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The compiler of this collection of information about the department, its faculty and students, regrets the failure to get it out in the twelve month period designated by the University as the Centennial Year. Noting that classes did not begin until September 1884 he argues that, delayed as it is, it is a part of the celebration of a hundred years of higher education in North Dakota.
HISTORY DEPARTMENT

The History Department, through its late '40s and early '50s programs of films—documentaries and Hollywood productions—introduced motion pictures to the campus to be replaced, ultimately, by the Student Union series and the Film Society showings which continue to the present day. Professors Wilkins and Parker oversaw the undertaking by Phi Alpha Theta to show the "free" History movies.

The post-World War II period saw a growth in numbers of graduate students, most of whom prepared their theses on North Dakota subjects. In the mid-'60s the Ph.D. was dropped and its place taken by the Doctor of Arts in Teaching, which program has turned out men, and one woman, teaching in colleges and junior or community colleges in many parts of the country.

During the 1960s and '70s enrollment in History courses declined in colleges and universities across the country as graduation requirements were liberalized. Many Ivy League schools experienced dramatic drops; at UND the decline was not as drastic. At the same time many additional students were brought into contact with History professors through the mini-courses.

Professor Tweton proposed the two-hour-one-meeting-per-week-seven-week-one-credit courses in the fall of 1969. The first classes were taught in the following spring semester (1970). The courses give the professor an opportunity to offer a class in any subject that strikes his fancy. Over the years many of them have been in the popular culture field: Tarzan, Western films, Sherlock Holmes, Blues, Jazz, Broadway Musicals, the South in films. Political subjects have included The Nonpartisan League, the Kennedy-Nixon election of 1960, George Washington, Franklin D. Roosevelt, the 1930s, Spanish Civil War, Latin America revolutions, and Cuba. Motion pictures are used rather extensively in most of these classes.
In 1966 he organized the first meeting of the Northern Great Plains History Conference held at the University Student Union. Through the years attendance has grown. Scholars now come from many distant parts of the nation and Canada to present papers on a widening range of subjects to meetings held in many University or college towns in the Upper Midwest, including Canada.

The 18th annual meeting was held at the Ramada Inn Sept. 29- Oct. 1, 1983 as an event in the University's celebration of its centennial.

The department has grown from two teachers at the end of World War II in 1945 to, for the past fifteen years, eleven. In addition, Daniel Rylance of Special Collections, Chester Fritz Library, holds the rank of Assistant Professor and teaches a class now and then. The department is still housed on the second above-ground floor of Merrifield Hall with classes held in rooms 209, 213, 215, 217 and 300.
Beta Upsilon chapter was organized thirty five years ago with student members. Professor F.J. Vondracek, chairman of the department, was enthusiastic about the honorary—and its rather absurd ritual of initiation. During the years of upheaval and re-evaluation in the 1960s and 70s the honorary was, generally, inactive. Toward the end of the seventies when Stephen Sylvester was on campus and Professor Vivian was faculty advisor, it came back to live. Some graduate social events were held, and lectures sponsored. Professor Susan Peterson has acted as advisor since the '81-'82 academic year. In April 1982 the society, on the initiative of the student members, sponsored the appearance of Soviet cultural historian Donald Treadgold of the University of Washington. He spoke on arms limitation and took part in a panel discussion with English, Political Science as well as History faculty.

For the 1983-84 year officers are: President, Fabian Hoffner; Vice-President, Mark Halvorson; Secretary-Treasurer, Elizabeth Bichler. The group hopes to increase membership in the current year by a figure equal to that of fifteen graduate and undergraduates during the '82-'83 year. The chapter project this year is a "Meet Your Professor" series, "informal presentations and discussions . . . in relaxed surroundings." Professor Glenn H. Smith opened the series on Nov. 17, 1983 at the River Bend Club in East Grand Forks; his topic: "When the Unimportant Becomes Important." William G. Gard's March '84 presentation was "Red Juggernaut: Tales of the Russian Revolution." On March 29 Dr. Tweton spoke on "Vacant History: Where Have All the People Gone?" at the Holiday Inn.
Richard E. Beringer is a Wisconsin native elected to Phi Beta at Lawrence College who received the M.A. and Ph.D. (1957, 1966) at Northwestern University. He taught one year at the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, and one at California State University, Hayward. While on leave at the University of Houston as a member of the editorial staff of Jefferson Davis Papers he accepted, in August 1970, the UND position. He has taught courses in the pre-Civil War era, Civil War, and the craft of the historian, all the while acting as the department's link to the growing and lively field of historical quantification. His publications since coming here include two books: The Anatomy of the Confederate Congress: A Study of the Influences of Member Characteristics on Legislative Voting Behavior, 1861-1865, (1972, with Thomas B. Alexander) and Historical Analysis: Contemporary Approaches to Clio's Craft (1978). A second stint with the Davis Papers team resulted in a visiting co-editorship, with credit for the introduction to The Papers of Jefferson Davis vol. 4 (1983). His articles include: "The Unconscious 'Spirit of Party' in the Confederate Congress," Civil War History (Dec. 1972); "There is Too Much Talking:" A Case Study of the Confederate Congress," North Dakota Quarterly, (Spring 1975), and "Immigrant Interviews," News Network Exchange (Fall 1978). His mini-courses include the Nixon-Kennedy election of 1960 and the South in Film.

Charles Carter, a native of Kentucky, (greater Cincinnati) holds the Bachelor of Divinity from Emory University (Atlanta), the B.A. from the University of Kentucky and the Ph.D., ancient Near East languages, from the University of Chicago. He taught at Central Methodist College at Fayette, Missouri 1965-1966. At the University since 1966, he teaches ancient and early European courses. His publications include "Some Notes on Political and Religious Institutions in Two Ancient Cultures," Social Science XLIV (1969) as well as Keilschrifttext aus Bogazkê (1978, with H.G. Güterbock) and eight journal articles dealing with the Hittite language as well as reviews. His after-hours interests include classical music and model railroading.

William G. Gard, a native of Arizona, after Army service during the Korean War entered the University of Illinois. He received his undergraduate degree in Russian, Political Science and History. His M.A. (1960) and Ph.D. in Russian History (1967) are from Illinois. After appointments in Russian history and literature at Rhode Island and Vermont between 1962 and 1971 he came to UND to take over the Russian course taught by Felix Vondracek. He also teaches East Asian and Middle East courses. He has published an article on the Ivanovo general strike of 1905, and at the Northern Great Plains History Conference in October '83 presented a paper, "Katkov and Herzen: The Debate over the Polish Revolt, 1863."

Louis G. Geiger (Ph.D., University of Missouri) came to UND in 1946 as the new fourth man in the department. He taught recent U.S. courses with particular interest in the pre-World War I progressive era. During his last years at UND he was a Fulbright lecturer in American Civilization at the U. of Helsinki, and a Ford Fellow, studying at Stanford and Harvard preliminary to introducing American social history into the department's list of courses. In 1960 he went to Colorado College as chairman of its department of history. In 1972 he accepted the chairmanship of Iowa State University's department of history from which position he retired in 1979.
A watershed in his career was President George Starcher's selection of him to write a 75th Anniversary history of UND, University of the North Plains (1958). Thereafter his attention and writing turned to the higher education scene in America. His "Conservative Reform and Rural Radicalism," North Dakota Quarterly is a valuable look at the years around 1910. On education he has published "The Revolt Against Excellence," (with Helen M. Geiger) AAUP Bulletin (Fall 1970); "On the Liberal Arts and Employability: Educational Misunderstanding and Intellectual Snobery," Liberal Education (October 1977). His latest book is: Voluntary Accreditation: A History of the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges, 1945-1970, (1970). Higher Education in a Maturing Democracy (University of Nebraska Press, 1963) was selected by School and Society as one of the ten best books of the year dealing with education. Greenwood Press reissued it in 1977. During his 23 years away from UND he has returned to the campus a number of times. Most recently, on February 22, 1983, he kicked off the observance of the centennial with an address "Intelligence the Basis of Civilization: The University of North Dakota, One Hundred Years On" at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Since retirement he has spent a month or more each in Greece, Italy, U.S.S.R. and England. His reading includes medieval and early modern European and a little on the recent period in the United States. In 1983 he was "trying to avoid Kennedy hagiography" and "strongly recommends" Tom Reeves on Joseph R. McCarthy as "the first and only objective study of man and 'ism' which includes 'the counter-McCarthyism of liberals'". He is "hooked on spy novels if subject is KGB vs MI5." No interest in World War II. He holds that in the turbulent Near East (to use the term current in his and the editor's youth) the Palestinians are "right". His closing note: during the past few winters he has deserted his lovely home in Colorado Springs for Arizona for three or four months; "even Colorado's too cold." A family note: in 1946 he married Helen M. Watson of the UND English Department. Their son, Mark, Data Processing Auditor Section Chief at Gulf and Western in New York City, has made them grandparents.

John L. Harnsberger (Ph.D., Minnesota) came to the department in 1952 to teach American economic history, his special interest being the early years of the northern Pacific Railroad. His publications include: "Jay Cooke and the Financing of the Northern Pacific Railroad, 1869-1873," North Dakota Quarterly (Autumn 1969); "Jay Cooke, the Northern Pacific and the Founding of Bismarck, D.T.," North Dakota Quarterly, (Summer 1981). In 1962 he went to the Wichita State University where he has served many terms as chairman of the department. In recent summers he has been traveling in Europe and Britain.

John Hart, a Californian and UCLA Ph.D., replaced Sinclair Snow as our Latin Americanist. His special interest was left-wing political movements in Mexico, including anarchism. During his stay he assembled articles for a Latin American issue of the North Dakota Quarterly (Spring 1972). In 1973 he went to the University of Houston. He has attended, since leaving, a number of meetings of the Northern Great Plains History Conference including the 18th at the end of September, 1983.

Thomas W. Howard, born at Elwood, Indiana received the B.A. (1956) and M.A. at Ball State Teachers College and the Ph.D. at Indiana University. From 1957 to 1963 he taught History and English at Greensburg, Indiana, High School. After service in the Army he returned to teaching as Economics instructor.
at Hanover College (Indiana) for the year 1963-64. From 1964-1969 he was at Indiana University where his doctoral dissertation dealt with "The Intellectual Foundations of American Loyalist Thought." In August 1969 he came to the University to teach social and intellectual history and, as our first Colonialist, the pre-Revolutionary era. In 1976 he undertook supervision of the Department's Doctor of Arts program. Since coming to the University he has edited The North Dakota Political Tradition (1981) and the Summer 1974, Bicentennial, issue of the North Dakota Quarterly. In the latter, devoted to Colonial topics, he contributed "Peter Oliver: Plutarch of the American Revolution." The Spring, 1976, Quarterly issue, composed of popular culture pieces, included his "Tarzan in the Classroom" which grew out of his mini-course on the Edgar Rice Burroughs stories.

Gordon L. Iseminger, a South Dakotan with the Ph.D. in European history from the University of Oklahoma (1965), came to the University in 1962. He has taught all periods of European but in recent years has concentrated on the Continent and Britain since 1789. His mini-courses include "The Historian as Detective," Sherlock Holmes, World War I and, currently, the Spanish Civil War. His publications include "The Old Turkish Hands: The British Levantine Consuls, 1856-1876, The Middle East Journal, (1968); "British Newspapers and the French Occupation of Syria, 1960-61: Expression of Mid-Victorian Francophobia," North Dakota Quarterly, (Spring 1976); "Sherlock Holmes: Victorian Archetype," The Baker Street Journal, (Sept. 1979); "Land and Emigration: A Northern Pacific Railroad Company Newspaper," North Dakota Quarterly, (Summer 1981); and "C.C. Becker: McIntosh Country German - Russian Pioneer," North Dakota History, (Summer 1983).

In recent years his interest has switched to North Dakota with studies, published or accepted for imminent publication, of its German - Russian settlers.

Robert L. Kirkpatrick, a Missouri native with the M.A. from Washington University, St. Louis, taught British and European courses from 1947 to 1949. Winning a Rhodes Scholarship he spent three years at Oxford acquiring the D. Phil. After several years at the Governmental Affairs Institute in Washington he went to Missouri Valley College at Marshall, Missouri. He took early retirement in the Spring of 1983 but will continue there "researching some neglected questions and lessons of history." A bachelor, he has traveled widely about the globe including, during the war years, a visit to South Vietnam, Remarking on "the 20th Century . . . coming apart at the seams," he asks, characteristically, "Who pushed that centrifugal button, anyway??"

Gerald C. Lawrence, a native Ohioan, received the B.S. in Mechanical Engineering at Case Institute of Technology in Cleveland (1953). After service in the U.S. Army in Germany he studies at the Munich Technische Hochschule and the University of Freiburg in Breisgau. With a new interest in science, he took an M.S. in Physics at Case (1960). For his Ph.D. in the History of Science at the U. of Oklahoma he submitted a dissertation on the assimilation of Newtonian mechanics (1968). During the year 1964-65 while at Norman, he taught at Oklahoma City University. In September 1965 he began teaching the History of Science, the Age of Absolutism and the Reformation at UND. Three years later he was appointed Coordinator of Humanities, a post he continues to fill, but
continued to teach some courses for the department. Among his mini-courses are Renaissance Cosmology and, the most frequently offered, Martin Luther. In Aug. 1984 he is introducing "Money in History." He pronounces Oswald Spengler (The Decline of the West, 1918) "the greatest interpreter of history that ever lived." In April '84 he presented to the Midwest Junto (a History of Science meeting) at Norman, Okla., a paper, "Oswald Spengler's Views on the Implications of the European Conception of Number."

Stanley N. Murray, a native of greater Fargo-Moorhead, received his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin. He taught for years at the North Dakota Agricultural College, later to become North Dakota State University (1960). In 1967 he came to the Department to teach economic history and frontier courses. Currently he is researching aviation history and is on leave in the first half of 1984 in New York City and Washington, D.C. Earlier he took leave to investigate Chippewa history. From 1976 to 1979 he was chairperson of the newly established Department of Indian Studies, developing a curriculum, securing faculty and establishing relations with reservation groups. He "enjoyed the experience." In September 1983 at the Northern Great Plains History Conference he read a paper, "Commercial Aviation in North Dakota, 1927-1940." His publications include The Valley Comes of Age: A History of Agriculture in the Valley of the Red River of the North, 1812-1920 (1967) and "James B. Power: The Second President of North Dakota Agricultural College," North Dakota Quarterly (Autumn 1974).

John Parker, the first North Dakotan to serve as a full-time member of the department, came in 1949 after study toward the Ph.D. at the University of Michigan. He taught English political and economic history until his return to Michigan in 1952 where he earned a Ph.D. in Library Science. For close to thirty years he has been at the University of Minnesota in charge of the James Ford Bell Library of rare books, manuscripts and maps concerned with commerce and the exploration of the globe. Over the years he has traveled extensively to add to the Bell holdings, taught the occasional course in the History Department and researched many topics. His publications include Van Meteren's Virginia, 1607-1612, (University of Minnesota Press, 1961); Books to Build an Empire, A Bibliographical History of English Overseas Interests to 1620 (Amsterdam: N. Israel, 1965) and Journal of Jonathan Carver and Related Documents, 1766-1770, (1976).

Susan Peterson, a native of South Dakota, received the Ph.D. from Oklahoma State University in 1979 and did her first two years of teaching in the history department of Yankton College (S.D.). Since her arrival in 1981 she has taught women's, frontier and public history courses. Her research interests include social history of the West and women on the frontier. Her articles on Catholic orders in South Dakota include "From Paradise to Prairie: The Presentation Sisters in Dakota, 1880-1896," and "'Holy Women' and Housekeepers: Women Teachers on South Dakota Reservations, 1885-1910," South Dakota History (Fall 1983, Summer 1980). The Journal of the West (April 1982) contains her piece "Religious Communities of Women In the West: The Presentation Sisters Adaptation to the Northern Plains Frontier." She has served as advisor to the Phi Alpha Theta chapter and writes that she "really enjoys working with . . . the Chapter" because of the opportunity it affords to know . . . [students] better than solely in a classroom setting."
Elwyn B. Robinson who came to UND in 1935 received his B.A. from Oberlin College and his M.A. and Ph.D. at Western Reserve University. He taught many fields of American history as well as that of Canada (after 1960). Most notably he revived the "North Dakota" course at the close of World War II. During the 1950s and early '60s he prepared the milestone History of North Dakota published by the University of Nebraska Press (1966). The following year he was designated "University Professor," a rare distinction. His retirement was marked by publication of a festschrift of articles by some of his former students titled Essays on Western History in Honor of Elwyn B. Robinson (1970). In his introductory "Appreciative Sketch" of Professor Robinson's career, the editor noted that he was a "doughty champion of high academic standards" whose "cogent argument for them had contributed much to the progress made by the University after 1945." In dealing with students Professor Robinson had for more than three decades "disciplined [them] toward achievement while cheerfully extending ... encouragement . . . without which apprentice scholars sometimes falter."

He retired in Grand Forks; Mrs. Robinson died in February 1984.


Sinclair Snow, a Virginian and a merchant seaman, received his M.A. at UND in 1955 and his Ph.D. at the University of Virginia. He returned to the University in 1966 as its Latin Americanist but left in 1969 for Eastern Kentucky University. In 1966 the University of Texas Press published his edition of J.K. Turner's 1911 book Barbarous Mexico. He was much interested in anarchism in Mexico and in Latin American labor movements, an interest reflected in publication of his The Pan-American Federation of Labor by the Duke University Press (1964, reprinted 1982). He died some years ago at Richmond, Kentucky.

Playford V. Thorson is a native of New Mexico with the B.A. and M.A. from the University of New Mexico. He received the Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in 1972 for a dissertation, "The Defense Question in Sweden 1911-1914." In 1960 he came to the department to teach ancient, Scandinavian and European courses. His publications include "Free Enterprise Defense in Sweden: The Pansar Boat Collection of 1912," North Dakota Quarterly, (Winter 1968) and "Ole Ellingson: A North Dakota Radical Populist," N.D.Q., (Autumn 1981). The Autumn 1981 issue of the Quarterly, "Norwegians in North Dakota," was assembled by him as editor of the special number. Since 1977 he has been busy with a study of Scandinavian people in North Dakota for a forthcoming volume in the N.D. Centennial Heritage Series. In 1977 on a developmental leave he traveled in Iceland, Norway and Sweden in search of "Amerika Letters," from North Dakota. Recently he translated "Vaarstunden" ("Springtime") a 1917 short story by a North Dakota Norwegian, Simon Johnson, touching on the NPL episode in the state's history. In the 1960s and '70s he was active in the campus chapter of the Archaeological Institute of America.

D. Jerome Tweton, a native of Grand Forks, with a B.A. from Gustavus Adolphus College took his M.A. at UND in 1956 and the Ph.D. at the University of Oklahoma for a dissertation on Theodore Roosevelt. He taught at Dana College, Blair, Nebraska, from 1959 until coming to UND in 1965, as chairman of the department, to teach the late 19th century American courses. He began publishing articles while in graduate school. Recent journal publications include "The Border Farmer and the Canadian Reciprocity Issue, 1911-1912," Agricultural History (October 1963); "The Marquis de Mores and his Dakota Venture: A Study in Failure," Journal of the West, (October 1967); "John M. Gillette: The Rural Sociologist as Reformer," North Dakota Quarterly, (Summer 1981). Among his books are: The Marquis de Mores: Dakota Capitalist, French Nationalist (1972); The Years of Despair: North Dakota in the Depression (with Dan Rylance, 1973); North Dakota: The Heritage of a People (with Theodore B. Jelliff, 1976); Depression: Minnesota in the Thirties (1981); and In Union There is Strength: The North Dakota Labor Movement and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners (1982).

He serves as coordinator of the Centennial Heritage series of books on North Dakota sponsored by the North Dakota Humanities Council and published jointly by the Iowa State University Press and the Institute for Regional Studies, North Dakota State University, in Fargo. To the first volume, The North Dakota Political Tradition (1981) he contributed "The Anti-League Movement: The IVA." To the centennial history, A Century on the Northern Plains: The University of North Dakota at 100 (1983) of which he was coordinator, he contributed the opening chapter on presidents. For several years he broadcast over KFJM, the UND station, a series devoted to Golden Age radio comedy and drama.
James F. Vivian, a native of Arizona, holds a B.A. from Coe College, the M.A. from the University of Nebraska and the Ph.D. from the American University (1971). While working toward the doctorate he taught at Bel Air Junior College in metropolitan Washington and worked as an archivist at the National Archives, 1970-71. From 1971 to 1973 was an Assistant Professor at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. His tenure at the University as its Latin Americanist, teaching as well American diplomatic history and historical writing, began in 1973. In the ensuing decade he has published in 9 different journals. Among the pieces are "The Paloma Claim in United States and Venezuelan - Columbian Relations, 1818-1826," Caribbean Studies, (Jan. 1975), "The 'Taking' of the Panama Canal Zone: Myth and Reality," Diplomatic History (Winter 1980), "The Pan-American Mass, 1909-1914: A Rejected Contribution to Thanksgiving Day," Church History, (Sept. 1982). His delving into North Dakota politics has produced most recently, "'Not a Patriotic American Party': William Howard Taft's Campaign Against the Nonpartisan League, 1920-1921," North Dakota History (Fall 1983). In 1981 he edited the journal of Chester Fritz, Travels through Western China in 1917 (UND Press). To the University's centennial history, A Century on the Northern Plains, he contributed the chapter on the campus--buildings and grounds.

Felix J. Vondracek, an Iowa native with the Ph.D. from Columbia University, came to the University in 1928. From 1947 to 1963 he occupied the position of head/chairman of the department. During the administration of President George Starcher, he was the first instance in UND history of a chairman of a department being removed from his position. He retired in 1971 and until 1983 lived in Grand Forks; in the latter year the family moved to York, Nebraska where his son, Felix, operates a music business.

Robert P. Wilkins, (B.A. and M.A. in European History, Indiana University, 1939, 1941; Ph.D., West Virginia University (1954) and Phi Beta Kappa) came to UND in the fall of 1945 to join the department which was then down to two members. During the 1950s and early '60s he put out a series of department newsletters. In 1962-1963 he lectured on recent American history at the University of Oklahoma. After 19 years, he left UND in 1964 for a professorship at Marshall University, Huntington, W. Va. Upon his return in 1967 he began, in the following year, a satisfying 14 year tenure of the editorship of the North Dakota Quarterly. From 1967 to his retirement in May 1981 he taught American diplomatic and Canadian courses as well as mini-courses. Since retirement he comes daily to his office and teaches a course each semester, in January-February 1984, "George Orwell and 1984". For 20 years he has had a weekly program of American popular music 1900-1950, "Out of the Past," on KFJM and some stations in the East. His publications since his return include "Tory Isolationist: Porter J McCumber and World War I, 1914-1917," North Dakota History, (Summer 1967); "Referendum on War?: The General Election of 1916 in North Dakota," North Dakota History (Fall 1969); "Senator William Langer and National Priorities: An Agrarian Radical's View of American Foreign Policy, 1945-1952," North Dakota Quarterly, (Autumn 1974) "Orin G. Libby: His Place in the Historiography of the Constitution," N.D.Q. (Summer 1969) and, with John L. Harnsberger, "New Yevvil, Minnesota: A Northern Pacific Colony in 1873", Arizona and the West (Winter 1970). With his wife, Wynona H., an Associate Professor of French at UND, he wrote North Dakota: A Bicentennial
History (1977) in W.W. Norton & Co.'s "States and the Nation" series published as part of the celebration of the 200th anniversary of The American Revolution. His chapter on Alexander McKenzie in T. Howard, ed., The North Dakota Political Tradition (1981) offers a revisionist approach to the boss of the state's Republican party, 1890-1905. He served as editor A Century on the Northern Plains: The University of North Dakota at 100 (1983) to which he contributed the chapter on the faculty.

Fred H. Winkler, a native of New Orleans with a B.A. from the University of Florida and the Ph.D. from Northwestern, taught American history at UND from 1953 to 1955. He then located in the department of Social Sciences at the University of Idaho in Moscow. His speciality is American international relations; he published, among other papers, "Disarmament and Security: The American Policy at Geneva, 1926-1935," North Dakota Quarterly, (Autumn 1971).

Professor Vondracek died March 28, 1984 at York, Nebraska, age 82.
Edward C. Blackorby (M.A. 1938, Ph.D., 1958) received his masters for a study of turbulent North Dakota politics of the '30s. After years of teaching at Dickinson State College he studied after 1955 for the doctorate, the outcome of which was Prairie Rebel: The Public Life of William Lemke (1963) and an article on Lemke and the Union Party of 1936 in the Mississippi Valley Historical Review (1962). Among numerous articles, in state journals and elsewhere, is a history of the LaFollette family in Wisconsin politics. He retired from the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire where he has taught since receiving his doctorate. Presently, he is working on a biography of Usher L. Burdick. Blackorby and his wife, Jewel, have traveled most extensively in the United States, Canada, the British Isles and Europe. He and Mrs. Blackorby, whose occupation he gives as "home management" live in retirement at Eau Claire.

Elmer Ellis (A.B., 1924; M.A., 1925) began his training at Mayville (N.D.) Normal School and transferred to UND in the days of Orin Libby under who he studied. After teaching at Minot State Teachers College, 1925-28, he studied at the State University of Iowa where he received the Ph.D. (1930). His life was spent at the University of Missouri in the Department of History to 1946, Dean of the Faculty of the College of Arts and Sciences 1946-55, President of the University, 1955-1966. He has served on many committees and commissions at home and abroad, was a Fulbright lecturer at Amsterdam (1951-52), and served as president of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association (1950-51). He edited Mr. Dooley at His Best (1938) and in 1941 published Mr. Dooley's America, A Life of Finley Peter Dunne as well as Henry Moore Teller, Defender of the West. In 1972 the University of Missouri named its main library for him. He and Mrs. Ellis live in retirement at Columbia, the home of the University.

Earl W. Hayter (M.A., 1931) worked under Orin G. Libby, UND's great historian, and received the Ph.D. from Northwestern University in 1934. Making a career at Northern Illinois University, he published The Troubled Farmer (1968) and a history of Northern Illinois University (1974). Twice he directed seminars at Oxford University, and traveled in the British Isles and Europe. He lives in retirement at DeKalb, Illinois.

Grace La Brant Reiste (B.S., 1932) taught in public schools in Montana. For fifty years she sang in church choirs, and was active in the affairs of the American Association of University Women. She and her husband, a retired school administrator and insurance manager, have traveled on five continents, and to the islands of the South Seas. The winter of '82-'83 they spent, in part, on the Costa Del Sol of Spain.

Theodore J. Vavrina (B.S., 1930, M.A. 1945) was a graduate assistant in Clarence Perkins' Department of European History. In 1931 received a stipend scholarship at the University of Czechoslovakia at Prague where he studied history and foreign languages. He devoted a summer at the Sorbonne (Paris) to French and European civilization, and in 1952 was a Fulbright exchange teacher in South London secondary school. Over many years he taught French and History in the Fargo schools. An avid traveler, he has made twelve trips to Europe, including three to the Soviet Union, and to all the Communist countries of Eastern Europe except Bulgaria. He lives, retired, in Fargo.
William G. Cochrane (M.A., 1941) a graduate of St. Cloud Teachers College (1938) received the Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in 1957. From 1948-1982 he taught History at the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, for 24 years as chairman. He served as state secretary of the Association of Wisconsin State Universities Faculties from 1958-1964. During World War II he was in uniform for more than three years. He and his wife live in retirement in Eau Claire.

Adrian R. Dunn (B.S. Ed., 1942; M.A., 1951) worked with Elwyn B. Robinson in preparation of his thesis which was published in North Dakota History (1963) as "A History of Old Fort Berthold." For several decades he has served as Executive Director of the North Dakota Education Association. Mrs. Dunn in Chief Clerk of the North Dakota Supreme Court.

Donald W. Hensel (B.A., 1949) received the M.A. (1953) and Ph.D. (1957) from the University of Colorado. Presently he is Professor of History at California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo where he has won the Distinguished Teaching Award. He has published eight articles, and chapters in anthologies, as well as a study guide now in its third edition. His research, currently is in American military history; in teaching it he is using the technique known as "simulation gaming." His wife is Director of the Advisement Center, School of Business, at the University.

Lyla Hoffine (B.A., 1941; M.A., 1939) listed in many "Who's Who"-type compilations, including the Dictionary of American Scholars and Contemporary American Authors was Director of Verbal Communication at Minot State College. She holds memberships in several societies including the Author's Guild of America. Her work has been recognized by North Dakota leaders with Minot State College's Gold Deeds Award, UND's Sioux Award and designation as "North Dakota Woman of the Year in Education." She is the author of seven books on American Indians published by the American Book Company, Caxton Press, Longmans, Green & Co., David McKay co., and Bobbs, Merrill Co., as well as of Indianer Mädchen Kleiner by Stern Franz Schneider Verlag in Germany. She has retired to Tucson, Arizona.

Robert J. Horgan (B.A., 1949; M.A., 1950) received the Ph.D. at Notre Dame in 1959 and the FEI Executive (1970) from the Federal Executive Institute at Charlottesville, Va. He is Associate Professor of Political Science in the Institute for Business & Community Development at the University of Richmond. Included in his activities is the direction of seminars, workshops and conferences on urban problems, and of urban research projects. He has to his credit fourteen papers published 1969-1980, but has practical experience of local government problems as Mayor of Dubuque, 1964, 1965. Prior to going to Richmond he taught at Clarke College, Dubuque, and at Kalamazoo College. His wife is a middle school teacher.
Charles Raymond Johnson (Ph.B., 1948) is married with four children at Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin. He is News Editor of the Milwaukee Journal. He has published *The Green Bay Packers: Pro Football's Pioneer Team* (New York: Thomas Nelson & Sons, 1961) and *The Greatest Packers of Them All* (New York: Putnam's & Sons, 1968). He is a member of the University of North Dakota Alumni Association and Foundation Board of Directors.

Marilyn C. Mutchler (B.S. in Ed., 1949) is married to an engineer at St. Louis. Since 1963 she has been a substitute teacher in the Ferguson-Florissant School District. Such teaching is "not easy", but is "challenging and rewarding." When in charge of a class for a prolonged period her "history background from the University of North Dakota has been an asset." She has a doctor son in Florida, a daughter in Houston and grandchildren.

Richard M. Norman (B.A. 1949, M.S.) held a Fellowship in the Counseling and Guidance Institute at the University of Minnesota, 1962 and studied later at the University of California and the University of Santa Clara. Presently he is Head Counselor at American River College in Sacramento. He has held state offices in California Community College Counseling Association and is active in revisions of state guidelines for Social Science and Counseling. He writes that he owns a "condo in Cancun, Mexico; visits the Orient yearly; led educational groups to China and Japan this year."

Louise Aandahl Stockman (B.S. in Ed., 1948) worked as a student assistant in the department. Her husband, Jacque, is a UND law school graduate who practices at Fargo. She has done graduate study at North Dakota State University and served as a member of: the State Historical Board of North Dakota, 1975-1983, North Dakota Humanities Council, 1980-UND Alumni Association and Foundation Board of Directors, 1981-. She and her family established the Fred G. Aandahl Collections of books and make annual gifts to provide for its continuous growth. She and Jacque have four children and four grandchildren.

John T. Traynor (B.A., 1949) a graduate of the UND law school (J.D., 1951) practices in Devils Lake. His public service includes membership of the Higher Education Study Commission, 1981-1983 and the chairing of the Board of Grand Trustees of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In 1969 he was recipient of the UND Alumni Association Sioux Award.

1950s

Robert L. Bodson (B.S., 1956; M. Ed., 1963) is married with six grown children. He received many grants for advanced study: National Science Foundation for Anthropology at California, Economics at North Texas State; NIH for Ancient History at Minnesota and a National Defense Education Act Fellowship at Ball State University while working toward his Ed.D. in Social Science. His dissertation topic was American occupation of Mexico during the Mexican War. He is chairman of the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences at North Arkansas Community College at Harrison.

Glenn Brudvig (M.A., 1956) received the M.A. in Library Science at the University of Minnesota in 1962. For many years he was Director of Bio-Medical and Institute of Technology Libraries at Minnesota. In July 1983 he assumed the post of Director of Information Resources at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena. He published "The Development of..."

Lynne Rundle Carson (B.A., magna cum laude, 1959) A member of Phi Alpha Theta and Phi Beta Kappa, she continued her award winning performance—election to three honor societies—in graduate study of Accounting. After receiving the Master of Accountancy at Bowling Green State University in Ohio she began teaching the subject at the university where her husband, Alvar, is Professor of Geography. During 1963-65 they lived in Europe. She enjoys travel, particularly in the Southwest and collects Indian pottery from the region. Other activities include gardening and "a book of recent quotations I am working on—if anyone has any zingers, send the along." A major interest is their daughter Eden, and son, Kurt.

Harold J. Carnahan (B.S. ED., 1950) is a part of a household at Riverside, N.D. consisting of a wife, three children and one cat. With two years of graduate study at University of North Dakota, he has long been associated with Northwestern Bell—which also employs his wife. His comment: "Still think UND best school; have encouraged many to attend. . . . read all the history I can."

John Marcus Connolly (B.A., 1959; M.A. English, 1967) married Joanne Hinton and has two sons. At Palm Beach Junior College at Lake Worth, Florida he is Senior Instructor teaching English composition, American Literature, Speech and Debate. During his four years as Director of Forensics, one of his extemporaneous speakers ranked #1 in the nation at the Junior College National Speech Tournament. His college debate team ranked #2 in the Southeastern U.S. The school recently has cut back on competitive speech activities. His wife is a high school teacher.

James A. Dahl (Ph.B., 1959) graduated from the University of North Dakota Law School in 1953, is married to Adeline Haugen, and lives at New Brighton, Minnesota. He is in the claims department of State Farm Insurance Co. His wife is employed in the manufacturing systems control department of National Cash Register Co.

Raymond J. Dougherty (B.A., 1954) studied at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar. After Harvard Law School he received the M.A. and J.D. at the University of North Dakota Law School (1970). Living at St. Paul, Minnesota he describes himself as single and unemployed.

Robert L. Eckert (B.S.C., 1954) who received the J.D. from the University of North Dakota Law School in 1957, lives at Wahpeton, N.D. where he is North Dakota District Court Judge. He has three children, Robert, Ann, Joey.

North Dakota Quarterly (Winter, 1971). His wife is a public school teacher of business careers. On leave from his chairmanship of the History department at the University of the Pacific, he is beginning research on the Know-Nothing Movement in the California of the 1850s.

Bruce Hagen (B.S., 1953) received his M.A. in government and economics at the University of Wisconsin. After a year of work toward the Ph.D. there he took up farming in Benson and Ramsey counties, N.D. and entered politics as an appointee of Governor William Guy to the state Public Service Commission. He has been elected commissioner three times on the Democratic-NFL ticket and is in his 20th year. He has served on numberless commissions and committees concerned with energy and transportation matters. He has two daughters, Jennifer (age 18) and Marin (13).

Richard Herr (B.A., 1952) received the LL.B. at Harvard Law School; single, he practices law at Wishek, N.D.

Mary Helen Hillman (B.A., 1957) studied at Brown University in 1961 on a Fulbright grant and received the M.A. in history at the University of Michigan the following year. She teaches high school French at Reston, Virginia. Among her interests is social history as observed in art. She comments: "The classes at UND were far superior to those at Michigan."

Ralph J. Kane (B.A., 1951, M.A., 1960) is chairman of the Department of Social Studies at El Rancho High School, Pico Rivera, California. He did graduate work at UCLA. His publications include a textbook, Inquiry: USA (1971); "Populism, Progressivism, and Pure Food," Agricultural History (July 1964); "In Defense of Grade Inflation," Today's Education (Nov.-Dec. 1978); "The Mindless Box: The Case Against the American Classroom," Phi Delta Kappan (March 1979). He and his wife, a registered nurse, have as hobbies travel, sailing and flying.

Jerome G. Kopp (B.S., 1957, M.S. Ed. Adm., 1958) is a high school principal at Modesto, California. His wife he describes as "housewife, companion, superb mother" of four children. He has done further graduate study at the University of the Pacific, University of California and Stanislaus State University. In another activity, he has led educational seminars to the Peoples Republic of China, the Soviet Union, Australia and New Zealand. In October 1983 he assumed the presidency of Phi Delta Kappa International.

Gerald Lange (Ph.B., 1951) did his masters work at Georgetown University and received the Ph.D. at the University of Navarra (Pamplona, Spain), for a dissertation "La Guerra de Cuba y sus Repercusiones en la Prensa de Navarra." He has taught many years at Dakota State College, Madison, S.D., has been a frequent participant on humanities programs in South Dakota and Minnesota and a grant writer for the S.D. Humanities Committee. A member of the board of directors of a rural electric cooperative, he is "farming 500 acres without chemical 'crutches'." His publications include "Americanism Over Communism: Karl Mundt's First Election to Congress, 1938" and "McGovern v. Mundt: The Senate Race of 1960." He is presently researching the lives and conflicting values of persons in Statuary Hall in the U.S. Capitol for a piece to be titled "America's Secular Saints." He and his wife, a dietician, have four children.
Richard L. Morgan (B.A., 1959) who after election to Phi Beta Kappa was awarded a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for graduate study received the M.A. from the University of Illinois in 1960. During 1964-65 he did further work at the University of New Mexico. An instructor at Littleton, Colorado he has published Cornsilk and Chaff: A History of Champaign (1969; 166 pages) and "Colorado in Seven Days" in Journal of the American West. He writes: "I am a fairly well-known mountain man storyteller in the Denver area and appeared as a mountain man in a movie."

Vern C. Neff (B.S., 1951; J.D., 1952) is senior member of the Williston law firm, Bjella, Neff, Rothert, Wahl & Eiker. He has been designated Fellow of the American Bar Foundation (1978) and of the International Society of Barristers (1977). His involvement with History has been extensive, including publication of a history of land titles in The Wonder of Williams (1975) sponsored by the Williams County Historical Society. He has served as president of the State Historical Board, of which he was a member for 17 years, and of the Williams County Historical Society. He was appointed to the State Historical Commission 1977-79 and was vice-chairman of the Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission established by the legislature to promote acceptance by Washington of the site of Fort Union as a National Historical Site. He married Juanita J. Jones.

Arlys Netland (B.S., 1957) received a M.A. in Social Studies from Northern Colorado University in 1963 and a Fulbright Scholarship for summer study in Mexico in 1968. She teaches junior high social studies in Valley City. Unmarried, she has served as state president of the American Association of University Women since 1979.

Louvan E. Nolting (B.A., Social Sciences, 1951) received the M.A. in European History at the University of Minnesota in 1955. He took another M.A., in Russian History, as well as the Certificate of the Russian Institute, at Columbia University in 1957 and the Columbia Ph.D. in Eastern European History the following year. From 1959 to 1970 he was a Soviet area specialist at the Library of Congress and from 1971 to date at the Department of Commerce. In the ten years 1973-1983 he published six reports on research, development and innovation in the Soviet Union and East Bloc Countries. As co-author, with Murray Feshback, he has published a report on the same subject in "R & D Employment in the U.S.S.R.," Science, February 1, 1980. The Nation (New York) carried two articles by him on Russian military spending; "Russia's Military Burden: Soviet Arms in the Pentagon Mirror," Feb. 21, 1972 and, under the nom de plume Edward Aerie, "Defense Miscalculations: 'Dollarizing' the Russian Forces," July 23, 1977. He was a member of, and consultant to, the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Joint Working Group on Science policy supported by the National Science Foundation and the U.S.S.R. State Committee for Science and Technology, 1973-80. During that period he traveled in Russia. He holds membership in the Society of Federal Linguists and from 1976-82 served as its historian.

James H. O'Keefe (Ph.B., 1953; J.D., 1956) is a N.D. District Judge at Grafton. He and his wife, a registered nurse who also teaches, have six children—"all grown."

Vance E. Olson (Ph.D., 1954) did graduate work at UND, N.D. State University and the University of New Mexico. For 16 years he taught school— at Hoople, N.D., Albuquerque, N.M., Ross, N.D. and Williston. He farmed at Parshall, N.D. from 1962-1976. Presently as partner in, and manager
of, Vanwal Inc, he operates the Liquor Hut and the Mouse Trap, a package liquor store and a cheese and gourmet food store at Williston. He published, "Building Alaska with the U.S. Army, 1867-1958" in association with the United States Army. He and his wife, Dorothy A. Miller, ex '51, a registered nurse, have five children ranging in age from 29 to 18.

Lloyd B. Omdahl (Ph.B., 1953; M.A. Pol. Sci., 1962) for 13 years worked in state government as assistant to Governor William Guy, tax commissioner and as state budget officer. He was a delegate to the convention that produced the new state constitution which the voters rejected. In 1967 he came to UND as Professor of Political Science and Director of its Bureau of Governmental Affairs. His Masters thesis, published in 1961 as Insurgents, dealt with the merger of the Democratic Party and the Nonpartisan League. He has published biennially, since 1973-75, Governing North Dakota, in addition to many monographs under the auspices of the Bureau. For several years he has written a weekly column on politics and North Dakota carried in eight of the state's daily papers. He and his wife, a secretary in the UND Medical School, have three children.

William W. Phillips (Ph.B., 1951; M.A., 1952) received his Ph.D. (1958) from the University of Missouri for a dissertation on North Dakota's isolationalist U.S. Senator Asle J. Gronna. From 1955-58 he taught at Minot State Teachers College and since 1958 at Arizona State University where he has been concerned with teachers training, faculty affairs--and the life of Phoenix. In 1982 he appeared on the Sun City series "Distinguished ASU Professors" and after 1980 on TV and radio. Active in the American Association of University Professors chapter he has served as its president and more recently 1980-81, as its secretary. In the sixties he was vice-chairman of the state Democratic Party. In 1971 he published "Growing Up With the Country: Asle J. Gronna's Apprenticeship" in Essays on Western History in Honor of Elwyn B. Robinson (UND Press). His wife, Marlene, has completed 25 years as a third grade teacher in the Scottsdale School District.


Glen A. Sherwood (Ph.B., 1956) received the M.A. (1959) and Ph.D. (1966) in Wildlife science at the University of Washington. He was an assistant professor of Biology at Jamestown (N.D.) College, 1967-70, employed at the same time as Wildlife Biologist at the U.S. Bureau of Sports Fisheries and Wildlife's Northern Prairie Wildlife Research Center at Jamestown. Earlier, during 1962-65, he held the same position at the National Wildlife Refuge at Seney, Michigan and in 1961 with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. At the North Dakota Game and Fish Department he served as Education Director and Editor of North Dakota Outdoors, 1959-60. In 1972 he was elected to the Minnesota House of Representatives.
as a Republican. In 1980 was Minority Leader (Independent-Republican) of the 63 member I-R caucus. In 1982 he sought, unsuccessfully, the I-R nomination for governor of Minnesota. He and his wife, JoAnn Bertleson, parents of two sons, live in a log house on an ancestral 80 acres near Pine River, Minnesota, on which they have planted 32,000 trees. They keep bees and engage in organic gardening. He has won many awards for his interest in protection of the environment and the family. During the years 1975-1982 he worked as a Licensed Real Estate Salesman. Presently, after ten years in politics, he is a Regional Wildlife Biologist with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Merry K. Mattson Turner (B.S., Occupational Therapy, 1956) is a farmer and investor at New Rockford, N.D. Her husband, Don, has retired from the armed forces. In the '83-'84 year they are traveling in New Zealand, Australia and, for two months, Southern Europe.

Wesley A. Waage (M.Ed., 1954) was a teaching assistant in the department, 1956-58, while doing preliminary work on a study of the North Dakota Wheat Growers Association of the 1920s. Since 1960 he served as Dean and, for many years, President of Fergus Falls (Minn.) Community College. Taking early retirement, he became its President Emeritus on July 1, 1983. Among his many activities was nine years as a trustee of Lake Region Hospital, member of Commission on Institutions of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools as well as member and chairman of many North Central Association accrediting teams, member of Executive Committee and President of the Association of Minnesota Post-Secondary Institutions, and--in the world of business--a director of the Norwest Bank of Fergus Falls. He and his wife, a homemaker, have five grown children. In 1970 he published "The Wheat Grower: A Journal of the Commodity Pooling Movement," in Essays on Western History in Honor of Elwyn B. Robinson (UND Press).

Alice Jane Johnson Walton (Ph.B., 1953; M.A., 1956) elected to Phi Beta Kappa, wrote a Masters thesis on J.F.T. O'Connor after which she won a Fulbright Scholarship to the University of Oslo, 1956-57. For a time she taught in a St. Louis, Missouri high school. She and her husband Robert E. (UND, 1957), who manages a law firm in the District of Columbia, live in Bethesda, Maryland. She commutes to Arlington, Va. where she is Reference Librarian at Marymount College of Virginia. Their son, Robert, is working toward a Masters degree in Business Administration at the University of Maryland.

1960s

Judy McClung Anderson (PhB., 1962) is married to a physician at Ann Arbor, Michigan. She describes herself as a "homemaker" with a daughter, Jill, 12, and another, Ellen, 19, who with her brother, David, 18, is a student at Northwestern University. From May '81 to May '83 she served as a volunteer at the new North Dakota Heritage Center and Bismarck and served on an advisory committee for volunteer training and docent preparation. In August 1980 with their two older children, she and her husband "toured a bit of China" which they found "very interesting and challenging."
Mary Cooper Bauck (Ph.B., 1968) living at Frazee, Minnesota, is a reviewer in the Department of Public Welfare at St. Paul. Her husband owns a hardware store and lumber years. She co-authored a guide for use by Welfare reviewers.

Roger D. Beard (Ph.B., 1965) lives at Plano, Texas with his wife, Mary Ann, a retired teacher, and three children. After years as a salesman he has been self-employed for the last twelve years. He has a clothing showroom in the Dallas Apparel Mart which serves the Southwest. He has returned to the campus a number of times.

Carl Nelson Berg (B.A., 1968) with his wife, a medical technologist, and four children live at Hillsboro, Oregon. He is an insurance claims adjuster who enjoys "reading 'pure' history just for the fun of it." When time permits, he watches historical documentaries on T.V. and VCR.

Laurence A. (Larry) Bjorkland (Ph.B., 1966) with his wife, an executive assistant in the Department of Defense, and two daughters, 9 and 5, live in Columbia, Maryland. He received a graduate certificate in computer systems at The American University and a J.D. at the University of Baltimore's law school in 1977. After five years (1977-82) in England he is now a branch chief, Department of Defense, Fort Meade, Maryland.

William I. Borlase (B.A., 1964) played letterman hockey '62, 63, 64 and was a member of Phi Alpha Theta. The University of Oregon granted him a M.A. in History in 1967. Presently he is principal of the Pine Falls (Manitoba) Collegiate [high school]. He and his wife have two teenage sons and he devotes himself to minor hockey administration, golf and "old home and furniture restoration."

Kenneth B. Chattos (B.A., 1969) is Associate Professor of History at William Jewell College at Liberty, Missouri. He received the M.A. and Ph.D. at the University of Nebraska. During a '82-83 sabbatical leave at Oxford he worked on an article, "John Jewell's [1522-71] View of the Church Fathers." He is beginning work on a companion piece on Archbishop Cranmer. In March 1982 he read a paper at the Central Renaissance Conference on "The Development of the Patristic Argument in the Loci Communes of Philip Melanchton." He is married to Phyllis Newman.

Milo E. Christianson (Ph.B., 1967; M.A. Pol. Sci., 1968) is a personnel manager in the U.S. Department of Agriculture living in Coon Rapids, Minnesota. He lists his interests as history, politics and religion in which fields he reads extensively. He and his wife, whom he describes as "president of a non-profit organization," enjoy traveling the United States, particularly areas of historical significance. Despite his years in public administration, history is his "first love."

Donald E. DeMers (Ph.B., 1966; M.A., 1975) was elected to Phi Beta Kappa at UND and studied at Georgetown University Law School and the New York Institute of Finance. He is manager of Human Resources Planning, Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska. His wife, Mary, is Contract Administrator/Analyst with the Atlantic Richfield Oil Company. He has received an Alaska Public Health Association Award and was associate editor of "Energy, Health and the Environment - The Health Impact of Petrochemical Development." He and his wife have children, Robert, Tressa Ann and Crystal Ann.
Hiram M. Drache (Ph.D., 1963) came to UND with the M.A. from the University of Minnesota. His doctoral dissertation, published as The Day of the Bonanza (1964), is now in its 17th printing. More recent volumes are The Challenge of the Prairie (1970) Beyond the Furrow: Some Keys to Successful Farming the 20th Century (1976), (five printings) Koochiching (1983). Tomorrow’s Harvest: Thoughts and Opinions of Successful Farmers (1978) expresses his confidence in the "commercially oriented, fully mechanized family farm." Since 1952 he has taught European and Economic History at Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota. For 21 years after 1950 he farmed near Baker, a rural suburb of Moorhead, but now rents his farm properties. His extensive speaking has taken him to Canada and, in 1981, Australia. His wife, Ada Marie Nelson, shared in management of the farms and prepares his books for their publisher.


Sharon Barnett Geyer (B.A., 1968; M.A., 1969), who won state scholarship and departmental honors in English, received another M.A. from the University of Denver in 1975. She lectures in Library Science at Dickinson (N.D.) State College. Her husband, James, practices law. She has had photographs published in Natural History, Ford Times, and North Dakota Horizons and won first prize in photo-micrography in Natural History's 1977 photographic competition. Her photo was displayed at the America Museum of Natural History, New York City, and was reproduced in Natural History. She has shared in preparation of scholarly reports in microscopy. She finds time for community service with membership on a great many committees and boards.

John E. Gibbons (B.A., 1963) received Honors B.A. standing in History at the University of Toronto in June 1964 and a teacher's certificate from the Faculty of Education at Toronto. Until 1974 he taught high school history and world politics in Toronto and Social Sciences at Wainwright, Alberta. Since then he has engaged "in other work." He is a member of the Canadian Army Reserve and active in the work of the Anglican Church of Canada, Amnesty International, the Monarchist League, and with senior citizens. Unmarried at Toronto, he enjoys travel to historic sites in New York and Ontario. He is working on a novel of the Peninsular War in Spain, 1808-1813, and a Canadian short story based on the World War I Battle of Cambrai, 1917. Despite all this he finds time for ship model construction.
Nancy Ramsland Gillick (B.S., 1963) is a housewife with two children at Park Ridge, Illinois. Her husband is a real estate broker; she holds a real estate license.

John L. Griener (B.A. History and Political Science, 1967) did 24 hours toward a M.A. at UND before becoming a government translator. Presently he lives at Pasadena, Maryland with his wife, a high school teacher, and two children. His interests include amateur radio and birdwatching.

William A. Hansen (B.A., 1969) received an M.S. in 1972, an Education Specialist 1974 at North Dakota State University, a J.D. at Hamline University, 1976 and the LL.M. in taxation at Temple University (Philadelphia), 1983. He and his wife, also an attorney, and one child live at Seaside Park, New Jersey.

William L. Harwood (B.A., Honors Program, 1968) was awarded Federally financed fellowships for study of Polish languages and history at the University of Illinois. International Research and Exchange Board Fellowships made possible study at Jagiellonian University, Krakow 1974-75. He received the M.A., 1972, and Ph.D., in Eastern European History, at the University of Illinois, 1977. His dissertation, "The Making of an Austro-Polish Statesman: The Political Career of Ignacy Daszyński, 1866-1918," is a study of the first prime minister of Poland, 1918. In 1977 he joined the U.S. Foreign Service and was posted as assistant Public Affairs Officer to Kathmandu, Nepal, 1978-81, as assistant director of library cultural program for the U.S. Information Agency. Presently as Information Officer he is Program Development Officer in Economics for U.S. Information Agency at Washington, recruiting speakers on economics to tour Europe for the Agency. He has sung, and played the French horn, in orchestras, operetta groups, chamber ensembles in Georgia (U.S. Army), Illinois, Dacca, (India), Nepal and Washington. He published "The Ku Klux Klan in Grand Forks, North Dakota," in South Dakota History, (Fall 1972). His wife, Marjorie Yamamoto, whom he married in 1979, is a Foreign Service nurse in the State Department.

C. James Haug (B.A. Honors Program, 1968) won the Orin G. Libby Prize in 1968. While working toward the Ph.D. (1976) at the University of Kansas he was awarded a Fulbright-Hays Fellowship and the Wesley Ballaine Travel Research Award of the Travel Research Association. Subsequently, he has had a NEH summer stipend, 1978, and its fellowship, 1979. His Honors work on the I.W.W. was published in two articles in the North Dakota Quarterly, Winter 1971 and Summer 1973. His dissertation at Kansas was published in 1982 as Leisure and Urbanism in Nineteenth Century Nice. He has published extensively on Nice in volumes dealing with tourism, and on history in volumes on the humanities. Among the latter pieces are "Identifying Potential Advanced Students of History: An Analytical Approach," The History Teacher, (Feb. 1979) and "Energy and the Mythology of Historical Optimism" in The Humanities and Public Policy (Jackson, Miss., 1979). He and his wife, an administrative secretary, have three children at Mississippi State, Miss. where he is Associate Professor of History at Mississippi State University.
John A. Hipp (B.A., 1968; B.S., Medicine, 1970), elected to Phi Beta Kappa at UND, after study at McGill University Faculty of Medicine received the M.D., C.M. in 1972 and practices as a pathologist at Bismarck. He and his wife Barbara K. Lindvig (UND, 1971), a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, have a young son. He writes: "History is only an avocation now; it makes me a 'well-rounded' fellow. Medicine is a strict taskmaster; I read and travel much less than I should."

Gary Hjalmerik (M.A., 1966) after UND did graduate work in Instructional Design and Media. He and his wife, Mary, with three sons, live at Mason City, Iowa where he is a media specialist.

Robert M. Horne (M.A., 1964) lives at Mandan with a wife, an educational computer programmer, and three sons. In 1971 he received the Ed.D. in social science and administration from the University of Montana. Presently, he is Director of the North Dakota Nature Conservancy.

Elizabeth M. Hunt (B.A., 1968) achieved the C.P.C.U. designation in 1973 and an MBA from Southern Methodist University in 1977. Presently, she is an underwriting manager living at Lakewood, Ohio. Despite her postgraduate work in business, History remains a part of her life. Her MBA "thesis" traced the "History and Impact of Scientific Management [money as a motivation] in American Business History." She has traveled to most Civil War battlefields and has found Vicksburg "the most memorable." Her reading is "heavily oriented toward history."

Jason T. Huseby (M.Ed., 1968) lives at Crookston, Minn. with his wife and four children. He graduated from the National Academy of Corrections, U.S. Department of Justice, at Boulder, Colorado. He is Director of Court Services and his wife is a case worker. He attributes a "lifet ime interest in recent American history" to his courses with Professor Glenn Smith.

Eugene O. Kohlman (M.Ed., 1961) who held a Chester Fritz Scholarship, 1958-59, and a Sears Foundation Fellowship at Minot State College, 1976, teaches in the Minot public schools. He has worked on curriculum guides and other publications for the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction. He is interested in hunting and fishing and enjoys travel in the Western and Southern United States—especially California and Texas where several of his four children live.

Robert L. Kuk (B.A., 1965) received the MBA from Northern Illinois University. He is a general partner of a venture capital firm at St. Louis where he, and his wife and eight year old daughter live.

Shirley Graff Kulevsky (M.A., 1964), a Phi Beta Kappa at Wayne State University, prepared a thesis titled "The Spanish Civil War, 1936-1939: A Case Study of North Dakota Isolationism". She shared in the team teaching of a mini-course "Women in American History" in 1971 and taught the department's semester-long foray into the field in 1976-77. In 1980 she received the Bachelor of Social Work degree at UND and since February 1981 has been Director of Consumer Credit Counseling Programs at the Quad County Community Action Agency. The North Dakota Quarterly, (Autumn 1978), carried her article "Facets of Isolationism: North Dakota's Reaction to the Spanish Civil War, 1936-1939."
Bette Jeanne Tandberg Larsen (B.A., 1966) elected to Phi Beta Kappa, did a year of graduate study at the University of Washington. At Dale City, Virginia she teaches high school Latin. Her husband is an Associate Director, Program Management for the Federal Department of Agriculture. They have two children.

Bruce L. Larson (M.A., 1961) received the Ph.D. at the University of Kansas, 1971, for a biography of U.S. Rep. Charles A. Lindbergh which was published as Lindbergh of Minnesota: A Political Biography (1973) by Harcourt Brace Jovanovich. During preparation of the study and publication of the book he came to be on very good terms with the Congressman's celebrated son the aviator, Charles A. Lindbergh, Jr. As a consequence of the book and the acquaintance with Col. Lindbergh he has made countless appearances, read numerous papers on the aviator, appeared on radio and TV including serving as narrator for "Just Plain Slim: The St. Louis Years" a one-hour documentary at KTVI-TV at St. Louis, 1977. His scholarly publications deal with Lindbergh, the Nonpartisan League, U.S. foreign policy, and Scandinavians in the Upper Midwest. Since 1976 he has held the rank of Professor at Mankato (Minn.) State University.

Art Lee (Ph.D., 1968) was in residence in 1962-63 as the Department's last Ph.D. candidate. His entire teaching career has been spent at Bemidji State University. He has four books to his credit: College in the Pines: A History of Bemidji State; The Lutefisk Ghetto: Life in a Norwegian-American Town; Jackpine Savage: The Minnesota North Country; Brother Hottenbotten: The 1950's. The Lutefisk Ghetto has been a very big seller with many reprintings. He and his wife, a salesperson, have three children.

George H. Lee (B.A., 1967) is regional sales manager for Time Insurance Co. at Omaha. He and his wife, Hazelann Johnson a high school English teacher, have an eleven year old son, Sean.

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Francis N. Luessen (B.A., 1963; B.S. Ed., 1964) received the Master of Social Work at the University of Washington in 1970 and the J.D. from the University of Puget Sound law school in 1975. She prepared "Social Legal Problems of Teen-age Parents," released by the Tacoma School System. Presently she is a social worker for the Bristol Bay Native Association stationed at Naknek, Alaska. The village of over 300, many who do not speak English, depends on the fish canneries; travel to the other places she looks after throughout the Alaskan peninsula is only by plane. She writes "I spin and weave and find the spinning of fleece from different varieties of sheep and dogs, etc. to be fascinating. I have taken up skin sewing, grass basket making and beading since coming here."

Al Lund (Ph.B., 1964) taught Social Studies at Kindred, N.D., 1965-67. Serving with the First Cavalry division in Vietnam, '68-'69 he was awarded the Bronze Star. At present he is unmarried, living at Grand Forks, and doing farm labor.
Russell Margulies (B.A., 1962) received the M.A. in History at Colorado State University where he was the recipient of several grants. He teaches high school history at Northfield, Minnesota; his wife teaches home economics in a junior high school. They have traveled most of Europe, Mexico and Canada; in 1983 they visited Scandinavia.

Richard A. Mays (M.S., 1960) did graduate work at, among other universities, Drake, Minnesota and Iowa State. He did summer work at North Carolina on 1969 on EPDA Grant; the summer of 1970 he was in an Afro-American program at Wisconsin. He was at Valley Forge in the summer of 1978 on a Freedom Foundation grant and at a conference on recent U.S. History at Iowa in April '83. Twenty years ago he taught social studies at the Clear Lake, Iowa, high school. Today he is a professor at North Iowa Area Community College at Mason City. He and his wife live at Spirit Lake, Iowa and have six children.

Richard McKennett (B.A., 1969) was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and graduated with the J.D. from the UND law school. At Williston, where he practices law, he was selected by the Jaycees as the "Outstanding Young Man of 1973." Community service has been a large part of life for him: Chairman of the Board of the Bethel Lutheran Home for eight years, President of the Williston Country Club and of the Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club. Presently, he is a member of the School Board and President of the Northwest Judicial District. He is married.

Rocco F. Meconi (Ph.B., 1968) received the J.D. at the University of New Mexico in 1971. He practices at Canon City, Colorado where he and his wife, a registered nurse, have three children.

Alfred C. Melby (B.A., 1964; M.A., 1967) received the Ed.D. from Indiana University in 1975. From 1965 to 1967 he taught at the Edmore, N.D. high school and served in the Peace Corps, 1967-1969. In the latter year he went as a teacher of history to the Burris Practice School of Ball State University at Muncie, Indiana. He died there, unexpectedly, age 36, on January 8, 1979, survived by his wife SuEllen and daughters, Colleen and Heather.

Carlyle Arlin Melby (Ph.B., 1964) lives at Olathe, Kansas where he and his wife, the former Sherron F. Poole, have three children. He is a Building Management Specialist at the Kansas City regional office of the General Services Administration. In August 1983 his wife resumed her career as an elementary school teacher. He has served as president of the Lenexa, Kansas, Jaycees and is active in Radio Control Model Airplane clubs and is a Boy Scout leader.

Ronald L. Michael (M.A., 1965) received his Doctor of Education from Ball State University in Indiana in 1969 with concentration in Anthropology and American History. Since 1969 he has been in the Social Science Department at California State College south of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, with the rank of Professor after 1972. From 1975-77 he was adjunct Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at West Virginia University. He is currently editor of Pennsylvania Archaeologist and of Historical Archaeology (Society for Historical Archaeology) and earlier edited Northeast Historical Archaeology, the periodical of the Council for Northeast Historical Society which
encompasses the N.E. United States and Canada, 1976-79 as well as the Bulletin of the Eastern States Archaeological Federation 1976-78.

Larry C. Minton (B.A., 1967) received his J.D. at the law school at the University of Minnesota and practices as an attorney at Hibbing, Minnesota. His wife looks after their home.

Betty C. Monkman (B.A., 1964) received an M.A. at George Washington University in 1980. She is Associate Curator, Office of the Curator, The White House, and a member of the Board of Managers of the Columbia Historical Society in Washington. Nineteenth Century, The Connoisseur, and Washington Antiques Show Catalogue have carried her articles. She has traveled in the U.S.S.R., Greece, North Africa, Western Europe, Scandinavia, Yucatan and other areas of Mexico "primarily to visit archeological sites." Another interest is the tutoring programs for students in Washington schools, recently acting as a judge in the city-wide District of Columbia National History Day event.

Win S. Mott (M.A., 1964) was a part-time instructor at the University of Winnipeg, 1970-71. Presently he is Executive Director, British Columbia Government Managers Association at Victoria, B.C. From 1979 to 1982 he was on the Board of Governors of Camosun College in Victoria; served as a school trustee in Victoria and as Vice-President of Vancouver Island School Trustees Association. Currently he is Vice-Chairman of the Capital Region Economic Development Commission and President of Victoria Internation Development Education Association, and a member of the External Audit Team of the B.C. Council of Colleges and Institutes. He was a delegate to the World Council of Churches Assembly meeting at Vancouver during the summer of 1983. A Lutheran pastor, he has written extensively on transportation in Canada, religion, energy: "The Carnal Meaning of Christmas," Leitourgia, (1967), "The Energy Crisis," Dauphin (Manitoba) Focus, (1974). Among his papers, TV scripts, brochures and columns in magazines are "Christmas in Romania" and, delivered at the Lund, Sweden, Institute for Kyrkofolklivsforskning, "Kyrkan och samhället i Amerika med särskilt hänsyn till den luterska kyrkans uteveckling." (1962). His questionnaire lists his wife as "Middle-Eastern dancer."

Vincent O'Reilly (Ph.B., 1961) received the Masters in Library Science from St. John's University (NYC) in 1966. He has for many years been with the UPITN Corp and its precursors at New York City, where he is now News Film/Tape Library manager. He and his wife, Tamiko, live in suburban Mahopac with children Sanda, 12 and Arthur, 9. His succinct entry on "activities or interests: 'Raising kids.'"

Jerome M. Petry (M.A., 1967) attended Northern Illinois University 1969-70, and spent a sabbatical leave at Buffalo State University in 1978 to study Geography. Since 1970 he has been teaching History and Poltical Science at Jamestown (N.Y.) Community College; his present rank is Associate Professor. In 1980 he won the Faculty Award for Excellence. As a member of the college's Faculty Association he has served as Chief Negotiator and Chairman of its Grievance Committee. Local politics and the rearing of four children share his attention and energy.


Cynthia Hauser Schulte (B.A., 1968) earned the Master of Education at UND in 1969. She describes herself as "unemployed." With her husband, a geophysicist, she spent four years in England, returning only recently. She feels that her "background in history has developed an awareness and framework for viewing the changing world we live in." She looks forward to reading in this newsletter what fields others have entered after their history specialization.

Maryalice Searl (B.A., History and English 1969) received a teacher's license, but describes herself as a "housewife." Her husband, Charles, is a broker in Billings, Montana, dealing in commercial property. She is a one-to-one volunteer teacher working with Laotian refugees which she terms a "lovely" activity.
Michael R. Sponberg (M.A., 1969) did post-Masters work in History as a teaching assistant at West Virginia University. His specialization was in Renaissance England and he read papers at scholarly conferences devoted to the period as well receiving a Folger Library Institute Fellowship, 1974-75. During the 1981-82 year he taught at the Sherborne School in Dorset on a Fulbright Teachers Exchange appointment. Sherborne is a well-known English public school founded in 1550. In 1983 he took a group of school boys on a tour of England. Since completing his course work at W.V.U. he went to the Selwyn School, Denton, Texas (about 30 miles north of Dallas-Fort Worth) where he is assistant Dean of Boys and teacher of History and Government. In a 1976 issue of The 16th Century Journal he published a review of J.F. Gurlmortin, Gunpowder and Galleys (Cambridge U. Press, 1971).

David Wayne Stempson (B.A., 1964; Doctor of Law, 1967) practices law at Lincoln, Nebraska; his wife, Tani Theel, teaches Business Education at Southeast Community College there. They have two sons ages 15 and 11.

Orville Stenerson (M.A., 1966) is chairman of Humanities at Bismarck Junior College. For four semesters, 1980-82 he taught classes at the North Dakota state penitentiary. In the summer of 1959 he traveled in Europe for seven weeks. He and his wife, who is coordinator of Meals on Wheels in Bismarck, have two sons.

Margaret Gunstenson Walker (M.A., 1967) earned credit for 32 hours of Political Science at the University of Texas. She teaches at the Austin (Texas) Community College; her husband Dr. Tom T. is a specialist in race desegregation with the Texas Education Agency. Also, in June '83 she began a business Roommate Brokers, Inc., a "roommate finding service." She is president of the Central Texas Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union and treasurer of the Texas C.L.U. With an involvement in breeding, training, and showing Siberian huskies and Finnish Spitz, she is president of the Austin Kennel Club. She and her husband wrote the chapter "Commission on Standards for the Teaching Profession" in Education in Texas: Policies, Practices and Perspectives, ed. by C.W. Funklehauser (Ginn Pub. Co., 1983)


Boyd L. Wright (Ph.B., 1968) received, also, from UND a M.A. and, from the law school, a J.D. Although he acted as an interim Vice-President for Student Affairs he is legal counsel for the University. During eleven years association with the Political Science department and the Bureau of Governmental Affairs he has prepared numerous monographs and chapters of books.
Fred Bartling (Doctor of Arts in Teaching 1973) had received the Master of Divinity at Concordia Seminary in 1953. He is Professor of American History at Concordia College at St. Paul, Minnesota where between 1977-1982 he served two terms as chairman of the Social Science Division. He and his wife, an office manager, have six children.

Brian R. Bjella (B.A., 1975) received the J.D. from the UND law school in 1979. He practices law at Bismarck where his wife, Karen, is with the Public Information Division of the North Dakota Parks Department. Their first child was born in mid-1983. He prepared a paper "The Duhig Rule: Fact or Fiction in the Separation and Division of Mineral Estates," for the Institute for Energy Development Seminar on Oil and Gas Law for the Williston Basin. His hobbies: photography and skiing.

Wendy Grayce Weber Blackburn (B.A., 1976; B. of Music, 1978) received the M.S. in Religion at Westminster Theological Seminary in May 1983. Her husband, James Blackburn, a U.S. Air Force Weather Forecaster, was transferred to Athens, Greece where they will live for the next two and one-half years.

Kirby K. Brandhagen (B.A., 1978) is an unmarried theater manager at Cavalier, N.D. where he owns a music and video store. He has been reading ancient and early American History, collecting books and dabbling in photography.

Richard D. Brauhn (Doctor of Arts, 1979) is chairman of the Department of Education at Upper Iowa University who with the rank of Associate Professor of History teaches an occasional course. His wife, Mary Ann, is a counselor with the community schools in Fayette where they make their home. Their children: Daniel, 11, David 7, and four-year old twins—Caroline and Sharon.

Ann Fowler Clark (B.A., 1972) did graduate work in Counseling during 1980-81. At Grand Rapids, Minnesota, where her husband is controller for Mesaba Airlines, she does substitute teaching. They have a daughter age 6 and another two years younger.

Kevin Michael Coles (B.S. in Ed., 1979) is a teacher-coach at Glenburn, N.D. He and his wife, Danette, have a son, Kacey and a daughter, Kinsey.

Michael F. Daley (B.A., 1977) was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and received his J.D. from the UND law school where he was elected to The Order of the Coif. He practices in Grand Forks.

Carolyn Eckley (B.A., Dana College, 1962; M.A., University of Wyoming, 1964) taught at Dana College, Blair, Nebraska from 1964 to 1970. In that year she entered the Doctor of Arts in Teaching program. Her D.A.T. research paper was to deal with women in the fiction of Louis L'Amour. In 1975, however, she bought "The Book Fair" a new and used book store established a few years earlier by D. Jerome Tweton. She continues to operate it on DeMers Avenue and to devote some spare time to her hobby, woodworking.

James Ennis (B.S. Education; B.A. History and Journalism 1978) did a year of graduate study in Counseling, but did not take a degree. Married, he lives at Grand Forks where he is a brakeman for the Burlington Northern Railroad.
Jon P. Erickson (B.A., 1970) received his J.D. from the University of Minnesota law school and practices with a Minneapolis metro area firm. His "primary responsibility: Public Defender, Anoka County." Divorced with one child, he lives at Lauderdale, Minnesota. His hobbies are backpacking, skiing, running and travel. Most recently backpacking took him to the Grand Canyon.

Caye Mitzel Ferg (B.A., 1972) did graduate work in Learning Disabilities at Kearney State College and Moorhead (Minn.) State. Presently she is an LD teacher at Rugby, N.D. She reports she is divorced with one son. In 1977 she made a three week tour of historic points in France and Germany.

Dan R. Furnaus (B.S., 1970) since graduation has done work toward a degree in the Counseling and Guidance Administration program operated through Bismarck Junior College. He teaches Social Studies at Mandan High School. His wife of twelve years is Office Secretary/Receptionist at Mandan Hospital. They have two children.

Robert D. Furst, Jr. (B.S., 1973) was a Tiffany Scholar at UND, who received the J.D. from the University of Minnesota law school while qualifying as a Certified Public Accountant. From 1976-1980 he was employed by Cooper & Lybrand, a large accounting firm. Presently as a securities and commodities trader he is a member of the Chicago Board of Trade and the Chicago Board Options Exchange. He has prepared numerous papers on Federal income taxation for Continuing Legal Education Seminars and for CPAs while with Cooper and Lybrand. He and his wife, Ann David Royer (UND, 1973), have in their Chicagoland home two sons and a daughter: Justin, 6; Robert III, 1 and Genevieve, 4.

James D. Gion (B.A., 1976) received his J.D. from the UND law school in 1982. Unmarried, he practices at Regent, N.D. His hobbies: Local history of Southwestern North Dakota and the history of Western movies.

Paul Haivala (Doctor of Arts in Teaching, 1975) teaches history at Black Hills State College at Spearfish where he and his wife live. He has published an article,"Old Three Toes—Harding County's Killer Wolf" and in early 1983, The Friendly College: The First Hundred Years of Black Hills State, 1883-1983. He was 1983 president of South Dakota Trappers Association and traps furbearing predators as a hobby.

Lois L. Weber Harb (B.A., 1970) was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and received the M.A. as a National Defense Education Act Fellow at Northern Illinois University (DeKalb, Ill.) in 1972. Her husband is vice-president of New Frontier Management Co., a real estate management firm. Their children are Kathryn, 3, and identical twins James and Matthew born in 1982. In the summer of 1971 she spent a month at Oxford as part of a study group housed at University College. She and her husband have traveled in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, France, Holland and Belgium. "Parental responsibilities" limit her reading, but they have season tickets for the Chicago Lyric Opera. She tries to keep up with the other arts. They live in suburban Riverside.

Donald J. Haynes (Doctor of Arts, 1979) as a part-time instructor teaches "The American Experience in Vietnam" at the University of Wisconsin--Milwaukee and works with its Public Broadcasting station. His full-time appointment is as Professor of History at Concordia College in Milwaukee "dealing with all things relating to history." He serves on
the school's Faculty Concerns Committee and its Speakers Committee. His wife is an editor.

Anne M. Hoflen (B.A., History and Political Science, 1970) was a teaching assistant at the University of Nebraska where she received an M.A. in History in 1972. As a Byington Fellow at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary she studied for the Master of Divinity in Theology awarded in 1976. She was ordained in the American Baptist Church on January 9, 1977 and commissioned a home missionary for Indian Ministries, Board of National Ministries of the American Baptist Church on June 12, 1983. She, presently, is pastor of the Watonga Indian congregation and of the Welch Memorial Church at Geary, Oklahoma where she lives.

Barry Patrick Hogan (B.A., 1978; B.S, Ed,) received his J.D, with distinction from the UND law school in 1981. He is Senior Law Clerk to Chief Judge Paul Benson of the U.S. District Court at Fargo. He married Valli Anderson of Stephen, Minn., a Licensed Practical Nurse at St. Luke's Hospital, and has sons Patrick, 6 and James, 2. During law school he served as Note Editor of the North Dakota Law Review in which he published "Criminal Law: Presumptions and Burden of Proof," (Vol. 56). A special issue of North Dakota Quarterly, (Autumn 1981) included his "Two Fatherlands: North Dakota's Norwegians in 1905."

John R. Holter (M.A., 1979) after graduation formed a small-scale photography business at Warren, Minnesota where he is also a clerk-carrier for the U.S. Postal Service. His wife, an elementary school teacher, and he have children Andrea, 4, and Erik, 2.

Nancy Eileen Borgeson Hvinden (B.A. with teachers license, 1973) and her husband, Marlan, lived in one of the tin huts--now a thing of the past--on West Green. Sharing the current interest in family history, she is Secretary of the McLean County Genealogical Society and edits its newsletter. She sits on the Board of Directors of the McLean County Historical Society at Washburn. In the spring semester 1984 she taught an adult education genealogy course for the Garrison schools. Her husband, since 1982 auditor of McLean County, is editor of "Trails and Smoke Signals," the newsletter of the North Dakota Historical Society, Inc. In their Garrison home they have Brian, 9, and Angela age 7.


Mia Gray King Ingstad (B.A., 1971; M.A., 1979) is married, a "volunteer and mother." Her husband, Tom, is in the broadcasting business. She teaches "Strong Stretched," a body/mind exercise class, at Central High School, Grand Forks. Her "main focus" she writes, "is Israel travel and work promoting hospitals in Jerusalem. Have meetings in Israel often."
William L. Jahraus (M.A., 1978) teaches world and American History at Grafton High School. His wife, the former Sheryl Thostenson, teaches English at Park River, N.D., High School. They have a son, Max, 6, and daughter Kjersten, 3. His thesis was published in The Heritage Review, the N.D. Germans from Russia periodical. He plans to take more graduate courses in History and Political Science at UND.

Jonathan C. Jennings (B.A., 1973) directs a general contracting business at Gallatin Gateway, Montana. His wife is a realtor and computer systems designer. He reports that they won a Federal Department of Energy/Housing Urban Affairs "Passive Solar Residential Design Award" in 1981. In three weeks during the spring of 1982 he "privately" floated the Colorado River/Grand Canyon.

Rita Jensen (B.A., 1972) is married to a Lutheran (LCA) pastor; they have two children. She is the owner of a needlework store at Alexandria, Virginia where they live on the intriguingly named Dr. Craik Court. (Only in historically minded Virginia could that happen.)

Brian L. Johnson (B.S. Ed. 197 ) is a literature teacher at Wellton, Arizona where his wife is a physical education teacher. They have two dogs.

Thomas Quentin Jones (M.A., Political Science with History minor, 1977) expected to receive a M.A. in History at University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in December 1983. He teaches Political Science at St. Cloud State University, Minnesota.

Janet Elder Kinkade (B.A., 1975) married Tom Kincade in August 1978; they have Jennifer and Jeffrey. Her husband is a security policeman in the U.S. Air Force since 1981 stationed at Warren Air Force Base at Cheyenne, Wyoming. They have traveled in Wyoming and Colorado "taking special interest in the historical sites." Her particular favorites are the old Army forts of which Warren is one where the old buildings are fully used.

David A. Kolstoe (B.A., 1971) was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and received his J.D. at UND. With a research grant he worked at the Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law at the University of Oslo. He is a company director and manager of legal department with Dominion International Services, Inc. His wife and their two children are with him in Greece, from which they have done extensive touring in Europe, the Middle East and North Africa. His special interest is European history and modern politics.

Dan Langemo (B.A., 1975) as an undergraduate was a member of the Archaeological Institute of America. In 1983 he was enrolled in the National Graduate Trust School at Minot State College. He is a trust officer at Minot's Norwest Trust Group. His wife teaches music in the city's elementary schools. Active in Rotary and Toastmasters, he has golf and jogging as hobbies.

Warren G. Larson (B.S. Ed., 1975) is teacher/coach at Glenfield-Sutton-Mchenry High School at Glenfield, N.D. He gives his wife, Esther's occupation as "taking care of our daughter [Sonja, 3] and teaching piano lessons." His recent reading includes The Pursuit of God by A. W. Tozer and How to Really Love Your Child by Dr. Ross Campbell.
Richard J. LoRusso (B.A., 1970) received his J.D. from Western New England Law School and a M.B.A. at American International College (Springfield, Massachusetts). He is a corporate tax attorney living at Fairfax, Virginia where his wife looks after their children.

Sam Majic (B.A., History and Social Work, 1972). Married, he lives at Port Hope, Ontario, Canada where he is a probation officer.

Joe Mazzitelli (B.S., 1970) was a Social Studies major. In 1971-72 he taught Junior and Senior high school courses at Mount St. Benedict School at Crookston, Minnesota where he was assistant varsity football coach. Presently, he is a sales representative for electronic components at Littleton, Colorado. In the summer of 1972 he did graduate work at San Jose State University on a National Science Foundation grant. He and his wife, Diane (U. of Minnesota), a dental hygienist, have children aged 15, 13, and 10.

Michael M. McElroy (B.A., 1974) lives at Fargo. He and his wife, a service representative, have a daughter. He is commodore of the Lake Melissa, Minnesota, Yacht Club where he is president of Mac's Landing, Ltd.

David R. Miller (M.A., 1976) received an M.A. in Cultural Anthropology at Indiana University in 1979 at which time he was admitted to Candidacy for the Ph.D. in that specialization. He is Associate Director of the Center for the History of the American Indian, The Newberry Library in Chicago. In the summer of '83 he worked in the Seattle Federal Records Center of the National Archives, on records of Ft. Peck and Ft. Belknap, Montana. He followed this with two weeks of field work on the reservations. His wife is a free-lance artist.

Scott Neevil (B.A., 1974; M.A., 1980) attended the UND law school for one year before returning to History for the M.A. He is employed part-time at Casselton, N.D. by a sanitation service. He has found employment opportunities in the "historical field or closely related [and] government service" to be very few.

Paul T. Nelson (M.A., 1975) received an M.A. in Political Science from Oklahoma State University in 1980. He is an officer in the U.S. Air Force at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma. His wife, Marilyn, a third grade teacher, have sons Steven, 11, and Peter, 10.

Mariellen MacDonald Neudeck (M.A., 1974) is studying at Purdue University toward a Master's in Health Administration (M.H.A.) Her husband is Professor of Electrical Engineering at Purdue. Since 1976 she has served on the West Lafayette School Board, and she writes, finds "an historical perspective to be a particularly useful asset!" She has two children.

Coleen A. Oihus (B.A., 1975; M.A., 1978), who took as her thesis topic "A History of Coal Development in North Dakota", joined the staff of the Orin G. Libby Manuscripts Collection. In September she was in intern at the Genealogical Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at Salt Lake City. Subsequently has been in charge of genealogical resources at the Chester Fritz Library's Special Collections division. She teaches "Searching for Your Roots" at the winter Communiversity and is offering this year, for the fourth time, a mini-course, "Family History."

John N. Olsgaard (M.A., 1976) received the M.A. in Library Science at the University of Iowa in 1977. From 1977 to 1981 he was Documents Librarian and University Archivist at the University of South Dakota where while studying computer science and statistics he worked with library applications of computers. In 1983 he is close to completing a dissertation for the Ph.D. in Library and Information Science at the University of Illinois. He has ten articles in professional journals, two with his wife, Jane Kinch, an Information Specialist with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. *South Dakota History* published his "The Peter Norbeck Papers at the University of South Dakota" in its Spring 1980 issue. He lives at Champaign.

Robert J. Oseles (B.S., Computer Science 1978) is a Captain in the U.S. Army who served a tour in Panama. He has completed the Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced courses, Ranger and Airborne courses as well as the Special Forces Qualification Course. Presently, he is stationed at Ft. Devens, Mass. as a Green Beret. He and his wife, Nancy Binde, a UND graduate, have a year-old son, Todd.

Ken Polovitz (B.A., 1976 in Political Science and History) received an M.A. in Counseling and Guidance at UND. He is Enrollment Services counselor at UND and a member of the Grand Forks City Council. His wife, Becky Tweton, is a sales manager at Dayton's Grand Forks store. They have a year-old son, Mark.

Patricia Ann Mahoney Quinn (B.A., 1976) did a semester of graduate work at Valdosta College in Georgia. She describes herself as "Housewife-lst Lieutenant, U.S. Army Reserves." With her husband, a Captain in the Air Force, she spent three years in England and "being a history major . . . thoroughly enjoyed wandering around the country," She is hooked on "brass rubbing in English churches"; she has "literally . . . hundreds of these facsimiles of the 'upper crust of society' from the middle ages onward. She shows dogs, presently 2 English Cocker Spaniels. She is finishing her Advanced Officers Course by correspondence, taking golf lessons and raising two children at Panama City, Florida. In January '84 she began work on her Licensed Practical Nurse standing at a nearby Vocational-Technical School.

Doug Ramsey (B.A., 1978) is unmarried and farming in Crystal, N.D. He is working on a history of his family and hopes to travel to Ontario, Canada and to Europe to complete his genealogical research.

Michael J. Rasmussen (B.A. in Political Science and History 1973) owns a resort at Angle Inlet, Minnesota and does some logging. He and his wife, a homemaker and manager of the resort, have three children.

Gayle Reiten (B.A., 1976) lived in Europe, 1970-73 before finishing work on her degree. She has almost completed requirements for the M.S. in history at UND. She is at Indiana University "pursuing the doctorate in higher education" and serving as graduate assistant to the Dean of the School of Education. She held an I.U. School of Education fellowship for 1983-84.
From 1980-82 she represented the UND District 42 in the North Dakota House of Representatives. She writes: "I finally got to Washington, D.C. for the first time in May of 1983. She finished reading a biography of Clover (Mrs. Henry) Adams, and is busy with one of the novelist, Edith Wharton. She has "organizational theory coming out of . . . [her] ears."

Clyde R. Root (M.A., 1977; Doctor of Arts, 1981) also has an M.S. in Library Sciences and Education. During his years in North Dakota he taught at Northwest Bible College in Minot. Presently, he is Associate Professor of History and Sociology at a Bible college in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He has several pieces published in The Christian Librarian including "Accountability in Book Collection," (February 1976). He is president of the National Association of Christian Librarians.

Don L. Rysany (B.A., 1978) attended the UND law school, was awarded a Burtness Scholarship and SCRIBES Award, 1981, and received the J.D. in 1981. During 1981-82 he was Law Clerk at the North Dakota Supreme Court. Presently he is with the law firm of Qualley, Larson & Jones at Fargo. He and his wife, a dental assistant, have two children. He has published "The Unavailability Requirements of Rules 804 (a) of the Federal Rules of Evidence," 56 N.D. Law Review 387 (1980) and "D.W. Hines and the Farmers' Railroad: A Case Study In Populist Business Enterprise, 1894-1898," North Dakota Quarterly, (Summer 1979).

Randy Sand (B.A., History 1971) is married and Senior Marketing Representative for CNA Insurance Companies. His wife is a teacher.

Eva Delvecchio Savold (B.A., 1970) is a part-time nursery school teacher at Reistertown, Maryland where her husband, Steven, is Chief of the Personnel Branch, Internal Revenue Service's Baltimore District. Their children are Alexia, 6, and Max, 5. Steven received the M.A. in 1970 and is "still reading history books."

Gordon E. Scheet (B.A. and B.S. Ed., 1979) is a secondary teacher and department chairman in the Humphrey, Nebraska Public Schools. His wife is an occupational therapist with Area Education Association No. 13. They are working toward Masters degrees at University of Nebraska at Omaha and Lincoln respectively. Gordon has "branched out into Eastern Philosophy, the Taoists . . . [his] main interest at present." They live at Bellevue, Nebraska.

Janel Elaine Schnackenberg (B.S. Ed., 1976) married Dan Schnackenberg (UND, 1976) a software engineer at Boeing Aerospace. They live at Kent, Washington with their children: Beth, 3 and Tom, 1. She continues to read history with special attention to European subjects; currently Barbara Tuchman, A Distant Mirror. Other titles read recently include Black Night, White Snow (Russia) by Harrison Salisbury and Wieder and Hapgood's The Murder of Napoleon. She enjoys mysteries, sewing, gardening and hiking.

Carolyn Aaberg Shook (B.A., 1975) is working at Moorhead State toward an M.S. in Special Education with concentration in learning disabilities. She is an instructor at a workshop for handicapped adults. Her husband is an LSM operator at the post office in Fargo, where they make their home.
Brad Silverman (B.A., B.S. Bus. Adm., 1975) holder of a J.F.T. O'Connor Scholarship graduated magna cum laude. He is president of Arctco Canada Ltd., a division of Arctic Cat Snowmobiles. His wife acts as housewife and as an employee of her husband's firm. They live at Winnipeg, Manitoba with one child.

Cynthia Lee Silovich (B.S. Ed., 1973) has earned a Reading Certificate and is working toward a Masters degree. She teaches at South High School, Fargo. Her husband, Pat, is a registered nurse. Their daughter, Nicole is one year old.

Sue Z. Spence (M.A., 1978) is supervisor of non-auto, first party property claims at Portland, Oregon. The job involves much "research, analysis and writing. The excellent training I received from the UND History Department has been very beneficial to me in my present position." She and her husband, a business consultant, live at Lake Oswego, Oregon.

Larry D. Spenst (B.A., 1970) was for eight years import manager for exclusive French clothing at New York City. Presently, he is a dairy farmer and assistant manager of B&M Fertilizer Co. at Deer Creek, Minnesota where he and his wife live with their son, Peter, 5.

Wilbur Stolt (B.A., History; B.S. Ed., Social Science, 1974) received a M.A. in History (1978) and the M.S. in Library Science (1979) at the University of Illinois. He is Assistant Director for Public Services, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Library. He, his wife, and three children live in Milwaukee.

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Perry Turner (B.A., History and Political Science, 1975) did graduate work at UND in Educational Administration. Presently he is in his "eighth year of teaching history and other social studies ... also coaching Boy's and Girl's Track." He is "enjoying every minute of both." His wife, who teaches high school English, also looks after three children in their Westek, N.D. home.

Louis Y. Van Dyke (Doctor of Arts in Teaching, 1975) is Professor of History at Dordt College, Sioux Center, Iowa. He won the Karl Mundt Distinguished History Writing Prize in 1980 and was Fellow, Latin American History Institute, Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota. With James A. DeJong he edited Building the House: Essays on Christian Education (Dordt College Press, 1981). He has had several articles in the college's faculty journal, Pro Rege. His reading includes early U.S.-Indian relations and Mexican history. He and his wife live in Sioux Center.
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Hardin Aasand (B.A., History and English, 1980), who held many scholarships including the Nyra Foundation, and the J.F.T. O'Connor, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa as a junior – a special distinction. At the University of Toronto (Canada) he has been awarded the Charles Gordon Heyd and the Connaught fellowships. He received the M.A. in English in 1981 and expects to receive the Ph.D. in 1984/1985 as he has taken his comprehensives and was working full time on his dissertation in the spring of 1983. He has been working on an article on Thomas Middleton (1570-1627) and his play Chaste Maid in Cheapside (1630).

Russell Armstrong (B.S., Social Studies and Physical Education, 1980) is teacher and coach at Argyle, Minnesota. His wife is a public school teacher. Following their wedding in 1982 they visited the World Fair at Knoxville as a honeymoon trip. He served as chaperon for the school's senior class trip to Washington, D.C. in 1982.

Karen M. Bopp (B.A., Spanish and History, 1983) was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and graduated with Honors. When returning the questionnaire in late spring '83 she was at home at Cogswell, N.D. looking for employment.

Rosanne M. Borsheid (B.A., Spanish and History, 1980) after graduation took a course in International Trade, following which MTS Systems Corporation at Eden Prairie, Minnesota employed her as a Foreign Contracts Assistant in its Finance Department. Now a Traffic Specialist, she was promoted into the firm's shipping department and given responsibility for moving its testing equipment.

Albert Burnham (M.A., 1982) who came to UND from Minot State College, has been a GTA since 1979. He received a Neil C. Macdonald Scholarship in 1980 and the Phi Alpha Theta Outstanding Graduate Historian Award in 1982. While working toward the Doctor of Arts he has published a piece on advertising in Encyclopaedia USA and prepared an "historical overview" of
an area in northern McKenzie County and south central Williams County, N.D. for Basin Electric Power Cooperative. In August '83 he made a talk at Lake Itasca State Park, "The Search for the Source of the Mississippi River." The paper was an outgrowth of his mini-course on the subject during the Spring of '83, during which he staged the first History Department field trip—to Turtle Lake and Lake Julia in Beltrami County, Minn., and to the Lake Itasca Park. He spent two weeks in the Soviet Union in May-June 1983 with a Geography Department tour. His wife is a GTA in the Industrial Technology Department (Industrial Arts, of old) working on a Masters degree.

Susan Lee Goulding (B.A., Anthropology; History minor, 1980) is married to an archaeologist. She worked for the Dolores Archaeological Program until their daughter was born. In April-May 1981 she traveled in England and Scotland. Her home is in Cortez, Colorado.


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Jeffrey L. Lofthus (B.S. Social Science, 1983), working in 1983 on a M.A. in Counseling and Guidance, is a K-12 Guidance Counselor in Grand Forks. He has finished work on the independent study project for his degree. He used fantasy literature bibliotherapeutically. "Bibliotherapy is an art," he writes. He used The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis with his 5th grade students with attention to the book's historical setting. Books used, "will always deal with our history, as will I," he reports.

James Neumann (B.A., Journalism, History minor, 1980) lives at Fargo where he is a reporter on The Forum.

Brian J. Nichelson (M.A., 1981), was teaching as an instructor at the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo. His wife, Leonides, was a teacher in the city's elementary schools. In June 1983, he began work toward the Ph.D. at the University of Minnesota.

Tim S. Scully (B.S. History, Coaching, 1980) is teacher of junior and senior high school Social Studies and Problems of Democracy at Velva, N.D. His wife, the former Kathleen Deutsch, is a secretary at the offices of the South McHenry County Soil Conservation District. They have a son, Jason, age 3.
Steven Sexton (M.S., 1982) came to UND from Kansas State University where he had won outstanding Geography student award and appeared on the Dean's Honor Roll. At UND for two years he was a teaching assistant. He farms at Garden City, Kansas while his wife, Elaine, teaches.


Duane D. Sweep (B.A. Journalism, History minor, 1980) is news editor of the Crosby, N.D., Journal. His wife, Laura (UND '79), has charge of advertising sales for the paper. Duane's reading includes such new books as Prange's At Dawn We Slept, Gordon Craig's The Germans and the old Last Days of Hitler by Trevor Roper. Additionally, on the fiction side he has been dipping into Hemingway, Stendahl, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Sarte and Dostoyevsky.

Stephen G. Sylvester (M.A., 1977; Doctor of Arts, 1980) while at UND vigorously promoted activity by Phi Alpha Theta, the History honor society. He has been, before and after graduation, the recipient of many grants from several organizations. Among the subjects on which he has presented papers are women and technology, Senator Milton R. Young, sod houses and the thirties depression in Steele Co., N.D. In 1980 he went to the University of Minnesota, Crookston, as Assistant Professor of Social Science; in the spring of '83 he served as chairman of its Department of Fine Arts and Humanities.