at Cincinnati died during the past few months. They were both highly esteemed by their colleagues at the University.

JOSEPH E. HOLLIDAY was an Emeritus Professor and Dean at the time of his death. He received his B.A. degree from DePauw in 1926 and his M.A. from Cincinnati in 1929. In 1930 he became an Instructor at the University and rose to the rank of Professor in 1957. From 1936 to 1959 Holliday served as Director of Admissions, and from 1963 to 1971 as Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences. During his career he published articles in the Indiana Magazine of History and the Ohio Historical Journal. He retired in 1971.

VSEVOLD SLESSAREV did his undergraduate work in Europe. In 1952 he received his M.A. from Cincinnati and in 1960 his Ph.D. from Wisconsin. He joined the faculty at Cincinnati in 1961 and rose to Professor in 1970. He was an active research scholar and writer in the field of Medieval and Renaissance history. He retired for reasons of health from the University in 1976.

### **CALL FOR PAPERS AND PANELS**

Richard Ortquist, OAH Program Chairman for 1979-80, has issued a call for paper and panel suggestions for the April meeting. His committee will consider proposals for individual presentations or for entire sessions. Hopefully, this year the Academy can have a session on American Studies, one or two joint sessions with the Archivists of Ohio, and possibly one by former Presidents of the Academy on what OAH means to the state and to the profession.

Send your proposals by November 15, 1979 to Richard Ortquist, Department of History, Wittenberg University, Springfield, Ohio, 45501 or call him at 327-6135. Each submission should include: (1) the name(s) and institutional affiliation of participants, (2) the exact title(s) of the paper(s), workshop, etc., and (3) an abstract of each paper. This abstract should be a single page, presenting a short summary of what is planned, a brief outline of the way the topic is to be developed, and some basic conclusions. Also indicate the need for visual aids.

Those interested in appearing on the April 25th program and need more information, contact Ortquist, who will in turn forward your suggestion to other members of his committee. Programs of past years have been strong ones, and we hope to continue in this tradition in programs that tap the best of the state's historical research.

### **CLIO'S CORNER**

### Collegians Look at the Past

Once more let us look at the pearls that come forth from the knowledge with which are students are imbued.

-Tchaichovsky's attempted suicide could have cost him his life.

-As a result of the depression, business came to a vertical standstill.

-Martin Luther was an obscure Augustinian monk. He was against the sale of indulgences. Tacked his 95 thesis on the walls of the Tetzel Castle in Whittenberg.

-Ghent was the capital of Spain for a while. It was then moved to Flanders.

-England was the first country to see the Industrious Resolution.

-Nationalism was a big bug-a-bow with Wilson.

-Lincoln followed the Whig creed of strongly asserting his war powers and in weekly deferring to Congress.

--According to one student, an important monument of Virginia history is the "Statue of Religious Freedom."

--A lesson in logic?-Marx was a German by origin and thus we can see why his writings got to Russia.

-The first third of the 19th century was covered by the student who wrote that the Specie Circular was the amount of money in gold or silver distributed under Hamilton during the Jefferson Administration.

--While Jimmy asked for resignations, he did not go as far as "to get rid of oppositionists to the government by purge trials and assination.

### **CALENDAR**

Sept. 26: Formal opening date for the new, permanent installation at the WRHS History Museum entitled "People at the Crossroad."

Oct. 5-6: Fall meeting of the Ohio Academy of History at Kent State University Student Center. 5:30 p.m. cocktails; 7:00 p.m. dinner at \$9.50.

Oct. 12-13: 48th annual meeting of Penn. Hist. Assoc. at Calif. State Coll., Penn. Contact: John K. Folmar, Dept. of Hist., Calif. State Coll., Penn.

Oct. 17-19: 13th annual Duquesne History Forum. Pittsburgh, Penn.

Oct. 18-20: 1979 meeting of the Popular Culture Assoc. in Louisville, Kent.

Oct. 25-28: The annual Oral History Assoc. meeting at East Lansing, Mich.

Oct. 27: Midwest Conf. on British Studies at Chicago Circle Campus of Illinois Univ.

Nov. 3: 50th annual Ohioana Day Observance and luncheon. Fawcett Center, OSU. Contact: Library Assoc., 1105 Ohio Depts. Bldg.,

Columbus, 43215.
Nov. 2-4: 4th annual Western Reserve Antiques
Show. Proceeds to finance bringing inner city
youngsters to visit the WRHS Museums.

Nov. 2-3: 28th annual meeting of Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs at OSU. Contact: Bradley M. Richardson, Center for Internatl. Studies, OSU, Columbus, 43210.

Nov. 10: Cincinnati Historical Society Symposium on the History of the Ohio Valley, 1780 to present. Contact: Gale Peterson, Director, Cincin. Hist. Soc., Eden Park, Cincinnati, 45202.

# SPRING MEETING Ohio Academy April 4-5 Fawcett Center For Tomorrow Columbus

### ENTREATY FOR NEW MEMBERS

This year the Academy is making a new plea to the historians of the state and all other interested in history to join with us in supporting this organization. It is of special interest this year to encourage high school history teachers to join and participate in our programs. The President of the Academy and the chairman of the Membership Committee ask each of you to contact the local history teachers in your area

and offer them the opportunity of joining OAH. Have them write to Dr. Mike Devine, Cincinnati Corsortium, Xavier College, Cincinnati, 45207.

Membership possibilities are many in Ohio. Do talk to your colleagues about OAH, its small membership fee, and our need for their involvement. This is one of the strong state historical associations, but it needs to spread into more of our institutions and to others (lawyers, doctors, engineers, scientists, and etc) who are interested in History.

# **ASK A COLLEAGUE TO JOIN**

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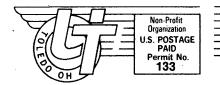
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