This Spring marks the twentieth anniversary of the Ohio Academy of History Newsletter. The Newsletter was the creation of Robert Twyman during his term as President of the Academy. He felt that the organization needed to have a means of communications that would tie all members of the history profession in Ohio more closely together. This has been the goal of the Newsletter during the past twenty years under the editorship of Bob Twyman, Kenneth Davison, and Stuart Givens. The Newsletter owes its life to the willingness of the membership to share ideas, information, and goals. After twenty years it continues to strive to serve the Academy and the profession.

On this anniversary the editor thought that it would be fitting to ask what the Academy has meant to one of its longtime loyal members. Those thoughts appear below.

THE OHIO ACADEMY OF HISTORY: A REMINISCENCE
George W. Knepper

I find it easy to believe that time flies when one is having fun, for my thirty-six years of association with the Ohio Academy of History has passed in a moment. If memory serves, and that is questionable, I have attended all but two of the semi-annual meetings held in that period. If that number me among the Old Guard, I am consoled by knowing that Wally Chessman, Dick Smith, Ken Davison, Gene Murdock, Carl Klopfenstein and a few others have been at it longer than I.

What keeps us coming back? First on my list would be the people who comprise the academy. Newcomers may find it a bit difficult to identify with a congenial group, but with regular attendance one finds interesting friends and associates. Not only do others share professional interests, but campus gossip always interests and entertains. After hearing about some abomination on another's campus, one goes back to his own with renewed appreciation.

The academy’s social aspect is enhanced by an annual Fall meeting that eschews any serious purpose. It is a pleasant opportunity to visit campuses around the state, and strolling around them is one of my favorite outdoor sports. Some—Heidelberg, Denison, Wittenberg, Ohio University, Ohio State—have been visited so often that I feel right at home.

Another attraction is the high level of professionalism one finds among Academy colleagues. Ohio has always been noted for its large number of fine liberal arts colleges. They employ outstanding people, many of whom make their mark both as teachers and as publishers. The proliferation of comprehensive state universities in the past twenty-five years, many of them with Ph.D. programs in History, has added greatly to the professional pool. Their faculties include men and women of national stature. Mingling with them in the Academy’s relaxed environment makes it easy for one to touch base with people doing significant work both in and outside one's own field. History professionals from secondary schools, historical societies, and preservation groups contribute to the interesting mix of talents that one encounters.

From time to time the Academy has initiated services. Perhaps the most successful is the Newsletter which celebrates its twentieth birthday this year. One ill-fated initiative was the placement service. It was proposed about the time the job market collapsed, and it died a natural death soon thereafter.

Recognizing professional excellence through the service, teaching, and publishing awards is a tasteful way of rewarding merit. Many so honored would be lost sight of in the great national associations, yet their recognitions are uniformly deserved.

For those who enjoy participating in organizational work, the Academy offers opportunity through its offices, committee assignments, and special projects. The positions allow one to work alongside colleagues that one might never know well were it not for this. Nothing builds respect for one's colleagues faster than working alongside them in a cooperative venture, and the Academy routinely offers such a chance.

The Spring meeting, featuring papers and panels, provides an excellent forum for those who have something to say to their colleagues. The mood is much more relaxed then that of the hectic national meetings. Good fellowship prevails although that does not deter commentators from getting in some sharp observations when the situation calls for it. Graduate students and younger scholars have a great opportunity to sharpen skills and build confidence in a generally supportive environment, and many an Ohio Academy paper gets reworked into publishable form.

May the Ohio Academy of History long continue to serve as a rallying point for the historians of Ohio.
PUBLICATION
AWARD NOMINEES

From the following list of thirty books the 1989 Publication award will be made at the Academy’s Spring Meeting. It is obvious that scholarship is alive and well in Ohio.

James R. Bartholomew (Ohio State University) The Formation of Science in Japan: Building a Research Tradition. Modern science in Japan is generally described as lacking creativity and as being derived from the West, hobbled by a feudalistic cultural inheritance that stifles initiative and individualism. In this study, Bartholomew argues that Japan has built a tradition of scientific research that is one of the most important in the contemporary world. He shows how Japan developed this tradition by drawing both on the resources and policies of its own late feudal Tokugawa period and on what it regarded as essential elements of American and European science.

Carl M. Becker and Patrick B. Nolan (Wright State University) Keeping the Promise: A Pictorial History of the Miami Conservancy District. This pictorial history of the Miami Conservancy District, based on photos from the archives and Special Collections of Wright State University and neighboring libraries, chronicles the Miami Valley’s history of severe flooding which climaxied in the great flood of 1913. It also records the recovery attempts after the great flood and the creation of the dams of the Miami Conservancy District. “the first and only such protection anywhere locally conceived, engineered, funded, financed, maintained, managed and supported only by those who benefit from it.”

Jim and Susan Borchert (Cleveland State University and Lake Erie College) Lakewood, The First Hundred Years. This book traces the history of the community of Lakewood from the early settler days by Europeans and African-Americans in the early nineteenth century to the present. The story reveals the successive transformations of the landscape from wilderness to orchard to streetcar suburb to satellite city. The major focus of the book is on the period from the institution of Lakewood as a hamlet in 1889 to the centennial year of 1989. In addition to a well-researched and lively text, the book is profusely illustrated with historic photographs and maps.

Roger Daniels (University of Cincinnati) Asian America: Chinese and Japanese in the United States since 1850. This synthesis of the Japanese and Chinese experience in America provides a new perspective on the significance of Asian immigration to the U.S. Examining the period from the mid-nineteenth century to the early 1980s, Daniels presents a basic history comprising the political and socioeconomic background for Chinese and Japanese immigration and acculturation. He draws distinctions and points out similarities not only between Chinese and Japanese, but between Asian and European immigrant experiences, clarifying the roles of Asians in American history.

Felix K. Ekechi (Kent State University) Tradition and Transformation in Eastern Nigeria: A Sociopolitical History of Owerri and Its Hinterland, 1902-1947. This work represents the first systematic historical analysis of the dynamics of social and political change in the Owerri Division, now in the Imo State of Nigeria. Ekechi uses oral tradition, the extensive district records of the British colonial government, and the archival records of the Christian missions in England, France, and Rome, as well as secondary materials, to provide a detailed historical view of the patterns of social and political transformation of Owerri and its hinterland.

Sylvia F. Ferguson, Burial Grounds of Oxford, Ohio 1817-1987, edited by Irene M. Lindsey. Sylvia Ferguson has had a long-standing interest in local history. This account of the burial grounds of Oxford, Ohio is based on research in newspapers, public documents and above all in the records of the trustees and officers of the Oxford Cemetery Association. The book includes information on burials in the oldest cemetery as well as the burial of war veterans. There is an appendix of documents. The book provides an interesting approach to local history and will be appreciated by genealogists and those interested in the Oxford region.

Carter Vaughn F indley, (Ohio State University) Ottoman Civil Officialdom. This is a companion volume to Professor Findley’s book on Bureaucratic Reform in the Ottoman Empire; the Sublime Porte, 1789-1922. Whereas the first book traced the process of reform, this book sets out to describe those who were reformed, the civil bureaucrats. Between the late eighteenth century and the early twentieth century, the Ottoman state attempted to cope with its own declining situation and the rise of threatening powers. One aspect of that attempt was the reform of the bureaucracy. He provides a rich, well-written and engaging study of the successes and failures of the reforms. He combines in a skillful way numerical data, autobiographies and literature to provide a model case study of the human costs and benefits of modernization in an Islamic society.

Marvin E. Fletcher, (Ohio University) America’s First Black General. Benjamin O. Davis, Sr., 1880-1970. This is a detailed biography of Benjamin O. Davis, Sr., whose military career spanned the half-century between the Spanish-American War and World II. In spite of the open and virulent racial discrimination of those decades, Davis had a successful military career and became the first black brigadier general in the United States military. To some critics, Davis appeared to be an accommodationist, unwilling to push vigorously for racial equality. Professor Fletcher argues that Davis’s middle class origins, personality and situation pushed him to a quieter but still effective role; “The life of Benjamin O. Davis did prove that one could advance and achieve success by doing one’s job to the best of one’s ability.”

Geoffrey J. Giglianiro and Deborah A. Overmyer (Cincinnati Historical Society) The Bicentennial Guide to Greater Cincinnati: A Portrait of Two Hundred Years. This guide to the communities within the I-275 beltline around Cincinnati illustrates how the metropolitan area has changed over the past two centuries. Communities are discussed within four categories: The Basin, Streetcar and Railroad Suburbs, Automobile Suburbs, and Other Suburbs. Short introductions preceding the sections explain how each group of communities developed. Automobile tours to physical sites that illustrate the historical themes follow. Many photographs from the collection of the Cincinnati Historical Society adorn the text.

David J. Goldberg (Cleveland State University) A Tale of Three Cities. Labor Organization and Protest in Paterson, Passaic, and Lawrence, 1916-1921. This book is a comparative study of the efforts of textile workers in three cities to organize a union during World War I. A series of strikes in 1919 led to the formation of the Amalgamated Textile Workers of America, a socialist oriented union, which ultimately failed to survive. Goldberg compares and contrasts conditions in the three cities, which differed in ethnic make-up, industrial organization and labor union traditions. The reasons for the failure of the ATWA were complex, but prominent among them were the strong internal divisions among workers, which ran along ethnic, religious and occupational lines.
Susan M. Hartmann (Ohio State University) *From Margin to Mainstream. American Women and Politics since 1960.*

Professor Hartmann traces the development of the political fortunes of women since the 1960s. She provides a narrative and analysis of women's growing success within the political parties and at the ballot box. She also delineates the agenda of issues that galvanized the female activists, including the Equal Rights Amendment, child care, and work-related issues. For persons interested in the history of (and opposition to) the women's movement, this relatively brief and clear book would be an excellent place to start.

Walter L. Hixon (University of Akron) *George F. Kennan: Cold War Iconoclast.*

In this biography of George Kennan, the author explores what he sees as the contradictions inherent in Kennan's thinking, actions and policy proposals. He offers a brief overview of Kennan's early years. He examines Kennan's role in opening the first United States embassy in Moscow and his emergence as a spokesman for the post-war American policy of "containment" of the Soviet Union. Kennan's role in the Truman, Eisenhower and Kennedy administrations is traced as well as his growing opposition to American involvement in the Vietnam War. Hixon suggests that the ultimate tragedy in Kennan's political life was that he played a crucial role in forging early Cold War consensus but was unsuccessful in his later efforts to create a comparable consensus for detente and arms control.


Although the French Encyclopedie, published between 1745 and 1772, is one of the most famous reference works of all time, most of its contributors are scarcely known today. Frank and Serena Kafker have filled a void by compiling biographical profiles of 139 major and minor contributors to the Encyclopedie.

The Kafkers are correct in asserting that the modern reader needs guidance in using a formidable reference work that contains 72,000 articles on everything from acid to venereal disease. To facilitate the use of both the Encyclopedie and this biographical dictionary, the authors have provided a chart of biographical information on the Encyclopedists at the beginning of the volume which includes their dates, their principal occupation, and the nature of their contribution. At the end of the work and in the index there is an alphabetical list of most of the articles that appeared in the Encyclopedie.

Horace King, (Denison University) *Granville Massachusetts to Ohio: A Story of the Migration and Settlement.*

This handsome volume by Horace King, Professor Emeritus of Art at Denison University, will be welcomed by architects, genealogists and historians alike. The author divides his study of Granville, easily one of the most charming college towns in America, into three parts. The first part is made up of vignettes that illustrate Granville's history from its founding in 1805 to its sesquicentennial celebration in 1955; the second part is devoted to Granville's historic buildings; and, the last part lists the most important citizens and events in Granville's history.

While parts one and three of the work will appeal primarily to Granville's residents, part two, which contains over fifty individual essays on Granville's historic buildings, will interest all students of domestic architecture in nineteenth century America. As Professor King demonstrates in these essays and in exquisite line drawings of each building, the village has preserved examples of every architectural style which flourished in the course of the nineteenth century, including early and late Vernacular, Federal, French Revival, Gothic, Georgian, Victorian Tuscan, Italian Villa, Victorian Italianate, Queen Anne, and Dutch Renaissance Revival.

James M. Kittleson (Ohio State University) *Luther the Reformer: The Story of the Man and His Career.*

In his preface to *Luther the Reformer* James M. Kittleson notes that "it is entirely appropriate to ask why there should be yet another biography" of Luther, when more has been written about him than anyone except Jesus of Nazareth. Kittleson's is a narrative account (there is little attempt at interpretation here) intended for the general reader of the 1980s. Aware of the continued popularity of Roland Bainton's finely crafted biography of Luther, *Here I Stand*, which was also written for non-specialists, Kittleson notes that Luther research has advanced enormously since Bainton published his classic work forty years ago. In addition, Bainton wrote in pre-ecumenical days and his biography is largely a defense of Luther. Lastly, no single-volume study of Luther has treated his entire career, and most including Bainton's, say little about Luther's last year.

The volume is profusely illustrated with contemporary prints and engravings and modern photographs. The fourteen page up-to-date bibliography is most useful for the both the beginner and the more advanced student in Reformation Studies.

George W. Knepper, Ohio and Its People (Akron). *Ohio and Its People* is designed for scholars and teachers, as well as the general reader. The work serves a real need, for most general histories of Ohio are quite out-of-date. For example, the best one volume scholarly history of the Buckeye State, Roseboom and Weisenberger's *A History of Ohio,* was originally written in the 1930s and was last revised in 1967. Momentous economic, political, social and cultural changes have occurred in Ohio since 1967, and these are detailed and analyzed in Knepper's last chapter, "Ohio in Transition."

Knepper asserts that "from its earliest settlement, (Ohio) has been a productive land supporting a large and energetic population" and that "the new Ohio which is emerging will continue to be the productive and promising place to live and work that it has been for so many generations." (p.469) The reader will share Knepper's optimistic view of Ohio's future despite its troubled rust-belt present. A state that has produced such diverse talents as Berenice Abbott, George Bellows, Ambrose Bierce, Hart Crane, Paul Laurence Dunbar, William Dean Howells, Toni Morrison, Jesse Owens, James Thurber and the Wright brothers has every reason to be hopeful about its future.

Eve Levin (Ohio State) *Sex and Society in the World of Orthodox Slaves, 900-1700.*

In her introduction to this immensely erudite study of the sexual behavior of the peoples of Serbia, Bulgaria, and Russia from their conversion to Orthodox Christianity in the ninth and tenth centuries to the end of the seventeenth century, Professor Eve Levin of Ohio State University notes that the sexual norms of medieval Slavic Orthodox society have not previously received much scholarly attention. In the nineteenth century academic milieu of both Eastern and Western Europe, overt discussion of sexuality was not considered appropriate. In the twentieth century sexuality continued to be a forbidden subject after the Russian revolution. In the West the acceptance of Freud's views on sexuality eventually encouraged historians to examine sexual norms and sexual behavior.

In this magnificent pioneering work Levin has mined the records of ecclesiastical courts, the writings of hierarchs, ethnographical studies and many other manuscript and printed sources to reveal, for the first time, how medieval Slavs viewed marriage and sexuality, and how they grappled with such matters as divorce, incest, premarital sex, homosexuality and rape. Levin notes in her conclusion that, "the repressiveness of the sexual stand was balanced by realistic expectations about levels of observance." (301) She also makes clear that the official sexual ethic
was in basic accord with popular views.

Sister Mary Denis Maher (Ursuline College) To Bind Up the Wounds: Catholic Sister Nurses in the U.S. Civil War.

Maher discusses the service of Catholic sisters as nurses during the Civil War. She argues that their religious commitment and nursing experience made them superior to most other female nurses and won respect for the Catholic Church in America. The sisters' example paved the way for professional training for nurses in the decades following the war.

Edgar L. McCormick (Kent State) Brimfield and Its People: Life in a Western Reserve Township, 1816-1941.

In Brimfield and Its People, Edgar L. McCormick, emeritus professor of English at Kent State University, who still lives on the farm in Brimfield township in Portage County where his father acquired in 1917, is intent on preserving the township's history from its earliest settlement in 1816 by New Englanders to the eve of World War II. Utilizing a rich variety of published and unpublished sources, Professor McCormick recreates the history of Brimfield township in a series of chronological sketches focussing on specific individuals, including members of his own family. Through the eyes and in the words of representative citizens, we experience the hardships and rewards of rural life in northeastern Ohio in the nineteenth and early twentieth century. Liberally quoting family letters and diaries, the author also makes clear the impact of such external events as the California gold rush and the Civil War on a small community.


A touching memoir of the grandparents and parents of the author. Professor McCormick's grandfather Thomas McCormick, was unusual; the son of an Irish Catholic immigrant, in 1867 he married the daughter of a Reformed Church missionary at a time when mixed marriages were uncommon. And unlike most Irish Catholics who gravitated to the cities, Grandfather Thomas farmed all his life. He passed on his love of fine horses and his love of the land to his son Tom, who also farmed and raised horses, and to his grandson Edgar, whose family memoir recreates for us an almost vanished world of rural life in northeastern Ohio from 1867 to 1954.


In 1900 20% of urban wage-earning women in the United States lived apart from their families and relatives. Professor Meyerowitz studies such women in Chicago over a fifty-year period. She draws on popular fiction, oral interviews and contemporary social science to reconstruct the lives of female workers in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. She discerns an evolution in their depiction from urban victims to bold and opportunistic city dwellers. The author argues that the working women were neither victims nor liberated in the modern sense, but rather pioneers in creating new social ties and subcultures to cope with urban life.

Marc Lee Raphael (Ohio State University) Abba Hillel Silver

The work is a detailed biography of the thought and behavior of one of the most influential religious figures in modern American Jewish history. As rabbi of The Temple in Cleveland for over forty-six years, Silver effectively synthesized traditional Jewish concerns with active participation in American political life.

Raphael places special emphasis upon Silver's tireless efforts on behalf of the American Zionist movement and the establishment of a Jewish State, efforts that clearly reflected his commitment to both Judaism and political activism. Here, his dynamic and somewhat authoritarian manner brought him into both contact and conflict with leading national political figures and Jewish community leaders of the day. Ironically, Silver's very successes in both Zionist activity and social reform would pave the way for the disappearance of charismatic Jewish leaders such as himself and their replacement by politicians of and lobbyist for the Jewish State on the one hand and communal professionals on the other.

Don Rowney (Bowling Green State University) Transition to Technocracy

Rowney's study examines the development of the state administrative system in the first decade after the Russian Revolution of 1917. Through a detailed structural and quantitative analysis of personnel, the author attempts to demonstrate that the 1920s marked a crucial beginning stage in the development of a Soviet technocracy. Rowney argues that the process had both administrative and social implications. Not only did it lead to an ongoing bureaucratic framework for government decision-making on most policies but it also led to the creation of a core of upwardly mobile skilled specialists who were increasingly independent of the political apparatus.

Without denying the power of the party and its leadership, the author demonstrates that much of the day-to-day administration of Soviet government over the past half-century has been carried out by skilled and politically disinterested specialists. In his conclusion, Rowney suggests that the present-day turmoil in the Soviet Union may well reflect the final stages of the transformation of Russia into a technocracy.

Jonathon Sarna (Hebrew Union College) The Americanization of Jewish Culture.

A work commissioned by the Jewish Publication Society for its centennial, Sarna's book attempts not only to chronicle the Society's history but to examine how it both influenced and reflected the economic, social, political, and cultural development of American Jewry. Thus the author argues that the creation of the Jewish Publication Society in 1888 was influenced by a number of significant factors in late nineteenth-century Jewish life: mounting concern over the fate of Jews in America, a growing sense of independence upon the part of young American Jews, and the desire by established German Jews to introduce newly-arrived eastern European immigrants to the English language. The subsequent history of the Society in the twentieth century suggests the ebb and flow of American Jewish cultural and religious life during the past ninety years—from the first efforts to counter the hegemony of German Jewish scholarship before 1914 through the crisis of Jewish survival in the interwar period to the emergence of American Jewry as a vital force after World War II.

Recent changes in the direction and staff of the Society suggest that despite important new challenges, the organization remains true to its continuing goal of providing "significant, worthwhile, and informative books of Jewish interest in the English language."

Ron Seavoy (Bowling Green State University) Famine in East Africa.

A sequel to the author's Famine in Peasant Societies which attempted to make distinctions between subsistence and commercial social values, the present work seeks to define a strategy to commercialize agriculture in peasant nations. It is Seavoy's contention that commercial cultivation can assure food surpluses that not only provide nourishment for rural dwellers but are a necessary precondition for the development of a viable program of industrialization (which rests upon a working population that does not produce its own food). Seavoy has chosen to concentrate on East Africa because of its population explosion, peacetime famines, and small base for commercialization.

Seavoy emphasizes willful peasant resistance to change, and calls for the adoption of coercive political policies by East African government to induce peasants to become commercial cultivators.
Paul Spickard (Capital University) **Mixed Blood.**

Spickard's work examines what the author believes to be one of the central themes in human history - the mixing of peoples. Focusing on intergroup mixing and intermarriage in twentieth-century America, Spickard emphasizes the role of cultural attitudes - a group's perception of its relative social status, the general society's toleration of intergroup relationships, and different ethnic groups' images of each other - in shaping such behavior. Specifically, the work compares the intermarriage behavior of Japanese-Americans, Jews, and Blacks over the past century and examines the special relationship between Japanese women and American soldiers after World War II. Spickard places special emphasis upon the personal histories of intermarried couples and individuals as a means of gaining insight into the phenomenon of intermarriage as a whole.

The author concludes that the histories of Japanese American and Jewish intermarriage patterns show striking similarities while differing markedly from the development of Black patterns. In his concluding chapter, Spickard attempts to apply his findings to other ethnic groups and evaluates standard theories about intermarriage in light of his findings.

Ivan Tribe (University of Rio Grande) **Sprinkled With Coal Dust: Life and Work in the Hocking Coal Region, 1870-1900.**

This book is a companion to Dr. Tribe's *Little Cities of Black Diamonds: Urban Development in the Hocking Coal Region, 1870-1900*. Sprinkled With Coal Dust, as the subtitle states, chronicles aspects of every-day life in southeastern Ohio during the last decades of the nineteenth century. It treats local government, work, social activities, education, and cultural activities. It is a detailed interesting look at life in the Ohio coal country during the economically troubled decades at the end of the last century.

Donna L. Raaphorst (Cuyahoga Community College) **Union Maids Not Wanted: Organizing Domestic Workers, 1870-1940.**

This study explains the difficulties encountered in organizing labor unions among American domestic workers in the period 1870-1940. While domestic service and the people who performed it changed over the years, these changes impeded, rather than aided, organization. Van Raaphorst traces organizational difficulties to the workers (who often regarded their work as low status and temporary), to employers (who practiced a welfare capitalism that paternalistically looked after workers provided they remained submissive), and to unions (who regarded domesticics as minimally organizeable).

Robert H. Whealey (Ohio University) **Hitler and Spain.**

In his study, the author examines the role that Adolf Hitler played in bringing Francisco Franco to power in Spain and the impact of Nazi activity during the Civil War on both the conflict and the European balance of power. Whealey argues that despite his marginal interest in Spain before 1936 and his lack of enthusiasm for a Fascist Spain, Hitler eagerly exploited the struggle between the Nationalists and the Republicans to further the Third Reich's diplomatic and military goals in Europe. In supporting Franco's forces, Hitler was able to weaken Germany's traditional enemy, France, by fomenting internal dissent and by preventing it from forging a strong alliance with Britain and the Soviet Union. In turn, through an emphasis upon the common struggle against Bolshevism the Nazi leader was able to cement closer ties with Mussolini Italy and to prevent Italian overtures to either England or France.

Whealey maintains that through effective use of anticomunist propaganda directed towards Britain and France on the one hand and Japan and Italy on the other, the Nazi leader was able to weaken the resolve of the western democracies and strengthen the Axis.

Lonnie Wheeler and John Baskin, *The Cincinnati Game.*

This is a richly illustrated anecdotal history of the Cincinnati Reds, the oldest professional baseball team still in existence. The authors trace the origins of the team to the very inception of baseball in America and examine its development within the general context of the history of Cincinnati and of professional baseball. Separate chapters highlight the various ballparks where the Reds played, the best ballplayers at each position, the most eccentric team members, Black and Hispanic players, team executives, the greatest games played by the Reds, and Cincinnati sportscasters. A special section is devoted to Pete Rose, the archetypal hustling Red ballplayer. The work is filled with numerous lists and graphs illustrating the successes and failures of the ballteam over its one-hundred year history.

**ACADEMY BUSINESS**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

**Friday, 13 October 1989**

The meeting was called to order by Alonzo Hamby, president, at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. Members present were R. Alexander, C. Behrman, S. Chu, J. Dorn, D. Fahey, S. Givens, A. Hamby, R. Orthquist, V. Steffel, C. Ubbelohde, and L. Wilcox. Also present were M. Evans (Program) and W. Chessman (Historian and Local Arrangements).

1. Minutes of Spring 1989 Meeting

C. Behrman moved, R. Alexander seconded the motion, to accept the minutes of the Spring 1989 Executive Council meeting.

2. Committee Reports.

   A. Historical Societies and Archives

      On behalf of E. Haas, chair, it was reported that the committee is exploring possibilities for a project. The committee hopes to have a report at the spring meeting.

   B. Program Committee

      M. Evans, co-chair, reported that a call for proposals was sent to every professional historian in Ohio. A. Hamby suggested that the committee consider a Friday evening program. J. Dorn suggested developing an evaluation form for each session to be completed by session chairs. A lively discussion on the nature of the spring program followed.

   C. Publication Award

      A. Hamby, for J. Lynch, chair, reported that announcements had been sent to everyone listed in the Roster.

   D. Teaching Award

      On behalf of A. Winkler, chair, it was reported that requests for nominations had been posted.

   E. Local Arrangements Committee

      W. Chessman, chair, described plans for the spring meeting and reception at Denison.

   F. Distinguished Service

      S. Givens, chair, reported that letters had been sent requesting nominations.
G. Ad hoc Committee on the Future of the Ohio Academy of History
J. Dorn, chair, reported that tabulation of the survey had been completed. The committee will meet on 11 November at Denison to analyze information in four crosstab tables and additional written comments.

H. Ad hoc Committee on Teaching and Research
R. Orquiest reported that he planned to have the first essay ready for the spring issue of the Newsletter. He was working on a means to identify individuals in areas of research and teaching and putting them in touch with each other. The executive council decided that the ad hoc committee would be continued and that R. Lora would serve as chair.

3. President’s Report
A. Fall Meeting Programs
A. Hamby raised the question whether there should be an additional function at fall meetings, and, if so, whether it should be on Friday afternoons or Saturday mornings. One possibility could be networking workshops in the afternoon. Another could be a session on public history and museums, especially since the fall 1990 meeting would be at the National Afro-American Museum. There could be a museum tour. Hamby noted that there should be some reason to come beyond the general “social” nature of the meeting. Discussion ensued.

B. Committee Size
A. Hamby noted that the mandated size of some committees hampered their functioning effectively. E.g., Distinguished Teaching Award was set at five, while the Program and Book Award committees were set at three. Many times in the past the mandated membership had been ignored. After discussion, R. Alexander moved, S. Givens seconded the motion, that a draft amendment restating the size of appropriate committees to “at least three members” be reviewed at the spring meeting.” Motion passed.

4. Secretary-Treasurer’s Report
A. The financial report was distributed and received.
B. The general description of the Outstanding Teaching Award was rewritten to reflect the intent and practice: “To recognize excellence in teaching of history by an active member of the Academy.” An engraved certificate is awarded annually.
C. A. Peskin’s request to consider the preservation of Johnson’s Island, a Civil War site, from redevelopment was discussed. The consensus was to relegate it to the Historical Societies and Archives Committee for action.

5. Fall Meeting
The fall 1990 meeting will be hosted by the National Afro-American Museum at Wilberforce and the 1991 meeting will be co-hosted by Youngstown State University and the Labor History Museum.

6. Spring Meeting
The spring 1991 meeting will be hosted by Capitol University in Columbus.

7. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Vladimir Steffel
Secretary-Treasurer
AROUND AND ABOUT THE PROFESSION

THE STATE OF THE PROFESSION

Hueston Woods XXIII, recently held at Kent State University, once again provides us with a view of the profession from the public institutional perspective.

FACULTY. The salary figures for the state universities for 1989-90 range from Professor (148)* $34,026 to $91,850; Assoc. Professor (53) $34,651 to $55,376; Asst. Professor (48) $21,000 to $35,280. *Total number in rank.

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GRADUATE PROGRAMS. During 1989-90 there has been a slight increase in the number of students enrolled in both doctoral and masters programs. There are currently 469 M.A. and 255 Ph.D. candidates.

Degrees awarded or anticipated for 1988-89 and 1989-90 are:
1. Total Ph.D. degrees awarded in 1988-89 ........................................ 23
2. Total Ph.D. degrees awarded in 1989-90 (est.) .................................. 30
3. Total M.A. degrees awarded in 1988-89 ........................................... 94
4. Total M.A. degrees awarded in 1989-90 (est.) .................................. 107

The placement picture for Ph.D. job candidates for 1988-89 was:
ABD/Ph.D. seeking positions ......................................................... 51
Placed .................................................. 22
Placed in academia ................................................................. 18

GRADUATE STIPENDS. The 1989-90 stipends at the M.A. level range from $4250 to $6750, and at the Ph.D. level from $6300 to $10,000. The range for non-service awards is $5550 to $10,000.

UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT PATTERNS AND MAJORS. Overall enrollments have not increased much over the past year. However, several schools are faced with major increases as new general education requirements come into line. Over the past year total majors have decreased from 2137 to 1934. Most of that drop occurred in two programs.

SYMPOSIA AND DISPLAYS

During the next couple months a number of lectures and symposia are being offered by various institutions. On April 25, 26, and 27 The Western Reserve Historical Society will hold its “9th Annual Triad Lecture Series.” This year Charles Venable, Associate Curator of Decorative Arts for the Dallas Museum of Art, will lecture on “Texas Collecting.”

Urbana University will hold an interesting gathering on May 10th. The Division of Social Sciences will hold a Social Science Alumni Reunion which will include a speaker and a panel.

May 10 through 12 an all day symposium at Case on “The Church Faces Social Justice Through A Family Perspective.” The gathering is being co-sponsored by the University of Dayton and two agencies of the Roman Catholic Church.

The History Department of Cleveland State is hosting on May 14th a lecture by Robert Forster of Johns Hopkins University on “The Legacy of the French Revolution.”

Since the last Newsletter several presentations have occurred of note. During the Fall, Case Western Reserve University held a national conference entitled “Private Action and Social Policy: Federations and Associations in the American Metropolis, 1900-1929.” The keynote speaker for the gathering was Morton Keller of Brandeis University.

During the Winter several symposia have been held. The University of Akron continues its symposia series funded by an Academic Challenge Grant. The most recent was a series of six research workshops that examined various aspects of “The Qing and the Economy, 1644-1911.”

In early March the History Department at Miami University sponsored the E.E. McClellan Symposium. The two day affair centered on the question of “America, Vietnam, and the War: Policy, Culture, Consequences.” The keynote address was delivered by Lloyd C. Gardner of Rutgers University. In addition there were a number of other speakers and panels dealing with the various aspects of the topic.

In the middle of February an interesting inter-institutional presentation was made. For an hour and a half the National Public Radio network carried a call-in show entitled “New Shoes in Old Footprints: Leadership in the Black Community.” Faculty participants came from Miami University, Ohio State University, and Ohio University. In addition, two distinguished blacks, Judge Carl R. Stokes and Columbus community leader Dr. Anna Bishop took part. The whole program was sponsored by the Ohio Humanities Council and the Ohio University Center for Afro-American Studies. The program, was broadcast by WOUN/WOUC, Athens.

Bowling Green’s History Department under an OBOR Academic Challenge Grant has held three symposia during the current semester. The three have centered on various aspects of policy history each led by a different authority. The three leaders have been Alfred Crosby of the University of Texas on biomedicai issues, Gerald Grob of Rutgers University on psychiatric matters, and Judith Seidman of Wright State on conservancy planning.

The Wright State Phi Alpha Theta Chapter has held a series of lectures on Eastern Europe calling upon members of the department to provide the information and lead a discussion.

The Mahoning Valley Historical Society is offering through Labor Day an unique, local perspective of an important era in American History. The multi-media exhibit is entitled “The Civil War and Youngstown’s Struggle for the Union.”

The Western Reserve Historical Society is holding three long running exhibits of interest. On display until May is an exhibit called “Cleveland’s Jewish Pioneers: 1839-1861.” Open until June is a display supported by the Ohio Bell Foundation which highlights the achievements of five Blacks who actively pursued their artistic vocations in the Western Reserve. Finally, running from April to August 15th will be an exhibition entitled “Just
Another Pretty Dress," There will be shown over forty garments, spanning a 120 year period, which were worn by women in Cleveland for specific special occasions.

NEW COURSES AND WORKSHOPS

Bowling Green will host in April its annual one day workshop for area teachers. The workshop attracts 80 to 100 teachers who learn about new directions, sources of information, etc. in fields of interest chosen by them. This summer BG will host another week-long workshop. The subject this year will be the Pacific rim.

Case Western Reserve University will offer an NEH Summer Seminar for college teachers from June 26 to August 3. While the seminar is full, the director, Carroll Pursell, will be happy to send syllabi to anyone interested in the topic - "The Role of Technology in American History." David Hammack at CWRU has developed a new course which he calls "The History of the Non-Profit Sector in the United States." It is jointly sponsored by the History Department and by the CWRU Mandel Center for Nonprofit Organizations.

Two new courses for Cleveland State University have been taught this year. James Borchert offered a course on public history and Virginia Dawson on science and its relationship to western culture.

COLLECTIONS

Some recent collections and guides have been brought to the editor's attention. The Case Western Reserve University's David Hammack has finished a guide to the microfiche of the archival material of the Russell Sage Foundation. The guide is The Russell Sage Foundation: Social Research and Social Action in America 1907-1947 (APA Academic Editions, 1988).

The Mahoning Valley Historical Society Library, Youngstown, has a sizeable collection of books, manuscripts, photographs, and genealogies related to the history of Youngstown and the Mahoning Valley.

The Ohio University Libraries have added thirty cubic feet more of material to its Wayne L. Hays Papers collection. The additions include files on election campaigns from 1956 to 1978, scrapbooks documenting Hay's four decades of public service at the local, state, and national levels, and reports from Congressional committees.

The Wright State Library has recently acquired three collections. They are: eighty nine photographs taken by the well-known Dayton photographer Jane Reece covering the period from 1912 to 1937. The second collection is eleven letters from Bishop Milton Wright to his nephew Charles Harris written in the decade from 1902. The third addition is forty linear feet of records of the Springfield YMCA running from the 1860s to the 1970s.

POTPOURRI

The Contemporary History Institute at Ohio University, directed by John Lewis Gaddis, has moved into new more spacious quarters at Brown House on University Terrace.

The Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums is soliciting nominations for its Outstanding Achievement Awards. The program encourages a continued striving for excellence in local history among the state's historical societies and museums, academic institutions and school teachers. Nominations must come from members of the Association. Information can be obtained from OAHSM, c/o Local History Office, OHS, 1982 Velma Ave., Columbus 43211-2497

The Academy wants to thank the OAHSM support of the Spring meeting that was given in the March/April 1990 issue of the Local Historian.

PUBLICATIONS

Owing to the amount of material that is appearing in the Newsletter this issue, only books and chapters of books are being cited. The editor hopes to credit articles of recent vintage in the Fall issue.

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

Two books by Akron faculty should be noted. WALTER L. HIRSON has had his book George F. Kennan: Cold War Iconoclast published by Columbia UP. The Kent State UP has released Ohio and Its People by GEORGE KNEPPER.


BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

A second book on peasant societies and famine has been written by RONALD SEAVOY. It is entitled Famine in East Africa and is published by Greenwood Press.

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY

The University of Wisconsin Press has published PAUL SPICKARD'S Mixed Blood: Intermarriage and Ethnic Identity for Twentieth Century America.

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

DAVID HAMMACK has a chapter "Community Foundations: The Delicate Question of Purpose," in R. Magat's An Agile Servant: Community Leadership by Community Foundations (Foundation Center).

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Owing to a lapse in reporting, the following includes two years of productivity by the faculty at Cincinnati. ROGER DANIELS has had two books appear: Asian America: Chinese and Japanese in the United States Since 1850. (Washington UP) and History of Indian Immigration to the United States: An Interpretative Essay. (The Asian Society). In addition, Daniels edited the nine volume Garland series on American Concentration Camps: A Document History of the Relocation and Incarceration of Japanese Americans, 1941-1945.

Three works by FRANK KAFKER in conjunction with others have been published. They are: The Encyclopedia of Individuals: A Biographical Dictionary of the Authors of the Encyclopedia done in collaboration with Serena L. Kafker (Voltaire Foundation of Oxford Universite), Napoleon and His Times: Selected Interpretations, edited with James M. Laxt (Krieger), and also with Laxt the edited The French Revolution: Conflicting Interpretations, 4th ed. (Krieger).


JOANNE MEYEROWITZ has in print a book and an entry. The book is Women Adrift: Independent Wage Earners in

Two edited books and two chapter contributions have been produced by ZANE L. MILLER. The edited works are Greater Cincinnati Bicentennial Series with GENE D. LEWIS, (Illinois UP), and with HENRY D. SHAPIRO The Urban Life and Urban Landscape Series (OSUP). The two chapters are “Pluralizing America: Walter Prescott Webb, Chicago School Sociology, and Cultural Pluralism,” in Essays on Sunbelt Cities and Recent Urban America, eds., R.B. Fairbanks & Kathleen Underwood, (Texas A&M Press) and in Records of the Columbia Hist. Soc. of Wash., D.C. edited by J.K. Flack, “Turning Inward and Contemporary Metropolitan Crisis.”

BARBARA RAMUSACK was editor of a special issue of the Indo- British Review, 15,2 which was entitled “Princeley India and the Raj.” She also has a chapter in the OAHs Restoring Women to History, ed by M. Strobel & C. Johnson-Odinet entitled “Women in South and Southeast Asia.”

Thomas Sakmyster has a chapter in the series Hungarian Statesmen of Destiny on “Miklos Horthy, 1868-1957” ARNOLD SCHRIER has two new editions of books coming out. They are the 4th edition of Scott, Foresman’s History and Life and 6th edition of Living World History written with Walter T. Wallbank.

Greenwood Press’s Women and the Literature of the Seventh Century: An Annotated Bibliography Based on Wing’s Short-Title Catalogue was co-compiled by HILDA SMITH. A chapter has been contributed by ANN TWINAM to Laurin Aucoin, ed., Sexuality and Marriage in Colonial Latin America (Nebraska UP) entitled “Honour, Sexuality, and Iliqitimacy in Colonial Spanish America.”


CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

JAMES BORCHERT has had his Lakewood: The First 100 Years published by Donning Co.

UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON

Peter Lang has published Bingham of the Hills by ERVING BEAUREGARD. Beauregard and JOHN HEITMANN have entries in Salem Press’s Great Lives from History: Renaissance to 1900. An entry by BRUCE HITCHNER appears in Vol 6 of L’Africa Romana entitled “The Organization of Rural Settlement in the Cilium-Thelpe Region (Kasserine, Central Tunisia).”

T.C. RHEE has compiled and translated for publication Kim Dae Jung’s Foreign Policy Views. The recently released Encyclopedia of American Business History, Banking and Finance, 1787-1913 (Brucelli Clark Layman) was edited by LARRY SCHWEIKART.

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Chapters in three books have been contributed by Kent faculty. LAWRENCE KAPLAN has “The ‘Atlantic’ Component of NATO,” in Transatlantic Relations on the Eve of the XXI Century, ed. J. Enes (CEIRE). The Handbook of American Popular Culture edited by M.T. Inge (Greenwood) has an article by WILLIAM H. KENNEY and Bill Bennett on “Jazz.” S. VICTOR PAPACOSMA along with M.R. Rubin edited Europe’s Neutral and Nonaligned States: Between NATO and the Warsaw Pact (Scholarly Resources, Inc.). Included in the work was a chapter by Papacosma on “Yugoslavia.”

MIAMI UNIVERSITY

Seven books have been or are about to be published written by Miami faculty. A listing shows To Die for Germany: Heroes in the Nazi Pantheon (Indiana UP) by JAY W. BAIRD; The Midwest and the Nation: Rethinking the History of an American Region by ANDREW CAYTON and PETER S. ONUF, also by Indiana UP; MARY KUPIEC CAYTON, Emerson’s Emergence: Self and Society in the Transformation of New England, 1800-1845. (North Carolina UP); Indiana UP’s A Place to Speak Our Minds: The Southern School for Women Workers, 1917-1950 by MARY FREDERICKSON.


EDWIN M. YAMAUCHI has a chapter “The Episode of the Magi,” in Chronos, Kairos, Christos: Nativity and Chronological Studies Presented to Jack Finegan (Eisenbrauns).

MUSKINGUM COLLEGE

Harvard University Press has recently released ROBERT BURKE’S book The Corporate State and the Broker State.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Two new books by OSU faculty are on the market. They are JEREMY COHEN’S “Be Fertile and Increase, Fill the Earth and Master It”: The Ancient and Medieval Career of a Biblical Text (Cornell UP) and by the same press Sex and Society in the World of the Orthodox Slavs, 900-1700 by EVE LEVIN.

The continuing worth of some of the earlier work of the faculty is reflected in the appearance of Japanese editions of MANSEL BLACKFORD and K. AUSTIN KERR’S Business Enterprise in American History and of Blackford’s The Rise of Modern Business in Great Britain, the United States, and Japan. Also, a Chinese edition of Essay on Our Time by HAO CHANG has been printed.

Further proof of the value of Blackford’s and Kerr’s Business Enterprise... is its re-printing in the United States as a second edition.

OHIO UNIVERSITY


SINCLAIR COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The forthcoming Garland Encyclopedia of the American Revolution edited by R.L. Blanc is has some forty entries written by THOMAS S. MARTIN.

URBANA UNIVERSITY

GEORGE H. CARROLL has a chapter entitled “Indian Captivities of the Upper Ohio Valley, 1755-95,” in the Selected Papers From The 1987 and 1988 George Rogers Clark Trans-Appalachian Frontier History Conferences. The first volume of two The Schottensteins, 1908-1930 by MORRIS SCHOTTENS- TEIN has recently been published.

WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY

“The Rise and Fall of Feminist Organizations,” by JUDITH SEALANDER and edited by Ilene Phillipson has been issued by Temple UP.
YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY
Forthcoming from Kent State UP is Steel Valley Klan written by WILLIAM JENKINS. The first airing occurred in February of SAUL FREEDMAN'S television documentary “The Snow was Red” which dealt with Ukrainian-Jewish relation. His fellow collaborator was Herbert Hochhauser of Kent State.

AWARDS, GRANTS, LEAVES, HONORS, AND OFFICES

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON
WALTER L. HIXSON has received a 1990-91 Fulbright Lecture Award for the Soviet Union.
Honors have come to GEORGE W. KNEPPER who received the Award for Outstanding Service from the Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums and a commendation from the Ohio State Senate for his contributions to the teaching and writing of history. Also honored by election to be Chair of the National Council on Public History is DAVID E. KYVIG.

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY
Several members of the department will be on leave during the coming year. On leave for the full year will be KENNETH F. KIPLE who will continue work on his Cambridge Project and DAVID C. SKAGGS who will be a Visiting Professor at the Air University. During the Spring, 1991 semester DAVID WIENBERG will be a Visiting Professor in Jewish History at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. During the Fall Semester BERNARD STERNSHER will be on Sabbatical and during the Spring Semester LAWRENCE FRIEDMAN will also.
Summer Faculty Research Grants have been given to FUJI KAWASHIMA and SARAH SHARP.

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY
KAY SLOCUM is the recipient of an ACLS Research Grant for Recent Recipients of the Ph. D. She will use it to complete a study of Jacques de Liege. An NEH Summer Stipend has been extended to PAUL SPICKARD who will use it to complete a manuscript on African-American migration to Los Angeles.

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
PAT GERSTNER, Adjunct Prof. and Director of the Cleveland Health Sciences Education Library has received a $5000 grant from the Kellogg Foundation to support her pictorial history of the Battle Creek Sanitarium. The grant has come through the Cleveland Medical Library Assoc. Additionally, she has been re-elected President of the Ohio Network of Medical History Collections.
ANGELA WOOLACOTT has been awarded a Fellowship to participate in the Humanities Research Institute's program on “Gender and War.”

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI
A number of department members have been elected to various positions. DANIEL BEAVER is a new member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Military History. ROGER DANIELS is currently serving as a Trustee of the Cincinnati Historical Society and on the Executive Board of the Society for Historians of the Gilded Age and the Progressive Era. BARBARA RAMUSACK is serving as an elected member of the AHA Nominating Committee.
ARNOLD SCHRIER served as a member of the American Delegation to the US-USSR Textbook Study Commission which met in Moscow. During the meeting he spoke on “New Developments in the Field of World History in the USA.”

CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY
HARRY W. LANGWORTHY III is on a leave during the current year. He is working on Joseph Booth and Africa and the Africans. During the Fall Semester, 1989 LEE MAKELA served as a Study Leader with the Smithsonian Associates tour of Japan.

UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON
BRUCE HITCHNER received a National Geographic Society Research Grant for his Kasserine Archaeological Survey. The Fund for Educational Development extended funds to SUSAN LYNN to help her develop a course on “Women's Lives in Three Non-Western Cultures.” A research grant was forthcoming from the Center for International Studies, U of D for TOM SANDERS.
U of D Research Institute Fellowships have been made to JULIUS AMIN, ERVING BEAUREGARD, LEROY EID, BRUCE HITCHNER, SUSAN LYNN, and ALICE VINES.
Currently serving in various capacities is ERVING BEAUREGARD as Membership Director and member of the Program Committee of the American Catholic Historical Assoc. He is a board member of the Ohio Africanists and of the Ohio Conference of the AAUP. He also is the Secretary-Treasurer of the AAUP Private Council in Ohio. JOHN HEITMANN was recently elected Secretary of the History of Chemistry Division of the ACS.

JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY
MARIAN MORTON will be on professional leave during the Fall Semester, 1990.
RUSSEL DUNCAN received a Research Grant from the Graduate School which allowed him to do research on the diary of Archibald McKinley.

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY
YEH-CHIEN WANG is spending the current year in Taiwan on a research grant made by the National Science Council of the Republic of China.
Both JEROME FRIEDMAN and ROBERT SWIERENGA will be on Kent State University Research Council leaves during the 1990-91 academic year.

MAHONING VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
PATRICIA CUMMINS, Director of the MVHS, has been elected to a two year term as president of the Ohio Association of Historical Societies and Museums.

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
EDWIN M. YAMAUCHI serves as President of the Institute for Biblical Research.
JAY W. BAIRD, MICHAEL O'BRIEN, and MARY FREDERICKSON will be on one semester leaves during the 1990-91 school year.

OBERLIN COLLEGE
STEPHEN S. VOLK has received a year-long research grant from the College to finish his book on 19th century state-building in Chile.
OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

A number of grants have been bestowed on various members of the OSU faculty. A listing shows receipt by KENNETH J. ANDRIEN of a NEH Fellowship for University Teachers for 1990-91 so he can finish his book on the socio-economic history of Ecuador, 1690-1838. ROBERT BAUM is currently holding the ACLS Fellowship for Recent Recipients of the Ph.D.. A 1990 Summer Stipend from the NEH will support the research and writing of STEPHEN DALE. The Archaeological Institute of America has selected MERVON DILLON as an AIA Traveling Lecturer. Another Recent Ph.D. Recipient Grant has been made to CARLA PESTANA by the ACLS.

The following are holding various positions as a result of election. STEPHEN DALE is the Secretary of the American Institute of Iranian Studies. MERVON DILLON is currently serving on the Avery O. Craven Award Committee of the OAH. JAMES KITTTELSON will serve a four-year term on the Executive Committee of the Society for Reformation Research. MARILYN WALDMAN is the President of the American Institute of Iranian Studies, Chair, Study of Islam Section, the American Academy of Religion, Vice President of the American Society for the Study of Religion, and a member of the Executive Council of the World History Association.

MICHAEL J. HOGAN has been further honored by being awarded OSU’s 1990 Distinguished Scholar Award.

OHIO UNIVERSITY

CHARLES C. ALEXANDER has been named Distinguished Professor, the university’s highest faculty honor.

Leaves for the coming year have been granted to MICHAEL GROW and ROBERT H. WHEALEY for the entire year and to PHYLLIS E. FIELD, Fall & Winter Quarter, JOHN LEWIS ADDISS, Winter & Spring Quarters, and CHARLES C. ALEXANDER, Spring Quarter.

WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY

JACOB DORN will be on Sabbatical Leave for the 1990-91 academic year.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS AND RESIGNATIONS

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

JANE KATE LEONARD has been appointed to coordinate the Eastern Civilization program in the General Studies College. J. WAYNE BAKER is the new coordinator of the Western Traditions program.

BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

STUART R. GIVENS has been serving as Acting Chair of the Department during the Spring semester.

CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

A new Instructor in Black History is KIMBERLY L. PHILLIPS. Her research fields include Afro-Americans, U.S. Women, and American social movements. JOHN L. TONE is a Visiting Assistant Professor. He is teaching Western Civilization, 19th Century Europe, Spanish history.

UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON

BRUCE HITCHNER has been promoted to Associate Professor.

MIAMI UNIVERSITY

JEFFREY P. KIMBALL has been promoted to Professor and ROBERT THURSTON to Associate Professor.

New faculty include SHELDON ANDERSON as an Assistant Professor of History and International Studies. He will teach European history on the Oxford Campus. His research area is Eastern Europe. Joining the Department at the Oxford Campus as an Associate Professor is ANDREW CAYTON. His research field and teaching interests lie in the Early National Period of U.S. history. MARJORIE MCLENNAN will join the Middletown Campus faculty. She will teach American history and do research in late 19th Century material culture.

MOUNT UNION COLLEGE

RICHARD DUTSON has been granted tenure and promoted to Associate Professor in History and Political Science.

RICHARD L. DOYLE is now serving as the Chair of the Department of History and Political Science.

OBERLIN COLLEGE

CAMILLE GUERIN-GONZALES has been appointed Assistant Professor starting in the Fall. Her areas of specialization are Hispanics in the United States and Mexico.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Both JAMES BARTHOLOMEW and ALLAN BEYERCHEN have been appointed to the Editorial Board of ISIS (Journal of the History of Science Society).

K. AUSTIN KERR is a member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Policy History.

JAMES KITTTELSON has been named Editor (Germany) of The Encyclopedia of the Reformation which will be published in four volumes by Oxford UP.

OHIO UNIVERSITY

ALFRED E. ECKES, currently a member of the U.S. International Trade Commission and its Chair from 1982 to 1984, has been appointed Ohio Eminent Research Professor of History.

STEVEN J. HIRSCH has been appointed a Visiting Instructor for 1990-91.

SKIDMORE COLLEGE

Long time Academy member JOANNA SCHNEIDER ZANGRANDO has been appointed as Chief Reader in American History Advanced Placement Examinations for ETS.

WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY

EDWARD HAAS, Associate Professor and Director of Public History and Museum Studies, has been granted tenure.

YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY

JAMES RONDA is leaving YSU after twenty-one years to assume the Barnard Chair in Western American history at the University of Tulsa.

RETIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

On January 15, 1990, two long-time faculty members of the Department of History retired, ROBERT H. JONES and DAVID C. RIEDE served The University of Akron for a total of 53 years. Both have been active members of the Ohio Academy of History.

Bob joined the faculty of the University in 1971 as professor of history and head of the Department of History. The recipient of A.B., A.M., and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Illinois, he had previously taught at Kent State University and Western Reserve University. A scholar of the American Civil War and recent American diplomacy, he wrote The Civil War in the Northwest, Disrupted Decades: The Civil War and Reconstruction Years, and The Roads to Russia: Lend-Lease to the Soviet Union, in addition to many articles in learned journals. He has directed numerous doctoral and master's candidates at three institutions and has become a well-known teacher of undergraduates at The University of Akron. An active member of the community, Bob
served on the Stow City School Board and the Stow City Board of Tax Appeals. For five years he served on the Patricia Roberts Harris Fellowship Award panel and other committees for the U.S. Department of Education.

David has been a faculty member at the University of Akron since 1955. He is a widely recognized teacher through his 21 years as a lecturer in Western Cultural Traditions. Selected Most Popular Faculty Member in 1967, Riede was named The University of Akron’s outstanding teacher in 1976. Riede is a lecturer in the Akron library system travel series and a community leader in a variety of charitable and religious organizations in Akron and northeastern Ohio. The recipient of B.A. (1949), M.A. (1951), and Ph.D. (1957) from The University of Iowa, he has focused his research and teaching on contemporary Europe and has co-written several texts on European history. For 27 years he served as head of the Department of General Studies, where he gave shape to many programs, especially those in Western Cultural Traditions and Eastern Civilizations. A friend and unofficial counselor to hundreds of University of Akron students for more than three decades, he leaves an enviable record as a teacher, scholar, and mentor at this institution.

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY
DONALD E. BENSCH, Professor of History, retired after thirty-three years of service to Capital University. He has been awarded Professor Emeritus status. Professor Bensch taught a wide range of courses from American History to China and Japan. He was a teacher who was dedicated to teaching. He also served as departmental Chair. Presently, he is serving as the University's archivist.

MIAMI UNIVERSITY
RONALD E. SHAW is retiring at the end of the academic year 1989-1990 with half-year post-retirement appointments up to three years. A Carleton College baccalaureate (1947) with a University of Rochester doctorate (1954), he taught at Wayne State University before coming to Miami in 1954, first with duties teaching Western Civilization that shaped his concerns and values as a teacher. Yet his principal responsibilities came to be with his specialties in American social and economic and the early American republic. As a researcher Shaw staked out his interests, almost literally so, with two books mentioned elsewhere in this Newsletter issue which chart the entire U.S. canal movement. Shaw also has a polished historiographical article “Canals in the Early Republic: A Review of Recent Literature” in Journal of the Early Republic, vol. 4, no. 2 (Summer 1984): 117-42; many other articles; book reviews; and other published items. As a teacher at Miami he directed a number of loyal, professionally active doctoral and masters’ candidates, coordinated the departmental honors course, and directed for many years the public history colloquia for masters’ students and the mentor program for graduate student American history teachers. These notable professional services earned him a five-year term (1983-1988) as the first W.E. Smith Professor in the department.

MAX WELBORN JR. is retiring at the end of the academic year 1989-1990 with half-year post-retirement appointments up to three years. He holds the B.A. from Dartmouth College (1951), the M.A. from the University of Pennsylvania (1952), and the Ph.D. from The Ohio State University (1965). He taught at Baylor University before coming to Miami University in 1964. His study of the French abolitionist movement and the end of slavery in the French Empire led to publication of an article on “Victor Schoelcher: A Superior Breed of Abolitionist” in Journal of Negro History, vol. 54, no. 2 (April 1969): 93-108, and related research interests. As a teacher at Miami University he offered a dynamic course in Western Civilization of such popularity that he bore a heavy teaching load throughout his career. In addition, he taught advanced and graduate courses and directed theses and dissertations in modern French and European intellectual history.

Welborn introduced a stimulating course on The Novel and History which gave a generation of Miami students an understanding of Marcel Proust, Leo Tolstoy, Leonard Woolf, and other nineteenth and twentieth century novelists whose works provide a keen insight into history.

MOUNT UNION COLLEGE
Professor GEORGE MONTAGNO, former chair of the History and Political Science Department and Director of Non-Western Studies at Mount Union College will retire in May, 1990 after twenty-eight years of service. Professor Montagno earned his B.A. from Middlebury College, his M.A. from Columbia University and his Ph.D. from the University of California-Berkeley. He also undertook post-doctoral studies in Asian affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Before coming to Mount Union, Dr. Montagno was Chief of Researchers at the U.S. Air Force Academy and a Professor of History at Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa. He was also a Fulbright Lecturer in Finland and a visiting professor at the University of Karachi sponsored by the Asia Foundation. During his tenure at Mount Union, Prof. Montagno not only taught American history but also developed the Non-Western Studies major and taught a variety of courses in Asian history. He had also done yeoman service as a chair of the International Education Committee.

OBERLIN COLLEGE
BARRY McGUIlL, professor of history at Oberlin College since 1952, is retiring at the close of the spring semester. Mr. McGill graduated from Williams College, studied at Oxford, and received his Ph.D. from Harvard. A specialist in English constitutional history, he was one of the mainstays of the department, teaching well remembered sections of the European history survey throughout his career. He also served a term as department chair. His most recent publication is indicative of his depth of learning and gift for felicitous expression: “A Victorian Office: the Parliamentary Counsel to the Treasury, 1869-1902,” Historical Research: The Bulletin of the Institute of Historical Research, 63 (Feb. 1990): 110-116. He plans to retire in the Oberlin area, where his wisdom and good cheer will remain available to us.

OHIO HUMANITIES COUNCIL
At the end of last November, CHARLES C. COLE retired as Executive Director of the Ohio Humanities Council after having served for thirteen years. Under his guidance, the OHC funded or sponsored over 1,200 significant local and statewide humanities projects. In the process the OHC distributed in excess of $5 million.

He was instrumental in establishing the Joint Program in the Arts and Humanities, a cooperative funding venture with the Ohio Arts Council. The OAC/OHC Joint Program was the only such cooperative program in the United States.

Prior to joining the staff of the OHC, Dr. Cole was President of Wilson College. He received a Ph.D. in American history from Columbia University.

The OHC and the many individuals and groups who benefited from the work of Dr. Cole wish him well.

DEATHS
Professor ROBERT E. BADER, former Chair of the History and Political Science Department at Mount Union College, died December 3, 1989 following an extended illness. Professor Bader earned his B.A. degree from Nebraska Wesleyan University and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Nebraska. He joined Mount Union’s faculty in 1948 as department chair and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1981. During his tenure, he not only taught courses in American history and political science, but also chaired the college’s self-study committee, was vice chair of the athletic board of control and advised
several students organizations. Dr. Bader was a long time member of the Ohio Academy of History and in 1971, was selected to serve on its nominating committee. He was also a veteran of World War II, having served in the European theatre as a captain in the U.S. Army.

JOSEPH R. BAXTER, 74, professor of history emeritus and former coordinator of social science at Miami University-Middletown, died September 28, 1989, in Cincinnati. He graduated from Berea Academy, Berea College, and Duke University (M.A.). He did graduate work at the University of Cincinnati. Baxter served as a captain in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He taught at Woodward High School, Cincinnati, and Southern Illinois University before he joined Miami University-Middletown when that campus was established in 1966. His teaching responsibilities were mainly in U.S. history and he was especially knowledgeable about Cincinnati and the local history of the region although American intellectual history was his specialty. He is particularly remembered for his support to the Gardner-Harvey Library of Miami University-Middletown and his intense loyalty to Berea College.

HARRIS G. WARREN, professor of history and departmental chair at Miami University from 1957-1971, died April 24, 1988, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, at the age of 81. A student of Valparaiso University (Indiana), Purdue University, (B.S., 1926), Stanford University (M.A., 1930) and Northwestern University (Ph.D., 1937), his first teaching position was in the public schools of Mountain House, Idaho, where he taught history and Spanish (1926-1928). His specialty in Latin American history with a research commitment to Paraguay was stimulated by service as a clerk at the U.S. Legation in Asuncion (1928-1929). Before coming to Miami he taught at Northwestern (1937-1939), Michigan State University (1938-1939), McMurray College for Women (1939-1940), Louisiana State University (1940-1942 and 1945-1946), and the University of Mississippi (1946-1957). During World War II he served as an intelligence officer with the Fifth Army in the United States, North Africa, and Italy, entering the army as a first lieutenant and rising to major. He contributed to the multivolume history of the Fifth Army. He was the author of The Sword Was Their Passport: A History of American Filibustering in the Mexican Revolution (Louisiana State University Press, 1943), Paraguay, An Informal History (University of Oklahoma Press, 1949), and Herbert Hoover and the Great Depression (Oxford University Press, 1959; paperback reprint, W.W. Norton). He was engaged in three-volume history of Paraguay in retirement which resulted in Paraguay and the Triple Alliance: The Postwar Decade, 1869-1878 (University of Texas Press, 1978), and Rebirth of the Paraguayan Republic: The First Colorado Era, 1878-1904 (University of Pittsburgh Press, 1985). Just before his death he was looking forward eagerly to writing a volume on the Liberal Era and the Gran Chaco War. As a teacher and administrator at Miami he devoted himself to developing the doctoral program in history, revitalizing the master's program, and establishing founding history faculties for what became Wright State University, Miami University-Middletown, and Miami University-Hamilton.

### May is History Month

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### CLIO’S CORNER

Collegians Look at the Past

- Impressionism was the habit of painting what came to mind.
- The geography of New France was so diverse that the French didn’t know what to do with it.
- After the American Revolution, the Edict of Nantes of 1776 gave the British back the North West Territory.
- Julius Rosenwald took a small company and built it into an efficient male order system.
- Pope John XXIII said that "if he saw a brick of Christianity in the wall of evil - he would pull it out."
- Jean Talon was the man behind the plan of bringing more people to New France, including young girls to marry settlers, fur traders, and bear children.
- The France-Opportunity War caused humility and banishment for Napoleon.

Some readers have said that this column was too demeaning of students. This has never been the intent of the editor. Rather, he hoped that all of us could stand back and look with some humor on what was brought forth from our teaching.
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