A NOTE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Convention dictates that the chairman address the alumni in the departmental newsletter, and further requires that if nothing much of consequence has happened, he must never say so, but instead deliver long lectures on the values of history and the inevitability of progress. In short, I wonder what to write.

Upon reflection, some changes have occurred in the Department of History since our last Newsletter two years ago. Yet, as I ponder them, they have occurred so smoothly and naturally that they hardly seem remarkable. I shall attempt to summarize them.

Along with the other departments in the College of Liberal Arts, the Department of History instituted in 1977 a new form of departmental government. Under this new system major personnel decisions such as promotion, tenure, and salary recommendations are made by "Committee A" consisting of the chairman and two elected members. Presently serving are professors Kenneth G. McCarty and Orazio A. Ciccarelli. Policy and curriculum decisions continue to be made by the department as a whole.

There is in the department a heightened awareness of the necessity for publishing. The department has, with good reason, been proud of its teaching reputation. However, prestige is achieved through research and publication. While the department’s record of achievement in this area is already admirable, the consensus is that we must do more.

In the realm of teaching, undergraduates, as in past years, continue to lament, “I like history, but what can I do with it?” We still have found no better answer than “education need not always be monetarily rewarding.” Obviously that answer is not completely satisfying, for the number of undergraduate history majors continues to decline, as does the number of enrollees in our junior and senior level courses.

In an effort to create a more attractive curriculum we are now offering one or two advanced courses each semester which are designed to appeal to the general student. In the spring semester, 1979, we offered “Women in U.S. History.” In the fall we will offer a history of The Second World War. The experiment appears to be successful.

So, we, like the English, muddle through. Survival, after all, is half the battle.

John Ray Skates, Jr.

Faculty Changes

The faculty during the past two years remained relatively stable. The following changes should be noted.

Richard J. Mendenhall, Assistant Professor of History and Counselor, Gulf Park, resigned in August, 1978, to return to Alabama. Wayne Mixon, Coordinator of History and Social Studies and Assistant Professor of History, Natchez, resigned in August, 1977, to take a position at Mercer University, Georgia. Marius Carriere, a Ph.D. from Louisiana State University, joined the Natchez faculty after Mixon’s resignation. Ms. Jan Lewis, an a.b.d. from Mississippi State University, was a part-time instructor during the spring semester, 1979, to teach a new course on women in United States history. William K. Scarborough was on sabbatical for the spring semester, 1979, to continue editing the Ruffin diary. Glenn T. Harper was Acting Dean of the College of Liberal Arts for the fall and spring semesters of 1978-1979 while Dean James Sims was on sabbatical. Harper now has assumed the duties of Assistant Dean of College of Liberal Arts.

Faculty Activities

Jay P. Anglin is now an assistant editor of Seventeenth Century News, and of Explorations in Renaissance Society (the journal of the South-Central Renaissance Society.) He is now in the writing stage of his manuscript on Elizabethan primary and secondary schools in the London and Essex areas.


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Richard Bowers is Associate Director of the Honors College and devotes a portion of his time to arranging speakers for the excellent lecture series sponsored by the Honors College. He continues to teach one course per semester for the Department of History.

Marius Carriere, a Louisiana State University Ph.D., is Social Studies and History Coordinator and Assistant Professor of History at U.S.M.-Natchez. In December, 1977, he spoke to the Natchez Historical Society on the topic "Nativism in Mississippi during the 1850s." His article "Political Leadership of the Louisiana Know Nothing Party" will appear in Louisiana History. He has a contract with the Eastern National Park and Monument Association to prepare a manuscript on "Historic Grounds Report on Mount Locust Plantation."

Orazio A. Ciccarelli is director of the Latin American Studies Program in the College of Liberal Arts.

Robert D. Conklin holds a joint appointment with the Honors College and the Department of History.

Warrick R. Edwards delivered a paper "Mexico, 1915: An Intervention That Failed" to the International Studies Association at the Southwest Social Science Convention in Houston, Texas, April, 1978. He received the Delta Gamma Outstanding Faculty/Staff Award at the April, 1979, Honors Convocation on campus.

Claude E. Fike is University Archivist and Director of the William D. McCain Graduate Library. He was president of the Society of Mississippi Archivists, 1978-1979, and presided at their spring meeting on our campus. He was appointed chairman of the governing committee of the Department of Archives and Records, Forrest County, Hattiesburg, and Petal. His edited "Diary of James Oliver Hazard Perry Sessions of Rokey Plantation, on the Yazoo, January 1, 1862-June, 1872" appeared in the August, 1977, issue of the Journal of Mississippi History.

John Edmond Gonzales continues as editor of the Journal of Mississippi History and as a member of the Board of Directors of the University Press of Mississippi. In The Readers Encyclopedia of the American West edited by Howard R. Lamar for Crowell Company in 1978, he contributed the article on Mississippi before 1860 and ten biographical sketches of nineteenth century Mississippian. "Some Further Observations on the Recent Writing of Mississippi History" appeared in the February, 1979, anniversary issue of the Journal of Mississippi History. For the winter, 1979, issue of Louisiana History, he edited the letter of Nicholas W. Bowden of the Louisiana Highway Commission to Mr. Joseph Gonzales, 1923. Publications forthcoming shortly include biographical sketches for both Encyclopedia of Southern History and Mississippi Authors as well as the edited A Mississippi Reader published by the Mississippi Historical Society. He also wrote a book review for North Carolina Historical Review.

John D.W. Guice was promoted to professor of history. He received the Leroy R. Hafen Award for the best article in Vol. 53 presented by the Colorado Historical Society at its 98th annual meeting in December, 1977. The Wilson Quarterly (1977) abstracted his "Cattle Raisers of the Old Southwest: A Reinterpretation" originally published in Western Historical Quarterly. For the Polyanthos Press publication in 1977 of Richard Lacey's compilation entitled Frontier Claims in the Lower South, Guice wrote the introduction for his former M.A. student. He chaired a session of the Southwestern Social Science Association meeting in Houston, Texas, March, 1978, and he acted as a discussant at sessions of the Western History Association in Hot Springs, Arkansas, October, 1978, and the Organization of American Historians in New Orleans, Louisiana, April, 1979. He has a $1200 American Philosophical Society grant for research on Territorial Mississippi. He spent two weeks on this grant at the Huntington Library, San Marino, California. He is director of the American Studies Program and chairman of the Faculty Council.


Kenneth G. Mccarty, Jr. has served as director of graduate studies for the department and Liberal Arts representative on the Graduate Council.

Neil R. McMillen chaired a session at the Southern Labor History Conference, May, 1978, and was a discussant at a session of Organization of American Historians meeting in New Orleans, April, 1979. His fifth edition revised of Sellers, May, and McMillen, A Synopsis of American History is at the Rand McNally press. His chapter "Conservative Community Organizations and Social Change in New Orleans" in Robert Fisher and Peter Rosovsky, Community Organizations and American Urban Life is at the Greenwood Press. He was chairman of the state membership committee for the Organization of American Historians, 1978-79. For the spring, 1980, meeting of the Mississippi Historical Society he is chairman of the program committee. At the spring, 1979, meeting of the same society he chaired one of the sessions.

William K. Scarborough was on sabbatical leave during the spring semester, 1979, commencing editorial work on Volume Ill of The Diary of Edmund Ruffin. A Dream Shattered. He has reviewed books for the Journal of Mississippi History,
Journal of Southern History and Civil War History. At the "Sense of Place and Public Policy in Mississippi" U.S.M. Symposium in Hattiesburg in October, 1978, he read a paper entitled "From Prosperity to Poverty: Economic Growth and Change to 1900." He was vice-president (1978-1979) and is president (1979-1980) of the Mississippi Historical Society. He was a member of the program committee for 1979 Organization of American Historians annual meeting in New Orleans. He chaired a session "The Peculiar Institution: Contrasting Views" at the 1978 annual meeting of Southern Historical Association in St. Louis, Missouri. He commented at the Mississippi State University Agricultural History Symposium, June, 1978, at the session "Agricultural Education in the South." His other professional activities include reader of book manuscripts for Louisiana State University Press, University Press of Mississippi, and University of Delaware Press, and reviewer of "Proposal for Production Funding for a Pilot for a TV Series on Slavery in America" for NEH Division of Public Programs. Appearances to non-professional groups include "The Significance of Vicksburg from the Confederate Viewpoint" at October, 1977, meeting of the Third Annual National Congress of Civil War Roundtables, Jackson, Mississippi; ETV Pro-con program on "Gas Rationing" February, 1978; "Edmund Ruffin: Confederate Firebrand" at Confederate Historical Institute, Montgomery, Alabama, April, 1979. His University assignments have included Research Council (1976-), College Council (1976-1978), and Advisory Board Southern Quarterly (1976-1978)


John R. Skates, Jr.'s Mississippi: A Bicentennial History was published by W.W. Norton and Company, Inc. for the American Association for State and Local History in April, 1979. He continues as assistant editor of the Journal of Mississippi History and completed in 1978 a three year term on the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Historical Society. He prepared the article on Mississippi for the Encyclopedia of Southern History.

John Wallace made a trip to Italy in December, 1978, for a number of reasons: to visit the old battlefields in northern Italy; to talk with professors, writers, and former Italian resistance workers with the possibility of writing something on the last year of the war in northern Italy (the Appenines); and to work out plans for a possible Italian translation of his book, The Blue Devil Battle Mountain Regiment in Italy, 1944-1945.

There may be other activities that should be included in this report, but faculty as well as alumni failed to mention other items to the editor.

Alumni News

John P. Bacon Jr., Memphis Tennessee. Chairman, Social Science Department, State Technical Institute. His activities included: Selected Distinguished Professor 1978-1979 by the Upsilon Delta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa; Elected to the Shelby County Democratic Party Committee; Elected delegate to the Seventh Congressional District Democratic Party Convention, 1978; Member, Credentials Committee, Democratic Mid-term Conference, 1978; Appointed to the Advisory Committee, 99th Legislative District, Tennessee House of Representatives, 1978.

James E. Bagwell, Jr., 1978 doctorate graduate, resides in Plains, Georgia. He teaches history at Georgia Southwestern College in Americus, Georgia. The Beehive Press of Savannah, Georgia, published his dissertation James Hamilton Couper, Georgia Rice Planter in 1979.

Robert J. Bailey, recently director of the Archives and Library Division of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History, now heads the Department's Historic Preservation Division. He writes that he has "been elected to serve on the Executive Council of the Society of Mississippi Archivists, the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Historical Society, and the Committee on Association Standards and Development of the National Association of State Archives and Records Administrators. I have also attended several national conferences and meetings which I will not list since they are not particularly newsworthy. Two recent publications are 'Grassroots History: Collecting and Preserving' in the Journal of Mississippi History and 'The Pascagoula: A Singing River' in Rolling Rivers: An Encyclopedia of America's Rivers published by McGraw-Hill."

Mary Bauer, Rothell, Washington, writes: "As you know, my family and I moved from Pass Christian to Seattle in November, 1977. In September, 1978, I entered the University of Washington's graduate school to study bio-medical history and the history and philosophy of medical ethics. In January, 1979, I began a two quarter appointment as a teaching associate. The professor for whom I work is a nurse-sociologist with much interest in history and medical moral philosophy, so my job is an intellectual as well as a financial pleasure. Seattle has grown a lot since I last lived here twenty years ago. After having lived in Pass Christian for so long, we have felt a bit daunted by city size and traffic. Big cities have their compensations though; we especially like the wealth of good professional theatre here. I think of my USM friends quite often and it will be a pleasure to catch up on their activities."

Martha Rigby Bills, Alexandria, Virginia, writes that she is "really adapting to snow conditions, especially having spent some time in Newport, Rhode Island." For her 1977-1979 activities she lists the following: "Lieutenant, United States Navy, assigned to the Chief of Naval Personnel as the Assistant for Consolidation for the Navy-wide military pay and personnel office consolidation project, called the PASS Program; Articles published in US Navy Medicine, Navy Times, and All Hands on the PASS Program (Nothing relating to my MA in History); Elected as Vice President, USM Alumni Association, Washington, DC Chapter; Due for rotation in summer 1979. Slated for Congressional Liaison, Office of Legislative Affairs. Sounds like an (Continued on page 4)
exciting, busy, politically interesting Capitol Hill job. Current plans are to stay in the Navy unless my husband gets a college teaching position. Until then, we plan to be in the Washington area. We would enjoy hearing from anyone from USM who is in the area for conferences, meetings, etc. Home telephone number: 702-683-4812, Office 202-694-3479 or 202-694-5667. Everyone gave their addresses and asked alumni to contact them. Write the department for particular addresses.

Zed H. Burns, professor emeritus, continues to live in Hattiesburg, and maintains a very active retirement career: coauthored an article for the Journal of Mississippi History entitled “Confederate Generals in the Civil War”; published his second book Confederate Forts and has spent time in Wilmington, North Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina, and Savannah, Georgia, promoting the work; spoke to Jackson Civil War Roundtable about Confederate forts; does some teaching for William Carey College; pursued his interest in linguistics by enrolling in courses at University of Southern Mississippi; has written an article for Mississippi Folklore Register; continues his research on the Confederacy by working on biographical sketch of John Pelham.

Jerry Causey is enrolled in the doctoral program in history at the University of Southern Mississippi and is continuing his research on the antebellum South directed by Professor Scarborough.

William L. Costley, Jr., recent Ed.D. from the University of Southern Mississippi, is Director of Community Service with the El Dorado Branch of Southern Arkansas University.

Blannie Curtis resigned as secretary of the Department of History June 30, 1978, after receiving her M.A. She moved to Chicago and took a job in the Recruiting Department of Arthur Anderson and Company (an international CPA firm). Since this job required her to do computer terminal entry, the firm sent her to school at IBM in September. She visited the department during the 1979 spring semester. She is now a social science editor with Harcourt Brace and Jovanovich Inc. in Des Plains, Illinois.

Robert W. DuBay, continues as Academic Dean at Bainbridge Junior College and has been promoted to professor. Scholarly papers presented include: “Reflections on Country Doctors” before the Community College Social Science Association (November, 1977), “Segregation, Spies, Barbecues and Blackjack Sappings” before the Georgia Association of Historians (April, 1978), "Sacred Heritages and Traditions: Georgia and the Little Rock Crisis" before the Southern Historical Association (November, 1978); and “Georgia Women in the Mid-1950’s” during the Citadel Conference on the South (April, 1979).

Forthcoming papers include: “The Man In The Middle: Mississippi’s Governor Pettus” during the Southern Historical Association meeting (November, 1979) and “The Georgia Tech Sugar Bowl Controversy of 1955” during the Georgia Studies Symposium (January, 1980). He has written book reviews for Community College Social Science Journal and Journal of Southern History. Articles written include: “Stamp and Phillips: A Bibliographic Note” Studies in History and Society (1976); “A Governor Evaluates the Presidents,” Georgia Historical Quarterly (1977); “Special Seminars In The Junior College.” Community College Social Science Association Newsletter (1978); and “On Going Home,” “The All-American American,” and “Inner-View: Conversations With The Last Presidential Candidates” in The Southern Spy Magazine (1977). He also has contributed a chapter entitled “Secessionist Mississippi” to a forthcoming Louisiana State University Press volume on Confederate Executive Leadership. He has compiled and edited the papers and correspondence of former Georgia Governor Marvin Griffin. He is working on Griffin’s biography tentatively entitled “Shellen Down the Corn: Marvin Griffin and Georgia Politics.”

Richard Faust operates the Richard Faust Photography Studio in Norman, Oklahoma. “My historical activities,” he writes “have been restricted to answering three to four letters per year on my thesis on William Weatherford—seems it has been cited a few times.”

F. Douglas Inglis reports the following activities: “Since 1974 and continuing, a consultant to the Joint Oxford-Syracuse Project (JOSP) on the colonial population of Latin America. JOSP will eventually map and analyze the total population of late eighteenth century Spanish America and the Philippines. In January, 1978, a consultant to The Papers of Andrew Jackson, Hermitage, Tennessee, on events relating to Jackson’s various travels to Spanish Natchez (1790) and Pensacola (1810s). Material uncovered led to a revised view of Jackson’s early career in Robert V. Remini’s Andrew Jackson and the Course of American Empire, 1767-1821. At the December, 1978, meeting of the American Historical Association, which I attended in San Francisco, elected to the Conference on Latin American History Committees on Statistics, and on Demography. In April, 1979, presented a paper at the Western Social Science Association meeting, Lake Tahoe, Nevada, entitled ‘Families in Early Nuevo Madrid: A Facet of Frontier Development in the Mississippi Valley.’ In May, 1979, received a Ph.D. from Texas Christian University, dissertation entitled ‘Historical Demography of Colonial Cuba, 1492-1790.’ Currently, Associate Research Professor and Fellow of The Center for Historical Population Studies, University of Utah, where I am directing the Miohocaen/Morelia Project which involves organizing and cataloging 3,649 reels of microfilm from the archive of the Bishopric/Archbishopric of Miohocaen, Mexico. The film is held by the Genealogical Society of Utah, which has gathered more than 1.1 million reels of nominal information on historical populations. This work is done under an NEH grant.”

Berndette K. Loftin, associate professor of history, Middle Georgia College, lists her activities as follows: “Chairman, Educational Program Self-Study Committee for MGC; Coordinated visiting history professor program; Presented paper at CCSSA meeting Atlanta, 1977, on ‘A Return to History for the Now Generation’; Directed forum on family history at MGC; and President of Alpha Phi Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.”

Montecue J. Lowry, Fort Worth, Texas, writes as follows: “I received my Ph.D. in physics from Texas Christian University in August, 1977, and two weeks later began a full time program of study toward a Ph.D. in history. I am now two years into my history program in which my major area of concentration is twentieth century Europe. My two supporting fields are Soviet Russia and modern Britain. I am
going rather heavy on European languages and am continuing my language study (French, German, Russian). I am enjoying my study of history more than I had anticipated, and I am looking forward to my continuation in the field. I am a bit short on publications; however, I have one short article that has been submitted but not yet published. I am the co-author of a physics paper presented at the Texas Academy of Science in March, 1979. Although I have several ideas for future publications, I have not done any more work in that area. As for hobbies, I get a great deal of pleasure from working on my sports car. It is a 1965 Sunbeam Tiger (a British Alpine with a Ford V-8 engine). It is sort of a 'rare bird' and getting parts for it is a challenge. I still lift weights three times a week. I have taken a serious interest in distance running, and I trained for a race held in the spring of 1979.

William J. Martin at Florida Junior College at Jacksonville, Florida writes as follows: "It is hard to believe that I am in my 12th year at FJC. In addition to the survey classes and the Honors History class that I teach at FJC, I taught a Survey of Modern Europe at the University of North Florida during the Spring of last year. Moreover, I have given modest support to a joint FJC-UNF International Studies Program now being funded by the Federal Government. It has included several prominent foreign ambassadors as guest speakers at the University. I have begun my second year of research on the dissertation topic, 'The United States and the Disposition of German Colonies at the Paris Peace Conference, 1919.' I finished my research in the Spring of 1979 after a visit to Yale and began writing during the Summer of 1979."

Major James K. McCaslin, Jr. (Class of 1964) returned to the United States in June, 1979, after serving five years in Garmisch and Heidelberg, Germany. Jim, his wife Martha, and their three boys, Jake (12), Jeff (11), and Eric (7), will be stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, where Jim will be attending the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

Patrick J. McGinnis is now a correctional officer at the Escambia County Jail in Pensacola, Florida. "In October, 1977, my article 'A Case of Judicial Misconduct: The Impeachment and Trial of Robert W. Archbold' was published in the Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography. This academic achievement was overshadowed in December, 1978, by my marriage to the former Francy Doherty of Gulf Breeze, Florida. Francy teaches mathematics at a local high school where they live in Milton, Florida."

Chester M. (Bo) Morgan has completed the course work for the doctorate at Memphis State University and hopes to return to Hattiesburg to do most of his research for the dissertation.

Wyatt Moulds is currently teaching United States and Mississippi history at Heidelberg High School while pursuing graduate work beyond M.A. at University of Southern Mississippi. He is president-elect (1977-1980) of the East Jasper District Association of Education.

Robert Lee Peters writes about his activities as follows: "I am currently teaching at Riverside High School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. During the last three years, I have taught Justice and You, Afro-American History, American History and World Geography. During last year, I served on a committee to adopt textbooks for the school system. I also addressed the system's History teachers about effective ways to teach Afro-American History. I also assisted in publishing a curriculum guide for Afro-American History. Lastly, I was encouraged to apply for a supervisory position in Social Studies but I refused to do so."

Jerome V. Reel, Jr., Clemson University, summarized his activities as follows: "I was appointed to Professor in July, 1977. A grant from the Clemson Faculty Research Fund kept me in England during the summer of 1978 working on new volumes of my index. Article in Opera Journal (vol. XI, no. 1, 1978), 'History and Opera'. Article in History Teacher (vol. XI, no. 4, 1978), 'History through Opera: A Classroom Experiment.' Invited paper, 'History through Opera: Phase Two,' read to the National Opera Association, October, 1978. A weekly radio program on history and opera carried on now on 5 NPR stations. The usual university governance committees—Research Council, Athletic Council, Secretary, College of Liberal Arts Committee."

Paul Reuter, a recent doctoral graduate, is administrative assistant, Institute of Arts, Letters, and Physical Education at Jefferson State Junior College, Birmingham, Alabama. He also does some teaching.

Mouise T. and Peg T. (Smith) Richards teach history at Meridian High School and Northwest Junior High School respectively. Mouise is completing AAA certification in history at the University of Southern Mississippi.

Jack Rogers was named Dean of Continuing Education at William Carey College in 1978. He continues his teaching duties and is now working on his dissertation for the doctorate from the University of Mississippi.

David Sansing, University of Mississippi, summarizes the past two years as follows: 'Publications: with Carroll Waller, A History of the Mississippi Governor's Mansion (University Press of Mississippi, 1977); 'An Historical Background of Events leading to a Constitutional Board of Trustees' in An Analysis of the Law of Separation of Powers Applicable to the Government of Higher Education (Mississippi Law Research Institute, 1978); 'Chancellor Edward C. Mayes' in Biographical Directory of Mississippi Authors (University Press of Mississippi, 1979). To be published: 'A History of Mississippi' (ninth grade textbook by T.S. Denison and Company, 1979-1980); with Verner S. Holmes, 'A History of the Board of Trustees of Institutions of Higher Learning' (University Press of Mississippi, 1980). Papers and Lectures: Read paper at Mississippi Historical Society, March, 1979; Guest lecturer at Meridian Junior College in April-May (three lectures), 1979. Offices and Membership: Regional Coordinator for Mississippi Junior Historical Society; Member, Mississippi Committee for the Humanities; Member, Faculty Senate of University of Mississippi."

Josephine Schulte, Associate Professor of History, Director of Latin American Studies and Graduate Advisor for St. Mary's University of San Antonio, Texas. She spent three weeks (December-January, 1977-1978) in Guyana, Surinam, and Curaçao. In the summer of 1977 she traveled through all the provinces of France. She writes about her sabbatical during the spring semester of 1978 as follows: "A graduate student and I spent a month at the Center for Research Libraries in Chicago (repository in the United States for non-United States dissertations) to compile entries of dissertations written in Great Britain, Ireland, Northern, Western, and Southern Europe, and in Latin America, about Mexico in the nineteenth century and the Spanish Borderlands in North America. In July, I spent ten days in Mexico City doing (Continued on page 6)"
five minors. We deal with general humanities and area studies programs. I have managed a couple of grants from the N. E. H. and we have workshops from time to time. This program includes half of my work load."

**Michael L. Smith** reports that he left the Air Force in the summer of 1977 and began his course of studies at Florida State University where he is working on his Ph. D. in Social Work. He was awarded a fellowship from the National Institute of Mental Health. He "plans to do exploratory research into the interorganizational network of a community mental health center and neighboring 'community decision organizations' as these interactions bear on issues of the primary prevention of 'mental illness.' (Pretty far removed from the history of the Old South, huh?)"

**Jerry Sullivan** after four degrees from University of Southern Mississippi (two in history, one in political science, and one in criminal justice) plans to begin work on a fifth degree (in guidance) at Memphis State University. He has been teaching law enforcement and sociology at Louisiana State University in Eunice.

**Steve Ward**, Hampton, Georgia, writes as follows: "Since graduating from USM in February of 1974, I have taught in the Clayton County, Georgia school system. The subjects ranged from Georgia History, geography, and consumer economics to career exploration for ninth graders. I have since been promoted to vocational counselor in a senior high school in Jonesboro, Georgia. My duties include counseling, job placement, and director of a comprehensive career resource center. I have appeared on a local Atlanta television program dealing with the elimination of sex bias in career planning by women. I am now in the process of planning a course, which I will teach, on current issues in vocational education. I will be an ad hoc professor with Georgia State University. I now hold a teaching certificate in social studies, with an add on in career exploration, vocational administration, and counseling. I am a member of the American Vocational Association, the Georgia Vocational Association, as well as local education associations."

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**Graduate Degrees Conferred**

**Master of Arts, May, 1978**


**Master of Arts, August, 1978**


**Doctor of Philosophy, August, 1978**


**Doctor of Philosophy, May, 1979**


**Master of Science**

Keith D. Crumpton (1978)
Milton H. Figg (1978)
Emily Ruth Bird Lambert (1978)
Janet Lynne Lampton (1978)
Mary McKay (1979)
Deanne Love Stephens (1978)
Gordon Bond continues to teach at Auburn University. In 1978, he authored an article for *The Consortium on Revolutionary Europe*. In 1979, the University of Georgia Press published his *The Grand Expedition: The British Invasion of Holland in 1809*. He has also had book reviews appear in *Southern Humanities Review*, *The Historian*, and the *Library Journal*. "This year," he wrote, "I am involved in teaching in an interdisciplinary program based upon the writing and films of Jacob Bronowski - *The Ascent of Man*. I have never been involved in a team teaching situation before and teaching with non-historians is especially interesting."

Mrs. Robert A. Brent resigned her position with the Hattiesburg Public School System and has moved to Jackson, Mississippi to teach at St. Andrews Episcopal Day School.

William S. Coker, still a member of the faculty of the University of West Florida, edited in 1979 for The Perdido Bay Press two volumes in limited, numbered editions: *John Forbes' Description of the Spanish Floridas, 1804* and *Hispanic American Essays in Honor of Max Leon Moorhead*. Coker contributed the essay "John Forbes and Company and the War of 1812 in the Spanish Borderlands" to the second volume.

J. Treadwell Davis, professor emeritus of history, and his wife have sold their home in Hattiesburg and moved to the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Arthur DeRosier Jr. was inaugurated as the fifth president of East Tennessee State University in April, 1978. He returned to the campus of the University of Southern Mississippi in April, 1979, to deliver the annual Honors Day address. He also spoke at the Fourth Annual Forum of The Annual Pilgrimage Garden Club Antiques Forum in Natchez, Mississippi, November, 1977; the Chancellor's Symposium on Southern History at the University of Mississippi, October, 1978; the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians, April, 1979; seminar at University of Georgia, January, 1978; humanities seminar at St. John's Episcopal Church, February, 1978; and numerous church, civic, community, alumni, high school, college, university, and professional organizations. He is chairman of the committee on graduate studies and elected state representative for 1979 of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. He is currently writing a biographical sketch of Davy Crockett to be included in a volume entitled "Tennessee Heroes" to be published by the Memphis State University Press. Also, he is currently editing a book for the same press entitled "The Indians of Tennessee" to be published in *Tennessee Series*. Book reviews have appeared in *The Annals, Tennessee Historical Quarterly*, and *American Indian Quarterly*. He is a member of the Board of Editorial Advisers for the Memphis State University Press. He is quite active in the Johnson City-Kingsport community activities.

Porter L. Fortune, Jr. continues as the chancellor of the University of Mississippi. His health continues to improve. He and Mrs. Fortune joined a University of Mississippi Alumni Tour group in the spring, 1979, for an eastern Mediterranean tour.

Willery Jackson, associate professor emerita of history, after a stroke, is now confined to the Hattiesburg Convalescent Center, 514 Bay Street, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, 39401. I am sure that she would enjoy hearing from former students.

William F. LaForge continues as dean of the School of Arts and Sciences at Delta State University. He was elected as Faculty Director of Omicron Delta Kappa Province VI which includes seventeen circles in Mississippi and Alabama for the term 1978-1980.

Samuel Lewis retired from teaching at Perkinston campus, Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College, December 31, 1976. He writes that "the students ... dedicated their college yearbook to me for the year 1976, and the college board of trustees presented me with an inscription indicating dedicated service to the college and to the students. I am residing at home on Highway 49 South, Route 6, Box 45, Hattiesburg, and would be pleased to hear from any former colleagues or classmates."

President Emeritus William D. McCain continues his research activities in the office assigned to him and his papers are in the William D. McCain Library. At present he is serving as interim director of the Governor's Highway Safety Program.

Mrs. Richard Aubrey McMorn continues to reside at her home in Clinton and has just completed the manuscript history of Mississippi College that she and Dr. McMorn were working on at the time of his death.


Philip A. Walker continues to teach in the Division of Humanities at the University of North Carolina at Asheville.