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Visiting Faculty: Past, Present and Future

The James Pinckney Harrison Professor of History for 1977-78 has been Lawrence C. Goodwyn, author of Democratic Promise: The Populist Moment in America. Professor Goodwyn challenged graduate students with his vitality and iconoclasm in a fall seminar entitled "Social History: Theory and Methodology." Undergraduate students had the opportunity to work with Goodwyn in a spring seminar which studied Reconstruction, Populism, and the Civil Rights Movement in the context of the total Southern culture. Goodwyn, co-director of the Oral History Program at Duke University's Center for Southern Studies, also delivered three public lectures around the general theme of "Twentieth Century Dilemma: The General Crisis of the Democratic Faith." During

the year he was honored by being named one of twenty-one judges of the 1978 National Book Awards in the "Contemporary Thought" category. Larry Goodwyn and 1976-77 Harrison Professor Herbert Gutman greatly enriched our curriculum and studies in United States social history during the last two years.

The Harrison Professor for 1978-79 will provide a change of pace when he directs seminars and research on European socialisms and the cultural repercussions of modern war. We will be fortunate to have with us for a year Gordon Wright, Professor of History Emeritus of Stanford University. Professor Wright received his B.A. from Whitman College, his

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Mrs. Jones Wins Award

Mrs. Grace Jones, secretary in the Department of History, received an Employee Recognition Award of a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond in March, 1978. The award, presented by President Thomas Graves, recognized Mrs. Jones' outstanding service and initiative in her work. As Thomas Sheppard, Chairman of the History Department, said: "Her performance in every facet of her job goes well beyond anything expected of a person with her classification." During the award ceremony, Mrs. Jones was termed a "stateswoman in residence at Morton Hall" in recognition of her familiarity with College personnel and procedures and her public relations work in regard to the inquiries and applications for the History Department graduate program.

Mrs. Jones came to the College in March, 1959, to work in the office of the Dean of Students and Registrar. In 1964, she voluntarily took a cut in pay to assume the position of secretary in the History Department, a position which she thought offered new challenges. Only one current member of the History Department has been at the College longer than Mrs. Jones, which bolsters her reputation as a kind of "oral historian of Morton Hall." With nineteen years of service to the College, many alumni, as well as faculty and her co-workers, have had occasion to say, "Ask Mrs. Jones."



Mrs. Grace Jones smiles as Dr. T. A. Graves, Jr., presents bond.

William and Mary History Faculty

James Lewis Axtell will join the William and Mary faculty next year as Professor of History. Professor Axtell received his B.A. from Yale and his Ph.D. from Trinity College, Cambridge University. His field is U.S. colonial history, with a special interest in the ethnohistory of Indian-white relations in North America and American frontiers; additionally, he has studied the history of the family in early modern Europe and North America and the history of American education. In addition to numerous articles, Professor Axtell has published two books, The Educational Writings of John Locke (1968) and The School Upon a Hill: Education and Society in Colonial New England (1974). He is currently working on a four volume study of the contact among the French, English, and Indians in North America. He has taught at Yale, Sarah Lawrence College, and Northwestern University and has held fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Social Science Research Council, and the American Council of Learned Societies. Professor Axtell will conduct the graduate research seminar in Early American History as well as a graduate proseminar in addition to undergraduate courses.

Research, participating in conferences, and teaching continue to keep William and Mary historians busy. A number of faculty projects revealed an interest in and a talent for sharing historical knowledge with history buffs outside the "ivory

tower.'

The most ambitious project with which historians were involved was a five part television series on the New South for an early morning educational broadcast in NBC's "Knowledge" series. William and Mary Vice President and historian George Healy moderated the introductory show on the culture of the New South. Larry Goodwyn participated in a discussion of Southern politics on a subsequent show, and Helen Cam Walker moderated the panel on the Black experience in the South in the last decade. Thad Tate presided over the panel on current trends in Southern religion, and two authentic Southerners and historians--Boyd Coyner and James J. Thompson--discussed the old and new South in the final program. The entire series had been organized by the William and Mary Office of Information Services and a Washington, D.C. affiliate of NBC, WRC-TV.

During the past year, Professor Craig Canning has discussed contemporary China with several Williamsburg and Peninsula groups, and he also spoke to the Virginia Peninsula chapter of Ikebana International on "Haiku and Japanese Culture." He taught a new course during the spring semester on Modern Japanese Fiction for the Comparative Literature curriculum. In addition to preparing book reviews for *Choice* and the *Journal of Asian Studies*, Professor Canning represented the College at the fall workshop of the Virginia Consortium for Asian Studies and attended the annual meeting of the Association of Asian Studies held at The Palmer

House in Chicago.

Professor Boyd Coyner was a reader of a television script for PBS based on Robert Manson Myers' Children of Pride; the script was written on the model and scale of "The Adams Family Chronicle." Coyner has also chaired the Phi Beta Kappa Committee on Nominations this year. When a group of international jurists met in Williamsburg in October for the inauguration of The National Center for State Courts, Professor Coyner delivered the opening address, "The Historical Origins of the American Federal System." Coyner looks forward to his continuing work on a book about John H. Cocke and to directing one of the first graduate proseminars at William and Mary in the fall.

Charles Cullen participated in two historical conferences this year; the first was the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association in New Orleans at which he presented a paper entitled "St. George Tucker and the Discipline of Law in Jeffersonian Virginia," and the second was a conference on southern legal history at Vanderbilt University Law School, where he participated in a panel which discussed the problems and prospects of writing southern legal history. Additionally, he, with Herbert Johnson, published the second volume of The Papers of John Marshall and has sent the third volume to press. He continues to work on editing the notes on court cases taken by St. George Tucker, and he has written a chapter on Tucker which will appear in The Virginia Reporters Before 1880, edited by W. Hamilton Brysin.

Judith Ewell has published "The Extradition of Marcos Perez Jiménez 1959-63: Practical Precedent for Enforcement of Administrative Honesty?" in the Journal of Latin American Studies (Nov., 1977) and "Marcos Pérez Jiménez: Venezuela's Crucial Decade, 1948-1958" in Revista/Review Interamericana (Fall, 1977). She delivered a paper at the Southern Historical Association's annual meeting on the U.S. community in Venezuela from 1945 to 1960 and received a William and Mary Faculty Research Summer Grant for 1978 to continue work on this topic.

Norman Fiering was one of twenty-six scholars, and the only Virginian, to be appointed as a Fellow by the National Humanities Center, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, for the academic year 1978-79. Fiering will be on leave from the Institute of Early American History and Culture in order to prepare several volumes related to eighteenth

century Anglo-American moral thought.

A. Z. Freeman read a paper entitled "Wooden Walls--the English Navy in the Time of Edward I" at the Fifth Annual Symposium on Naval History held at the U.S. Naval Academy. Professor Freeman will be the resident director of the William and Mary Summer Session in Cambridge, England, and will

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News of Alumni

DAVID BASSLER (B.A., 1977) is working for Pepsi Cola in Baltimore.

VALERIE JEAN BRADFIELD, an Exeter University Exchange Student in 1968-69, is now teaching at

Leicester Polytechnic Library.

MARTHA WREN BRIGGS (B.A., 1955) is an art librarian at the School of the Arts, C.W. Post College of Long Island University. Her article, "Signboards and Sign Painters of Eighteenth-Century Williamsburg," appeared in the Fall, 1977, issue of Virginia Cavalcade.

ALEXANDER C. BROWN (M.A., 1951) has recently retired as literary editor of the Daily Press after a twenty-five year career. Maritime history has intrigued him, and the Cornell Maritime Press of Cambridge, Maryland, has published two of his books: The Good Ships of Newport News (1976) and Longboat to Hawaii (1975). Additionally, The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography has accepted his article, "Colonial Williamsburg's Canal Scheme."

BRUCE A. BROWN (B.A., 1975) has been teaching school in Portsmouth and will enter the M.A. program at William and Mary in the fall of 1978.

ALTA CASSADY (M.A. Candidate) is teaching Western Civilization at Auburn University at Montgomery during the summer, 1978, term and is completing her thesis.

PAM CHAFIN (B.A., 1977) has completed a year in the graduate program in art history at George

Washington University.

BETH CHERNICHOWSKI (M.A., 1975) has been the director of the Skinner Museum at Mount Holyoke College since 1976. In October, 1976, she was named as one of twenty "outstanding museum professionals" in an award co-sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Association for State and Local History.

ERNIE COPLEY (B.A., 1975) is teaching history, government, and sociology at Flint Hill Preparatory

School in Fairfax, Virginia.

HENRY CRIDER (B.A., 1976) has completed one year at T.C. Williams Law School and has been elected to the Student Bar Association.

DAVID CROALL (B.A., 1977) has completed a year at Harvard Law School. He is maintaining his interest in Asian Studies by living in the home of a retired

Chinese professor.

JOHN C. CROWELL (Ph.D. Candidate) has had a book review published in the Andover Newton Quarterly (January, 1978) and has published a bibliography entitled "Perry Miller as Historian: A Bibliography of Evaluations" in the Bulletin of Bibliography and Magazine Notes.

JOHN A. B. DAVIES, JR. (B.A., Interdisciplinary, 1973) is now working with the Virginia National Bank in Norfolk and is planning to begin work at Old Dominion University on a Master's Degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Finance.

JULIE EDMUNDSON (B.A., 1976) is taking courses, writing a thesis, completing an internship at the Columbia Historical Society, and working at the National Air and Space Museum in Washington.

JOSEPH ELLIS (B.A., 1965) received his Ph.D. at Yale and is now chairman of the History Department at Mount Holyoke College. He is working on a study

of American culture after the Revolution.

FRED FAUSZ (Ph.D., 1977) has received a faculty appointment at St. Mary's College, in St. Mary's City, Maryland. Beginning in fall, 1978, he will be teaching courses on Chesapeake history and Comparative Colonial Societies in North America.

DAVID FERCH (M.A. Candidate) is a reference librarian at Mt. Mercy College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

SUSAN H. GROSS (M.A., 1967) and a colleague have received a government grant to develop teaching materials for high school world area studies courses on women in other cultures. The first year of the three year grant has been devoted to producing study units on women in India, the Soviet Union, the Middle East, and Ancient Greece and Rome. Susan has been teaching history at the high school level for the past nine years in the St. Louis Park school system in Minnesota.

BARBARA DAVIS HEAD (B.A., 1978) is working for the Marketing Division of Proctor and Gamble in

Northern Virginia.

WILLIAM D. HENDERSON (B.A., 1959) is an Associate Professor of History at Richard Bland College and has been serving as a member of the Board of Trustees and Vice President of the Historic Petersburg Foundation. His book, The Unredeemed City: Reconstruction in Petersburg, Va. 1865-1874 was published in 1977 by the University Press of America.

DAVID M. HILL (B.A., 1975) has been enjoying the flexibility of the graduate program in business at the Wharton Graduate School of the University of

Pennsylvania.

JEANNE HOGENSON (M.A., 1973) is now living in California with her husband and new baby, after doing advanced graduate work at the University of Wisconsin.

JANIS HORNE (B.A., 1977) is enjoying her graduate work in history at the University of Wisconsin.

CARTER HUDGINS (Ph.D. Candidate) will be administering a \$50,000 National Park Service grant during the summer of 1978; the grant supports the excavation of Robert Carter's home plantation of

Corotoman in Lancaster County.

JON G. JAMES (B.A., 1974) has been working at the Golden Spike National Historic Site in Utah as a Park Technician-Interpreter since 1976. Before coming to this position, he had worked as a forest firefighter in Missouri, a construction worker, and a clothing salesman. He plans to try to go to graduate school when he is able to secure a year's leave from the Park Service, but is enthusiastic about the training and experience he has received in his latest job.

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Undergraduate Concentrators

Honors and Awards

Elizabeth Bowen had a very good year. She was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and received highest honors in history for her thesis, "A Small Affirmation of the Heart." Directed by Professor James J. Thompson, the thesis treated the careers and lives of two Southern literary figures, Larry King and Willie Morris. Beth's research included interviews with the two men in New York where she also saw rehearsals of King's new broadway musical and attended a dinner given by James Jones' widow at Morris' invitation. During the summer, Ms. Bowen plans to rewrite and expand parts of her thesis for publication; she will enter law school at the University of Maryland in the fall. Beth, a double concentrator in English and History, received the William Elbert Fraley Award given by the History Department for the best honors thesis in history for the year. In 1969, the Fraley Award was established as a memorial to an alumnus and carries a cash award, which this year amounted to \$500. Past recipients of the award have been:

1970: Bruce M. Stanley1971: Allan S. Hecht1972: G. Michael Wildasin

1973: John Pagan

1974: Catherine M. Cullen

1975: Gregory May1976: Elizabeth Gregory1977: Janis Mayo Horne

The Richard Lee Morton Scholarship Award, also given by the History Department at graduation, was shared in 1978 by Elizabeth M. Richardson and James Ormonde Butler. The Morton Scholarship was initiated in 1960 by a group of history concentrators as a memorial to Dr. Morton upon his retirement after forty years of teaching at the College. The original scholarship committee consisted of Alan W. McCracken, Barry S. Martin, Paula M. Molineux, John R. Grantier, Allan H. Harbert, Barbara Lee Hoss, Robert A. Kilgore, and Judith Ann Rhodes. Recipients are chosen on the basis of scholarship, with character and potential also considered; this year Jim and Beth each received \$175. Both Morton scholars were also elected to Phi Beta Kappa this year. Ms. Richardson plans to pursue a career in publishing, and Mr. Butler will enter law school in the fall. Previous holders of the Morton Scholarship have been:

1961: Alan Vance Briceland1962: M. Wade Simeon

1963: Alfred Y. Wolff, Jr. 1964: Helen Campbell Walker

1965: Robert Michael Gates

1968: David R. White1973: Philip Boyd Eastham1975: William K. Vehrs1976: George Boyer

1977: Elie Alcalay

The History Department has purchased two perpetual award plaques, which have been engraved with the names of the recipients of these two awards. They will be displayed in the History Department Office.

Three other History students chose to write Honors Theses in 1977-78. Christopher D. Kelley, a History concentrator, wrote "A History of Incompetence: The Atomic Energy Commission's Conflicting Role as Promotor and Protector." Mr. Kelley's thesis, directed by Thad Tate, received High Honors. Since Kelley was also president of the senior class, he must have mastered the fine art of organizing his time well. John Kelly Strader, a double concentrator in History and Government, received High Honors in Government for his thesis, "The Role of France in Europe: An Examination of Domestic French Politics in an International Context." The thesis was directed by Margaret Hamilton, Chairperson of the Government Department. Strader will enter Columbia University's School of International Affairs in the fall and will work toward a joint degree (MIA-JD) with the Columbia Law School. An Interdisciplinary concentrator with History as one of his fields, Christopher Bassford wrote an Honors thesis under the supervision of Manfred Ernst of the Government Department. Chris' thesis, "Tactical Nuclear Weapons: An Introduction for the General Reader," received Honors.

A rising senior concentrator, Brooke Trible, won a \$1300 scholarship from the Richmond branch of the English Speaking Union for summer study at a British university. She was accepted at Oxford and expects to study political and constitutional history or foreign policy.

Robert Barnes Delano published an article in the December, 1977, issue of the Northern Neck Historical Society's Magazine; the article, entitled "Free Blacks in Richmond County Virginia," grew from a paper he had written for Professor Herbert Gutman's seminar in spring, 1977. Bob will attend law school in the fall.

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Nota Bene: The History Department invites all undergraduate concentrators to a welcome back party complete with volleyball and refreshments at Matoaka Shelter on Friday, September 8, from 4:00 p.m. to dusk.

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TOM JODZIEWICZ (Ph.D., 1974) has published a book, *Birth of America* (1976), on colonial newspapers at the time of the American Revolution. He has accepted a position as Assistant Professor of History at the University of Dallas, beginning with the 1978-79 academic year. The University of Dallas has a special Year Abroad in Rome program, in which faculty members accompany sophomores to Rome and act as directors and teachers for the year.

CHRIS KOLBE (B.A., 1975) is working toward a Master's in Applied History at the University of

South Carolina.

MARGARET ANN LANE (M.A. Candidate) has been named Curator of Education at the Museum of Florida History in Tallahassee.

JOHN LASSITER (M.A., 1974) is working on his Ph.D. in history at the University of North Carolina.

ANN LIPTON (M.A., 1973) is now department chairperson at The Benjamin School in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

MARY LOHRENZ (B.A., 1977) has enrolled in a graduate program at the University of Delaware leading to a Master's Degree in American History with an option in museum studies.

DAVID LONG (M.A., 1978) has been accepted for a two year program at the Johns Hopkins School of

Advanced International Studies.

VALERIE LUND (M.A., 1978) has been attending law school at the University of Virginia during 1977-78.

DEBBIE MCCRACKEN (B.A., 1976) has received a M.A. in material culture and museum management from the University of Vermont.

GREG MAY (B.A., 1975) graduated from Harvard Law School this year. He was on *The Law Review* while at Harvard.

MARY PRESCOTT METZGER (B.A., 1975) and her civil engineer husband have moved from Greenville, Pa., where the favorite activity was discussing the price of hogs, to Birmingham, Ala. There, Mary has been doing some substitute teaching while looking for a permanent job.

LUCY MOYE (B.A., 1975) completed her M.A. in history at the University of Toronto and then taught high school in Atlanta, Ga., for a year. She will return to graduate work in 1978 at Duke, planning to earn a doctorate in medieval studies while she works with

the University archivist.

DAVID NICHOLS (Ph.D., 1975) has published a manuscript based on his Ph.D. dissertation; the title is Lincoln and the Indians: Civil War Policy and Politics

(Univ. of Missouri Press, 1978).

DAVID PETERSON (B.A., 1973) received a Master's Degree in Medieval Studies from the University of Edinburgh and is a teaching assistant while he is working on his Ph.D. at Cornell University.

PAUL M. PRUITT, JR. (Ph.D. Candidate) delivered a paper entitled "Joseph C. Manning of Alabama: The

Intellectual Development of a Southern Populist" at a conference on "The New South" held at The Citadel, Charleston, S.C. in April, 1978.

MORTIMER COVINGTON PAULUS (B.A., 1973) taught an extension course in U.S. history for Saint Mary College at Kansas State Penitentiary in Leaven-

worth, Kansas, during the 1977 fall term.

LINDA GRASS POLING (B.A., 1975) has completed two years of teaching social studies at Boynton Jr. High School in Ithaca, N.Y. She also coached the Ithaca High School women's varsity tennis team.

DERRIS RAPER (B.A., 1966) is teaching at Tidewater Community College in Virginia Beach.

SUSAN AGEE RIGGS (M.A., 1972) is Assistant Curator of Manuscripts at the Virginia Historical

Society.

DAVID RYAN (B.A., 1975) produced and directed a videotape presentation of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Trial by Jury" for a Texas television station as part of his M.A. work at the University of Texas. He has also worked as Associate Director on a television music show called "Austin City Limits," produced for PBS.

MARY JANE LOVE SEAY (B.A., 1973) received her Master's in Education at the University of Virginia, taught school in Arkansas, and then went to Germany to hunt for a job. She found a job in Zweibucken, a husband in Augsburg, and now is

looking for a job in Augsburg.

LINDA SINGLETON-DRISCOLL (B.A., 1977) worked at Busch Gardens for a summer before finding a job as senior secretary at the Office of Educational Resources and Research at the University of Michigan Medical Center; there she produces slide and tape programs on medical subjects for the continuing education of physicians, nurses, and chronically ill patients. She continues to read history on evenings and week-ends while her husband is in graduate school.

DEBBIE SMITH (B.A., 1976) is working as a real estate appraiser while she takes classes in the same

subject in Jacksonville, Florida.

WILLIAM SMYTH (B.A., 1975) is attending law school at the University of South Carolina.

ROBB STORM (B.A., 1973) received an M.A. from Duke and is now a Civil Service Historian, with an

assignment at the White House.

DONALD SWEIG (B.A., 1973) will begin work on his Ph.D. in history at William and Mary in the fall, 1978, term. He has been working as a Research Historian in the Office of Comprehensive Planning in Fairfax County, Virginia.

HOLLY THOMPSON (B.A., 1977) is working for a public relations and education firm in Washington,

DC

TRACY TRENTADUE (B.A., 1975) will leave her job in Charlottesville this year when her husband finishes law school and is trying to decide whether she should go to graduate school in history or in business.

RUDY TUCKER (B.A., 1975) has been attending Divinity School at Duke University.

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offer a course on the social history of the middle ages in England. The course will require field trips to churches, castles, and villages which Professor Freeman will photograph in order to teach a similar course at William and Mary in the future. He published a review in *Speculum* and is continuing his work on a prosopography of the medieval English army.

Dale Hoak this year helped to found the Mid-Atlantic Renaissance and Reformation Seminar, a conference group of scholars working on any aspect of European history from 1450 to 1660. His article, "Rehabilitating the Duke of Northumberland: Politics and Policies 1550-1553," will appear shortly in R. Tittler & J. Loach's book, The Mid-Tudor Crisis; the Journal of the Rutgers University Libraries will publish another article, "Rewriting the History of Tudor Politics and Government. The Regimes of Somerset and Northumberland."

Ludwell H. Johnson's book, *Division and Reunion:* America, 1848-1877, has been published by John Wiley and Sons. Professor Johnson has continued to serve this year on the elected William and Mary Faculty Affairs Committee.

Gilbert McArthur taught a special tutorial in Project Plus this year; the overall theme for Plus was "Revolution" and Professor McArthur directed a seminar on the Russian Revolution.

James McCord was appointed to the Nominating Committee for the Virginia Society of History Teachers at a workshop meeting that he attended in Lynchburg in April. At that meeting, he participated in a panel discussion on "Criteria for Evaluating the Objectives of History Courses." McCord has been awarded a William and Mary Faculty Summer Research Grant to work on his manuscript, "Aristocratic Liberalism: the Political Career of Henry Richard Vassall Fox, 3rd Lord Holland (1773-1840)."

Thomas Sheppard delivered a paper entitled "France--the Midi" in a session which compared European Souths with the United States South at the annual meeting of the Southern Historical Association in November. Professor Sheppard has published six book reviews this year in the American Historical Review, Business History Review, Philological Quarterly, and Annals of the French Revolution. In May, he was named to a three year term on the Council of the Institute of Early American History and Culture.

Richard Sherman has reviewed volumes six and seven of the Booker T. Washington Papers for the American Historical Review and has served as a reader for the University Press of Virginia by preparing reports on two book-length manuscripts being considered for publication. During the 1977-78 session, Professor Sherman chaired the William and Mary Advisory Committee on Retention, Promotion and Tenure.

Thad Tate has been named to the editorial board of the papers of George Washington. He will be teaching a new course, The Environmental History of the United States, for the Fall, 1978 term. The course will study the relationship of Americans to the natural environment in which they have lived from the colonial period to the present.

Jim Whittenburg has published " 'The Common Farmer (Number 2)': Herman Husband's Plan for Peace between the United States and the Indians, 1792" in The William and Mary Quarterly (Oct., 1977). A class project in his quantitative history course in the fall encouraged him to present a paper on "Birth, Death, Marriage and Migration: The Demographic History of Some Quakers on the Southern Frontier in the Late Eighteenth and Early Nineteenth Centuries" to the Symposium on Georgia Studies. For the coming academic year, he plans to assign a project of a collective biography of William and Mary students up to the Civil War. Professor Whittenburg received a William and Mary Faculty Summer Research Grant for 1978 to pursue his work on a collective biography of the North Carolina regulators.

Edward P. Crapol and Philip J. Funigiello were promoted from the rank of Associate Professor to that of Professor, effective in the 1978-79 academic year. Associate Professor Dale Hoak has been granted tenure at the College, and Thomas F. Sheppard has been reappointed Chairman of the Department of History for a second three-year term.

NEWS

from the Director of Graduate Studies

The graduate program continues to flourish despite the job market crunch and the national surplus of Ph.D.'s. One of the major attractions of the program, in addition to excellent academic preparation, is the unique opportunity for students at the master's and doctoral levels to obtain practical experience in other career fields related to history. Apprenticeships for master's and first year doctoral students and internships for advanced doctoral students are available in archives and manuscript collections, editing of historical books and magazines, historical archaeology, and interpretation and administration of historic sites.

The Department, as part of the revised Ph.D. program, also offers advanced doctoral students the opportunity to participate in a teaching internship that provides supervised experience in teaching college courses. In 1977-1978 Ken Smith and Neil Weisser were the first interns in History 201-202. Other new features of the revised doctoral program include a course in quantitative methods in history and, beginning in the fall of 1978, two proseminars to be offered each semester, one in early American history, and the other in United States history since 1815. The proseminars are designed to systematically cover the secondary literature in a number of Ph.D. fields.

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GILLES VANDAL (Ph.D., 1978) will be teaching U.S. history at Sherbrooke University in Sherbrooke, Quebec, in the fall.

JERRY VAN VOORHIS (B.A., 1963) has been teaching courses on post-1932 U.S. economic and political history at Westover School in Middlebury, Connecticut, where he is Headmaster.

JEAN WEST (B.A., 1975) received her Master's Degree in social foundations of education at the University of Virginia and has been teaching world and U.S. history at Jeb Stuart High School in Falls Church. Her travels and her interest in Italian studies continue.

EMILY WILLIAMS (M.A., 1975) is now working with the Eleanor Roosevelt Oral History Project at Hyde Park, New York.

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Degrees Granted

One person is expected to receive the Ph.D. in August, 1978. Gilles Vandal is presently completing his dissertation entitled "The New Orleans Riot" under the direction of Ludwell H. Johnson III. Gilles has accepted a position at Sherbrooke University in Quebec, Canada, and will begin teaching in September, 1978.

Five Master's degrees were awarded in May, 1978; the recipients, their thesis titles, and their thesis directors are:

Mrs. Rhonda Blunt: "The Mythical Monolith: American China Policy and the Sino-Soviet Split, 1945-1972," directed by Edward P. Crapol.

David Frederick Long: "The Office of the Principal Secretary in the Reign of Mary Tudor (1553-1558): Some Aspects of the Conduct of State Business," directed by Dale Hoak.

Valerie Kay Lund: "The Admission of Religious Nonconformists to the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge," directed by James N. McCord, Jr.

Claudia Ann Minor: "The Knights of Labor and 'The Color Line'; Richmond, 1886," directed by Edward P. Crapol.

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M.A. and Ph.D. from Stanford University, and taught at the University of Oregon, where he was head of the Department of History from 1951 to 1957. He returned to Stanford in 1957, was executive head of the History Department from 1959 to 1965, and assumed the William H. Bonsall Chair of History in 1969. He has had a varied career, serving as a cultural attache at the U.S. Embassy in Paris in 1967-68, as Associate Dean of the Humanities and Sciences at Stanford from 1970-73, and as president of the American Historical Association in 1975. A specialist in the history of France and twentieth-century Europe, Professor Wright is the author or editor of more than ten books; many undergraduates will perhaps be most familiar with his A History of World Civilization. Other works include The Ordeal of Total War, 1939-1945; France in the Twentieth Century; and Rural Revolution in France: The Peasantry in the Twentieth Century.

In addition to teaching a graduate course in the fall on war in the twentieth century and an undergraduate course in the spring entitled "European Socialisms," Gordon Wright will offer a series of public lectures in the spring. A William and Mary undergraduate, Barbara Davis Head, testifies to the excitement of the James Pinckney Harrison seminars on special topics: "Everyone should try to take the seminars," she writes. "My 459 courses with Goodwyn and Gutman were the most rewarding courses of all!" Take heed, all of you budding historians.

Another visiting professor for 1977-78 has been John M. Hemphill, II. Professor Hemphill received his B.A. from Johns Hopkins and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Princeton University. He has been a Fulbright Scholar to the United Kingdom and has taught at Northwestern University, New York University, the University of California at Los Angeles, and the University of Tennessee. He has written several articles on the colonial tobacco trade and on Edmund Randolph and is the co-author of Book Binding in Colonial Virginia. At William and Mary this year, Professor Hemphill taught the graduate research seminar in Early American History, a freshman seminar on comparative colonial history from 1415-1815, and another undergraduate seminar on slavery and race relations in the Americas.

The Department was saddened to learn of the death of a former colleague, Professor Denys Jacobs of the University of Exeter in England. Professor Jacobs taught English history at William and Mary during the academic year 1974-75.

Victoria Chandler, who taught U.S. history and Western Civilization at William and Mary in 1976-77, taught the same courses at Ferrum College during the fall semester of 1977. During the spring semester of 1978, she taught Western Civilization at Old Dominion University. She has accepted a position at The Georgia College at Milledgeville, Ga., where she will teach Medieval and European history during the 1978-79 academic year.

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David Gerard Null: "The Library of Francis Jerdone," directed by John Selby.

The following students expect to receive their

degrees in August, 1978:

Alta E. Cassady: "Henry St. George Tucker: Legal

Educator," directed by-John Selby.

Mrs. Anne W. Chapman: "The Journal of Silas Totten, 1849-1859," directed by Boyd Coyner.

David LuVerne Ferch: "The Alien Acts: 1793-

1836," directed by James N. McCord, Jr.

Rebecca Mary Mitchell: "Extending Their Usefulness: Women in Mid-Nineteenth Century Richmond," directed by Helen Cam Walker.

Mrs. Joanne Wood Ryan: "Gloucester County, Virginia in the American Revolution," directed by

Thad Tate.

Mrs. Josephine L. Zuppan: "The John Custis Letterbook," directed by Charles Cullen.

Several of the graduate students who have just completed their M.A. course work plan to remain in Williamsburg for a bit longer to complete their theses. Three of the Historic Site apprentices, Liza Pitzer, Jon Poston, and Mary Hofschwelle, will be working at Colonial Williamsburg in 1978-79 completing the second year of their apprenticeships. Marti Reiner will be working as a library assistant in the Duke University Library system starting in August, 1978. Joe Zuppan, an editing apprentice, has returned to her position as assistant editor of publications with the Cleveland Museum of Art. Frank Smith, another editing apprentice, is presently at Radcliffe College taking the Publishing Procedures Course. In September, Liz Crowell, an archaeology apprentice, will enter the Ph.D. program in American Studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

Admissions

The Department received 85 applications for the M.A. program for 1978-1979. Of that number, 32 were judged acceptable and 14 accepted admissions as follows: 4 Editing Apprentices, 2 Archives and Manuscripts Apprentices, 5 Historical Sites Apprentices, and 3 in the regular M.A. program. The geographical distribution of incoming M.A. students remains diverse, although the number of Virginia students(5) represents just over a third of the new group.

Sixteen Ph.D. applications were received and 5 were offered admission, all of whom are expected to enroll. Of the five, three will be in the regular Ph.D. program; one will be an Editing Apprentice and one

will be an Archaeology Apprentice. The research interests of all five are in early American history, which is consistent with the emphasis of the revised Ph.D. program.

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Organizations and Activities

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The History Students' Organization (HSO), under the leadership of President Elizabeth Richardson, has had a busy year. They co-sponsored with Phi Alpha Theta a wine and cheese party for the faculty and students in the fall and managed to recover in time to host the now traditional Christmas Party in the Great Hall of the Wren Building. They concluded their social activities with the also traditional reception for seniors and guests following the Graduation ceremonies. Mixing business with pleasure, they sponsored a field trip to near-by plantations in the fall and organized a Careers Night for History Concentrators in the spring. At their final meeting, they elected officers for 1978-79, who are: President--Jeff Patton; Vice President, Committees--Richard Ifft; Vice President, Publicity--Annie Walton; Secretary--Jennie Diaz; Treasurer--Laura Almy. If any of you have summer inspirations for HSO activities, why not get in touch with these people before the midterm blight hits?

Phi Alpha Theta, the History honor society, sponsored a lecture by Professor Timothy Breen of Northwestern University in February; Professor Breen's topic was "Free Blacks on the Eastern Shore of Virginia." The society encouraged students to represent William and Mary at the Phi Alpha Theta regional meeting in Richmond in the spring by offering cash prizes for the best papers submitted; Karen Wilson, a senior, and Anne Chapman, a graduate student, were the winners and both delivered their papers at the meeting. Wilson's was on the United States' diplomatic recognition of the Soviet Union and Chapman's was on the 1850 census in Charleston, South Carolina. About a dozen William and Mary students attended the regional conference along with James J. Thompson and James Whittenburg, past and future faculty sponsors of the society, respectively. The regional conference of Phi Alpha Theta in spring of 1979 will be hosted by the William and Mary chapter. Phi Alpha Theta's officers for the 1977-78 school year have been: President--Susan Hopkins; Vice President--J. Marshall Martin; Secretary-Treasurer--Karen Lee Wilson. For 1978-79, they will be: President--Felicia Boyd; Vice President--Jeff Patton; and Secretary-Treasurer--Marjorie Wall.