I. Departmental Affairs

A. Staff Changes and Personal Notes

Miss Willery Jackson, Associate Professor of History since 1940, retired at the end of the summer quarter, 1966. The Department honored Miss Jackson with a retirement party held at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant in Hattiesburg on June 3, 1966. Also the Department has established the Willery Jackson Library Fund to be used for the purchase of materials to enrich the Mississippi Collection. Any former students, colleagues or friends of Miss Jackson who wish to make a donation should mail their contributions to the U. S. M. Foundation, Box 13, Southern Station, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, 39401. Miss Jackson will continue to reside in Hattiesburg at her home at 803 Parker Avenue. Accompanied by Mrs. George L. Hawkins, Jr., who formerly taught in The Department of English here, Miss Jackson toured England, France, Germany, Austria, Yugoslavia, Spain, and Portugal from mid-August to mid-November, 1966. Miss Jackson became ill shortly after her return and was hospitalized for three weeks. She is recuperating at her home now and would appreciate hearing from all her former students.

Dr. Robert A. Brent returned to Hattiesburg in June, 1966, after spending the 1965-1966 academic year as Visiting Fulbright Lecturer in the University of the Philippines in Manila. Dr. Brent resumed his teaching duties as professor of history in the department in June, 1966. According to Dr. Brent, "in every way, except financially, it was a fabulous year and I would like to do it again."

Dr. Edward H. Moseley resigned at the end of the spring quarter, 1966, to accept a position at the University of Alabama.

Dr. Richard I. Harper, a 1966 doctoral graduate of Emory University, resigned at the end of the spring quarter, 1966, to accept a position at the University of Wyoming.

Dr. Robert L. Robinson, a 1966 doctoral graduate of Duke University, resigned at the end of the spring
quarter, 1966, to accept a position at the State University of New York at Plattsburgh.

In September, 1966, the following individuals joined the staff of the Department of History:

Gordon Bond (Ph.D., Florida State University, dissertation: "The British Expedition to the Scheldt in 1809.") Early Modern European history.

Richard Bowers (Ph.D., Mississippi State University, dissertation: "Baronial Reaction and Rebellion: The King's Cause.") Ancient and Medieval history. Formerly taught at University of Southwestern Louisiana in Lafayette, Louisiana.

E. James Clark (doctoral candidate, University of North Carolina) -- Colonial and Revolutionary American history.

William S. Coker (Ph.D., University of Oklahoma, dissertation: "United States--British Diplomacy over Mexico, 1913.") Latin American history. Formerly Research Historian, Air University, Montgomery, Alabama.

John P. Posey (Ph.D., University of Georgia, dissertation: "David Hunter Miller at the Paris Peace Conference, 1919.") Russian history. Formerly taught at Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

John Ray Skates, Jr. (Ph.D., Mississippi State University, dissertation: "A Southern Editor Views the National Scene: Frederick Sullens and the Jackson, Mississippi, Daily News.") Formerly taught at Mississippi State College for Women.

Mrs. Pauline Rogers Stout (M.A. University of North Carolina.) Research and Editorial Assistant to the President; teaches one class per quarter in the Freshmen history program.


B. Association Activities


2. Southern Historical Association, Memphis, Tennessee, November, 1966. All members of the department attended this meeting. Professor John E. Gonzales
served during the 1965-1966 year as Mississippi's representative on the Membership Committee of the Association.

3. Mississippi Historical Society, Mississippi State University, March, 1966. Most of the members of the department attended the meeting. President William D. McCain was elevated from Vice-President to President of the organization and presided at the joint luncheon with the Mississippi Junior Historical Society. Professor John E. Gonzales read a paper entitled "Boys' State: A Program for Mississippi Youth, 1939-" written by Ralph Dennis Spencer. Professor J. Treadwell Davis served on the Program Committee and Miss Willery Jackson served as chairman of the Resolutions Committee.


5. Latin American Studies Meeting, Miami, Florida, April, 1966. Professor Moseley represented the department and also appeared on the program.


II. The Faculty

A. Publication Activities

Professor William K. Scarborough's monograph entitled The Overseer: Plantation Management in the Old South has been published by the Louisiana State University Press and can be purchased from the Press for $7.50.

Professor Glenn T. Harper's monograph entitled German Economic Policy in Spain During the Spanish Civil War, 1936-1939 has been published by Mouton and Company of the Hague, Netherlands.

Professor Robert A. Brent's monograph entitled Mr. Jefferson of Virginia: A Renaissance Gentleman in America has been published by the United States Information Service.

Faculty members in the department have been regular contributors to The Southern Quarterly:


Gonzales, John E., "John Anthony Quitman in the United States House of Representatives, 1855-1858," The
Southern Quarterly, IV (April, 1966), 276-288.


Professor Glenn T. Harper became Assistant Editor of The Southern Quarterly in September, 1966.


The following books were reviewed by Professor Scarborough during 1966:


4. Susan Dabney Smedes, Memorials of a Southern Planter. Edited by Fletcher M. Green.

Avery O. Craven, Edmund Ruffin, Southerner.

Combined review for *Agricultural History*, XL (Fall, 1966).

Professor Posey's recent research activities include the following:


Presented paper entitled, "Communist Propaganda, Europe, and the Russo-Polish War, 1920," at the Southern Conference on Slavic Studies, 1963. It has been prepared as an article and likely will be published in *The Historian*.

An article entitled, "David Hunter Miller as an Informal Diplomat: The Fiume and Adriatic Question at the Paris Peace Conference, 1919," and will be published in the April, 1967, issue of *The Southern Quarterly*.

The following books were reviewed by Professor Posey:


Book reviews by Professor Skates include:

(1) Smith, *Look Away From Dixie*.

Canzoneri, *I Do So Politely: A Voice From the South*.


B. Faculty Seminar

At the winter quarter meeting, 1966, Professor Gonzales read a paper entitled "John Anthony Quitman in the United States House of Representatives, 1855-1858." This article has been published in *The Southern Quarterly*.

At the spring quarter meeting, 1966, Professor Scarborough read a paper entitled "The Southern Plantation Overseer: A reevaluation." This paper is a part of his published book and appeared as an article in *Agricultural History*, XXXVIII (January, 1964), 13-20.
At the fall quarter meeting, 1966, Professor Brent read a paper entitled, "Mr. Jefferson's Views on Religion." This article has been published in The Silliman Journal.

Professors Posey and Turner will address the winter and spring quarter seminars in 1967. Professor Scarborough is chairman of the seminar this year.

C. In a recent letter to Professor Davis, President McCain informed the department that his book The United States and the Republic of Panama, first published in 1937, was issued again in 1966.

III. Physical Plant Changes

During August, 1966, the department moved back to College Hall from its temporary quarters in House "Q." The department now occupies the first floor of College Hall. There are four classrooms, a seminar room, and a suite of nineteen offices and a departmental work room. The Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences also occupies a suite of offices on the first floor. The Department of English occupies the second floor of College Hall, and the Departments of Sociology and Political Science occupy the third floor. The College Hall Annex consisting of two three hundred-seat auditoriums is completed. Large lecture sections of History 101-102 are being taught now in this facility which has been named the Wilbur White Stout Lecture Halls.

IV. Graduate Students

A. Degree requirements were met by the following students in 1966:


John P. Bacon, Jr., M.S., Thesis - "A History of Intercollegiate Athletics at the University of Southern Mississippi, 1912-1950," directed by Professor John E. Gonzales.


Walter Lowe, M.S., Major Professor, Kenneth G. McCarty, Jr.
B. The following students hold graduate fellowships or assistantships or part time instructor or grading positions for this current school year:

Alexander, John, B.A., Southeastern Louisiana College, 1966. (Fall quarter, 1966, only)

Brooks, Nolan, B.S., University of Southern Mississippi, 1965.

Brown, Samuel, B.A., University of Southern Mississippi, 1966.

Boyd, Charles, B.S., University of Southern Mississippi, 1966.


Haltom, Mrs. Margaret, B.S., Mississippi State College for Women, 1961.

McGee, Howard, B.A., University of Southern Mississippi, 1965. (Fall quarter, 1966, only)


Mourning, Mrs. Beverly, A.B., University of Missouri, 1949.


C. Graduate alumni in history have been regular contributors to The Southern Quarterly.


Margaret Saxton Haltom, "Discrepancies in the Lend-Lease Program," The Southern Quarterly, IV (July, 1966), 446-468.


D. Organizations

Officers of Phi Alpha Theta, Theta Kappa Chapter, 1966:

President, Eric Thurston, Jr.
Vice-President, Arthur Lackey
Secretary, Robert Young
Treasurer, Robert Steele  
Historian, Mrs. Mabel Donovan  
Faculty Advisors, Professors Glenn T. Harper and William K. Scarborough

Officers of Pi Gamma Nu, 1965-1966:

Faculty Secretary-Treasurer, Professor Leon A. Wilber

E. Personal Notes

S. David Juice II (63) completed residence requirements for the doctorate at the University of Oklahoma and joined the faculty of Louisiana Tech in Ruston in September, 1966.

Mrs. Martha Buie Hollingsworth (51) joined the faculty of Mississippi State College for Women in September, 1966.

E. L. Carnes (66) is sales representative for Scott, Foresman and Company and is stationed in Oklahoma City.

Mrs. Clairia Lopez Campbell (64), completed residence requirements for her doctorate at Tulane University and is working on her dissertation there.

William S. Coker (62) joined the faculty of the University of Southern Mississippi in the fall quarter of 1966 after teaching during the summer session of 1966 at the University of Oklahoma.

Robert DuBay (66) is continuing graduate work in history, teaches one class in the freshman history program, and is employed as Supervisor of Men's Housing at the University of Southern Mississippi.

Herbert E. Lucy (58) has returned to the University of Southern Mississippi as Director of Student Counseling.

Neil McMillen (63) has a Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship this year at Vanderbilt University and hopes to complete the requirements for the doctoral degree at Vanderbilt this year.

Lawrence J. Malley (66) has been promoted from the sales force to the editorial offices of Rand McNally and Company and has been transferred to Chicago.

Russell W. Ramsey (63) has returned from Vietnam and is now a member of the ROTC staff at the University of Florida and is also working on his doctorate there.

Miss Josephine H. Schulte (61) completed residence requirements for her doctorate at Loyola University in Chicago. She has been in Mexico City during the past year on an Organization of American States grant to complete her dissertation on "Gabino Barreda and the Law of Public Instruction, 1867."
Miss Archie Strahan (62) is a doctoral candidate at Mississippi State University.

Mrs. Nancy E. Sullivan (61) has returned with her husband Mike to Hattiesburg to live. She is teaching in the city public school system.

Mrs. Jewell Vincent (62) completed residence requirements for the doctorate at Louisiana State University and is now teaching at Henderson State College in Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

William A. Ward (66) is teaching at Mobile College in Mobile, Alabama, and continuing graduate work here at the University of Southern Mississippi.

Glenn H. Woods (62) is now living and teaching in Connecticut.

F. Editorial Comments

The editor would appreciate hearing from all former students. Please send any information that can be used in this newsletter. Also come to see us and drink coffee with us in our new quarters in College Hall. The editor also would like to take this opportunity to thank his colleagues for their cooperation in the preparation of this newsletter. Particular thanks go to Mrs. Hazel McInnis, the department secretary, for her invaluable assistance.