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## **PERSPECTIVES**

#### **DEPTH PERCEPTION**

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There is much to be said for insisting that all students be exposed to both the substance of history and the methodology of historians. The marketplace is not crying for more and more professional historians, but there is a pressing need for the kind of understanding which can be assisted by a careful study of the past. We historians must make a much better case for such study than we have done thus far.

The tendency of most persons is to see things as they now are, and to assume that reality can be comprehended by looking only at the present. The temptation is to simply take a picture of a particular point in time. Unfortunately, even though the photograph may be a good one, complete in all of its details, this is not enough. A photograph, as soon as it is taken and developed, is frozen, fixed, static, still. History has a totally different dimension. It is dynamic, moving, and always in the process of becoming. The photograph, therefore, is not history. It lacks the depth perception through time that is so important for understanding the present.

The comment of Goethe on this depth perception was, "He who does not know from whence he came forever remains a child." In more recent times it has been declared, "He who neither knows nor understands the past is destined to repeat it." History is no panacea for the ills of the present, but the careful student of the past will be less likely to insist on reinventing the wheel, or reexperiencing the violence of revolution.

History is not "presentist." Indeed it is in that very context that the historian has something to say about the present. He or she can see it in a totally different perspective. The student of history is less likely to yield to the siren call of the far right, or of the radical left, because that student has vicariously "walked these paths before." There is less temptation to be impatient and insist that everything must happen during one's own existence, as if the brief moment of lifetime were the complete range of significant history.

The historian not only develops the depth perception necessary for viewing the present in the context of its historical past, but also the consciousness that each moment of the past

has its own past behind it, pressing forward to define the everbecoming present moment. In this context one becomes more aware of and more tolerant of history's imperfections, and the heroes of the past become a little less heroic. One comes to understand, for example, that in the late seventeenth century there just had to be a Newton. Developments of the preceding century demanded it. This does not make Sir Isaac's invention of the calculus any less impressive, nor does it render the Principia any less revolutionary. However, one does begin to understand that no person is "born ahead of his time" with respect to the accomplishments of a lifetime. There are explanations from the past to explain the results of the present. Thus the Newtonian epitaph authored by Alexander Pope ("God said, 'Let Newton be,' and all was light") becomes a lit-tle less than accurate! A further significant insight derived from historical study is the ability to see the broad spectrum of human development as a single piece. It takes philosophy, art, music, science, religion, politics, economics, and all the rest to make the whole cloth. The fabric of the present is imperfect and incomplete if any of these parts is missing. The person who teaches must constantly be alert to this fact, and must sensitize students to the wholeness of history. The current tendency is to develop a narrow specialty and then to "specialize within the specialty." The desire seems almost to be to "teach a course in my own dissertation." No part of history develops in its own vacuum. The aforementioned work of Sir Isaac Newton influenced the religion, literature, art, politics, etc. of the entire period subsequent to his lifetime. The historian must always remind students that the division and sub-division of knowledge is departmentalized, with each discipline in its own housing. In a like manner the contents of a textbook are divided into chapters, each with its own label. In the textbook for western civilization you may encounter a chapter headed, "The Art, Literature, and Philosophy of the Eighteenth Century." That does not mean that each of these was an eighteenth century island unto itself. A part of the historian's assignment is to make certain everyone understands that these are divisions of convenience, not a description of the reality of

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past and present. One must always be aware of the oneness of the historical narrative.

The historian learns that no part of man's development can be eschewed. The fact that one had difficulty with calculus does not allow one to ignore the role of science, mathematics and technology. One must also understand that the human creature is in part a product of imagination and emotion, and must be sensitive to the development of literature, music, art, etc. The future chemist who moves through our classes in history must come to understand that it is unfair to assume that all significant wisdom is chemical. At the same time, all of the non-chemists must come to understand that much significant wisdom is chemical. The historian can bridge these gaps better than most professionals. No historian can know all that

one needs to know to comprehend the interaction of all these pieces of the past. But the good historian does know enough to ask sharp questions about this interaction, and to develop in himself/herself and students a depth perception which is centuries deep.

History, like any subject matter, can be pedestrian and dull. If approached with the above point of view it can be exciting, alive, and meaningful for both the professional and the amateur. We historians must be both exciting, lucid, and complete in what we convey. Otherwise we have no business insisting that students must come to us to walk through the past. If approached in the exciting way, both we and our students will discover that vicariously experiencing the past can have wonderfully serendipitous results for the present.

How is your depth preception?

## **Academy Business**

#### **PUBLICATION AWARD NOMINEES**

Eight books authored by Ohio historians that appeared in 1983 have been nominated for the OAH Publication Award. The winner of this year's competition will be announced at the Spring Meeting, but brief summaries of each of the entries are given below.

Beauregard, Erving E. (University of Dayton) Old Franklin: The Eternal Touch A History of Franklin College, New Athens, Harrison County, Ohio (University Press of America, 1983).

This book is a careful, well documented, and thorough study of Franklin College during the century of its existence from 1825 to 1927. It shows the extent to which Franklin College served as a Presbyterian oriented academic institution, in cluding appendices detailing the lives and professions of all 766 baccalaureates. Humorous anecdotes enliven this contribution to the history of education in the United States.

Berquest, Goodwin and Paul C. Bowers, Jr. (Ohio State) The New Eden: James Kilbourne and the Development of Ohio (University Press of America, 1983).

The authors of this work examine the early social, political, and economic life of Ohio through the life of James Kilbourne. His pervasive activity and influence as politician (at all levels), businessman, community builder, religious leader, land speculator, and advocate of transportation and communication systems, are analyzed in the context of the world in which he lived, and which he helped to shape. This study hopes to illuminate the particular character, ideals, and accomplishments of a significant actor on the stage of early Ohio, and contribute to an understanding of the larger mosaic of a remarkable era in America's past.

Boryczak, Raymond (Ohio Historical Soc.) and Lorin Lee Cary (Toledo) No Strength Without Union: An Illustrated History of Ohio Workers, 1803-1980 (Columbus: Ohio Historical Soc., 1982).

Sponsored by the Ohio Labor History Project, No Strength Without Union is a blend of photographic record, narrative history, and statistical analysis of skilled occupations in the State of Ohio. It is a history of the development of manufacturing, transportation, urban service industries, and mining in Ohio as well as a study of the organized labor movement. Further it surveys the relationship of city development and the growth of urban jobs. The book also analyzes the relationship of economic wealth and political power and traces Ohio's rise and decline from national dominance in both arenas. While Ohio workers led the nation's union movement, their shift away from manufacturing jobs reflected changes in the state's economy and the power of organized labor. The authors argue that the remnants of the union movement will, nevertheless, play an important role in redefining labor in a more highly technological workplace.

Dahlstrand, Frederick C. (Ohio State-Mansfield) Amos Bronson Alcott: An Intellectual Biography (Rutherford: Farleigh-Dickinson Press, 1982).

Bronson Alcott was a colorful and fascinating individual who had a rich and varied career as a philosopher, a teacher, a reformer, a theologian, a social scientist, a creator of utopian communities, a writer and traveling lecturer. This biography of Alcott examines the interaction between socio-economic conditions and personal characteristics which led to Alcott's development as an iconoclast and a reformer. Alcott's entire career is a unique and enlightening microcosm of nineteenth century American thought. He faced, in his unique fashion, all the fundamental questions, the contradictions and paradoxes, that make an exploration of nineteenth century American thought so intriguing. He confronted the still unsettled question of therelative power of the environment and innate characteristics in shaping human behavior. He took part in the

perplexing battles between freedom and authority, and between the celebration of mobility and the desire for stability that serve as fructifying tensions in American culture. The biography also contributes substantially to an understanding of the development of ideas and the role of those ideas in American history.

Jones, Robert L. (Marietta College) History of Agriculture in Ohio to 1880 (Kent: Kent State Univ. Press, 1983).

As one of the very few regional studies of nineteenth-century agriculture, HISTORY OF AGRICULTURE IN OHIO TO 1880 tells how the development of the Midwest as the breadbasket of the world began in Ohio. After introductory chapters set the geographic and historic stage, the bulk of the volume is devoted to an examination of each of the major, and many of the minor, agricultural industries. The authors describe how they were introduced, flourished, or declined, their methods of cultivation and marketing, and their places in the economy of the state. The cut-off date of 1880 marked "the closing phase of the pioneering era," after which technological advance and a growing role of government and cooperative organizations ushered in the modern age of farming.

Mitchell, Otis C. (Cincinnati) Hitler Over Germany: The Establishment of the Nazi Dictatorship (Institute for the Study of Human Issues, 1983).

In a concise and scholarly synthesis, Mitchell has analyzed the relationship between Hitler as leader and the German people as followers. Focusing on socio-economic, political, and cultural environment, he studies the German experience, using the year 1918 as the decisive turning point leading to the Third Reich. For the Germans only Hitler seemed to define their problems to their satisfaction. From this perspective the rise of Nazism through Hitler's leadership was the result of extreme discontinuity developing from such events as the lost war, the removal of the monarchy, inflation, and the Great Depression. After critically dissecting the scholarly literature, Mitchell asserts that the "Nazi Revolution" was not the culmination of the nation's history, but a novelty constructed on the unique foundations of post-1918 German Society.

Murray, Williamson (Ohio State) Strategy for Defeat: The Luftwaffe, 1933-1945 (Aerospace Studies Institute, 1983).

Strategy for Defeat, The Luftwaffe 1933-1945 places the history of the German Air Force within a wider perspective than just the battle between contesting air forces. By looking at production figures, strategic preconceptions, the military decision making process as well as the loss rates of aircraft and air crews, the author has placed the Luftwaffe not only within the context of the German military effort but has provided a clear indication for the role of airpower in Germany's final defeat. In particular by paying close attention to the relationship between production and losses on both sides of the aerial battle, Strategy for Defeat underlines the terrible contest of attrition that in fact determined the outcome of the war in the air. This latter point is particularly ironic because all of the pre-war theorists of airpower had argued that the aircraft would allow the nations to escape attrition warfare in a future conflict.

Skardon, Alvin W. (Youngstown State Univ.) Steel Valley University: The Origin of Youngstown State (Youngstown: Youngstown State Univ., 1983).

Steel Valley University examines the special problems of establishing higher education in an industrialized city. It describes the foundation and growth of Youngstown State University from a Progressive Era experiment in privately-funded urban education to the university's current status as a state-supported institution. The study describes the university's leadership, curriculum development, search for public support, and cultural impact on Youngstown. It analyzes the Youngstown State experience within the general history of urbanizatin in the United States.

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

October 14, 1983

The meeting was called to order by Phillip Shriver, President, at University Hall, Cleveland State University. Members present were Fisk, Givens, Hayden, Murdock, Rock, Shriver, Steffel, and Stults. Also present were Lynch, Program Committee, and Kaplan, Nominating Committee.

1. Minutes of April 1982 Meeting

Mr. Hayden moved, Mr. Stults seconded the motion, to accept the minutes of the April 1982 meeting of the Executive Council. Motion passed.

2. Format of Spring Meeting 1984

After thorough discussion, it was determined that the format developed for the spring meeting 1983 was appropriate for conferences at The Ohio Historical Center. Other issues raised included quantity versus quality of papers and distrubution of topics of papers to reflect new interests. The consensus was to let the focus of session topics evolve naturally rather than to force it.

3. Senior Professor Presentations at Spring Meetings

The Council discussed the concern that the number of papers presented by senior scholars have declined significantly, while graduate student presentations have increased. It seemed that senior faculty have become reluctant to present papers at this forum and prefer to serves as conveners of or commentators at sessions where their students make presentations. The vitality of the spring conference depends as much on mature scholars sharing their findings, observations, and conclusions as it does on junior faculty and graduate students. While no decision was reached, it was noted that the Program Committee might have to divide responsibilities among members for putting together particular sessions.

#### 4. Membership

The question of how to get more professional historians to join and participate was raised. The Secretary/Treasurer reported that his office was in the process of establishing a computer data base file which will include all professional historians in Ohio and will distinguish between members and non-members. This file will then be the basis for a membership drive.

#### 5. Executive Council Meeting

The Council decided that its next meeting would be on Friday evening, 13 April 1984. This would preclude any conflict with Saturday sessions.

#### 6. Terms of Office of Historian

The Council agreed that the current Historian's five-year term should run through 1984-85.

7. Constitution's Phrase for Candidate for Vice-President The current wording of Article IV, Section 2 with regard to the Vice President is sexist. An amendment recommending that the phrase "if he is available" to "if available" will be submitted to The Academy at the spring meeting.

#### 8. Publicity for Recipients of Awards

Mr. Givens suggested that The Academy should provide news releases on recipients of the outstanding teaching, distinguished service, and publication awards at the spring meeting. The appropriate committees would have to prepare the material well in advance. Messeurs Givens and Steffel will examine how the information should be disseminated.

#### 9. Membership Categories

The Council addressed the question of establishing categories which recognize members who contribute more than the annual dues. Messeurs Murdock and Stults will develop recommendations and report at the spring meeting.

#### 10. Reimbursement for Fall Meeting Publicity

Mr. Fisk moved that the bill to cover mailing of invitations to the fall meeting be accepted. Mr. Murdock seconded the motion. Motion passed.

#### 11. Nominations

Mr. Kaplan, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, welcomed suggestions.

#### 12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted, Vladimir Steffel Secretary/Tresurer

#### OHIO ACADEMY OF HISTORY TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1 - December 31, 1983

#### **Balance** on Hand

\$2758.30

Receipts		1737.00
Regular	1010.00	
Joint	723.00	
Student	4.00	
Annual Meeting		1571.50
Registration	540.00	
Meals	650.00	
Book Sale	281.50	
Miscellaneous	100.00	
Other		972.36
Interest	174.36	
Gift	6.00	
Sale Membership List	15.00	
Cleveland St (fall Mtg)	777.00	

#### **Total Receipts**

4280.86

## Total Receipts and Balance

\$7039.16

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#### Balance on Hand, December 31, 1983

\$2936.46

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Respectfully Submitted, Vladimir Steffel

# **ASK A COLLEAGUE TO JOIN**

#### **NOMINATIONS FOR** OHIO ACADEMY OF HISTORY

The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate for officers and directors to be elected at the April 14th Annual Meeting.

President:

Eugene Murdock (Marietta College)

Vice-President:

Harry Lupold (Lakeland Community

College

**Editor-Newsletter** 

Secretary-Treasurer: Vladimir Steffel (OSU-Marion) Stuart Givens (Bowling Green)

Council: 1987 Term Joyce Alig (Mercer County Hist. Soc.)

Marcella Barton (Rio Grande College) Donald Jordan (Ohio University) Stephen Millett (Batelle Institute)

#### ACADEMY FALL MEETINGS

For the general information of the Academy the Fall Meetings for the next four years are to be as follows: 1984 -Miami University; 1985 - Bowling Green State University; 1986 - University of Akron; and, 1987 - Heidelberg College.

President Shriver has announced that the 1984 Fall Meeting will take place on Friday afternoon and evening, October 26, and Saturday morning, October 27, in the beautiful new Marcum Conference Center on the Miami Campus. Academy members and their spouses are extended the warmest invitation to attend.

### **Around and About** The Profession

#### THE STATE OF THE PROFESSION

Hueston Woods XVII occurred this year in late February at Miami University. The meeting brings together the administrative leaders of the history departments of the various state assisted universities to discuss mutual concerns and to share information. From the conference the following update on the health of the profession has been garnered.

FACULTY. The salary figures for faculty in the state universities for 1983-84 range from Professor (132)\* - \$29,691 to \$58,500; Assoc. Professor (98) - \$21,932 - \$36,992; Asst. Professor (14) - \$19,560 - \$35,650; and, Instructor (2) - \$18,000 - \$28,700. \* Total number in rank.

## **FALL MEETING OCTOBER 26 - 27 MIAMI UNIVERSITY**

#### **FACULTY POSITIONS**

FACULTY POSITIONS	Akron	Bowling Green	Cincin- nati	Cleve- land	Kent State
1982-83					
Tenured	19	23	27	17	22
Probationary	0	0	0	0	0
Temporary	0	0	0	1	0
1983-84					
Tenured ·	19	22	26	17	21
Probationary	0	0	0	0	0
Temporary	0	0	- 4	1	0
Anticipated Changes 1982-83	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1

FACULTY POSITIONS	Miami	Ohio State	Ohio Univ.	Toledo	Wright State	Youngs- Town
1982-83						
Tenured.	24	26	23	19	12	16
Probationary	1	3	1	2	0	0
Temporary	0	7	0	0	0	0
1983-84						
Tenured	23	36	23	20	12	15
Probationary	1	2	2	0	0	0
Temporary	0	5	0	0	0	0
Anticipated Changes 1982-83	None	+ 2.5	None	None	None	?

GRADUATE PROGRAMS. This year over last has seen a considerable drop in Master's level students and, a hold even on doctoral. The M.A. saw 58 fewer students enrolled and the Ph.D. 5 fewer. Degrees awarded during the past two years were:

1. Total Ph.D. degrees awarded in 1982-83	28
Total Ph.D. degrees awarded in 1983-84 (est.)	35
2. Total M.A. degrees awarded in 1982-83	91
Total M.A. degrees awarded in 1983-84 (est.)	. 105

The placement picture for Ph.D. job candidates for 1982-83 was:

1.	ABD/Ph.D. seeking positions	16
	Placed	21
	Placed in teaching	14

GRADUATE STIPENDS. The 1983-84 stipends at the M.A. level range from \$24000 - \$4800 and at the Ph.D. level from \$3100 - \$6200. The range for Non-Service Awards was \$4000 - \$6000.

UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT PATTERNS AND MAJORS. As has been the case for the past several years the numbers of students taking history classes has remained relatively stable although at a much lower level than a decade

or so ago. The same is true of the number of majors. 1983-84 gives no indication of a change in either the number of majors or the number of students enrolling in history classes.

#### **MEETINGS OF INTEREST**

Ohio's first state-wide Conference on Oral History will take place at Kent State University on April 26 and 27. The meeting will feature presentations by Kimberly Lady (Kentucky Oral History Assoc.), Cullom Davis (President of National Oral History Assoc.). and Mildred Seltzer (Director of the Scripps Foundation Gerontology Center of Miami Univ.). A number of panel discussions and presentations will also be held. Full conference registration will be \$35.00 which includes two lunches and a dinner. For information contact Dennis East at the Ohio Historical Center, Columbus 43211 (614/466-1500).

The Department of History at the University of Toledo will host the regional meeting for the Ohio Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta on April 28. The conference will consist primarily of the presentation of student papers. Faculty and advisers are asked to encourage their graduate and undergraduate students to submit papers. Further details are available from Larry Wilcox, Phi Alpha Theta Adviser, U.T., Hist. Dept., Toledo, 43606.

History Day '84 will be held at the WRHS and Case Western Reserve University on May 12. The theme this year is "Family and Community in History." Competition begins in eleven districts thoughout the state with the winners in the various categories being eligible for the state contest.

#### **AWARDS**

The Historian, a scholarly journal published quarterly by Phi Alpha Theta since 1938, will be based starting in September at the University of Toledo, and will be under the editorship of Gerald Thompson, Associate Professor of History. Toledo will serve as the seventh host institution since the creation of the 10,000 quarterly circulation periodical.

The Alpha Kappa Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta at the University of Toledo was honored with a Special Commendation Award for 1982-83 in recognition of academic excellence and outstanding activity of the chapter.

#### SERVICES AVAILABLE

The world's largest collection of documentary materials about the Great Lakes has been incorporated into the newly-created Institute for Great Lakes Research at Bowling Green State University. The Institute, directed by Richard J. Wright, is a further extension of the collection and work that had previously been carried on within the Center for Archival Collections. The Institute will research, analyze, publish, and promote Great Lakes maritime history and continue to collect material relative to the lakes.

The Ohio Historical Society's Local History Office has established a lending library of over 300 books, booklets, tapes, and slide/tape programs on the preservation and interpretation of local history. The materials are available to all incorporated historical organizations in Ohio. The normal lending time for up to three items is three weeks with no charge for the service except that of return postage. A complete list of items and operating rules is available from: The local History Office -Ohio Historical Soc. - I 71 & 17th Ave., Columbus 43211 (614/466-1500).

To better serve the public and scholar the rustory Library of the Western Reserve Historical Soc. is moving into a new building which contains 68,000 square feet. It is adjacent to the Society's headquarters at 10825 East Boulevard, Cleveland. The new library will open in early July.

#### **NEW PROGRAMS & COURSES**

PROGRAMS. Case Western Reserve University is in the second year of a new Ph.D. program in social policy history. The program blends contemporary research methods and conventional historical skills to prepare students for positions in social policy administration. The first year is composed largely of lecture courses and seminars while the second year involves supervised training and work in a local or national agency with periodic campus based symposia. The remainder of the program is devoted to the research and writing of the dissertation. The program was originally partially funded by a NEH Grant.

COURSES. This Spring students enrolled in the Archives Administration course at Bowling Green are utilizing the Thomas Ludlow Ashley Papers (Incumbent-9th Congressional District, 1956-1980) as a case study. The results of this case study will enable archival staff to appraise more accurately future Congressional Papers offered for preservation. Appraisal guidelines will be distributed to other archival institutions statewide.

Michael Grossberg and Carl Ubbelohde of Case Western Reserve are team teaching a course entitled Ohio/Ontario Social Policy History 1890-1920. It is a graduate-level inquiry into the comparative social policy histories of Canada (Ontario) and the United States (Ohio). The course exposes the student to both the theory and the practice of social policy historically, and culminates in a research paper on a specific topic.

Larry Wilcox of the Univeristy of Toledo is currently offering a new course "Total War: World War II on Film." The course makes use of film as a means of understanding and interpreting an important historical event.

The Ohio Historical Society is preparing to publish Timeline a bi-monthly illustrated magazine devoted to the fields of history, prehistory, and the natural sciences. Each issue will feature lively, authoritative, and well illustrated articles, photo essays, exhibit and book reviews, and special departments. The editors are interested in receiving manuscripts of 2,000 to 5,000 words and vignette articles of 500 to 1,000 words. Anyone interested should contact Timeline - Ohio Historical Soc., 1982 Velma Ave., Columbus 43211.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY

Within the year JOHN RURY has had three articles appear. Phylon carried his "The New York African Free Schools, 1827-1836: Conflict Over Community Control of Black Education;" History of Education Quartely "Vocationalism for Home and Work: Women's Education in the United States, 1880-1930;" and, Social Science History "Urban Structure and School Participation: Immigrant Women in 1900."

#### **BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY**

Much scholarly work has appeared during the past year. These include Soviet Quantitative History edited and coauthored by DON K. ROWNEY and published by SAGE as part of a cooperative series by American and Soviet historians. A chapter entitled "Pious Fellowship and Modernity: A Psychological Interpretation," by LAWRENCE J. FRIED-MAN is part of Alan Krout (ed.) Crusaders and Compromisers: Essays on the Antislavery Struggle to the Antebellum Party System.

The following articles are noted: JAMES Q. GRAHAM, Jr. "Family and Fertility in Rural Ohio: Wood County, Ohio in 1860," Journal of Family History; LAWRENCE J. FRIED-MAN "Adult Development Theories and Erik Erikson's Life Cycle Model: A Critical Assesment," Bulletin of the Menninger Clinic; "Franklin D. Roosevelt and Anti-Colonialism," Indian Journal of American Studies by GARY R. HESS; Journal of Higher Education, "An Interdisciplinary Model to Implement General Education," by MICHAEL A. MOORE, et al; RONALD E. SEAVOY, "The Religious Motivation for Placer Diamond Mining in Southeastern Kalimantan, Indonesia," Journal of Cultural Geography; and, DAVID H. WEINBERG, "Approaches to the Study of Film in the Third Reich: A Critical Appraisal," Journal of Contemporary History.

#### **CAPITAL UNIVERSITY**

JAMES L. BURKE along with Kenneth Davison of Heidelberg College had their Seventh Grade text Ohio's Heritage published in January.

#### CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

MORRIS ROSSABI is the editor of China Among Equals published by University of California Press. Greenwood Press has released LOIS SCHARF and Joan M. Jensen, (editor's) Decades of Discontent: The Women's Movement, 1920-1940.

Articles and chapters to have appeared recently include: MICHAEL GROSSBERG, "Who Gets the Child? Child Custody, Guardianship, and the Rise of a Judicial Patriarchy in Nineteenth Century America," Feminist Studies; BARRY LEVY, "The Birth of the 'Modern Family' in Early America: Quaker and Anglican Families in the Delaware Valley, Pennsylvania" in Michael Zucherman, ed., Friends and Neighbors: Group Life in America's First Plural Society; and, ELIZABETH THOMPSON, "Mirror of a Century of Afrikapolitik," in Peter H. Merkl, ed., West German Foreign Policy: Dilemmas and Directions.

#### KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

A monographic study recently printed was Owerri in Transition: The Political History of Owerri, 1902-1947 (Imo Newspapers Ltd.) by FELIX EKECHI.

During the past year a number of articles by Kent faculty have been published. They include: FELIX K. EKECHI, "Portrait of a Colonizer: H.M. Douglas in Colonial Nigeria, 1897-1920," African Studies Review; "The Reformation in Alien Eyes: Jewish Perceptions of Christian Troubles," by JEROME FRIEDMAN in Sixteenth Century Journal; LAWRENCE S. KAPLAN, "The Treaty of Paris, 1783: A Historical Challenge," The International History Review; WILLIAM H. KENNEY, "Jazz and the Concert Halls: The Eddie Condon Concerts, 1942-1948," American Music; AUGUST MEIER, "Whither The Black Perspective in Afro-

American Historiography?" Journal of American History; and, several contributions by ROBERT SWIERENGA, "Dutch International Labor Migration to North America in the Nineteenth Century," in M. Boekelman and H. Ganzevoort, eds, Dutch Immigration to North America (Toronto), "Quantitative Methods in Rural Land Holding and Tenancy Studies," Journal of Interdisciplinary History, "Rural Life and Agriculture: The New Rural History," in J. Gardner, ed., Ordinary People and Everyday Life: Perspective on the New Social History, and "Catholic and Protestant Emigration from the Netherlands in the 19th Century: A Comparative Social Structural Analysis," Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie.

#### **MIAMI UNIVERSITY**

The faculty of Miami have been very active in publishing and editing. The following books have appeared: JACOB W. KIPP Naval Art and the Prism of Contemporaneity: Soviet Naval Officers and the Falklands Conflict (Center for Strategic Technology), and with Robin Higham as co-editor the first volume in the Garland Series of International Bibliographies in Military History; DWIGHT L. SMITH has completed two annotated bibliographies for ABC-Clio Information Service, Indians of the United States and Canada (3218 entries) and The History of Canada (3350 entries); MAYNARD WILLIAM SWANSON, The Views of Mahlathi: Writings of A.W.G. Champion, A Black South African (Natal Press); and, a second and enlarged edition of EDWIN YAMAUCHI's Pre-Christian Gnosticism (Baker Book House).

Among the articles and chapters are: MUHAMMAD R. AZMI, "Pakistan-United States Relations: An Appraisal," Pakistan Horizon; JAY W. BAIRD, "From Berlin to Neubabelsberg: Nazi Film Propaganda and 'Hitler Youth Ouex'." Journal of Contemporary History; F. GILBERT CHAN, "Sheng Shih-ts'ai's Reform Programs in Sinkiang: Idealism or Opportunism?" Bulletin of the Institute of Modern History, Academica Sinica; W. SHERMAN JACKSON, "The Civil Rights Movement and the Black Church A Conservative or Militant Force?" Negro History Bulletin: JACOB W. KIPP, "Soviet Naval Writings on the Falkland Conflict," Naval Intelligence Quarterly; JACK TEMPLE KIRBY, "The Transformation of Southern Plantations, ca. 1920-1960," Agricultural History and "The Southern Exodus, 1910-1960: A Primer for Historians," Journal of Sothern History; three articles by EDWARD B. PAR-SONS in Biographical Dictionary of Internationalist (Warren F. Kuehl, ed., Greenwood Press); PHILLIP R. SHRIVER, review essay, "The Histories of Ohio," Western Reserve Magazine; MAYNARD WILLIAM SWANSON, "The Asiatic Menance'; Creating Segregation in Durban, 1870-1900," International Journal of African Historical Studies: EDWIN YAMAUCHI. "Magic in the Biblical World," Tyndale Bulletin and "Jewish Gnosticism? The Prologue of John, Mandaean Parallels, and the Trimorphic Protennoia," in Studies in Gnosticism and Hellenistic Religions edited by R. Van den Broek and M.J. Vermaseren (E.J. Brill).

Two individuals are involved in editing: F. GILBERT

CHAN was the executive editor of the August 1983 issue of Asian Profiles. DAVID M. FAHEY continues to edit the publication that was recently renamed Alcohol in History: A Multidisciplinary Newsletter.

#### OHIO UNIVERSITY

Oxford University Press has released CHARLES C. ALEX-ANDER's Ty Cobb. Last year the book Swaziland: Tradition and Change in a Southern African Kingdom by ALAN R. BOOTH was published by Westview Press. Also appearing in the book stalls in 1983 was The Marcher Lords by A. COMPTON REEVES (Christopher Davies).

#### UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO

The University of New Mexico Press has recently released Edward F. Beale and The American West by GERALD THOMPSON.

Articles not previously announced by UT faculty are: CHARLES DE BENEDETTI, "A CIA Analysis of the Anti-Vietnam War Movement: October 1967," and "On the Significance of Citizen Peace Activism: America, 1961-1975," both in Peace and Change; BOGDAN NOVAK "The Controversy About the Kosezi in Slovene Historigraphy," Slovene Studies; and LARRY WILCOX, "Futurology and the Social Sciences," International Review of Social Sciences.

## AWARDS, GRANTS, LEAVES HONORS, AND OFFICES

#### **ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY**

ROBERT FOGARTY has won a 1983-84 NEH Fellowship which will enable him to continue research on his project concerning utopian communities.

#### **BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY**

JAMES Q. GRAHAM received a grant from the Penrose Fund of the American Philosophical Society for work on French legislative elections during the period 1876-1914. A \$12,000 NEA Grant was awarded to MICHAEL A. MOORE for the Arts Unlimited Program that he directs on a half-time basis. PAUL YON, Director of the Center for Archival Collections, was awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Ohio Preservation Office for a comprehensive architectural survey and inventory of downtown Findlay.

Faculty Summer Research Grants have been given to PATRICK L. ALSTON, EDWARD CHEN, LAWRENCE J. DALY, LAWRENCE J. FRIEDMAN, DON K. ROWNEY, and BERNARD STERNSHER.

LAWRENCE J. FRIEDMAN has been appointed to the Board of Editorial Advisers of the "Black Abolitionists Papers Project" of Florida State University.

The Ohioana Book Award in the history category for 1983 was given to LAWRENCE J. FRIEDMAN for his book Gregarious Saints (Cambridge UP). The 1983 recipient of the Bowling Green State University Honorary Alumnus Award was STUART R. GIVENS.

Recently elected president of the newly forming Ohio Association for the Study of Canada was STUART R. GIVENS.

#### CAPITAL UNIVERSITY

DONALD BENSCH will be on sabbatical leave during the Second Semester of 1984-85.

#### CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

BARRY LEVY is a 1983-84 Mellon Fellow at Harvard University. During the year MORRIS ROSSABI and ELIZABETH THOMPSON have been on leave. During the Fall Semester, 1984 MICHAEL ALTSCHUL will be on sabbatical leave.

#### KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

The biennial Sir John Emory Oakes Book Award of the Bodleian Society was awarded to JEROME FRIEDMAN for his The Most Ancient Testimony: Sixteenth-Century Christian-Hebraica in the Age of Renaissance Nostalgia (Ohio UP). The award goes to the monograph which makes the most significant contribution to European cultural history.

#### MARIETTA COLLEGE

JAMES H. O'DONNELL, III is on sabbatical leave this Spring to complete **The Indian Wars**, 1790-1890 which is a bibliography for the Garland Press series on American wars.

#### **MIAMI UNIVERSITY**

JOHN N. DICKINSON, general editor of The Old Northwest, has been notified that the periodical has been awarded the 1984 Ohioana Award for Editorial Excellence.

Summer Research Appointments have been extended to JAY W. BAIRD, F. GILBERT CHAN, and DAVID M. FAHEY from only nineteen awarded for the entire university.

The following responsibilities have been assumed by Miami faculty. DAVID M. FAHEY, Secretary-Treasurer of the Alcohol and Temperance History Group; W. SHERMAN JACKSON, a reviewer for NEH application for Independent Study and Constitutional Fellowships; and PHILLIP R. SHRIVER has been elected to a three-year term on the Ohio Humanities Council.

BRUCE W. MENNING has been granted a second year's leave in order to accept appointment as the John F. Morrison Professor of Military History at the United State Army Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

#### **OHIO UNIVERSITY**

ROY A. RAUSCHENBERG has received a Faculty Enrichment Program Award from the Government of Canada which will enable him to study Canadian history during the summer of 1984.

Keep Ohio's Past Present
May is
Preservation Month

## APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

#### ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY

HANNAH GOLDBERG resigned at the beginning of the present academic year as both Academic Dean and Professor of History to become Provost at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts.

#### CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

DAVID C. HAMMACK will join the department in July 1984 as a tenured Associate Professor. He will teach American urban and social history and serve as Project Director for the Program in Social Policy History.

#### **MIAMI UNIVERSITY**

MICHAEL J. HOGAN has been appointed to the editorial board of **Diplomatic History**. DWIGHT L. SMITH is the historian, and one of six commissioners, named to the Northwest Ordinance Bicentennial Commission. He is also a newly appointed member of the Manuscript Award Committee of Phi Alpha Theta.

ALEXANDRA KORROS has resigned as Assistant Director of the Hamilton Campus and an instructor in history to become a researcher with the Center for the American Jewish Experience, Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati.

#### **OHIO UNIVERSITY**

Formerly at the Woodrow Wilson Center, MICHAEL R. GROW has been appointed as an Associate Professor of Latin American History. DONALD C. RICHTER has been promoted to the rank of Professor.

#### RETIREMENT

HERBERT L. OERTER will retire at the end of the second semester 1984. Born in South Portland, Cumberland County, Maine, in 1917, he likes to say that he earned his living as a boy soprano before he had a beard. After the inevitable fall in the register of his voice, his next appearance on the stage of history, if not the football field, was counting cadence in the U.S. Army, which he did from 1936 to 1956, rising in rank from private to major.

While editing a weekly shopping news, Oerter completed the B.A. at Colorado College in 1960. He took his M.A. from the University of Colorado in 1962 and his Ph.D. there in 1965 under the direction of S. Harrison Thomson. During the period of his dissertation research on the career of Corso Donati, he lectured at the University of Florence, where he taught a seminar on the American frontier in Italian; the University of Maryland, European Division; and several Italian institutes. His American academic career began at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion, between 1964 and 1966. He joined the Miami University faculty in 1966, first teaching for one year at Wright State, then a Miami campus, and also lecturing at the European Center of Miami at Luxembourg from 1971 to 1973. During the rest of his tenure at Miami he has taught on the Oxford campus as a highly

popular teacher of Western Civilization in the grand manner and a stimulating director of advanced undergraduate and graduate students in many facets of medieval and Renaissance history.

#### **DEATHS**

JOE L. DUBBERT, Professor of History at Muskingum College died September 27, 1983 of cancer at the age of 43.

Born in Laurens, Iowa, he pursued a fascination for rural American culture at Parsons College, B.A. 1962, and the University of Minnesota, Ph.D. 1967. He joined the History Department at Muskingum in 1967 and is credited with reanimating the study of American History there. Noted for his fairness, his commonsense, his sensitivity to student concerns, Dubbert was a popular teacher whose intellectual stature was widely respected. Above all a teacher, he was deeply committed to scholarship. A frequent speaker at professional meetings and at conferences on Social History, he published a book, A Man's Place: Masculinity in Transition, which is nationally recognized as a "landmark" social history.

HAROLD J. GRIMM, professor emeritus and former chairman of the history department at Ohio State University, died on November 10, 1983. Born in Saginaw, Michigan in 1901, he received an A.B. degree from Capital University, a diploma from Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary, and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in history from Ohio State. He was the recipient of three honorary doctorates.

Professor Grimm began his distinguished teaching career at Capital University. In 1937 he accepted a position at Ohio State and remained there until his retirement in 1972, with the exception of the period of 1954-1958 when he acted as chairman of the history department at Indiana University. His great success as an educator was recognized by the granting of two prestigious teaching awards at Ohio State, in 1950 and 1963. He served as **Doktorvater** to some three dozen Ph.D. students. His strong pedagogical interest carried over also into historical writing as exemplified by his influential textbook **The Reformation Era**, which for years has been recognized as a standard work on the subject.

Professor Grimm contributed very actively to a number of scholarly organizations, including the OAH. He played a central role in the founding of the American Society for Reformation Research and served as its president as well as American editor for the journal, Archive for Reformation History. He helped establish the Center for Reformation Research in St. Louis and for many years sat on its governing board. In 1961 he was chosen president of the American Society of Church History.

A warmhearted and humane man, Professor Grimm graced the lives of all who met him. He was a kindly and patient teacher, a generous and sympathetic friend.

WATT P. MARCHMAN, Director of the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center for thirty four years, died on October 10, 1983. He was born in 1911 in Edmonton, Georgia and spent the first third of his life in the South. He earned an A.B. and M.A. from Rollins College where he also served in several capacities including that of archivist from 1934 to 1940.

After serving three years as Secretary of the Florida Historical Society he entered the United State Army in 1943. He spent time in the European Theatre of Operations as a member of the Signal Corps. In 1946 he became Director of Research at the Rutherford B. Hayes Library. He spent the rest of his professional life at the Hayes Center most of the time as its Director.

Marchman was an active member of the Ohio Academy and received its Award of Merit in 1969. He was also honored by Findlay College in 1980 when it bestowed an L.H.D. degree upon him. He was a Southern gentleman in every sense of the word.

#### JOB VACANCIES

Miami University invites applications for one (possible two) entry level, tenure track position in European history. All research specialities in European history are welcomed but the successful candidate (or one, if two appointed) must teach medieval history in the department. Ph.D. required, publications necessary for tenure. Salary negotiable. Applications accepted until appointment is made. It is hoped that an appointment can be made by August 1984. Women and minority candidates strongly urged to apply. Send inquiries, resumes, publications, to Richard Jellison, Chair, History Department, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio 45056

The University of Toledo announces the Phi Theta Editorial Award worth approximately \$6,000. The individual who will hold the title of Editorial Assistant must be a full time graduate student in the History Department and enrolled in the Graduate School of the University in a master's or doctoral program. The work load entails twenty hours a week and the stipend will cover an academic year and one summer term.

Candidates should write a letter to the Chairman, Department of History, UT, Toledo, 43606 setting forth their academic background and describing how editorial training will apply to their future professional plans. Applications must be received by May 1.

#### CALENDAR

- April 12-13: Spring meeting of Soc. of Ohio Archivists at Daytonian Hilton. Contact: Bob Smith, Wright State Univ., Dayton 45435
- April 18-20: Gt. Lakes Hist. Conf., at Grand Rapids. Mich. Contact: Dennis Devlin, GLHC, Dept. Of Hist., Grand Valley St., Allendale, Mi 49401.
- April 25-27: 3rd Internatl. Conf. on Cultural Economics and Planning at Univ. of Akron. Contact: William S. Hendon, Dept. of Urban Stds., U. of Akron, Akron 44325.
- April 25-27: Triad of Lectures of Three Centuries of American Arts at Western Reserve Hist. Soc. Lecture: Jonathan L. Fairbanks, Boston Museum of Fine Arts. Contact: WRHS, 10825 East Blvd., Cleveland 44106.
- May 4-6: An interdisciplinary Conference at OSU entitled "1984: Vision and Reality." A look at George Orwell's

- 1984. Contact: Charles Klopp, 186 Unv. Hall, OSU, Columbus 43210.
- May 8: Region VI meeting of Ohio Assoc. of Hist. Societies & Museums at Troy Hayner Cultural Center. Contact: Joyce Alig, Mercer County Hist. Soc., Celina 45822.
- May 12: State History Day at Cleveland. Contact: David Twining, CWRU, Cleveland 44106
- May 19-21: Annual meeting of The North American Soc. for Sport History at Univ. of Louisville. Contact: J. Thomas Jable, William Patterson Coll., Wayne, N.J. 07470.
- May 24: A Tour of Spiegel Grove at Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center, Fremont.
- July 20-21: Annual conference of Soc. of Historians of Early American Republic at Indianapolis. Contact: Ruth Bogin, Pace Univ., 3 Brook Ln., Great Neck, N.Y. 07470.
- Sept. 19: Harvey Wish Memorial Lecture at CWRU to be delivered by William H. McNeil on the topic "History and Myth."
- Sept. 20-23: Annual meeting of The Oral History Association in Lexington, Kent. Contact: Terry Birdwhistell, Univ. of Kent. Libraries, Lexington 40506.
- Sept. 21-23: Economic Hist. Assoc. annual meeting in Chicago. Contact: Michael Edelstein, Dept. of Economics, Queens Coll., CUNY, Flushing 11367.
- Sept. 28-29: Annual meeting of the Ohio Historical Soc., Ohio Historical Center, Columbus. Contact: James Strider, Local Hist. Dept., OHS, 1982 Velma Ave., Columbus 43211.
- Oct. 11-13: A conference on "The Future of American Labor History: Toward a Synthesis" at Northern Ill. Univ. Contact: Carroll Moody, Dept. of Hist., NIU, KeKalb 60115.
- Oct. 12-13: Fall meeting of the Great Lakes American Studies Assoc. at Kent State University. Contact: William H. Kenney, Coordinator, Amer. Stds. Prgr., KSU, Kent 44242.
- Oct. 19-21: Joint meeting of the Midwest and North American Conferences on British Studies in Toronto, Ontario. Contact: Earl A. Reitan, Dept. of Hist., Ill. St. Univ., Normal 61761.
- Oct. 21-23: Annual meeting of the Ohio Museums Assoc. in Dayton. Contact: Dayton Art Institute, P.O. Box 941, Dayton 45401.
- Nov. 1-2: Southern Conference on British Studies at Galt House, Louisville, KY.
- Nov. 7-9: Eighteenth annual Duquesne History Forum at William Penn Hotel in Pittsburgh.
- Dec. 27-30: Annual meeting of the American Society of Church History in Chicago. Contact: Deno J. Geanakoplos, Dept. of Hist., Yale Univ., Box 1504A, New Haven 06520.

## FALL MEETING OCTOBER 26 - 27 MIAMI UNIVERSITY

#### **CLIO'S CORNER**

#### **COLLEGIANS LOOK AT THE PAST**

More in the continuing saga of student insights into history and their understanding of what they read and think they hear in the classroom.

- Under liberalism all people have the same rights of life, liberty, and prosperity.
- Henry Ford hired English Tudors to teach migrants.
- Hiroshima was bombed by Japan on Dec. 7, 1941 during the war between U.S. and Japan. This was also called Pearl Harbor.
- One of Edmund Burke's opponents was Thomas Man, author of the Rights of Man.
- Both optimism and pessimism play important roles in the world, one is very easy to explain and the other is not.
- The Convention of 1818 with Britain provided for the duel occupation of the Oregon Country.
- The Mounties were able to maintain a disquieting influence over a heterogenous group of adventurers.
- Henry VIII was a staunched Roman Catholic who an-

- tagonized many of the people.
- Thomas More was an English man who started his own branch of Lutherism which was much stricter than Lutherism.
- Under the Act of Settlement of 1701 the king had to become a consummated member of the Church of England.
- Woodrow Wilson sent his 14 points out to other national leaders and showed them where America lies.
- Thomas Pain worked on getting all white men to have the write to vote
- The theologist Niebarth thought man a sinner and basically evil if left alone.
- John Maynard Keynes in his book The Treatise of Money expelled the idea of pump-priming.
- And finally as March 17th is here Rum Romanism, and Rebellion said they were mostly Irish people because they rebel alot but most of them were not.

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