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Letter of Submittal

THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,
Washington, D. C., June 1, 1950.

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with the act of incorporation of the American Historical Association, approved January 4, 1889, I have the honor of submitting to Congress the *Annual Report* of the Association for the year 1949.

Respectfully,

ALEXANDER WETMORE, *Secretary.*

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Letter of Transmittal

THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION,
Washington, D. C., June 1, 1950.

SIR: As provided by law, I submit herewith the *Annual Report* of the American Historical Association for the year 1949. This is the only volume offered this year. It contains the proceedings of the Association for 1949, the report of the secretary-treasurer for the Pacific Coast Branch for 1949, and the list of members of the American Historical Association.

GUY STANTON FORD, *Editor.*

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,
Washington, D. C.

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Organization and Activities

THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

THE ASSOCIATION

The American Historical Association, incorporated by Act of Congress in 1889, is defined by its charter to be: *A body corporate and politic . . . for the promotion of historical studies, the collection and preservation of historical manuscripts, and for kindred purposes in the interest of American history, and of history in America.* There are at present 5,511 members.

It is a society not only for scholars, though it has for the last half century included in its membership all the outstanding historical scholars in America, not only for educators, though it has included all the great American teachers of history, but also for every man and woman who is interested in the study of history in America. Its most generous benefactors have been nonprofessionals who loved history for its own sake and who wished to spread that love of history to a wider and wider circle.

LEADERSHIP

Among those who have labored as members and later served it also as President, the American Historical Association can list such distinguished names as George Bancroft, Justin Winsor, Henry Adams, James Ford Rhodes, Alfred Thayer Mahan, Henry C. Lea, John Bach McMaster, Frederick Jackson Turner, Theodore Roosevelt, Edward Channing, Woodrow Wilson, Charles M. Andrews, J. Franklin Jameson, James H. Breasted, James Harvey Robinson, Carl Becker, and Charles Beard.

ANNUAL MEETING

It meets in the Christmas week in a different city each year to accommodate in turn members living in different parts of the country. The formal programs of these meetings include important contributions to every field of historical scholarship, many of which are subsequently printed. The meetings also afford an excellent opportunity for maintaining contacts with professional friends and for exchanging ideas with others working in the same field.

PUBLICATIONS

The publications of the Association are many and their scope is wide. The *Annual Report*, usually in two volumes, is printed for the Association by the United States Government. It contains *Proceedings* and valuable collections of documents, generally in the field of American history. The *Ameri-*

can Historical Review, published quarterly and distributed free to all members of the Association, is the recognized organ of the historical profession in America. It prints authoritative articles and critical reviews of new books in all fields of history. The Association also cooperates with the National Council for the Social Studies in the publication of *Social Education*, one of the most important journals in America dealing with the problems of history teaching in the schools.

Besides these regular publications, the Association controls a revolving fund donated by the Carnegie Corporation out of which it publishes from time to time historical monographs selected from the whole field of history. It has as well two separate endowment funds, the income from which is devoted to the publication of historical source material. The Albert J. Beveridge Fund was established as a memorial to the late Senator Beveridge by his wife, Catherine Beveridge, and a large group of his friends in Indiana. The income from this fund, the principal of which amounts to about \$100,000, is applied to the publication of material relative to the history of the United States, with preference given to the period from 1800 to 1865. The Littleton-Griswold Fund was established by Alice Griswold in memory of her father, William E. Littleton, and of her husband, Frank T. Griswold. The income from this fund, the principal of which amounts to \$25,000, is applied to the publication of material relative to the legal history of the United States.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Association from time to time, through special committees, interests itself actively in promoting the sound teaching of sound history in the schools. It has done much and is doing more to collect and preserve historical manuscripts in public and private repositories. It has interested itself in developing the potentialities of the radio as an instrument of education.

The Association maintains close relations with state and local historical societies. It has also organized a Pacific Coast Branch for members living in the Far West.

The Association participates in the work of the International Committee of Historical Sciences which holds an International Historical Congress every five years. The ICHS also publishes annually an international bibliography of books and articles. The American Historical Association with the support of the David Maydole Matteson Fund prepares the section on scholarly production in the United States. Membership in the International Committee is underwritten by the Andrew D. White Fund established by the National Board for Historical Service at the close of the First World War.

SOURCES OF SUPPORT

The American Historical Association is in a position to do significant and useful work not only in the advancement of learning but also in the dissemination of sound knowledge. It commands the resources of the learned world, but it also recognizes the necessity of bringing the fruits of learning to the average American. It needs to be supported. Its endowment funds, amounting to about \$260,000, are carefully managed by a Board of Trustees composed of men prominent in the world of finance. Most of the income from this endowment is, however, earmarked for special publications. For its broader educational purposes it has to depend chiefly upon its membership dues.

MEMBERSHIP

The American Historical Association welcomes to its membership any individual subscribing to its purposes. The annual membership, including subscription to the *American Historical Review*, is five dollars. The life membership is one hundred dollars. Membership application blanks may be secured by addressing the Executive Secretary, Study Room 274, Library of Congress Annex, Washington 25, D. C.

PRIZES

The Association offers the following prizes:

The Herbert Baxter Adams Prize, without stipend, is awarded biennially in the even-numbered years for a monograph, in manuscript or in print, in the field of European history.

The George Louis Beer Prize of about \$200 (being the annual income from an endowment of \$6,000) is awarded annually for the best work on any phase of European international history since 1895. Competition is limited to citizens of the United States and to works in the English language. A work may be submitted either in manuscript or in print.

The John H. Dunning Prize of about \$100 is awarded biennially in the even-numbered years for a monograph, either in print or in manuscript, on any subject relating to American history. In accordance with the terms of the bequest, competition is limited to members of the Association.

The Watumull Price of \$500, is awarded biennially, beginning with 1949, for the best book originally published in the United States on any phase of the history of India. All works submitted in competition for this prize must be in the hands of the committee by July 1 of the year in which the award is made. The date of publication of the books submitted must fall within the 2-year period ending December 31 of the year preceding the award.

All works submitted in competition for the above prizes must, unless otherwise stated, be in the hands of the proper committee by June 1 of

the year in which the award is made. The date of publication of printed monographs submitted in competition must fall within a period of 2½ years prior to June 1 of the year in which the prize is awarded.

The Albert J. Beveridge Memorial Prize, established at the annual meeting in 1945, is awarded annually, beginning in 1946, for the best original manuscript, either complete or in progress, on American history. By American history is meant the history of the United States, Latin America, and Canada. The prize has a cash value of \$500, plus a royalty of 5 percent after cost of publication has been met. The winning manuscript in each annual competition is published without cost to the author in the series of Beveridge Fund publications; other manuscripts also may be so published at the discretion of the committee on the Albert J. Beveridge Memorial Fund, which is charged with the administration of the fellowship. As small a part as one-half of the manuscript may be submitted at the time of application, but it must be accompanied by a detailed outline of the balance. The deadline for the submission of applications and manuscripts is July 1.

Act of Incorporation

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Andrew D. White, of Ithaca, in the State of New York, George Bancroft, of Washington, in the District of Columbia; Justin Winsor, of Cambridge, in the State of Massachusetts; William F. Poole, of Chicago, in the State of Illinois; Herbert B. Adams, of Baltimore, in the State of Maryland; Clarence W. Bowen, of Brooklyn, in the State of New York, their associates and successors, are hereby created, in the District of Columbia, a body corporate and politic by the name of the American Historical Association, for the promotion of historical studies, the collection and preservation of historical manuscripts, and for kindred purposes in the interest of American history, and of history in America. Said Association is authorized to hold real and personal estate in the District of Columbia so far as may be necessary to its lawful ends to an amount not exceeding \$500,000, to adopt a constitution, and make bylaws not inconsistent with law. Said Association shall have its principal office at Washington, in the District of Columbia, and may hold its annual meetings in such places as the said incorporators shall determine. Said Association shall report annually to the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, concerning its proceedings and the condition of historical study in America. Said Secretary shall communicate to Congress the whole of such report, or such portions thereof as he shall see fit. The Regents of the Smithsonian Institution are authorized to permit said Association to deposit its collections, manuscripts, books, pamphlets, and other material for history in the Smithsonian Institution or in the National Museum, at their discretion, upon such conditions and under such rules as they shall prescribe.

[Approved, January 4, 1889]

Constitution

ARTICLE I

SECTION 1. The name of this society shall be the American Historical Association.

ARTICLE II

SECTION 1. Its object shall be the promotion of historical studies.

ARTICLE III

SECTION 1. Any person approved by the Council may become an active member of the Association. Active membership shall date from the receipt by the Treasurer of the first payment of dues, which shall be \$5 a year or a single payment of \$100 for life. Annual dues shall be payable at the beginning of the year to which they apply and any member whose dues are in arrears for one year may, one month after the mailing of a notice of such delinquency to his last known address, be dropped from the rolls by vote of the Council or the Executive Committee. Members who have been so dropped may be reinstated at any time by the payment of one year's dues in advance. Only active members shall have the right to vote or to hold office in the Association. Persons not resident in the United States may be elected by the Council as honorary or corresponding members, and such members shall be exempt from payment of dues.

ARTICLE IV

SECTION 1. The officers shall be a President, a Vice President, a Treasurer, an Executive Secretary, a Managing Editor of *The American Historical Review*, and, at the discretion of the Council, an Editor and an Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary, under the direction of the Council to promote historical scholarship in America through the agencies of the Association. He shall exercise general oversight over the affairs of the Association, supervise the work of its committees, formulate policies for presentation to the Council, execute its policies and perform such other duties as the Council may from time to time direct.

SEC. 3. The other officers of the Association shall have such duties and perform such functions as are customarily attached to their respective offices or as may from time to time be prescribed by the Council.

SEC. 4. The President, Vice President, and Treasurer shall be elected in the following manner. The Nominating Committee at such convenient time prior to the 1st of September as it may determine shall invite each member of the Association to indicate his or her nominee for each of these offices. With these suggestions in mind, it shall draw up a ballot of nominations which it shall mail to each member of the Association on or before the 1st of December, and which it shall distribute as the official ballot at the Annual Business Meeting. It shall present to this meeting orally any other nominations for these offices petitioned for to the Chairman of the Committee at least one day before the Business Meeting and supported by the names of twenty voting members of the Association. The election shall be made from these nominations at the Business Meeting.

SEC. 5. The Executive Secretary, the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, the Managing Editor of *The American Historical Review*, and the Editor shall be appointed by the Council

for specified terms of office not to exceed three years, and shall be eligible for reappointment. They shall receive such compensation as the Council may determine.

SEC. 6. If the office of President shall, through any cause, become vacant, the Vice President shall thereupon become President.

ARTICLE V

SECTION 1. There shall be a Council, constituted as follows:

(a) The President, the Vice President, the Executive Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Managing Editor of *The American Historical Review*.

(b) Elected members, eight in number, chosen by ballot in the manner provided in Article VI, Section 2. These members shall be elected for a term of four years; two to be elected each year, except in the case of elections to complete unexpired terms.

(c) The former Presidents, but a former President shall be entitled to vote for the 3 years succeeding the expiration of his term as President, and no longer.

SEC. 2. The Council shall conduct the business, manage the property, and care for the general interests of the Association. In the exercise of its proper functions, the Council may appoint such committees, commissions, and boards as it may deem necessary. The Council shall make a full report of its activities to the Annual Meeting of the Association. The Association may by vote at any Annual Meeting instruct the Council to discontinue or enter upon any activity, and may take such other action directing the affairs of the Association as it may deem necessary and proper.

SEC. 3. For the transaction of necessary business when the Council is not in session, the Council shall elect annually from its membership an Executive Committee of not more than six members which shall include the Executive Secretary and the Treasurer. Subject always to the general direction of the Council, the Executive Committee shall be responsible for the management of Association interests and the carrying out of Association policies.

ARTICLE VI

SECTION 1. There shall be a Nominating Committee to consist of five members, each of whom shall serve a term of two years. In the odd-numbered years, two new members shall be elected; in the even-numbered years, three; this alternation shall continue except in the case of elections to complete unexpired terms. If vacancies on the Nominating Committee occur between the time of the Annual Elections, the Nominating Committee shall fill them by direct *ad interim* appointments.

SEC. 2. Elective members of the Council and members of the Nominating Committee shall be chosen as follows: The Nominating Committee shall present for each vacant membership on the Council and on the Nominating Committee two or more names, including the names of any persons who may be nominated by a petition carrying the signatures of twenty or more voting members of the Association. Nominations by petition must be in the hands of the Chairman of the Nominating Committee by November 1st. The Nominating Committee shall present these nominations to the members of the Association in the ballot distributed by mail as described above. The members of the Association shall make their choice from among these nominations and return their ballots for counting not later than the 20th of December at 6 p. m. No vote received after that time shall be valid. The votes shall be counted and checked in such manner as the Nominating Committee shall prescribe and shall then be sealed in a box and deposited in the Washington office of the Association where they shall be kept for at least a year. The results of the election shall be announced at the Annual Business Meeting. In case of a tie, choice shall be made at the Annual Business Meeting from among the candidates receiving the highest equal vote.

ARTICLE VII

SECTION 1. There shall be a Board of Trustees, five in number, consisting of a chairman and four other members, nominated by the Council and elected at the Annual Meeting of the Association. Election shall be for a term of five years except in the case of an election to complete an unexpired term. The Board of Trustees, acting by a majority thereof, shall have the power to invest and reinvest the permanent funds of the Association with authority to employ such agents, investment counsel, and banks or trust companies as it may deem wise in carrying out its duties, and with further authority to delegate and transfer to any bank or trust company all its power to invest or reinvest; neither the Board of Trustees nor any bank or trust company to whom it may so transfer its power shall be controlled in its discretion by any statute or other law applicable to fiduciaries and the liability of the individual members of the board and of any such bank or trust company shall be limited to good faith and lack of actual fraud or willful misconduct in the discharge of the duties resting upon them.

ARTICLE VIII

SECTION 1. Amendments to this Constitution may be proposed by a majority vote of any regular business session of the Association or by a majority vote of the Council and may be adopted by a majority vote of the next regular business session, provided always that the proposed amendment and an explanation thereof shall have been circulated to the membership of the Association not less than twenty days preceding the date of the business session at which the final vote is to be taken. It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to arrange for the distribution of all such proposed amendments among the members of the Association.

Officers and Members of the Council

FOR 1950

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Committees and Delegates

FOR 1950

Board of Trustees.—W. Randolph Burgess, 55 Wall Street, New York City, *Chairman*—term expires 1951; Thomas I. Parkinson, 393 Seventh Avenue, New York City—term expires 1952; Shepard Morgan, 18 Pine Street, New York City—term expires 1953; A. W. Page, 195 Broadway, New York City—term expires 1955; Stanton Griffiths, Hemphill, Noyes & Co., 15 Broad Street, New York City—term expires 1950.

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Committee on the George Louis Beer Prize.—Howard M. Ehrmann, University of Michigan, *Chairman*; Harold Deutsch,¹ University of Minnesota; Oron J. Hale,¹ University of Virginia.

Committee on the John H. Dunning Prize.—Lawrence A. Harper, University of California, Berkeley, *Chairman*; Bell I. Wiley, Emory University, Georgia; David Potter, Yale University.

Committee on the Publication of the Annual Report.—Philip M. Hamer, The National Archives, *Chairman*; St. George L. Sioussat, Washington, D. C.; A. Curtis Wilgus,¹ George Washington University; Solon J. Buck, Library of Congress (*ex officio*); Guy Stanton Ford, Library of Congress Annex (*ex officio*).

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Committee on the Carnegie Revolving Fund for Publications.—Ray A. Billington, Northwestern University, *Chairman*; Raymond P. Stearns, University of Illinois; Paul W. Gates, Cornell University; George Howe, War Department, Washington, D. C.; Lynn N. Case, University of Pennsylvania.

Committee on the Littleton-Griswold Fund.—Richard B. Morris, Columbia University, *Chairman*; John Dickinson, University of Pennsylvania; Leonard W. Labaree, Yale

¹ New member this year.

University; Mark D. Howe, Harvard University; Arthur T. Vanderbilt, 744 Broad Street, Newark, N. J.; Zechariah Chafee, Jr., Harvard University; Richard L. Morton, College of William and Mary; George Haskins, University of Pennsylvania; William B. Hamilton, Duke University.

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Committee on Documentary Reproduction.—Edgar L. Erickson, University of Illinois, *Chairman*; Cornelius W. de Kiewiet, Cornell University; Milton R. Gutsch, University of Texas; Warner F. Woodring, Ohio State University; Louis Knott Koontz, University of California, Los Angeles; Loren C. MacKinney, University of North Carolina; Lawrence A. Harper, University of California, Berkeley; Austin P. Evans, Columbia University; Easton Rothwell, Stanford University.

Committee on Government Publications.—Jeannette P. Nichols, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, *Chairman*; Samuel F. Bemis, Yale University.

Delegates of the American Historical Association.—*American Academy of Classical and Medieval Studies in Rome:* Austin P. Evans, Columbia University; T. Robert S. Broughton, Bryn Mawr College. *American Council of Learned Societies:* Joseph Strayer, Princeton University—term expires December 1950. *American Yearbook Supervisory Board:* Thomas C. Cochran, University of Pennsylvania. *International Committee of Historical Sciences:* Donald C. McKay, Harvard University—term expires December 1955; Philip E. Mosely, Columbia University. *Social Education:* Guy Stanton Ford, Library of Congress Annex (*ex officio*); Chester McArthur Destler, Connecticut College. *Social Science Research Council:* Roy F. Nichols, University of Pennsylvania—term expires December 1950; Shepard B. Clough, Columbia University—term expires December 1951; Elmer Ellis, University of Missouri—term expires December 1952. *National Records Management Council:* Thomas C. Cochran, University of Pennsylvania—term expires December 1952. *National Historical Publications Commission:* Dumas Malone, Columbia University; Guy Stanton Ford, Library of Congress Annex.

The following ad interim appointments were made in 1949: C. E. McGuire of Washington, D. C., was representative at the inauguration of Reverend Hunter Guthrie, S. J., as president of Georgetown University on April 30. Professor Harold E. Briggs of Southern Illinois University was representative at the inauguration of Delyte Wesley Morris as president of Southern Illinois University in Carbondale on May 5. Professor Charles A. Barker of the Johns Hopkins University was representative at the inauguration of Otto Frederick Kraushaar as president of Goucher College on May 6. Professor W. T. Laprade of Duke University was representative at the inauguration of Alfonso Elder as president of North Carolina College in Durham on June 3. Professor Josiah C. Russell of the University of New Mexico was representative at the inauguration of Thomas Lafayette Popejoy as president of the University of New Mexico on June 4. Professor Earl Swisher of the University of Colorado was delegate at the observance of the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the founding of the Colorado School of Mines on September 29–30. Professor Herbert E. Bolton of the University of California, Berkeley, was representative at the inauguration of John E. Wallace Sterling as president of Stanford University on October 7. Professor Alfred D. Low of Marietta College in Ohio was representative at the inauguration of William B. Irvine as president of Marietta College on October 15. Professor W. T. Laprade of Duke University was representative at the installation of Arthur Hollis Edens as president of Duke University on October 22. Mr. Howard Rosen of the Hampton Institute was representative at the inauguration of Alonzo G. Moron as president of the Hampton Institute on October 29. Professor Titus W. Beasley of the Southwest Baptist College in Bolivar, Missouri, was representative at the inauguration of Blanche H. Dow as president of Cottley Junior College in Nevada, Missouri, on November 28.

PACIFIC COAST BRANCH OFFICERS FOR 1950

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Council

Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass.

DECEMBER 27, 1949, 2 P. M.

Present: Conyers Read, *President*; Samuel E. Morison, *Vice-President*; Solon J. Buck, *Treasurer*; Guy Stanton Ford, *Executive Secretary*; A. E. R. Boak, Charles W. Cole, Paul Knaplund, J. G. Randall, Max H. Savelle, Arthur P. Whitaker, Carl Wittke, *Councilors*; Sidney B. Fay, William S. Ferguson, Charles H. McIlwain, Arthur M. Schlesinger, Thomas J. Wertenbaker, former Presidents; Thomas A. Bailey, Pacific Coast Branch; Silvio Zavala of the University of Mexico and Ricardo Donoso of Santiago, Chile, guests. President Read called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the 1948 Council meeting were approved as published in the April, 1949, issue of the *Review* (pp. 759-65).

Mr. Ford summarized his report as Executive Secretary and Managing Editor and commented briefly on the work carried out by standing committees. (See p. 7.)

The Treasurer, Mr. Buck, reviewed the financial statement for the fiscal year 1948-49 which he later summarized at the business meeting. The financial assets of the Association on August 31, 1949, amounted to \$356,201.58 of which \$158,645.16 is unrestricted and \$197,556.42 restricted. The disbursements of unrestricted funds exceeded receipts by \$5,483.67. However, the disbursements include \$5,000 transferred to the Fiduciary Trust Company for investment and a contribution of \$5,000 toward editorial expenses of *Writings on American History*.

Mr. Buck then reported for the Finance Committee presenting the amended budget for the current year and the proposed budget for the next fiscal year. After full discussion the Council voted to approve the budget as amended which increased the expenses of the International Committee of Historical Sciences from \$850 to \$1,000 and the allowance to the program chairman for the 1950 meeting from \$125 to \$200. The expenditures in excess of items in last year's budget were also approved.

By consensus the Council voted that all balances anywhere held to the account of the Radio Committee and of the Americana Committee be transferred to the trustees for investment with the specific understanding that these funds be subject to recall by the Council if need thereof arises.

Mr. Ford reported on the work of the Committee on Committees which found little revision in committee membership for 1950. Mr. Ford recommended and the Council agreed that the Committee on Business Records be discontinued since this committee completed its main task by co-operating with other interested groups in setting up the National Records Management Council.

The list of members and delegates of the Association was approved by the Council. (For list, see pp. XIX-XXI.)

Professor Whitaker presented a brief report of the work carried out by the Committee on the Albert J. Beveridge Memorial Fund. Copies of the committee report in full were mimeographed and distributed in advance to Council members. Since the Beveridge Fellowship competition for 1950 will be the fifth and last under the experimental five-year plan approved by the Council in December 1945, the committee expressed the hope that the Council would offer advice and criticism of the present plan, whether this plan should be continued with or without substantial modifications, or a different kind of plan adopted in its place. Though the fellowship plan had been very successful in increasing competition for the use of the Beveridge Fund,

the committee felt that the present plan was not entirely satisfactory in making the fund as useful to historians and historical scholarship as it ought to be. The plan, for one thing, had not evoked as great a response among the more mature historians as had been hoped for; also, a large proportion of the best books in American history published since the establishment of the fellowship were not submitted in the competition. With these points in mind, the committee recommended that the cash award of \$1,500 be discontinued or reduced with part of the award applied toward publication costs. It was felt also that the term "fellowship" was a handicap to wider competition. After discussion, the Council gave approval of authority to the Albert J. Beveridge Committee to change the term from "fellowship" to "prize," to award a cash prize of \$500, and to devote to the publication of accepted manuscripts funds hitherto used for the fellowship.

The Council next considered the question of the terms of the George Louis Beer Prize. Because of lack of competition, the committee thought that the difficulty in receiving manuscripts or books for consideration may arise from the phrase, "actually submitted" set up in the stipulations of the award. After reading the George Louis Beer bequest and upon Mr. Ford's recommendation, the Council approved the interpretation of the terms of the bequest in such a way as to allow the committee to obtain or consider copies of any books that fell within the field of the prize.

Upon motion made and carried the Council elected to honorary membership in the Association Sir Charles Webster of the London School of Economics and Dr. Alfons Dopsch of Austria. This increases the number of honorary members to fifteen.

Mr. Ford, as Managing Editor of the *Review*, nominated Dr. Carl Bridenbaugh of the Institute of Early American History and Culture to succeed Professor Curtis Nettels of Cornell University on the Board of Editors. The Council approved his nomination.

By unanimous vote, the Council re-elected Dean Elmer Ellis of the University of Missouri as delegate to the Social Science Research Council for the years 1950-52. Newly elected were Professor Thomas C. Cochran of the University of Pennsylvania as representative to the National Records Management Council for the years 1950-52 and Professors Donald C. McKay of Harvard University and Philip E. Mosely of Columbia University, as representatives to the International Committee of Historical Sciences for the years 1950-55.

Professor Thomas A. Bailey of Stanford University reported briefly for the Pacific Coast Branch, which now has a membership of 627 and is in a sound financial condition. Its meetings this year were held on the campus of Mills College at Oakland, California, December 28-30.

Upon motion made and seconded, the budget for *Social Education* was approved.

Mr. Buck read a brief report on the *Writings on American History*. At its meeting in 1948 the Council made available to the Library of Congress for the period ending July 1, 1950, the sum of \$15,000 for personnel to prepare the copy for the *Writings* with the understanding that the Library of Congress would include in its budget at least \$10,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951, and similar yearly appropriations thereafter. During the past year Dr. James R. Masterson was appointed editor of the *Writings* and work was begun on the compilation and preparation of copy. Mr. Buck is convinced that the editor will be able to complete the volume for 1948 and possibly for 1949, and it is hoped that the years 1941-47 will be covered ultimately. Mr. Buck believes that, if the sum of \$10,000 is available for several years, the work could be brought up to date in the course of four or five years. The publication of the *Writings* will be the responsibility of the Association as a part of its *Annual Report*. The Government Printing Office has recommended certain changes in the format that it believes will result in a substantial saving of money and work. After some discussion the Council agreed with the recommendations made.

Mr. Ford reported on the printing and sale of the 1949 *List of Doctoral Dissertations*. Five hundred copies were printed at a cost of \$356.24 and 302 copies at \$1.00 each have been sold to date. The expense of this publication was paid for from the Jameson Fund.

Although no action was required, Mr. Ford commented briefly on the payment of extra postage (\$572.66) on government publications. Regular postage was necessary for the *Annual Reports* distributed during the past year because the packages exceeded the weight limit for franking privileges.

Mr. Ford next brought up for consideration the question of permanent headquarters in the Library of Congress. Reference was made to a letter received from the Librarian in June, who informed the Executive Secretary that the Association must find new quarters because of the limited study facilities for scholars and government representatives. After Mr. Ford had thoroughly explained to the Librarian the relation of the Association to the Library, a matter which was presumably settled five years ago, the Librarian deferred action until the question of space should be reconsidered. In the discussion that followed, the Council gave authority to Mr. Ford to look for suitable quarters in Washington and to take the initial steps in securing such quarters in the event the Association is notified at any time that space in the Library is no longer available.

On motion made and carried the Council voted to put into the Jameson Fund the \$2,000 originally intended as compensation to the late Mr. Matteson for his work on the index to the *Writings on American History* but returned by him as a gift to the Association.

Mr. Ford next announced that by the will of Mr. Matteson the Association became the sole beneficiary of something like \$80,000 to enable the Association to carry on the kind of services to which Mr. Matteson devoted his life. The Council voted to accept this gift under the conditions stipulated in the will and to make provision for the completion of the index to the *Writings*.

The Council voted to publish the current membership list of the Association as part of the *Annual Report* for 1949.

Mr. Ford submitted for consideration several requests made by worthy organizations and societies for the use of the mailing-list stencils of the Association. After a brief discussion and upon motion made and carried, the Executive Secretary was given authority to permit the use of the stencils by other similar societies and cultural organizations whenever he deems it advisable.

The Council approved the increase in fee for Association membership in the American Council on Education from \$10 to \$25.

A request by Professor Helen M. Cam of Harvard and Radcliffe for support of the International Commission for Histories of the Assemblies of Estates was reviewed. No action was taken but the Council gave its endorsement without financial obligations to the work being carried out by the commission.

Mr. Ford reported that several letters had been received on the matter of providing at future meetings conference rooms for graduate students and prospective employers. It was agreed to make available, if possible, at future meetings an information desk for the purpose of bringing students and prospective employers together.

On motion the Council voted to hold the 1952 meeting of the Association in Washington, D. C. The meeting in 1950 will be in Chicago and in 1951 in New York.

The Council approved the selection of Professor Fred Harrington of the University of Wisconsin as chairman of the program committee for 1950 and of Dr. Stanley Pargellis of the Newberry Library as chairman of local arrangements, each chairman being authorized to complete the roster of his committee.

Nominations of members to serve on the Executive Committee were next called. The Council voted to elect Samuel E. Morison, chairman, Conyers Read, Thomas J. Wertenbaker, and Robert L. Schuyler to act with the Executive Secretary and Treasurer.

Mr. Ford, whose term of office as Executive Secretary expires September, 1950, was unanimously re-elected for three years.

The Council appointed Professors Paul Knaplund and Charles W. Cole as a committee to present at the business meeting resolutions expressing the appreciation of the Association to the various committees and agencies and persons responsible for the efficient handling of the problems involved in the arrangements for the 1949 meeting.

Inasmuch as the ad hoc committee, appointed by the Council at its 1948 meeting to study the problem of the arrangement and use of manuscript collections of personal papers since the Civil War, was unable to make its formal report at this time, the Council approved the continuation of the committee to complete its study.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned.

GUY STANTON FORD, *Executive Secretary*.

Minutes of the Business Meeting

HOTEL STATLER, DECEMBER 29, 1949, 4 P. M.

President Conyers Read called the meeting to order with about one hundred members present. It was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the April, 1949, issue of the *American Historical Review* (pp. 765-67).

Mr. Ford read his report as Executive Secretary and Managing Editor. (See p. 7).

The Treasurer, Mr. Buck, presented a summary of his report, copies of which had been distributed to the members. The motion was made and passed to accept the report and to place it on file. (See p. 12.)

Mr. Arthur W. Page was unanimously re-elected to the Board of Trustees.

Next, a brief statement on deceased members was given by Mr. Ford reporting the deaths of thirty-six members since December, 1948.

Dr. Jeanette P. Nichols in the absence of the chairman, Marshall M. Knappen, gave the report of the Nominating Committee. As a result of the mail ballots cast, the committee announced the election of the following:

Members of the Council—Professor Thomas A. Bailey of Stanford University and Professor Leo Gershoy of New York University.

Members of the Nominating Committee—Miss Grace Gardner Griffin¹ of the Library of Congress and Miss Louise F. Brown of Vassar College.

For the Presidency of the Association for the year 1950, the committee nominated Professor Samuel E. Morison; for the Vice-Presidency, Professor Robert L. Schuyler; and for the office of Treasurer, Dr. Solon J. Buck. On motion, the Executive Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for all nominees, and they were declared elected.

Mr. Ford reported on the following actions taken by the Council at its meeting: (See minutes of the Council meeting, p. 3 above.)

The report of the Committee on Committees; the interpretation of the George Louis Beer bequest; the election of Sir Charles Webster and Dr. Alfons Dopsch to honorary membership; the changes in the terms of the Albert J. Beveridge Memorial Award; the bequest of Mr. David Matteson for the support of bibliographies and calendaring work, and the transfer of Matteson's gift of \$2,000 to the Jameson Fund; the re-election as delegate of Dean Elmer Ellis to the Social Science Research Council; the election as representative of Professor Thomas C. Cochran to the National Records Management Council; the membership of the Executive Committee; the publication of the membership list as part of the *Annual Report* for 1949; the place of the 1950, 1951 and 1952 meetings; the announcement of the program chairman, Professor Fred H. Harrington, and the local

¹ Miss Griffin has declined and her alternate on the ballot, Professor E. M. Coulter of the University of Georgia, will serve.

arrangements chairman, Dr. Stanley Pargellis, for the 1950 meeting; the appointment of Dr. Carl Bridenbaugh as the new member of the Board of Editors; the election of Professors Donald C. McKay and Philip E. Mosely, as representatives on the International Committee of Historical Sciences; the participation of American historians in the Historical Congress in Paris in 1950.

The report of the Pacific Coast Branch was presented by Mr. Ford for Professor Thomas A. Bailey.

The following resolutions were submitted by Professor Charles S. Sydnor of Duke University:

Resolved, That the American Historical Association is interested in the historical activities of the Federal Government, both the writing of history and the preservation and administration of records; and be it further

Resolved, That the President of the American Historical Association be authorized to appoint a committee on historical activities of the Federal Government and to take other appropriate steps to attain greater co-operation between the Federal Government and private scholars.²

On motion made and carried, the above resolutions were unanimously approved.

Professor J. G. Randall submitted the following resolution for the Committee on Resolutions:

Resolved, That the Association express its appreciation to all those whose co-operation made possible the sixty-fourth annual meeting. In particular it records its gratitude to Walter Muir Whitehill, chairman, and Anne Palmer, secretary, of the Committee on Local Arrangements and to other members of that highly serviceable committee; to David Owen, chairman of the Program Committee, and to other members of that committee whose excellent work is evident in the elaborate and distinguished program of this meeting,³ to the many members of the Association at nearby institutions who have formally or informally assisted in welcoming the Association to Boston; to the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company for a series of historical post cards; to the Boston Chamber of Commerce for clerical aid in registration; to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, to the Boston Public Library, the Old South Association, and the Parker House for providing auxiliary meeting rooms; to the Paul Revere Memorial Association and the Old South Association for opening their respective premises to members; to the Hotel Statler for many courtesies and services.

This resolution was unanimously approved.

As there was no further business, Professor Frank M. Anderson moved that the meeting be adjourned.

GUY STANTON FORD, *Executive Secretary*.

Report of the Executive Secretary and Managing Editor

FOR THE YEAR 1949⁴

During this week in other cities and in other large hotels the executive officers of other learned societies are appearing before their membership to report on the year's activities. All these reports will have something in common with the report I am presenting. But they will lack one quality, one note that appertains solely to this report to you. This distinguishing feature is that, although I report to you, I also report, by the terms of our charter, to the Congress of the United States and, through the

² In response to an inquiry Professor Sydnor said that the resolution referred to the outgoing President.

³ Due to the space and extra cost of printing the membership list, the program is not reprinted in this volume. A full account of the meeting may be found in the April (1950) issue of the *American Historical Review*.

⁴ Read at the business meeting of the Association, December 29, 1949.

circulation of this report, to the nation at large. I do not apprehend, and apprehend is the right word, that either the Congress or the nation is standing on tiptoes of impatient expectancy to hear what historians have to say for themselves. They might well be. At the moment I am only concerned to point out to you the peculiar formal legal responsibility we assumed in 1889 and to thank our stars that our report is not being made to a totalitarian regime. Your secretary has spent a good many years in the business of trying to comprehend, explain, and defend what some laymen consider the vagaries and unorthodoxies of the academic mind. Nevertheless, I would rather be excused from explaining to a "politburo" that society should be glad to pay its scholars for not hewing to the party line. After twenty-eight winters in Minnesota I don't want to be exiled to the Aleutians.

And now let's look at the record for 1949. In recent months, for reasons I shall not detail, I have been asked to estimate the disposition of my time and interests between the editorship of the *Review* and the details of the Association's routine business, such as the recruitment of members. I have honestly replied that, though the two are not wholly separable, I was most concerned that the *Review* should be representative of the highest standards in American historical scholarship. That meant not only attention to the body articles but to the choice of books to review and of competent reviewers to discuss them. It meant also a full recognition that the bibliographies of current articles prepared by the section editors are a matter of great importance at present to foreign scholars as well as to our own members. Until the once great European periodicals are back to their former contents and standards, the responsibilities of the *Review* in providing as wide a coverage as possible of current historical work by review or by listing is heavy and inescapable. This in part explains why the fifty-fourth volume is larger than its predecessor, and with increased costs will return less profit. The distribution of the usual twelve articles, including the presidential address, shows five in American history, three in European, and one in ancient, one in medieval, and one in historiography. The "Notes and Suggestions" section also carried more in American history. The increase in long reviews, a long review being about four hundred words or more, was about ten percent over the preceding volume and the short notices decreased about the same percent. Of the ninety-two articles and notes and suggestions submitted, twenty-two were accepted and three are still under consideration. It would be inaccurate to use the word "rejected" for the sixty-seven that were returned, a number that has not varied in the last three years. Of course, a few came in from stray writers who knew only the address of the *Review* and had evidently never read it to see what it did publish. The others were generally satisfactory in scholarship but better suited to other periodicals or so narrow in scope as to lack significance in a quarterly of such wide coverage as the *Review*. The number of subscribers increases with the membership and that increase is unpredictable and leaves the publishers short when, as in October, a considerable number want to begin with a new volume. I regret to say there is a considerable shortage of the October issue this year and the Macmillan Company is anxious to buy back that issue from anyone who wants to part with it.

Turning now to the Association's business as it is conducted by its committees, I shall summarize briefly. There are each year about seventeen committees or delegations that send in reports. Certain of these had nothing to report this year because they did not award prizes in the odd-numbered years, or had no worth-while competition, or the organizations where they represent us made no changes in their activities. This applies to the following committees: the Herbert Baxter Adams Prize, the George Louis Beer Prize, the John H. Dunning Prize, the American Academy of Classical and Medieval Studies in Rome, and the American Yearbook.

The Watumull Prize Committee with Professor Das as chairman has made an award which will be announced at the annual dinner this evening. (See committee report, p. 31.)

The Committee on the Albert J. Beveridge Fellowship has reported its award, which will also be announced at the annual dinner. The committee is carrying on considerable publishing activity on the basis of previous awards. The volume by Lewis Hanke on *The Struggle for Justice in the Spanish Conquest of America* appeared in the spring of 1949. The volume by Arthur E. Bestor, *Backwoods Utopias*, is to appear in March. Dr. Motten's *Mexican Silver and the Enlightenment* is now in page proof. Dr. Fleming's *John William Draper and the Religion of Science* has just been sent to the printer. All these volumes will bear the imprint of the University of Pennsylvania Press. The committee regards its present program as a five-year experiment on which it will later report in detail to the Council.

Professor Richard B. Morris reports that the Littleton-Griswold Committee will publish this year the South Carolina Chancery volume ⁵ and is pushing the preparation of the volumes listed in the program they presented last year. Their present resources are about \$30,000.

The Committee on the Carnegie Revolving Fund with Professor Ray Billington as chairman has just published through the Cornell Press the volume by Michael Kraus entitled *The Atlantic Civilization*, and there will shortly appear from the Harvard Press Louis C. Hunter's *Steamboats on the Western Rivers: An Economic and Technological History*, sponsored jointly with the Committee on Research in Economic History and the American Council of Learned Societies.⁶ Because of a later date for submission, the committee has made no selection from manuscripts submitted this year.

The Committee on Business Records has completed its main task by co-operating with other interested groups to set up the National Records Management Council with a grant of \$35,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation for the initiation of its work (see *American Historical Review* for April, 1949). The Council has chosen Professor Thomas Cochran to represent the Association in the new organization for a term of three years.

The chairman of the Committee on Documentary Reproduction, Professor Edgar Erickson, reports that "during the past year the committee in conjunction with the Library of Congress has concentrated its efforts primarily on attempts to qualify micro-copying activities within the scope of the Fulbright educational program in those countries where the program has been activated." Professor Erickson reports that two present holders of fellowships are in Paris where, by reason of additional funds from the Library of Congress, they will be able to photograph catalogs of French source material. In addition the project of microprinting *British Session Papers* is being resumed, and in 1950 the volumes for 1826-47 (about a thousand volumes) will be completed at no increase in price to the subscribing libraries.

It is with regret that I summarize the report of the Committee on the *Annual Report*. The regret stems from the fact that it is the last report of Professor Lowell Ragatz, its able and conscientious chairman during all the years I have been your executive secretary. His call to Ohio State University has led him to resign because by the nature of its duties this committee, which is a liaison between the Smithsonian Institution and the Government Printing Office and my office, is necessarily drawn from members residing in Washington. Dr. Ragatz calls attention to the appearance of the *Writings on American History* for 1939-40. It is the last volume to be prepared by Grace Gardner

⁵ This volume is now available (*Records of the Court of Chancery of South Carolina, 1671-1779*, edited by Anne King Gregorie, Washington, American Historical Association, 1950, pp. 676, \$10.00 [American Legal Records, Volume 2]).

⁶ This work is now available (Cambridge, Harvard University Press, 1949, pp. xiii, 684, \$10.00).

Griffin. To her many years of distinguished service he pays a merited tribute to which all scholars in this country and abroad who are concerned with American history will heartily subscribe. The years from 1941 to 1947, if ever they are covered, will be done in summary and highly selective fashion. We are now concentrating on the volume for 1948 supported by an appropriation of \$15,000 made by the Council last year to cover eighteen months. It is hoped that with the support of members of this Association the Library of Congress can add an item to its budget that will enable it to carry on this great bibliographical enterprise. When the time comes, it will be a happy coincidence if the members know the name of their congressmen. To return to Dr. Ragatz' report. This year the Government Printing Office sent out three volumes of *Spain in the Mississippi Valley*, translated and edited by Dr. Kinnaird of the University of California. All of this has piled up a heavy printing bill, but a conservative estimate leaves us with a balance of \$4,000 on the Smithsonian books. With this we hope to begin work on the greatest single publishing enterprise we have ever undertaken, the printing of the consolidated index to all the volumes of the *Writings on American History* except 1939-40. Unfortunately, Mr. Matteson, who for years has been compiling it as a labor of love, did not live to give his work the last touches. He died in Cambridge in August of this year. Here again I would underline in the name of the Association the tribute Dr. Ragatz pays this quiet, self-effacing, almost forgotten scholar who came down to us from the generation of those who founded the Association and the *Review*. But he will not be forgotten. The index will be a monument any scholar could cherish for himself, and his will makes this Association the sole beneficiary of something like \$80,000 to enable it to carry on the kind of services to which he devoted his life. He had earlier this year made a gift to the Association of the two thousand dollars held for compensation to him for work on the index. Dr. Ragatz' report, when printed, will tell you how this and other final directions were brought about when he and I and Mr. Matteson himself became deeply concerned about the precarious prospect raised by his health and advanced years.

The Committee on Honorary Members has recommended for election, and the Council has approved, Sir Charles Webster of England and Professor Alfons Dopsch of Vienna. There are now no vacancies in the normal panel of fifteen honorary members.

Professor Shepard Clough, reporting for our delegates to the Social Science Research Council, lists a considerable number of projects that are of interest to historians and in which, I may add, our delegates or other historians have a considerable part. The committee on historiography plans to issue a monograph on "those concepts and methods in other social sciences which may be of use in historical research." The committee on Slavic studies arranged for the publication of the weekly *Current Digest of the Soviet Press*. Area research and its methods are being appraised. In this field five fellowships in history were awarded, and of the thirty-five grants-in-aid awarded by the Council fourteen were in the field of history.

The American Council of Learned Societies is now operating under its new constitution and new director, Dr. Charles Odegaard, formerly of the University of Illinois. Each constituent society now has one delegate instead of two. Our delegate, Professor Joseph Strayer of Princeton, reports that the A. C. L. S. is concentrating on four fields—international intellectual co-operation, training of personnel in the humanities, opening up new areas of study, and improving facilities for scholarly publication. The problem of the training of personnel is perhaps at the moment closest to our interests. The fellowships for graduate students in history permit them to work in an ancillary field where their training is weak or to concentrate on the learning of a non-European language. This year for the first time fellowships were given to outstanding seniors in liberal arts colleges to finance their first year of graduate study, and in the near future the Council hopes to extend aid to young faculty members whose responsibilities and finances make difficult the continuation of their research.

The Committee on Government Publications has given evidence of the continuing interest of this Association in the various activities of the Department of State in publishing the sources for diplomatic history. The lag in these publications is not the fault of your committee or the department officials in charge. It is due rather to the limited funds available for this important task. Later in this meeting resolutions prepared by the committee will give an opportunity for reaffirming, as we do each year, our interest in this phase of the work of the Department of State.

Professor Chester M. Destler, who has been our active representative on the Board of *Social Education*, is able to report some improvement in contents under the new editor. He feels, however, its columns are weighted disproportionately in favor of methodology for the lower grades and high schools and not rich enough in fresh substantive material that would bring the teacher in touch with current scholarships. For this shortcoming the members of this Association are in my opinion chiefly responsible. If we are unhappy about this but unwilling to assume personal responsibility in supplying matter to restore the balance, we should withdraw from our connection. The balance we hold in trust from the money given for the report of the Committee on the Social Studies, headed by Professor A. C. Krey, is slowly decreasing. It is now about \$4,500.

One other matter has been the task of the central office, namely, co-operation with the French committee that is arranging the program and business of the meeting, August 28 to September 3 in Paris, of the International Historical Congress. All decisions in these matters rest finally with the French committee. Your representative on the International Committee of Historical Sciences, Professor Donald McKay of Harvard, and I, have co-operated in every way during the past year. Dr. McKay at some inconvenience has attended meetings in London of the executive committee. This co-operation shows up in our annual budget in two ways: (1) expenses of our delegate and (2) the fee paid for the preparation of the American section of the international historical bibliography for 1948 and for the coming year. There is a difference of opinion about the usefulness of this bulletin, but we have so far deferred to the opinion of those European colleagues who think it important, particularly at this time when they find it difficult to know what scholars are doing in other, even neighboring, lands. All American historians who for any reason will be in Europe this coming summer should plan, if possible, to attend the Congress.

In the opening paragraph of this report I indicated that we could consider history in a healthy condition because its writing and teaching are free and untrammelled. So far as this Association is concerned, I can report that it is also healthy, as indicated by a further increase in membership to a total on December 15 of 5,511 members.

I should like to close with this wholly optimistic paragraph. I feel obliged, however, to add a gloss to both points in it. The steady increase in membership is accompanied by mounting costs of the operation and services of the Association and its organ, the *Review*. It is possible, as I indicated last year, that we shall have to follow the example of other similar organizations and increase both the annual and the life membership dues. A year from now the picture will be clearer and these matters can be decided in the light of additional data. It is my hope that no change will be necessary.

In the matter of freedom of teaching we can find encouragement both as citizens and as historical students dwelling in an ever-changing world. None of us is unconscious that change produces uneasiness and resistance. That is normal, and in normal times the adjustments and bridging compromises are made in our democratic society. This, however, has not been the process that brought in the last thirty years the greatest change in our national thinking, the change from isolation to world responsibilities. It is true we never were isolated, but we thought we were, and two world wars, not historians, taught us we were not. A major readjustment such as this in our nation's life within a generation has its nearest parallel in the Civil War and its aftermath. But our day adds the spreading and corroding fear of another world power. There is slight ground for fearing we will

imitate the Soviet institutions and economy. There is the subtler danger that in the battle for men's minds we will unconsciously drift little by little into the sacrifice of those freedoms which forever distinguish democracy from either communism or fascism. Scholarship and teaching cannot remain free and immune if we oppose communism by a domestic brand of fascism. The methods, not the purpose, of loyalty investigations and the doctrine of guilt by association have put the physical scientists and civil servants in the front line of attack. In the homelands of dictatorship it is history and the social sciences that have first been brought to heel. A Russian historian, whom we might have considered a few years ago as an honorary member, is today the pitiful mouthpiece of blatant distortions of the history of his country and ours. It is for these reasons that we must underline the present freedoms of scholarship in America. But it would seem strange to a free historian a generation hence if he could find recorded nowhere in the proceedings of this Association some sense of the perils to teaching and scholarship that prevail in these confused and uneasy years.

GUY STANTON FORD, *Executive Secretary.*

Annual Report of the Treasurer

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1948-49

The financial assets of the American Historical Association on August 31, 1949, amounted to \$356,201.58. Of that sum, \$286,161.77 constitute the capital funds of the Association, which are in the custody of the Fiduciary Trust Company of New York and are managed by it under the direction of the Board of Trustees. Of that amount \$144,120 are credited to various special funds, leaving \$142,041.77 the income from which is unrestricted. The cash on hand in checking and savings accounts amounts to \$70,039.81 of which sum \$53,436.42 is restricted, leaving \$16,603.39 available for general purposes. The total of unrestricted funds, including both capital and expendable sums, amounted to \$158,645.16; and that of restricted funds amounted to \$197,556.42.

The expendable funds of the Association are administered through a general account, five special accounts, and three operating accounts. The general account includes, however, a number of special funds and grants, which are segregated from the unrestricted funds only by bookkeeping. The balances in this account are kept partly in a savings account and partly in a checking account, and transfers are made from one to the other as occasion arises. The balances in the special accounts are separately deposited, four in savings accounts and one in a checking account. The operating accounts are not administered by the treasurer, but the funds for them are supplied from the general or special accounts and, as a rule, their receipts are transmitted to the treasurer for deposit in the appropriate accounts.

The following tables present a condensed exhibit of the financial transactions of the Association during the year. The statement for the general fund is broken down into unrestricted funds and the various special funds and grants, and for the unrestricted funds the items for 1947-48 are included for purposes of comparison. Statements for the special accounts and the operating accounts follow, and there are a number of summaries. The disbursements of unrestricted funds exceeded receipts by \$5,483.67. The disbursements, however, include \$5,000 transferred to the Fiduciary Trust Company for investment as well as a contribution of \$5,000 toward editorial expenses of *Writings on American History*.

The treasurer's accounts have been audited by F. W. Lafrentz & Co., certified public accountants, and their report is on file in the Washington office of the Association, where it may be examined by any interested member. There have been no audits of the operating accounts of the Committee on Americana and the Radio Committee as their activities have been suspended and no reports have been submitted. The operating account of *Social Education* has been audited by William M. Brewer and Paul O. Carr, and the report of this audit is also on file and available for inspection in the Washington office.

The report of the Board of Trustees for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1949, which was submitted by W. Randolph Burgess, chairman of the Board, is also on file and available for inspection in the Washington office.

SOLON J. BUCK, *Treasurer*.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Comparative statement for 1947-48 and 1948-49 of receipts and disbursements of unrestricted funds

Receipts:	1947-48	1948-49
Cash on hand	\$19, 673. 05	\$22, 087. 06
Annual dues	23, 560. 68	24, 488. 31
Registration fees	696. 73	1, 441. 87
Interest	5, 882. 57	5, 845. 10
<i>American Historical Review</i>	8, 162. 73	7, 467. 70
Royalties	50. 16	227. 47
Advertising	1, 145. 00	1, 330. 00
Miscellaneous	137. 00	370. 59
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Disbursements:		
General Administration	18, 816. 54	20, 105. 80
Council and Council committees	590. 69	873. 15
Annual meetings	260. 47	388. 77
<i>Review</i> —copies for members	12, 178. 16	14, 119. 40
A. C. L. S.—dues	75. 00	100. 00
Pacific Coast Branch	200. 00	200. 00
International Com. of Hist. Sciences		767. 59
Council for Preservation of Historic Sites and Buildings	100. 00	100. 00
Investments	5, 000. 00	5, 000. 00
<i>Writings on American History</i>		5, 000. 00
	<hr/> 37, 220. 86	<hr/> 46, 654. 71
Total	37, 220. 86	46, 654. 71
Balance	22, 087. 06	16, 603. 39
	<hr/> 59, 307. 92	<hr/> 63, 258. 10

Statement of receipts and disbursements for 1948-49 of special funds and grants included in the general account

	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>
Endowment Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948	\$126. 75	
Contributions	186. 50	
Life membership dues	800. 00	
Transferred for investment		\$1, 000. 00
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949		113. 25
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	1, 113. 25	1, 113. 25
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Andrew D. White Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948	32. 16	
Interest	42. 00	
Dues in Internat. Com. of Hist. Sciences		51. 00
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949		23. 16
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	74. 16	74. 16
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George Louis Beer Prize Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948	1, 406. 25	
Interest	224. 00	
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949		1, 630. 25
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	1, 630. 25	1, 630. 25
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John H. Dunning Prize Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948	204. 79	
Interest	73. 50	
Prize of 1948		100. 00
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949		178. 29
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	278. 29	278. 29
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Herbert Baxter Adams Prize Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948	60. 53	
Committee expenses		8. 00
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949		52. 53
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	60. 53	60. 53
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James Hazen Hyde Prize Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948	1, 000. 00	
Prize of 1948		1, 000. 00
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	1, 000. 00	1, 000. 00
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Writings on American History Index:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948	2, 000. 00	
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949		2, 000. 00
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	2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00
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Statement of receipts and disbursements for 1948-49 of special funds and grants included in the general account—Continued

	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>
J. Franklin Jameson Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	\$345. 48	
Interest.....	84. 70	
From sales of <i>List of Doctoral Dissertations</i>	91. 00	
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		\$521. 18
	<hr/> 521. 18	<hr/> 521. 18
Radio Committee:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	33. 00	
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		33. 00
	<hr/> 33. 00	<hr/> 33. 00
Mexican-American Historical Congress:		
Contributions toward expenses.....	675. 00	
Travel and committee expenses.....		602. 01
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		72. 99
	<hr/> 675. 00	<hr/> 675. 00
Special Accounts:		
Interest.....	4, 620. 00	
Transfers.....		4, 620. 00
	<hr/> 4, 620. 00	<hr/> 4, 620. 00
<i>Summary statement for 1948-49 of receipts and disbursements of funds in the general account</i>		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948:	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>
Unrestricted funds..... \$22, 087. 06		
Special funds and grants..... 5, 208. 96		
	<hr/> \$27, 296. 02	
Income:		
Unrestricted funds..... 41, 171. 04		
Special funds and grants..... 2, 176. 70		
	<hr/> 43, 347. 74	
Expenditures and transfers:		
Unrestricted funds..... 46, 654. 71		
Special funds and grants..... 2, 761. 01		
	<hr/>	\$49, 415. 72
Balances, Aug. 31, 1949:		
Unrestricted funds.....		16, 603. 39
Special funds and grants.....		4, 624. 65
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Total.....	70, 643. 76	70, 643. 76
Interest received and transferred to special accounts.....	4, 620. 00	4, 620. 00
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Grand totals, general account.....	75, 263. 76	75, 263. 76

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Statement for 1948-49 of receipts and disbursements

Americana for College Libraries:	Receipts	Disbursements
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	\$2, 026. 65	
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		\$2, 026. 65
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	2, 026. 65	2, 026. 65
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Carnegie Revolving Fund for Publications:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	11, 347. 63	
Interest.....	122. 17	
Royalties.....	919. 30	
Editorial and publication expenses.....		25. 69
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		12, 363. 41
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	12, 389. 10	12, 389. 10
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Albert J. Beveridge Memorial Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	21, 632. 58	
Interest.....	3, 708. 23	
Royalties.....	986. 19	
Miscellaneous.....	. 50	
Editorial and publication expenses.....		2, 259. 18
Committee expenses.....		129. 56
Membership dues for contributors.....		270. 00
Albert J. Beveridge Memorial Prize.....		1, 935. 31
<i>Writings on American History</i>		417. 00
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		21, 316. 45
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	26, 327. 50	26, 327. 50
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Littleton-Griswold Fund:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	7, 131. 77	
Interest.....	1, 198. 25	
Sales of publications.....	67. 50	
Editorial and publication expenses.....		1, 087. 39
Committee expenses.....		75. 75
Membership dues of contributor.....		5. 00
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		7, 229. 38
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	8, 397. 52	8, 397. 52
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Social Education:		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	5, 284. 04	
Interest.....	39. 95	
Royalties.....	1, 065. 11	
Subscriptions and advertising.....	4, 348. 19	
Royalty payments to authors of report of Commission on the Social Studies.....		278. 38

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS—Continued

Statement for 1948-49 of receipts and disbursements—Continued

<i>Social Education—Continued</i>		<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>
Transferred to operating account.....			\$5,887.68
Miscellaneous.....			1.75
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....			4,569.48
		<u>\$10,737.29</u>	<u>10,737.29</u>
 Summary of Special Accounts:			
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	47,422.67		
Income including transfers.....	12,455.39		
Expenditures and transfers.....			12,372.69
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....			47,505.37
		<u>59,878.06</u>	<u>59,878.06</u>

GENERAL SUMMARY

Summary statement for 1948-49 of funds in the general account and the special accounts

		<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948:			
General Account.....	\$27,296.02		
Special Accounts.....	47,422.67		
		<u>\$74,718.69</u>	
Income:			
General Account.....	47,967.74		
Special Accounts.....	12,455.39		
	<u>60,423.13</u>		
Less duplication.....	4,895.00		
		<u>55,528.13</u>	
Expenditures and transfers:			
General Account.....	54,035.72		
Special Accounts.....	12,372.69		
	<u>66,408.41</u>		
Less duplication.....	4,895.00		
			<u>\$61,513.41</u>
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949:			
General Account.....			21,228.04
Special Accounts.....			47,505.37
			<u>68,733.41</u>
Totals.....		<u>130,246.82</u>	<u>130,246.82</u>

OPERATING ACCOUNTS

Statement for 1948-49 of receipts and disbursements of accounts not handled by the treasurer

	Receipts	Disbursements
<i>Social Education:</i>		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	\$412. 32	
Transferred from special account.....	5, 887. 68	
Advertisements and subscriptions.....	4, 339. 64	
Salaries.....		\$4, 791. 86
Office expenses.....		695. 21
Travel.....		91. 18
Other expenses.....		144. 19
Transferred to special account.....		4, 348. 19
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		569. 01
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	10, 639. 64	10, 639. 64
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<i>Radio Committee:</i>		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	196. 10	
Bank service charge.....		2. 00
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		194. 10
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	196. 10	196. 10
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<i>Committee on Americana for College Libraries:</i>		
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	543. 29	
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....		543. 29
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	543. 29	543. 29

FINANCIAL ASSETS

Securities as appraised Aug. 31, 1949.....	\$286, 161. 77	
Credited to—		
Albert J. Beveridge Memorial Fund.....	\$100, 000. 00	
Littleton-Griswold Fund.....	32, 000. 00	
Andrew D. White Fund.....	1, 200. 00	
George Louis Beer Fund.....	6, 400. 00	
John H. Dunning Fund.....	2, 100. 00	
J. Franklin Jameson Fund.....	2, 420. 00	
	<hr/>	144, 120. 00
Unrestricted.....		142, 041. 77
		<hr/>
Cash in checking and savings accounts.....		\$70, 039. 81
Credited to—		
Special accounts.....	\$47, 505. 37	
Special funds.....	4, 624. 65	
Operating accounts.....	1, 306. 40	
	<hr/>	53, 436. 42
Unrestricted.....		16, 603. 39

Summary

	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>
Unrestricted funds:		
Securities.....	\$142,041.77	
Cash in the custody of the Treasurer.....	16,603.39	
		\$158,645.16
Restricted funds:		
Securities.....	144,120.00	
Cash in the custody of the Treasurer.....	52,130.02	
Cash in operating accounts.....	1,306.40	
		197,556.42
Total.....		356,201.58

Report of the Auditors

NOVEMBER 10, 1949.

AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIRs: We have examined the recorded cash receipts and disbursements of the general and special accounts of the American Historical Association for the period from September 1, 1948, to August 31, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying statements of cash receipts and disbursements of the American Historical Association present fairly the results of its recorded cash transactions for the year, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The statements of cash receipts and disbursements are presented herewith, as listed in the index, together with schedules of securities and changes during the year as presented to the Association by the Fiduciary Trust Company of New York.

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

A summary of the cash receipts and disbursements covering the general account, general account-special funds and grants, and special accounts, as detailed on Exhibits A, B, and C is presented as follows:

	Exhibit A, General Account	Exhibit B, Special Funds and Grants	Exhibit C, Special Accounts	Totals
Balance at Sept. 1, 1948.....	\$22,087.06	\$5,208.96	\$47,422.67	\$74,718.69
Receipts.....	41,171.04	6,796.70	12,455.39	60,423.13
	63,258.10	12,005.66	59,878.06	135,141.82
Disbursements.....	46,654.71	7,381.01	12,372.69	66,408.41
Balance at Aug. 31, 1949.....	16,603.39	4,624.65	47,505.37	68,733.41

Recorded cash receipts were accounted for in bank deposits and cash disbursements, as shown by the records, were supported by cancelled checks or withdrawals noted in the pass books and correctly approved vouchers.

The cash on deposit with the Union Trust Company to the credit of the accounts and funds listed below, amounting to \$68,733.41 at August 31, 1949, was reconciled with the bank statements and pass books and confirmed by correspondence with the depository.

A summary of the accounts is as follows:

General Account and Special Funds and Grants:

Checking account—general.....	\$20, 140. 13	
Savings account—general.....	1, 087. 91	
	<hr/>	\$21, 228. 04
Savings account #5.....	21, 316. 45	
Special Accounts:		
Savings account #6.....	7, 229. 38	
Savings account #7.....	4, 569. 48	
Savings account #8.....	12, 363. 41	
Checking account—special.....	2, 026. 65	
	<hr/>	47, 505. 37
Total.....		<hr/> 68, 733. 41

INVESTMENTS

A summary of the transactions by the Fiduciary Trust Company of New York for your account from September 1, 1948, to August 31, 1949, inclusive, as detailed on Schedule 1 is as follows:

Cash balance, at Sept. 1, 1948.....	\$358. 74
Receipts.....	93, 965. 83
	<hr/> 94, 324. 57
Disbursements.....	92, 214. 80
	<hr/> 2, 109. 77
Cash balance at Aug. 31, 1949.....	

A summary of the purchases and sales of securities by the Fiduciary Trust Company of New York for your account from September 1, 1948, to August 31, 1949, inclusive, as detailed on Schedule 2, is presented below on a cost basis.

Securities on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	\$251, 251. 64
Purchases.....	79, 370. 75
Securities received in exchange.....	57, 375. 73
	<hr/> 387, 998. 12
Sales and amortization.....	65, 204. 98
	<hr/> 322, 793. 14
Securities surrendered in exchange.....	58, 575. 73
	<hr/> 264, 217. 41
Securities on hand, Aug. 31, 1949.....	

Securities in the hands of the Fiduciary Trust Company of New York at August 31, 1949, are shown by their report as confirmed directly to us. These securities, as detailed on Schedule 3, are shown at actual cost to the Association and are summarized as follows:

	<i>Par value</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Bonds.....	\$128,000.00	\$132,170.68
Preferred Stocks.....	14,000.00	27,735.75
Common Stocks.....		104,310.98
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	142,000.00	264,217.41

The market value of securities at August 31, 1949, was \$281,429.30 which includes the approximate liquidation value of \$72.00 for 6 shares of International Match Realization Company, Ltd., voting trust certificates of one pound par value.

The total amortization for the year in the amount of \$270.19 has not been reflected in the Association report as a deduction from the bonds in the investment account.

The sale of bonds, as reported in the Association report, appears to have been recorded at selling price of \$44,999.88, rather than at the original cost less amortization or, \$46,002.55, which will have the effect of reducing the amount of bonds on hand at August 31, 1949, from the reported amount of \$133,173.35 to their actual cost of \$132,170.68.

During the year, in accordance with an exchange agreement, 200 shares of United Corporation \$3.00 cumulative preferred stock was exchanged for 200 shares of Public Service Electric and Gas Company no par common stock, 200 shares of Columbia Gas System, Incorporated, no par common stock and 60 shares of Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company \$8.50 par value common stock plus \$1,200 in cash and \$47.67 in accumulated dividends. Also exchanged during the year were 30 shares of Electric Power and Light Corporation \$6.00 cumulative preferred stock for 123 shares of Middle South Utilities, Incorporated, no par common stock and 177 shares of United Gas Corporation \$10.00 par value common stock.

The value of the preferred stock, as recorded in the Association report as of August 31, 1949, should therefore reflect this exchange and show the actual amount of preferred stock held at August 31, 1949, or \$27,735.75.

The amount of common stocks sold during the year, shown in the Association report as \$20,110.06, should be reduced to the actual cost basis of the common stocks sold during the year, or \$19,202.43.

The net effect of the above change and of the change to be made in respect to the exchange of preferred stocks for common stocks will be to increase the value of common stock held at August 31, 1949, from the amount \$91,015.39, as shown in the Association report to the actual cost basis and total amount of common stock actually held at August 31, 1949, or \$104,310.98.

The records of the Association which reflect the security values have been adjusted so as to bring them into agreement with our report.

INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

Income on investments was accounted for during the period under review. The total net income from securities after amortization amounted to \$11,326.27. The investment income account did not include \$47.67 which was an accumulated dividend on United Corporation \$3.00 cumulative preferred stock at the date of exchange. The records of the Association which reflect investment income have been adjusted so as to bring them into agreement with our report.

Amortization of bonds owned by the Association as of August 31, 1949, was computed in accordance with amounts shown by the Fiduciary Trust Company. Payments to the Association by the Fiduciary Trust Company amounted to \$10,873.10 as set forth in Schedule 1.

GENERAL

Dues received during the year are shown in accordance with the cash records without further verification by us. A summary of dues received indicates that such dues are applicable to the following years.

	Total	Prior years	1948-1949	1949-1950
Dues received.....	\$24,491.35	\$123.33	\$8,942.41	\$15,425.61
Less bank exchange charges.....	3.04	-----	1.61	1.43
Net receipts.....	24,488.31	123.33	8,940.80	15,424.18

It was noted that the Association prepares a record showing total members of the organization at December 15, of each year. We recommend that such record be prepared, if possible, as of August 31, of each year in order that better control may be exercised over receipts from this source. The Association did not have available for inspection a list of unpaid members' dues and we are not in a position to state the amount of membership dues unpaid at August 31, 1949.

If any additional information is desired, we will be glad to furnish same upon hearing from you.

Respectfully submitted.

F. W. LAFRENTZ & Co.

Certified Public Accountants.

Report of the Board of Trustees

DECEMBER 1, 1949.

TO THE TREASURER OF THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION:

Sir: I submit herewith a report of the Board of Trustees of the American Historical Association for the financial year ended August 31, 1949.

The securities held in trust for the Association on that date were as follows:

Bond Account

	Aug. 31, 1949, approximate		Estimated annual income
	Price	Value	
U. S. Government bonds:			
\$45,000 U. S. A. Treasury certificate of indebtedness, Series E of 1950, 1½ percent, due June 1, 1950.....	100	\$45,000	\$563
\$5,000 U. S. A. Savings bonds, Registered, Defense G, dated May 1, 1941, redeemable for lesser amounts, 2½ percent, due May 1, 1953.....	100	5,000	125
\$4,000 U. S. A. Treasury bonds of 1951-53, 2 percent, due Sept. 15, 1953.....	102	4,080	80
\$8,000 U. S. A. Savings bonds, Registered, Defense G, dated Feb. 1, 1942, redeemable for lesser amounts, 2½ percent, due Feb. 1, 1954.....	100	8,000	200
\$8,000 U. S. A. Treasury bonds of 1952-54, 2½ percent, due Mar. 15, 1954.....	103	8,240	200
\$12,000 U. S. A. Savings bonds, Registered, Defense G, dated June 1, 1942, redeemable for lesser amounts, 2½ percent, due June 1, 1954.....	100	12,000	300
Railroad Bonds: \$10,000 Virginian Ry. Co., first lien and refunding mortgage B, 3 percent, due May 1, 1955.....	102	10,200	300
Public utility bonds:			
\$26,000 American Tel & Tel Co., convertible debenture, 2¾ percent, due Dec. 15, 1961.....	105	27,300	715
\$10,000 Detroit Edison Co., convertible debenture, 3 percent, due Dec. 1, 1958.....	110	11,000	300
Preferred stocks:			
100 shares E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., \$4.50 cumulative preferred, no par, rate \$4.50.....	122	12,200	450
40 shares U. S. Rubber Co., 8 percent, noncumulative, first preferred, par \$100, rate \$8.....	120	4,800	320
100 shares U. S. Steel Corp., 7 percent cumulative preferred, par \$100, rate \$7.....	135	13,500	700
Miscellaneous stock: 6 shares International Match Realization Co., Ltd., V. T. C., par £1, in liquidation.....	12	72	-----
Securities value.....		161,392.00	-----
Principal cash balance.....		1,463.82	-----
		162,855.82	4,253.00

¹ Cost.

Special Account

	Aug. 31, 1949, approximate		Estimated annual income
	Price	Value	
Industrial common stocks:			
60 shares American Can Co., par \$25, rate \$4.....	94	\$5,640	\$240
75 shares Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co., par \$25, rate \$5....	86	6,450	375
80 shares Philip Morris & Co. Ltd., Inc., par \$5, rate \$3....	48	3,840	240
200 shares E. I. du Pont De Nemours & Co., par \$5, rate \$2.60.....	50	10,000	520
150 shares Union Carbide & Carbon Corp., no par, rate \$2....	38	5,700	300
100 shares Continental Oil Co., par \$5, rate \$4.....	60	6,000	400
200 shares General Elec. Co., no par, rate \$2.....	37	7,400	400
100 shares Westinghouse Elec. Corp., par \$12.50, rate \$1.25....	24	2,400	125
60 shares Ingersoll Rand Co., no par, rate \$5.....	65	3,900	300
100 shares Inland Steel Co., no par, rate \$3.....	35	3,500	300
170 shares Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., par \$10, rate \$1.75....	34	5,780	298
100 shares Kennecott Copper Corp., no par, rate \$4.....	45	4,500	400
Public Utility common stocks:			
200 shares Cincinnati Gas & Elec. Co., par \$8.50, rate \$1.40....	30	6,000	280
240 shares Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., no par, rate \$2.20.....	42	10,080	528
200 shares Columbia Gas System, Inc., no par, rate \$0.75....	11	2,200	150
200 shares Middle South Utilities, Inc., no par, rate \$1.10....	17	3,400	220
200 shares Natural Gas Co., par \$10, rate \$1.80.....	34	6,800	360
200 shares Oklahoma Natural Gas Co., par \$15, rate \$2.....	30	6,000	400
200 shares Public Service Elec. & Gas Co., no par, rate \$1.60....	23	4,600	320
200 shares United Gas Corp., par \$10, rate \$1.....	17	3,400	200
Financial common stocks:			
30 shares Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y., par \$100, rate \$12....	275	8,250	360
62 shares Insurance Co. of No. America, par \$10, rate \$3.50....	110	6,820	217
Securities value.....		122,660.00	
Principal cash balance.....		645.95	
Total special account.....		123,305.95	6,933.00
Total bond account.....		162,855.82	4,253.00
Grand total.....		286,161.77	11,186.00

*Statement of transactions during the period from Sept. 1, 1948, through Aug. 31, 1949***BOND ACCOUNT**

	Price	Principal
PURCHASES		
\$44,000 U. S. A. Treasury C/I-E 1949, 1½ percent, due June 1, 1949.....	¹ 1.16	\$43,988.06
\$10,000 Detroit Edison, convertible debenture, 3 percent, due Dec. 1, 1958.....	² 106¼	10,625.00
30 shares U. S. Rubber Co., 8 percent, noncumulative, first preferred.....	129¼	3,900.00
10 shares U. S. Rubber Co., 8 percent, noncumulative, first preferred.....	129	1,295.00
30 shares Electric Power & Light Co., \$6, cumulative preferred.....	143¾	4,325.55
Total purchases.....		64,133.61
RIGHTS RECEIVED		
200 rights Columbia Gas System, Inc., rights to subscribe for 20 shares common stock at \$10 per share. Void after June 14, 1949.....		
RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE		
\$45,000 U. S. A. Treasury C/I-E 1949, 1½ percent, due June 1, 1949, exchanged for a like amount C/I-E 1950, 1½ percent, due June 1, 1950.....		
200 shares United Corp., \$3, preferred stock, exchanged for 60 shares Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co., 200 shares Columbia Gas System, Inc., and 200 shares Public Service Electric & Gas Co., plus \$1,247.67, in turn the securities were transferred to the special account on Aug. 9, 1949. In addition, Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co. holders of record, May 12, 1949, were entitled to rights which became void June 3, 1949. These 60 rights were sold by the distributing agent and proceeds in the amount of \$43.52 were remitted.....		
30 shares Electric Power & Light Corp., \$6, cumulative preferred stock, exchanged for 123 shares Middle South Utilities, Inc., and 177 shares United Gas Corp. and in turn the securities were transferred to the special account on Aug. 9, 1949.....		
SALES		
\$44,000 U. S. A. Treasury Bonds of 1959-62, 2¼ percent, due Dec. 15, 1962.....	³ 100	44,000.00
\$1,000 U. S. A. Treasury C/I-E 1949, 1½ percent, due June 1, 1949.....	¹ 1.18	999.88
200 rights Columbia Gas System, Inc.....	³ .04	7.00
60 rights Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co.....	(¹)	43.52
Total sales.....		45,050.40

¹ Basic net.² Net.³ Proceeds sale.

SPECIAL ACCOUNT

	Price	Principal
PURCHASES		
40 shares Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.....	(1)	\$1,340.00
Cost of $\frac{3}{4}$ share Oklahoma Natural Gas Co. purchased in connection with stock distribution.....		20.17
200 shares Northern Natural Gas Co.....	32 $\frac{7}{8}$	6,627.88
15 shares Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.....	(2)	750.00
22 shares Oklahoma Natural Gas Co.....	30 $\frac{1}{4}$	671.50
40 shares Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co.....	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	1,194.55
100 shares Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co.....	29 $\frac{3}{4}$	2,962.19
23 shares United Gas Corp.....	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	410.78
77 shares Middle South Utilities, Inc.....	16 $\frac{1}{4}$	1,260.07
Total purchases.....		15,237.14
SECURITIES RECEIVED		
The following securities were transferred from Bond Account:		
60 shares Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co.....		
200 shares Columbia Gas System, Inc.....		
123 shares Middle South Utilities, Inc.....		
200 shares Public Service Electric & Gas Co.....		
177 shares United Gas Corp.....		
RIGHTS RECEIVED		
200 rights Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co. rights to subscribe for 40 shares common stock at \$33.50 per share. Void April 5, 1949.....		
60 rights Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co. rights to subscribe for 15 shares common stock at \$50 per share. Void April 29, 1949.....		
RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE		
200 shares E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., par \$5, received in exchange for 50 shares, par \$20 stock.....		
50 shares Chrysler Corp., par \$25, received in exchange for a like amount, par \$2.50.....		
STOCK DIVIDENDS RECEIVED		
1 100/200 shares Texas Co., distribution of $2\frac{1}{4}$ percent stock dividend to holders of record Sept. 27, 1948.....		
44 $\frac{1}{4}$ shares Oklahoma Natural Gas Co., distribution of 1 additional share for each 3 shares held March 30, 1949.....		
SALES		
100 shares Best Foods, Inc.....	30	2,970.88
100 shares Holland Furnace Co.....	23	2,274.15
100 shares Holland Furnace Co.....	23 $\frac{1}{4}$	2,299.02
61 shares Texas Co.....	52 $\frac{3}{4}$	3,190.80
100/200 share Texas Co., scrip void after Nov. 15, 1950.....	52 $\frac{1}{4}$	26.25
100 shares W. T. Grant Co.....	24 $\frac{1}{4}$	2,398.52
100 shares W. T. Grant Co.....	24 $\frac{3}{4}$	2,410.96
50 shares United Fruit Co.....	50	2,474.70
100 shares United Fruit Co.....	50 $\frac{1}{4}$	4,971.38
100 shares Sperry Corp.....	25 $\frac{1}{4}$	2,523.13
50 shares Chrysler Corp.....	49	2,427.15
30 shares General Motors Corp.....	56 $\frac{1}{4}$	1,671.08
Total sales.....		29,638.02

1 Net.

2 Subscribed at 33.50.

3 Subscribed at 50.

The securities of the Association are in the custody of the Fiduciary Trust Co. of New York, and are managed by it subject to the approval of the Trustees.

During the year securities at a cost price of \$64,133.61 have been purchased for the *Bond Account*, and securities at a sales price of \$45,050.40 have been sold from the *Bond Account*. Securities at a cost price of \$15,237.14 have been purchased for the *Special Account*, and securities at a sales price of \$29,638.02 have been sold from the *Special Account*. A list of these purchases and sales is given above.

The holdings of the American Historical Association as of August 31, 1949, compare with its holdings of August 31, 1948, as follows:

	Value of principal	Income		Value of principal	Income
FOND ACCOUNT			SPECIAL ACCOUNT		
Aug. 31, 1948.....	\$154,713.17	\$4,683	Aug. 31, 1948.....	\$124,415.57	\$6,906
Aug. 31, 1949.....	162,855.82	4,253	Aug. 31, 1949.....	123,305.95	6,933

As will be noted from the foregoing figures, the market value of the securities held in both accounts for the Association increased from a total of \$279,128.74 on August 31, 1948, to \$286,161.77 on August 31, 1949, an increase of about 2½ percent. This increase reflects conditions general in the securities markets for the respective dates. The income basis, figured as of the same two dates, decreased from \$11,589 to \$11,186, a decrease of 3½/100 percent.

In accord with accepted principles, the trustees have given instructions to the Fiduciary Trust Co. to set aside out of each year's income such an amount as is applicable for that year toward the amortization of the premiums on bonds purchased above the redemption price. The charge upon income on this account for the fiscal year was \$270.19.

During the fiscal year, the trustees received from the Association for investment \$6,000.

Charges made by the Fiduciary Trust Co. for the management of securities amounted during the fiscal year to \$1,490. The brokerage charges on purchases and sales amounted to \$400.56. The Board of Trustees incurred no other expenses.

Very truly yours,

FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION,
W. RANDOLPH BURGESS, *Chairman*.

Draft Budgets, 1949-50, 1950-51

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

(Approved by the Finance Committee and the Council, Dec. 27, 1949)

	Actual 1948-49	Original 1949-50	Revised 1949-50	1950-51
RECEIPTS				
Annual dues.....	\$24,488.31	\$23,000	\$24,000	\$24,000
Registration fees.....	1,441.87	1,000	1,000	1,000
Interest.....	5,845.10	5,000	5,500	5,500
Royalties.....	227.47	25	60	25
<i>American Historical Review</i>				
Macmillan, editorial expense.....	2,400.00	2,400	2,400	2,400
Profits.....	5,067.70	4,000	4,500	4,500
Advertising and exhibit space.....	1,330.00	1,300	1,192	1,300
Publications and miscellaneous.....	370.59	50	50	50
	41,171.04	36,775	38,702	38,775
DISBURSEMENTS				
General Administration:				
Salary, Executive Secretary and Editor.....	6,000.00	6,000	6,000	6,000
Salary, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.....	3,300.00	3,300	3,708	3,780
Salary, Editorial Assistant.....	3,500.04	3,500	3,967	4,000
Salary, Clerk-Stenographer.....	2,600.04	2,600	2,936	3,000
Bonding, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.....	25.00	25	25	25
Auditing.....	150.00	150	150	150
Travel.....	167.75	300	300	300

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS—Continued

(Approved by the Finance Committee and the Council, Dec. 27, 1949)

	Actual 1948-49	Original 1949-50	Revised 1949-50	1950-51
DISBURSEMENTS—continued				
General Administration—Continued				
Office expenses (including stationery, supplies, equipment, postage, telephone and telegraph).....	\$2,800.91	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000
Notes contributed to <i>Review</i>	304.00	350	350	350
Contingent, miscellaneous, and editorial assistance.....	756.78	1,000	500	500
Contingent and miscellaneous.....			2,500	2,500
Clerical assistance.....	501.28	752		
Bonuses.....				
	20,105.80	20,977	23,436	23,605
Payments to the Macmillan Company for copies of the <i>Review</i> supplied to members of the Association.....	14,119.40	12,500	14,500	14,500
Historical Activities and other expenditures:				
Pacific Coast Branch.....	200.00	200	200	200
Council and Council Committees.....	873.15	500	875	875
Program committees:				
1948.....	65.28			
1949.....	75.00	50	50	
1950.....		75	200	
1951.....				75
Local arrangements committees.....	200.00	200	200	200
Nominating committees:				
1948.....	48.49			
1949.....		50	50	
1950.....		25	25	50
1951.....				25
Dues in A. C. L. S.....	100.00	100	100	100
International Committee of Historical Sciences (Travel, membership, bibliography).....	767.59	850	1,000	1,000
Council for Preservation of Historic Sites.....	100.00	100	100	100
<i>Writings on American History</i>	5,000.00	8,334	10,000	
	7,429.51	10,484	12,800	2,625
Investments (unrestricted funds).....	5,000.00			
Summary of disbursements:				
General administration.....	20,105.80	20,977	23,436	23,605
Macmillan for copies of <i>Review</i> to members.....	14,119.40	12,500	14,500	14,500
Historical activities and other expenses.....	7,429.51	10,484	12,800	2,625
Investments.....	5,000.00			
	46,654.71	43,961	50,736	40,730

Balance sheet, 1949-51, estimated

Balance on hand, Sept. 1, 1949.....	\$16,603.39
Receipts, 1949-50.....	38,702.00
Total available, 1949-50.....	55,305.39
Expenditures, 1949-50.....	50,736.00
Balance, Sept. 1, 1950.....	4,569.39
Receipts, 1950-51.....	38,775.00
Total available, 1950-51.....	43,344.39
Expenditures, 1950-51.....	40,730.00
Balance, Sept. 1, 1951.....	2,614.39

Statistics of Membership, Dec. 15, 1949

I. GENERAL

Total membership:

Individuals:

Honorary.....	113
Life.....	1396
Annual.....	4,663

Institutions:

25-year memberships.....	5
Annual.....	434

5,511

Total paid memberships, including life members..... 4,499

Delinquent..... 1,012

Loss:

Deaths:

Honorary.....	1
Life.....	10
Annual.....	24

35

Resignations..... 40

Dropped..... 260

335

Gain:

New:

Honorary.....	
Life.....	3
Annual.....	559

562

Former members reentered..... 32

594

Net gain..... 259

Membership Dec. 15, 1948..... 5,252

New members and renewals..... 594

Losses..... 335

259

5,511

¹ During the year we have lost 1 honorary member and 10 life members; 8 life members have been added and of these 3 are new members and 5 are annual members who have taken out life memberships.

II. BY REGIONS

New England: Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut.....	662
North Atlantic: New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia.....	1,920
South Atlantic: Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida..	419
North Central: Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin.....	1,000
South Central: Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia....	194
West Central: Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas.....	541
Pacific Coast Branch: Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii, Western Canada.....	641
Territories and dependencies: Puerto Rico, Alaska, Haiti, Canal Zone.....	8
Other countries.....	126
	<hr/> 5,511

III. BY STATES

	Total member- ship	New members and renewals		Total member- ship	New members and renewals
Alabama.....	30	4	New Hampshire.....	32	—
Alaska.....	—	—	New Jersey.....	168	24
Arizona.....	12	—	New Mexico.....	27	—
Arkansas.....	17	4	New York.....	875	101
California.....	390	41	North Carolina.....	112	15
Canal Zone.....	1	—	North Dakota.....	11	2
Colorado.....	32	1	Ohio.....	248	21
Connecticut.....	181	23	Oklahoma.....	40	2
Delaware.....	16	—	Oregon.....	43	8
District of Columbia.....	297	46	Pennsylvania.....	387	37
Florida.....	50	6	Philippines.....	3	—
Georgia.....	46	5	Puerto Rico.....	7	3
Hawaii.....	10	1	Rhode Island.....	41	4
Idaho.....	8	1	South Carolina.....	31	1
Illinois.....	328	31	South Dakota.....	15	1
Indiana.....	154	9	Tennessee.....	73	11
Iowa.....	76	6	Texas.....	99	7
Kansas.....	52	2	Utah.....	13	1
Kentucky.....	46	4	Vermont.....	18	4
Louisiana.....	27	5	Virginia.....	180	20
Maine.....	30	5	Washington.....	69	11
Maryland.....	177	20	West Virginia.....	31	3
Massachusetts.....	360	46	Wisconsin.....	105	13
Michigan.....	165	18	Wyoming.....	6	—
Minnesota.....	99	5	Canada.....	50	1
Mississippi.....	14	1	Cuba.....	4	—
Missouri.....	75	7	Latin America.....	15	1
Montana.....	14	1	Foreign.....	66	9
Nebraska.....	30	1			
Nevada.....	5	1		1 5,511	594

¹ This includes the 594 new members and renewals.

DEATHS REPORTED SINCE DECEMBER 15, 1948

Honorary member:

Aage Friis, Copenhagen, Denmark (Oct. 5, 1949).

Life members:

James Truslow Adams, Southport, Conn. (May 18, 1949).
 George Gordon Battle, New York, N. Y. (Apr. 29, 1949).
 Jeffrey Richardson Brackett, Charleston, S. C. (Dec. 4, 1949).
 Chester Groves Browne, Anderson, Indiana (Jan. 4, 1949).
 Rev. Edward Clowes Chorley, Garrison-on-Hudson, N. Y. (Nov. 2, 1949).
 Frances Bagley Hosmer (Mrs. George S.), Rochester, Mich.
 Clement S. Houghton, Boston, Mass. (Aug. 21, 1949).
 Albert Howe Lybyer, Urbana, Illinois (Mar. 28, 1949).
 David Maydole Matteson, Cambridge, Mass. (Oct. 13, 1949).
 Rogers Clark Ballard Thruston, Louisville, Kentucky (December 1946).
 William J. Wilgus, Claremont, N. H. (Oct. 24, 1949).

Annual members:

Pelham Barr, New York, N. Y.
 Henry John Brown, London, England (June 1948).
 Anne Elizabeth Burlingame, Fort Plain, N. Y.
 Edmund Cody Burnett, Washington, D. C. (Jan. 10, 1949).
 Rev. Jean Delanglez, Chicago, Illinois (May 9, 1949).
 Earl Issac Doty, York, Nebraska.
 Carl William Eldon, Pennsauken, N. J. (July 9, 1949).
 Burton J. Hendrick, New York, N. Y. (March 1949).
 Bertram Dyer Hulén, Washington, D. C. (July 12, 1949).
 Melvin Clay Jacobs, Walla Walla, Wash. (Apr. 16, 1949).
 Otto Jeidels, Santa Barbara, Calif.
 William Henry Joseph Kennedy, Boston, Mass. (Aug. 23, 1948).
 John Life La Monte, Philadelphia, Pa. (Oct. 2, 1949).
 George McAfee McCune, Berkeley, Calif. (Nov. 5, 1948).
 Henry Crittenden Morris, Chicago, Illinois (July 25, 1948).
 Frank Wesley Pitman, Claremont, Calif. (Apr. 11, 1949).
 Ralph Ray Price, Manhattan, Kans. (Dec. 30, 1948).
 John R. M. Taylor, Washington, D. C. (Mar. 31, 1949).
 Alexander Thomson, Middletown, Conn. (Jan. 5, 1949).
 Winston B. Thorson, Pullman, Wash. (Apr. 30, 1949).
 Oswald Garrison Villard, New York, N. Y. (Oct. 1, 1949).
 Hugo C. M. Wendel, Brooklyn, N. Y. (Jan. 16, 1949).
 Elizabeth Howard West, Pensacola, Florida (Jan. 3, 1948).
 Walter Livingston Wright, Jr., Princeton, N. J. (May 16, 1949).

COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR 1949

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

As a result of the ballots cast, the chairman of the Nominating Committee announces that Thomas A. Bailey and Leo Gershoy were elected to the Council, and that Louise F. Brown and Grace Gardner Griffin¹ were elected to the Nominating Committee.

¹ Because of ill health, Miss Griffin declined the election, and Professor E. Merton Coulter of the University of Georgia whose name was next on the ballot agreed to serve as a replacement.

For the presidency of the Association for the year 1950, your committee nominates Samuel E. Morison; for the vice presidency, it nominates Robert L. Schuyler; and for the office of the treasurer, it nominates Solon J. Buck.

DECEMBER 18, 1949.

MARSHALL KNAPPEN, *Chairman.*

THE COMMITTEE ON HONORARY MEMBERS

The Committee on Honorary Members met in Washington, D. C., on November 7, 1949. After discussion and canvassing of numerous possibilities in different countries it was agreed to submit to the Council for consideration for honorary membership in the Association the names of Sir Charles Webster of the London School of Economics and Dr. Alfons Dopsch of Austria. The present honorary members of the Association are the following:

Don Rafael Altamira of Mexico.
 Pierre Caron of France.
 Benedetto Croce of Italy.
 Gaetano De Sanctis of Italy.
 George Peabody Gooch of England.
 Halvdan Koht of Norway.
 Vicente Lecuna of Venezuela.
 Friedrich Meinecke of Germany.
 Frederick M. Powicke of England.
 Pierre Renouvin of France.
 Hu Shih of China.
 Affonso de Escagnolle Taunay of Brazil.
 George Macaulay Trevelyan of England.

NOVEMBER, 1949.

BERNADOTTE E. SCHMITT, *Chairman.*

THE COMMITTEE ON THE HERBERT BAXTER ADAMS PRIZE

Because the Herbert Baxter Adams Prize is not awarded in odd-numbered years, the committee has not been active. One or two entries for the award in 1950 have been received and considered.

OCTOBER 26, 1949.

CLARENCE H. MATTERSON, *Chairman.*

THE COMMITTEE ON THE GEORGE LOUIS BEER PRIZE

The committee recommends that no award be made this year. None of the manuscripts submitted seemed comparable with most of those for which awards have been made in the past, and no published books have been submitted. The committee wonders whether the difficulty in receiving manuscripts or books for consideration may have arisen from the phrase, "actually submitted," in the stipulations set up for the award.

NOVEMBER 8, 1949.

C. V. EASUM, *Chairman.*

THE COMMITTEE ON THE JOHN H. DUNNING PRIZE

Inasmuch as this is the odd-number year, the Committee on the John H. Dunning Prize has had no duties to perform.

DECEMBER 5, 1949.

LAWRENCE A. HARPER, *Chairman.*

THE COMMITTEE ON THE WATUMULL PRIZE

The committee reports that thirteen American publishers entered seventeen books for the Watumull Prize competition. However, a majority of these books did not come within the scope of the prize contest. After careful examination of the books considered, the committee recommends that the Watumull Prize for 1949 be divided between Mrs. Gertrude Emerson Sen for her *Pageant of Indian History* published by Longmans, Green & Company and Professor Holden Furber for his *John Company at Work* published by the Harvard University Press. The committee wishes that honorable mention be given to Miss Margaret Bourke-White's book, *Half-Way to Freedom*, published by Simon & Schuster and to Mr. George Jones' *Tumult in India* published by Dodd, Mead & Company.

OCTOBER 31, 1949.

TARAKNATH DAS, *Chairman.*

THE COMMITTEE ON THE PUBLICATION OF THE *Annual Report*

Five volumes have been published during the past year. *Writings on American History*, 1939 and 1940, appeared as Volume II of the *Annual Report* for 1943 at a cost of \$14,223.47 spread over several fiscal years and concludes a notable series of volumes compiled by Grace Gardner Griffin. Her *Writings* constitutes the world's foremost historical bibliography and will forever stand a priceless tool to the research student and a memorial to her herculean labors. Plans are now under way for bringing this important work up to date and for continuing it as the Association's major publishing venture for an indefinite period ahead.

Three volumes of significant documents entitled *Spain in the Mississippi Valley, 1765-1794*, edited by Lawrence Kinnaird, have appeared as Volumes II, III, and IV of the *Annual Report* for 1945 with an expenditure of \$18,069.38, also spread over several fiscal years. *Proceedings* for 1947, constituting Volume I of the *Annual Report* for that year, was brought out at \$2,038.05. 1948 *Proceedings* is in press and almost ready for distribution (estimated cost \$2,135.38). Our publication program is thus proceeding exactly on schedule and there are currently no lags of any kind.

Our major enterprise at this time is bringing out a cumulative index to *Writings*, 1902-1938. With a \$10,500 printing allotment for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949, and final bills on all five volumes recently out fully paid, we have a paper balance of \$4,598.51 on the Smithsonian books at the present time. This tentative balance will increase or decrease slightly when the final bill on the 1948 *Proceedings* volume, now in press, comes in but it can safely be estimated at a minimum of \$4,000.

This sum is to be applied to initial composition on the cumulative index, the manuscript of which has been expected in April, 1950; also to be applied to this costly project will be the total printing allotment becoming due July 1, 1950, minus only the cost of the 1949 *Proceedings* volume, together with as much as is needed of the credit becoming due July 1, 1951, minus only the cost of the 1950 *Proceedings* volume.

Work on the manuscript was carried on by David M. Matteson as a labor of love for many years and he steadfastly refused to draw sums made available to him as token payments on his monumental task. Two volumes have been planned, the first ending with "K." Mr. Matteson was at work on the final carding of the letter "M" when taken to the hospital last August for an operation which proved fatal.

All that remains to be done on Volume I is looking up a few matters where cards have been displaced, checking up a few dubious points mainly in the 1902 volume, numbering the cards and preparing the preliminary matter. Full information on all these points was left by Mr. Matteson in his habitually methodical style before leaving for the hospital. Entries for Volume II need to be consolidated and checked in certain places, but the great bulk of the work here has been done, too.

Early last winter Mr. Matteson, growing apprehensive of his health, requested that a representative of the Association come to Boston to examine the manuscript and to formulate plans whereby it would become the property of the Association should he die before completing his work. Since the chairman had known him for many years and had been in constant touch with him on this project since its inception, the Executive Secretary asked him to confer with Mr. Matteson, which he did. All details were then worked out, legal instruments were subsequently signed, and the Association is thus in a position to bring the work to completion and to proceed with publication. Details have not as yet been worked out but it is hoped that they can be announced at the Christmas meeting.

The chairman would be sadly remiss were he not to speak briefly of Mr. Matteson. A highly cultured gentleman who lost his hearing in student days due to a cycling accident, he turned his rare talents to the compilation of historical maps and historical indexing which brought him great renown and to the "ghosting" of secondary school history texts which brought greater financial reward. A gentle soul cut off from the life about him by his affliction, he lived in virtual seclusion in the world of books, leaving his desk only occasionally for an extended trip. To the few who came to know him intimately he was a delightful companion, and his sprightly letters, crammed with sage observations and critical appraisals of men and events, were ever welcome. An indefatigable worker with the highest standards of craftsmanship who thought nothing of spending a week to disentangle a complicating minor matter, he was keenly interested in the work of the Association and its promotion of historical scholarship in the United States. Cheerful to the last, his final letter to the chairman was inscribed "Not too woefully yours, D. M. Matteson."

It may be stated now that, in the interest of uniformity, he entirely reindexed the 37 volumes of *Writings* involved, since the original work had been done in different ways by different hands at different times, and cross-referenced them. Refusing all compensation, he merely expressed the hope that the cumulative index be brought out in pleasing format on high quality paper to withstand heavy use for many years. His last and greatest work, it will be an enduring monument long keeping fresh the memory of a great man and a great scholar.

The chairman of this committee must perforce reside in Washington near the Government Printing Office where the *Report* is published and near the Smithsonian Institution which administers our allotment. Since the present incumbent has recently moved to the Middle West, this will be his final report, closing some 20 years of work with the *Annual Report*, first as its editor and, more recently, as committee chairman.

OCTOBER 6, 1949.

LOWELL RAGATZ, *Chairman*.

THE COMMITTEE ON THE ALBERT J. BEVERIDGE MEMORIAL FUND

This report covers the period from the closing date of the preceding annual report, November 1, 1948, to November 8, 1949.

The committee held two meetings, one (in two sessions) in Washington, D. C., on December 28, 1948, in connection with the annual meeting of the American Historical Association, and the other in New York City on November 5, 1949. No change in the personnel of the committee was made in the course of the year.

As pointed out in previous reports, the Beveridge Fellowship has been the main focus of the committee's activities since the fellowship plan proposed by the committee was approved by the Council in December, 1945, for an experimental five-year period. In December, 1948, the Council approved the committee's recommendation that the stipend of the fellowship be increased from \$1,000 to \$1,500, beginning with the 1949 competition. The committee also created the award of honorable mention for manuscripts in the annual competition accepted for publication on the Beveridge

Fund but not receiving a fellowship award; this action, which took effect with the 1948 awards, was made retroactive to the first annual competition, 1946. In the 1948 competition, the fellowship was awarded to Donald Fleming for the revision and completion of his manuscript, "John William Draper and the Religion of Science," and Clement G. Motten received honorable mention for his study of "Mexican Silver and the Enlightenment," with the usual stipulation in both cases that the manuscript should be published in the Beveridge series. Dr. Fleming is assistant professor of history at Brown University and Dr. Motten is assistant professor of history at Temple University. Again in 1949 the response to the fellowship announcement was good, for ten manuscripts were submitted (one more than in 1948) and among these were several of high quality. But the committee feels that the response should have been even better in view of the liberality of the terms offered, the extensive publicity that the competition has received in the four years since the plan was adopted, and various other considerations too numerous to mention here.

While the monograph series has not been discontinued, it has ceased to have a separate existence since the fellowship plan was adopted. It is now administered as a part of that plan, and the only manuscripts currently accepted for publication in it are those which receive the honorable mention award described above.

Only one volume was published this year; but three new manuscripts were delivered to the publisher and at the present writing two of these are well on the way towards publication and the third has started on the way. The volume published (Spring, 1949) was Dr. Lewis Hanke's *The Struggle for Justice in the Spanish Conquest of America*, which won the fellowship award for 1947. It is too early to generalize about the reception of this book in scholarly circles since the reviews in scholarly journals are just beginning to appear. Dr. Arthur E. Bestor's "Backwoods Utopias," which won the 1946 fellowship, has passed through page proof and is scheduled for publication in December 1949. Dr. Motten's "Mexican Silver and the Enlightenment" (honorable mention, 1948) is now in page proof and is scheduled for publication early in 1950. Dr. Fleming's "John William Draper and the Religion of Science" (fellowship, 1948) has just been sent to the printer and ought to be published by the summer of 1950. The University of Pennsylvania Press continues as publisher of the Beveridge series under a contract made in 1943.

The following awards have been made by the committee for 1949: The fellowship was awarded to Glyndon G. Van Deusen, professor of history at the University of Rochester, for the completion of his manuscript, "The Life of Horace Greeley"; honorable mention was awarded to Dr. Neil A. McNall, instructor in American history at Pennsylvania State College, for his manuscript, "An Agricultural History of the Genesee Valley, 1790-1860."

The statement made in this committee's annual report for 1947, that the final payment from the Beveridge Fund on this account had been made, proved to be premature, as will be seen by referring to the report of the Treasurer of the Association on the Beveridge Fund for the year 1948-49. The item noted there was for delayed editorial work on the *Writings* which was not taken into account when the 1947 report was written and for which the Beveridge Fund was responsible under the terms of the Council's action relieving this fund of further responsibility for the *Writings*. Before approving this item the chairman of the committee was assured that this was the last bill for the *Writings* that the Beveridge Fund would be asked to pay. It may therefore now be stated with complete assurance that this account has been fully and finally liquidated.

The Beveridge Fund continues in the same sound condition noted in previous reports, as shown by the report of the Treasurer of the Association on receipts and disbursements of this fund for the period September 1, 1948-August 31, 1949.

The cash balance at the end of the fiscal year of the report was \$21,316.45, which was only \$385 (in round figures) less than the balance at the beginning of the year. This

is a highly favorable situation in view of the fact, pointed out in the annual reports of this committee since 1945, that the fellowship plan adopted in 1945 was expected to use up a considerable part of the cash balance of the fund. It should not be forgotten, of course, that some heavy expenses in connection with the operation of the fellowship plan in its first four years still remain to be met; for example, as stated above, three manuscripts already accepted under the plan are now in course of publication and the cost of their publication, which is expected to be about \$6,000, will have to be paid in 1950. But even after allowing for these and all other outstanding or foreseeable bills, it can be affirmed that the committee is operating the fellowship plan well within the limits established at the time of its adoption and that the fund is in a very sound condition. It should also be remembered that the cash balance represents only a small fraction of the total resources of the fund, which consist mainly of its principal of \$100,000. A gratifying feature of the financial report is the increase in receipts from royalties over the normal receipts from this source in recent years. Omitting fractions, the amount this year was \$986 as compared with \$562 in 1944-45, \$287 in 1946-47, and \$504 in 1947-48. The only recent year when royalty receipts have been higher was in 1945-46, when heavy sales of Easterby's *South Carolina Rice Plantation Records* in that state and elsewhere brought the royalty receipts from that volume alone to about \$1,500. On the other hand, even in the unusually successful year just ended the amount received from royalties on the 12 volumes in print was considerably less than half the cost of publishing the one volume that appeared during the year. In this connection it should be noted that there has as yet been no real test in this respect of the works accepted under the fellowship plan as only two of these have been published; but while the committee expects all of them to be well received by the historical fraternity, it sees no reason to expect that they will materially alter the present royalty pattern.

As the fellowship competition for the coming year, 1950, will be the fifth and last under the experimental five-year plan approved by the Council in December, 1945, the Council will have to decide at its regular annual meeting in December, 1950, whether this plan is to be continued, with or without substantial modifications, or a different kind of plan adopted in its place. The committee already has this important question under advisement and has planned the preparation of a comprehensive report on the results of the whole five-year period, with appropriate recommendations, which it will submit to the Council a year from now. In the meanwhile, however, the committee wishes to call to the Council's attention certain tentative conclusions suggested by the operation of the plan in the first four years in the hope that the Council will offer comments or advice that would be helpful to the committee in drawing up its comprehensive report and recommendations next year. On the one hand, the fellowship plan has been very successful in increasing competition for the use of the Beveridge Fund. In every year since the plan was established more applications have been received than in any previous year in the history of the fund. Moreover, the committee is convinced that all the manuscripts for which it has awarded the fellowship or honorable mention in the four annual competitions constitute scholarly contributions of a high order. On the other hand, the committee is not entirely satisfied that the present plan is making the Beveridge Fund as useful to historians and historical scholarship as it ought to be. For one thing, the plan has not evoked as great a response among the more mature historians as had been hoped for. A large proportion of the best books in American history published since the establishment of the fellowship was not submitted in the fellowship competition. Again, the income from royalties is very small and no great increase seems to be in sight. To be sure, money making is not and should not be the purpose of the Beveridge Fund; but royalties, which reflect sales, are one of the criteria by which the usefulness of the Beveridge Fund publications to historians can be judged, and a revolving fund cannot revolve without royalties. Despite these doubts, the committee feels that the fellowship plan has met with a considerable measure of success in the first four years.

It merely wishes to point out some of the problems it is considering in its effort to make the Beveridge Fund still more useful in the light of its experience with the present plan; and it would welcome the Council's advice and comments on these problems at this time.

As indicated above, the two major features of the committee's plans for the coming year are (1) the continuation of the fellowship plan through this last year of the five-year period for which it was authorized by the Council, and (2) the preparation of a report on the results of the operation of the plan during this period, together with recommendations to the Council as to whether the fellowship plan should be continued (with or without extensive modifications) or another plan adopted in its place. The chairman cannot conclude this, his fourth annual report, without expressing on behalf of all the members of the committee their keen appreciation of the sympathetic and helpful interest the Executive Secretary and the Council have always manifested in the affairs of the committee. He also wishes to record his gratitude to the other members—Philip Davidson, Dorothy Burne Goebel, and Henrietta M. Larson—for the skill and untiring patience with which they have borne their full share of the often burdensome work of administering the Beveridge Memorial Fund.

NOVEMBER 8, 1949.

ARTHUR P. WHITAKER, *Chairman.*

ALBERT J. BEVERIDGE MEMORIAL FUND

Sept. 1, 1948, to Aug. 31, 1949

	Receipts	Disbursements
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....	\$21, 632. 58	
Interest-investments.....	\$3, 500. 00	
Savings account.....	208. 23	
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Royalties:		
Dumond, <i>Southern Editorials on Secession..</i>	17. 04	
Case, <i>French Public Opinion on the United States and Mexico.....</i>	11. 19	
Binkley, <i>Official Correspondence of the Texas Revolution.....</i>	5. 33	
Pargellis, <i>Military Affairs in North America.....</i>	4. 27	
Dumond, <i>Letters of James Gillespie Birney, 1831-1857.....</i>	21. 32	
Kirby, <i>George Keith.....</i>	31. 98	
Perkins, <i>Northern Editorials on Secession..</i>	70. 88	
Hofstadter, <i>Social Darwinism in American Thought.....</i>	4. 20	
Bernstein, <i>Origins of Inter-American Interest.....</i>	390. 86	
Easterby, <i>South Carolina Rice Plantation..</i>	171. 87	
Pomeroy, <i>The Territories and the United States.....</i>	257. 25	
Harrington, <i>Fighting Politician: Maj. Gen. N. P. Banks.....</i>	<hr/>	986. 19
Miscellaneous.....		. 50
Editorial and publication expenses:		
Hanke, <i>The Spanish Struggle for Justice in the Conquest of America, manufacturing costs.....</i>		\$2, 259. 18

ALBERT J. BEVERIDGE MEMORIAL FUND—Continued

Sept. 1, 1948, to Aug. 31, 1949—Continued

	Receipts	Disbursements
<i>Writings on American History</i>		\$417.00
Beveridge Memorial Fellowship:		
Award of 1946, final payment	\$500.00	
Award of 1948	1,000.00	
Reading and reporting on 1948 manu- scripts	353.06	
Reading and reporting on 1949 manu- scripts	82.25	1,935.31
Committee expenses		129.56
Membership dues of contributors		270.00
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	\$26,327.50	5,011.05
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949		21,316.45
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	26,327.50	26,327.50

THE COMMITTEE ON THE CARNEGIE REVOLVING FUND FOR PUBLICATIONS

Two volumes sponsored by the Carnegie Revolving Fund for Publications will be published within the next few months. Louis Hunter, *Steamboats on the Western Rivers: An Economic and Technological History*, is now being printed by the Harvard University Press under the joint sponsorship of the Committee on Research in Economic History, the American Council of Learned Societies, and the Carnegie Revolving Fund for Publications. Michael Kraus, *The Atlantic Civilization*, is scheduled for early December publication by the Cornell University Press.

Five manuscripts were submitted to the committee this year. As the date for submission was later than usual, no final selection has been made at the time of the writing of this report.

RAY ALLEN BILLINGTON,^F *Chairman*.

NOVEMBER 15, 1949.

CARNEGIE REVOLVING FUND FOR PUBLICATIONS

Sept. 1, 1948, to Aug. 31, 1949

	Receipts	Disbursements
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948	\$11,347.63	
Interest on savings account	122.17	
Royalties:		
Heidel, <i>The Day of Yahweh</i>		
Carroll, <i>French Public Opinion and Foreign Affairs</i>	\$31.79	
Allyn, <i>Lords versus Commons</i>	7.98	
Shryock, <i>The Origin and Development of the State of Confucius</i>	12.78	
Bruce, <i>Virginia Iron Manufacture in the Slave Era</i> ..	16.80	
Swann, <i>Pan Chao: Foremost Woman Scholar in China</i>	16.00	

CARNEGIE REVOLVING FUND FOR PUBLICATIONS—Continued

Sept. 1, 1948, to Aug. 31, 1949—Continued

Royalties—Continued	Receipts	Disbursements
Dietz, <i>English Public Finance, 1558-1641</i>	\$66. 03	
Sydnor, <i>Slavery in Mississippi</i>	44. 88	
Brown, <i>The First Earl of Shaftesbury</i>	23. 43	
Barnes, <i>The Antislavery Impulse</i>		
Whitaker, <i>The Mississippi Question</i>	18. 70	
Bemis, <i>The Diplomacy of the American Revolution</i>	80. 56	
Garrett, <i>The Estates General of 1789</i>	3. 20	
Hubbart, <i>The Older Middle West</i>	31. 79	
Ranck, <i>Albert Gallatin Brown</i>	13. 35	
Hoon, <i>The Organization of the English Customs System</i>	21. 30	
Priestley, <i>France Overseas</i>	37. 38	
Horton, <i>James Kent: A Study in Conservatism</i>	9. 35	
Chitwood, <i>John Tyler, Champion of the Old South</i>	51. 12	
Stafford, <i>James VI of Scotland and the Throne of England</i>	4. 00	
Jackson, <i>Free Negro Labor and Property Holding in Virginia, 1830-1860</i>	46. 00	
Nute, <i>Caesars of the Wilderness</i>	59. 64	
Hastings, <i>Court of Common Pleas in 15th Century England</i>	323. 22	
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	\$919. 30	
Committee expenses		\$25. 69
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	12, 389. 10	25. 69
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949		12, 363. 41
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	12, 389. 10	12, 389. 10

N. B.—The Ragatz, Lonn, Sanborn, and White volumes are out of print.

THE COMMITTEE ON THE LITTLETON-GRISWOLD FUND

Substantial progress in a number of projects being undertaken by the committee can be reported for the year 1949. The South Carolina Chancery volume (*American Legal Records*, Vol. VI), edited by Anne K. Gregorie and former Dean J. Nelson Frierson, will be published in the latter part of the year. Owing to increased publication costs it will be priced at \$10.

Work on the transcription of court records has proceeded at a satisfactory rate. Professor Hugh T. Lefler of the University of North Carolina has now completed the transcription of the North Carolina Vice Admiralty records, and the Boston Vice Admiralty records have now been completely transcribed under the direction of Professor Lionel H. Laing of the University of Michigan. Both editors are now preparing introductions to their prospective volumes.

As a result of a grant of \$450 from this committee, in addition to grants this year of \$450 from the Research Council of Duke University and \$650 from the Duke University Law School, considerable progress has been made in transcribing the massive North Carolina General court records and file papers. Mr. Harold P. Wayman has gone forward with his transcription of the New Jersey quarter sessions records for the years of

the Revolution, and has uncovered pertinent records in twelve out of the thirteen counties in existence at that period.

It is planned to prepare two volumes for the press during the coming year—the Prince George's County Court book for Maryland, for which Dr. Philip A. Crowl has prepared an introduction, and the Connecticut Court of Assistants volume, responsibility for which has been assumed by Professor Oscar Zeichner of the City College, New York.

NOVEMBER 1, 1949.

RICHARD B. MORRIS, *Chairman.*

LITTLETON-GRISWOLD FUND

Sept. 1, 1948, to Aug. 31, 1949

		Receipts	Disbursements
Cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1948.....		\$7,131.77	
Interest:			
Investments.....	\$1,120.00		
Savings account.....	78.25		
		1,198.25	
Proceeds of sale of publications:			
Bond-Morris, <i>Maryland Court of Appeals</i>	7.50		
Morris, <i>Select Cases of the Mayor's Court of N. Y. City</i>	7.50		
Towle-Andrews, <i>Records of the Vice-Admiralty Court of Rhode Island, 1716-1752</i>	15.00		
Farrell, <i>Superior Court Diary of William Samuel Johnson, 1772-1773</i>	15.00		
Reed, <i>Burlington Court Book of West New Jersey, 1680-1709</i>	22.50		
		67.50	
Expenses in connection with:			
Bond-Morris volume.....	.58		
Morris volume.....	.24		
Towle-Andrews volume.....	.53		
Farrell volume.....	.38		
Reed volume.....	.66		
Volume on Connecticut Court of Assistants..	15.00		
Volume on Vice Admiralty Court Records, North Carolina.....	450.00		
Volume on General Court Minutes, North Carolina.....	450.00		
Volume on South Carolina Court Records..	170.00		
			\$1,087.39
Committee expenses.....			75.75
Membership dues of contributor.....			5.00
		8,397.52	1,168.14
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....			7,229.38
		8,397.52	8,397.52
Par value of invested funds, Aug. 31, 1947.....			25,000.00
Funds invested during 1948.....			7,000.00
			32,000.00
Interest received for year ending Aug. 31, 1949 (3½%).....			1,120.00

THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS

The Committee on Government Publications has not been unmindful of the trends in this field during 1949. It is glad to report that the State Department continues to put into circulation a weekly *Bulletin* and a great many small reprints of speeches and other informational material on current issues. This semi-popular output, as Congress indicated, should help to make the public better informed and more intelligent in attitude on the foreign commitments of the United States—a most vital matter as those commitments multiply, become more complex, and grow more susceptible to devious manipulation. The chairman regularly receives all these issues and, while abroad, regularly passed them on to the British public, which invariably showed interest in and appreciation of them. The committee also reports a continuing output of high quality of the history of the services in World War II. The committee regrets to report less encouragingly on three matters of special concern to the historical profession as such.

The treaty edition generally referred to as the "Hunter Miller series" seems to have approached the point of succumbing to pernicious anemia, contracted during a long period of malnutrition due to appropriation-cutting; for more than a year the edition has been in a state of coma.

The "Foreign Relations series" has a backlog of some twenty-three volumes compiled and awaiting editorial functioning in the Division of Publications of the State Department. There appear to be funds permitting some acceleration in this program but more are needed.

In the field of the "German War Documents" program, the committee understands that voluminous documentation, tripartite collaboration, and staff limitation have conspired to restrict the output of these first three years to two volumes. Without substantially increased resources, it will prove impossible to proceed at a faster pace.

The Committee on Government Publications has in recent years made some effort to acquaint the membership of this Association with the fine spirit of scholarly co-operation which animates the Division of Research in the State Department; but the crowded annual meeting has defied our efforts, as was again demonstrated last December when Mr. Purcell made a gallant effort to assemble a group for conference. Scholarly research and writing would be greatly benefited if workers in diplomatic history were more familiar with what the division can offer and if information were exchanged as to projects under way and as to untapped fields rich in historical resources. Thus private output could be enlarged and enriched and could fill some of the gaps left when low appropriations restrict the official output of the division. For these reasons this committee urges appointment of a separate ad hoc committee to work for the ends indicated.

NOVEMBER 22, 1949.

SAMUEL FLAGG BEMIS.

RICHARD J. PURCELL.

JEANNETTE P. NICHOLS, *Chairman*.

THE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS RECORDS

The eastern members of the Committee on Business Records were responsible for securing a grant of \$35,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation for the National Records Management Council. This organization will urge business firms to adopt methods of record preservation that will make such source material available to historians. The council will also promote business histories and archival training courses at various universities.

The Council of the American Historical Association will be asked to designate a representative of the American Historical Association on the board of the National Records Management Council. This board is to be composed of leading business men and the representatives of appropriate learned societies. (See Minutes of the Council meeting, p. 3.)

OCTOBER 31, 1949.

THOMAS C. COCHRAN, *Chairman*.

THE COMMITTEE ON DOCUMENTARY REPRODUCTION

During the past year the committee, in conjunction with the Library of Congress, has concentrated its efforts primarily on attempts to qualify microcopying activities within the scope of the Fulbright educational program in those countries where the program has been activated. The committee and the Library of Congress had hoped to obtain specific assignments of Fulbright funds in the various countries for microcopying purposes. Although in this endeavor the committee has not been successful, it was informed by the executive of the Conference Board of Associated Research Councils that applications for research scholarships with the view to the development of microcopying work under the Fulbright program would be in order. In line with this information special country committees submitted applications for research scholarships, which were endorsed by the Committee on Documentary Reproduction in behalf of the American Historical Association and by the Librarian of Congress, as follows:

1. Special committee for Belgium and Luxemburg and for the Netherlands; Professor Albert Hyma, chairman; one application for Belgium-Luxemburg, and one for the Netherlands.
2. Special committee for Greece; Professor L. S. Stavrianos, chairman; one application for Greece.
3. Special committee for France; Dr. Richard W. Hale, Jr., chairman; two applications for France.
4. Special committee for the United Kingdom; Professor H. Donaldson Jordan, chairman; one application for the United Kingdom.
5. Special committee for Italy; Professor B. L. Ullman, chairman; one application for Italy, effective 1950-51.
6. Special committee for Austria, modern history field; Professor Ralph H. Lutz, chairman; one application for Austria, effective when the program for Austria is announced.
7. The special committee for China, Dr. Arthur W. Hummel, chairman, submitted an application for China in 1948. This application is being held by the Conference Board pending the adjustment of relations with China.

From the above applications, a research scholarship has been granted to Professor A. P. Nasatir for 1949-50 for the development of a microcopying program embracing materials in French archives relating to American history. Although, with one exception, the remainder of the applications for 1949-50 were sent forward by the Conference Board of Associated Research Councils to the Fulbright board with favorable recommendations, complications in the co-ordinating of the applications with the educational foundations of the various countries concerned have made it necessary to continue these applications for the 1950-51 program.

The Committee on Documentary Reproduction and the Library of Congress also sponsored a request for a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation for the microcopying of medieval manuscripts in several Austrian monasteries. The program was initiated by the special medieval committee for Austria with Professor George B. Fowler as chairman, and was endorsed by Dr. Charles R. D. Miller, executive secretary of the Mediaeval Academy of America, and by Dr. Guy Stanton Ford, executive secretary, of the American Historical Association. The Rockefeller Foundation, however, did not feel that it could underwrite a program of such large proportions, the estimated cost totaling over \$300,000. The Committee on Documentary Reproduction, in conjunction with the Library of Congress and the special medieval committee for Austria, is exploring the possibilities of obtaining sponsorship of this program through the Association of Research Libraries.

Although the extensive efforts of the committee have not yielded the hoped-for immediate specific results, a great deal of necessary spade work has been done which has clarified the problem and which should make possible the charting of a course of action based on established realities.

NOVEMBER 10, 1949.

EDGAR L. ERICKSON, *Chairman.*

THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON MANUSCRIPTS

The ad hoc committee on manuscripts is not prepared to make a formal report at this time. We would like, however, to inform the Association of our activities to date.

In the summer we sent a questionnaire to the custodians of some eighty manuscript depositories. Since that time we have been in the process of circulating the replies to the questionnaire among the members of the committee. To supplement this individual analysis we held a meeting of four members of the committee. We hope to assemble the full committee early in February. Our discussions have served to bring out some of the questions that must be covered in our final report.

We are trying to analyze the needs and responsibilities both of custodians of manuscripts and of scholars and others who use manuscripts. The custodian has a double responsibility: to acquire and preserve valuable manuscripts for present and future use; and to make those manuscripts as fully and freely available to present users as is consistent with the first responsibility. Further contradictions arise in making the contents of unrestricted collections readily available and, at the same time, preserving the manuscripts from damage resulting from careless or too frequent use.

Your committee will undoubtedly urge custodians to try to acquire possession of papers with the fewest possible restrictions. In acquiring manuscripts the directors of depositories should be sure, when possible, to secure a dedication to the public of the literary rights held by donors in any unpublished letters or other writings.

Reading of the notes taken by scholars working on manuscript collections, in order to prevent improper use of the material, has operated badly from the standpoint of all concerned. Librarians in general are too busy to read such notes carefully; yet, the ceremony gives a certain sanction to the material extracted. Scholars generally dislike the practice. We feel sure that it is preferable to establish whatever rules seem necessary to screen applicants and to allow those meeting these qualifications to have uncensored use.

Problems of arrangement and cataloguing will be the subject of further study and discussion. Item by item cataloguing is impractical for most large collections, but it is essential to have some type of inventory which properly describes the arrangement of papers, series by series, and is in itself a finding aid. The rapid accumulation of modern institutional records is compelling the destruction of some types of routine material and the segregation of other types. In solving these problems librarians should more often invoke the aid of competent scholars familiar with certain collections.

We are considering recommendations for greater co-operation between depositories. We believe that records should be kept, when possible, in their locality of origin. Fragments of material should not be separated from larger wholes. If collections have already been split into parts, depositories should exchange microfilms so that each will have the complete collection. In fact, we will probably urge a much wider interchange of films than many depositories are inclined to permit at present.

We hope that our deliberations will result in a manual of good practice for both scholars and librarians, including a glossary of technical terms and a bibliography of printed or manuscript inventories of collections in major depositories.

We wish in this preliminary statement to thank those archivists and librarians who have given so generously of their time in answering and commenting upon our lengthy questionnaire.

HOWARD K. BEALE,
JULIAN P. BOYD,
KATHARINE E. BRAND,
GEORGE M. MOWRY,
ALICE SMITH,
THOMAS C. COCHRAN, *Chairman.*

DECEMBER 24, 1949.

Other Reports

REPORT OF THE DELEGATE TO THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF LEARNED SOCIETIES

The A. C. L. S. has at last acquired an executive director who seems willing to keep his position for more than a year. This greater stability in the executive offices comes just as the new constitution is beginning to produce its full effect, and indicates that the Council has successfully passed through the difficult period of transition which followed the retirement of Dr. Leland. The Council should now be able to go beyond purely routine activities and assume a position of leadership in dealing with the problems of the humanistic discipline.

The annual meeting in January, 1949, while perhaps a little more interesting than the two which preceded it, still did not fulfill the hopes expressed at the time of the adoption of the new constitution. The reduction in the number of delegates did not bring about a corresponding reduction in the amount of purely formal business, and there was little time or stimulus for free discussion. Plans are now being made to produce a more interesting agenda for the next meeting.

The work of the Council during the year falls under four main heads: international intellectual co-operation, training of personnel in the humanities, opening up new areas of study, and improving facilities for scholarly publication.

There is little to say under the first head. Like everyone else, members of the Council found it difficult to discover much substance in the long meetings of UNESCO, the UAI, and similar bodies. Contacts with European scholars were renewed, but no concrete proposals which would interest the Council or its constituent societies were made.

Much more has been done in the work of discovering and training scholars in the humanities. Generous support from the foundations has made it possible to establish fellowships for graduate students who wish to follow plans of study which bridge across conventional, departmental lines. For example, a graduate student in history might apply for such a fellowship in order to learn a non-European language, or to acquire skill in a social science technique such as demography. This year, for the first time, fellowships have been given to outstanding seniors in liberal arts colleges to finance their first year of graduate study. It is hoped that this program will attract men of real ability to humanistic studies. Plans are also being made to establish fellowships for younger faculty members which will make it possible for them to maintain their interest in research during the difficult period when teaching and family responsibilities reach their peak. The Council is also participating in the Conference Board study of human

resources in order to learn something about the recruitment, training, and distribution of scholarly personnel.

The two new areas of study where the Council has done most effective work are Russia and the Near East. The Russian program has begun to produce important results; first, in the translation of important Russian scholarly works; second, in the publication of the *Current Digest of the Soviet Press*. The Near Eastern program is just getting under way. It will also produce translations of key works, and it is hoped that it will be able to aid in the training of scholars to work in this region.

The Council is also trying to encourage new approaches in established disciplines through planning committees and conferences. Conferences of special interest to historians will be those on the interpretation of history, law and culture, and cultural and social implications of science.

The Council last year received a two-year grant to support a staff adviser on publications. Mr. Henry Silver was appointed to this position, and has been making a study of the problems of scholarly publication. He has been able to suggest some economies to the editors of scholarly journals of small circulation, but as yet has no recommendations regarding the publication of books.

At the January meeting the following new officers of the Council were elected: Cornelius Krusé, Wesleyan, *chairman*; John Wilson, Chicago, *vice-chairman*; Cornelius W. de Kiewiet, Cornell, and Carl Kraeling, Yale, *directors*. Mr. Hanke continues as secretary, Mr. Boggs as treasurer, and Messrs. Leavitt, Ogg, Pargellis, Shryock, Strayer, and White as directors.

NOVEMBER 4, 1949.

JOSEPH R. STRAYER.

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL

During the last year the Social Science Research Council has been engaged in a number of activities which are of pertinence to the study of history. Perhaps the most pertinent of all is the work of the Committee on Historiography composed of Ralph E. Turner, chairman, S. H. Brockunier, secretary, Eugene N. Anderson, Shepard B. Clough, Thomas C. Cochran, Elmer Ellis, and Bert J. Loewenberg. The committee held a number of conferences to investigate those concepts and methods in the other social sciences which may be of use in historical research. The committee plans preparation of a book which will make its findings available to members of the guild. It will in a sense be a sequel to Bulletin 54, "The Theory and Practice of Historical Study."

The Committee on Economic History under the chairmanship of Arthur H. Cole has in press a history of the business corporation in New Jersey prior to 1875 by John W. Cadman, Jr., and *Steamboats on the Western Rivers* by Louis C. Hunter. The committee is also participating in the preparation of a book on the scope and methods of economic history to be published next year by the Economic History Association and the American Economic Association. The group has also been engaged in furthering studies in entrepreneurial history. The following persons were granted economic history fellowships during the year:

Hugh G. J. Aitken, the contribution of entrepreneurship to economic growth, particularly with reference to Canada.

David S. Landes, the French businessman and the industrial revolution, 1830-70.

Harold C. Passer, a history of the electrical manufacturing industry in the United States.

R. Richard Wohl, a biography of Daniel W. Norton, a versatile Connecticut entrepreneur, 1799-1874.

Finally, attention should be called to a grant from the committee to Professor Carter Goodrich, of Columbia University, for research on relation of government to American economic development.

The Committee on Economic Growth under the chairmanship of Simon Kuznets is concentrating its attention upon research regarding long term changes in the economic magnitude and structure of larger social units such as nations and regions of the United States. It is also investigating problems and factors in economic growth such as science and technology, natural resources, and governmental intervention.

The Committee on Slavic Studies under the chairmanship of Philip E. Mosely has arranged for the publication of a weekly *Current Digest of the Soviet Press*. The committee has also concerned itself with securing adequate research materials in the field.

The Committee on Analysis of Pre-Election Polls and Forecasts, chairmanned by S. S. Wilks, has published its report under the title "The Pre-Election Polls of 1948."

The Council has a Committee on International Relations Research that is planning interdisciplinary attempts to solve problems of international relations. It has co-operated, through the International Exchange of Persons Committee, with the American Council on Education, American Council of Learned Societies, and the National Research Council in advising the Board of Foreign Scholarships and the Department of State regarding the administration of the Fulbright Act.

The Committee on Social Science Periodicals for Europe has been instrumental in providing European institutions with some 2,600 subscriptions to 42 American periodicals.

The World Area Research Committee has begun to make an appraisal of methods necessary in area research.

The War Studies Committee has disbanded, having brought its assignment to conclusion.

Of the 35 grants-in-aid made in the year, 14 were in the field of history; also five area research travel-and-training grants were in the field of history.

OCTOBER 27, 1949.

SHEPARD B. CLOUGH.

REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE ON THE SUPERVISORY BOARD OF THE AMERICAN *Yearbook*

The American *Yearbook* continues to appear in its traditional format. In the absence of any suggestions from members of the Association, I shall assume that the present form and authorship are satisfactory to those who use the *Yearbook*.

OCTOBER 31, 1949.

THOMAS C. COCHRAN.

REPORT ON *Social Education*

I am happy to report that *Social Education* has improved in every department during the past year. The number of articles has increased from sixty to seventy-four in the eight issues that appeared, owing in part to the issuance of an over-size April special number devoted to "Education for International Understanding." The quality of the articles submitted has improved and those published are superior to those of the preceding year. A higher proportion of authors come from the faculties of universities and colleges.

The editor, Dr. Paul Lewis Todd, in his editorials and in general management of the magazine is providing the type of leadership needed on the levels to which it is directed. His method of soliciting articles on special subjects has been an important factor in the improvements shown this year. Especially to be noted are a series of eight articles on educational developments in other countries and a wide range of papers that develop various aspects of general education in the United States.

Among the special subject areas, other than pedagogical, which the contributors to *Social Education* developed in 1949, I am happy to report that history has received somewhat more emphasis than in the preceding year. However, unless the December number is included and papers on educational trends are classified as history, an improper proceeding, I find that Dr. Todd's report in this respect is over optimistic. An insufficient number of papers, as in the preceding year, actually develop strictly historical (as apart from pedagogical) subjects, and so far as *Social Education* is concerned its clientele is left increasingly uninformed on the latest developments and fruits of research and writing in our discipline.

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As the representative of the American Historical Association on the Executive Board of *Social Education*, I am obliged to confess that this is an ironically truncated product of an enterprise launched under the aegis of the Commission of the Social Studies and of the American Historical Association. It was then still accepted as sound doctrine that the information, direction, and leadership of instruction in history on all levels was an important obligation of our Association. This vital function, on non-college and university levels, has in the past few years been virtually surrendered. . . . The interest of these scholars in effective and up-to-date instruction in history on any level has been increasingly attenuated during recent years while their preference for the more supposedly "functional" fields of the other social studies in the schools hardly augurs a bright future for historical studies in the schools. It will be interesting to discover in years to come if historical instruction and study can flourish in colleges and universities if the students who enter them have received an ever diminishing amount of instruction in the subject.

With respect to the editorial office of *Social Education* the report of the business manager will indicate that at last it occupies an entire room. During 1949 ample secretarial help in the form of a full-time editorial assistant and secretary was provided for Dr. Todd. During the present academic year Dr. Todd has discontinued his previous work for the NEA and has as much time as is necessary for editing while he employs the remainder of his hours in private research and writing. This will undoubtedly be beneficial to the journal, but it is an arrangement that is made possible at the private expense of the editor.

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The renewed deficit in the editorial budget and the further depletion of the now seriously reduced guarantee fund that the American Historical Association has supplied *Social Education* may be ascribed to a failure to secure the additional volume of advertising that was regarded as an almost certain expectation that would be realized by making the business manager responsible for this. It may be doubted if it is possible to secure an adequate volume of advertising income unless the person responsible for its cultivation is located in close proximity to an important publishing center. Technically, the editorial deficit can be ascribed, as it is by the business manager, to increased secretarial assistance for the editor. Actually, the previous year's surplus was accumulated through neglect of this important item.

NOVEMBER 10, 1949.

CHESTER MCARTHUR DESTLER.

*Financial Report for Social Education**Sept. 1, 1948 to Aug. 31, 1949*

		<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>
Cash on deposit, Sept. 1, 1948.....	\$412. 32		
A. H. A. quarterly payment, Oct. 29, 1948.....	1, 200. 00		
A. H. A. quarterly payment, May 31, 1949	3, 012. 28		
A. H. A. quarterly payment, Aug. 31, 1949	1, 675. 00		
		\$6, 300. 00	
Salaries, editor.....	2, 500. 00		
Secretarial.....	2, 291. 86		
Office expenditures (telephone, telegraph, postage, supplies, proof changes and office copies of <i>Social Education</i>).....	703. 76		
Moving expenses.....	144. 19		
Travel expense, editor.....	91. 18		
			\$5, 730. 99
Balance, Aug. 31, 1949.....			569. 01
		6, 300. 00	6, 300. 00

MERRILL F. HARTSHORN, *Business Manager*.

The undersigned have checked the above accounts and find that all receipts and disbursements are correctly listed. The expenditures are supported by proper vouchers.

WILLIAM M. BREWER,
PAUL O. CARR, *Auditors*.

REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF HISTORICAL SCIENCES

Donald C. McKay of Harvard University, our representative, has kept the central office well informed about the affairs of the International Committee of Historical Sciences. His detailed report of the meeting in London, June 25-27, 1949, is on file in the office and is available to any interested member of the Association.

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF CLASSICAL AND MEDIEVAL STUDIES IN ROME

The committee has not met during the past year, and we have no real information of interest to the American Historical Association.

NOVEMBER 3, 1949.

AUSTIN P. EVANS.
T. ROBERT S. BROUGHTON.

Report
OF THE
PACIFIC COAST BRANCH
OF THE AMERICAN
HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Proceedings of the Forty-second Annual Meeting

The forty-second annual meeting of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association was held under the auspices of Mills College at Oakland, California, on December 28, 29, and 30, 1949. The total registration for the meeting was 199. The program was arranged by a committee consisting of Harold W. Bradley of Claremont Graduate School, chairman, James G. Allen of the University of Colorado, Louis K. Koontz of the University of California, Los Angeles, Anatole Mazour of Stanford University, and Gordon Wright of the University of Oregon. Local arrangements were in charge of a committee consisting of Richard N. Current of Mills College, chairman, Delmer M. Brown of the University of California, Berkeley, Francis H. Herrick of Mills College, and Wayne Vucinich of Stanford University.

The meeting opened on the evening of December 28 with an informal reception in the living room of Ethel Moore Hall, one of the residence halls on the campus of Mills College. All subsequent sessions were held in various rooms of this building, where delegates were also housed and meals served.

On the morning of December 29 there were two concurrent sessions. One of these was devoted to modern Europe and was presided over by W. Henry Cooke of the Claremont Graduate School. Papers were presented by Carl B. O'Brien of the University of California, Davis, on "Experiment in Regulation: Trade Controls in Later Seventeenth-Century Russia"; D. E. Emerson of the University of Washington on "*Polizeihofstelle* and *Staatskanzlei*: Some Considerations on Metternich's Political Police after the Napoleonic Wars"; and Charles Jelavich of the University of California, Berkeley, on "Russo-Bulgarian Relations, 1892-1896: With Particular Reference to the Problem of Succession in Bulgaria". The other session was on the American Frontier. Dan E. Clark of the University of Oregon was chairman. Papers were presented by Kenneth P. Bailey of Oceanside-Carlsbad College on "New Light on Christopher Gist"; Isaac J. Cox of Northwestern University on "The Year 1806: Heyday of the Filibuster"; Robert G. Athearn of the University of Colorado on "The Montana Volunteers"; and Merrill G. Burlingame of Montana State College on "Social Security in a Frontier Mining Camp: Virginia City, Montana."

At a joint luncheon with the American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, on December 29, Carl F. Brand of Stanford University presided. There were two addresses: one by Ernst Kantorowicz of the University of California, Berkeley, on "*Pro patria mori* in Medieval Political Theory," and the other by Hugh Miller of the University of California, Los Angeles, on "Logic and History."

On the afternoon of December 29 there were three concurrent sessions. One, on the history of Great Britain, was presided over by Walter N. Sage of the University of British Columbia. There were papers by John E. Gleason of Pomona College on "The Education of Some Justices of the Peace, 1558-1640"; Arthur C. Turner of the University of Glasgow on "The Efforts of Pressure Groups in Questions of Foreign Policy in the Mid-19th Century House of Commons"; Arthur J. Marder of Harvard University and the University of Hawaii on "Admiral Sir Arthur Richmond: An Appreciation"; and L. Mark Hamilton of Pacific Union College on "The English Christians and the Problem of War, 1914-18." At the session on the history of the Far East Joseph W. Ellison of Oregon State College presided. The papers presented were "'Asiatic Federation' and the Japanese Expansion into Hawaii" by F. Hilary Conroy of the University of California, Berkeley; "Formosa under Three Rules" by Yu-Shan Han of the University of California, Los Angeles; "Foreign Minister Kato and the Twenty-one Demands" by Paul S. Dull of the University of Oregon; and "Chinese History in the Soviet View"

by Lawrence Krader of the University of Washington. The third session was on the history of the United States; John D. Hicks of the University of California, Berkeley, presided. There were papers on "Religious Music in Colonial America" by Cyclone Covey of Reed College; "Alexander Hamilton and the Constitutional Convention" by John C. Miller of Bryn Mawr College and Stanford University; "The Economic Policies of Alexander Hamilton: A Reexamination" by Katherine M. Ragen of San Diego State College; and "The American Electoral System: A Problem in Historical Dynamics" by Paul S. Smith of Whittier College.

Late on the afternoon of December 29 there was a reception for those attending the meeting given by the chapters of Phi Alpha Theta, national honorary historical fraternity, at the University of California, Berkeley, and Stanford University.

The annual dinner of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association was held on the evening of December 29. Francis H. Herrick of Mills College presided. The subject of the presidential address by Carl F. Brand of Stanford University was "Democracy in Great Britain." Following the address, there was a reception for those attending the meeting given by the department of history of Mills College.

There were two sessions on the morning of December 30. One was on the history of Latin America. Donald Rowland of the University of Southern California presided. There were papers by Philip W. Powell of the University of California, Santa Barbara College, on "The Forty Niners of 16th Century Mexico"; Woodrow Borah of the University of California, Berkeley, on "New Spain's Century of Economic Stringency after 1577"; Bernard E. Bobb of the State College of Washington on "The Militia Program in New Spain under Bucareli"; and John J. Johnson of Stanford University on "The Foreign Factor in Dictatorship in Latin America." John W. Caughey of the University of California, Los Angeles, was chairman of the session on the history of the Far West. Papers were read by John B. McGloin of the University of San Francisco on "Michael Accolti, Gold Rush Padre and founder of the California Jesuits"; Raymond A. Rydell of Los Angeles State College on "Commodore Thomas ap Catesby Jones and the California Gold Rush"; Russell R. Elliott of the University of Nevada on "Labor Troubles in the Mining Camp at Goldfield, Nevada, 1906-1908"; and Hyman Palais of Humboldt State College on "The History of the Redwood Lumber Industry of Northern California."

The annual business meeting of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association was held following luncheon on December 30. President Carl F. Brand was in the chair. The Secretary-Treasurer, the Chairman of the Board of Editors of the *Pacific Historical Review*, the Managing Editor of the *Pacific Historical Review*, and the Business Manager of the *Pacific Historical Review* presented their reports, which were accepted. The chairman of the Committee on Awards in American History announced awards with equal credit to Alexander DeConde of Whittier College for his manuscript, "Herbert Hoover and Latin America," and to Russell R. Elliott of the University of Nevada for his manuscript, "Twentieth Century Mining Boom: A History of the Tonopah-Goldfield-Bullfrog Mining Districts, 1900-1915."

The chairman of the Committee on Awards in European History announced that his committee recommended no awards for 1949. A report from the chairman of the Committee on Awards in Pacific History, was read stating that the committee had not yet completed its work and was not ready to make an announcement.¹

The Committee on Resolutions, consisting of W. Henry Cooke, chairman, Malcom R. Eiselen, and Frank G. Williston, presented the following:

The Resolutions Committee believes that it speaks for the whole membership of the American Historical Association living and working in the states, territories, and prov-

¹ Subsequent to the meeting the committee determined to make the award to F. Hilary Conroy for his manuscript, "Japanese Immigration into Hawaii, 1868-1898."

inches west of the Rocky Mountains when it hereby recognizes the effective handling of the affairs of the Pacific Coast Branch of the Association by its officers and Council members during the year 1949. The Committee, in addition, proposes in behalf of those members and friends who have attended this annual meeting at Mills College that it be

Resolved, That special thanks be extended to the Program Committee for presenting the excellent occasion by which we have all profited and which we all enjoyed; that it be

Resolved, That our warmest appreciation be extended to the administration of Mills College for serving our needs admirably during our stay on this campus, and especially to Dr. and Mrs. Herrick and Dr. and Mrs. Current for their thoughtful and gracious hospitality; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Editors and Dr. John W. Caughey, the Editor, have our continued confidence for their scholarly service in producing a distinguished series of issues of the *Pacific Historical Review* during the year. We bespeak the continued support of the members of the Association for this enterprise.

In behalf of those members who have been called by death from our ranks during the year we ask a moment of silence with the calling of the roll, and ask that it be *Resolved* that notes expressing our sense of loss be sent to their widows or families by the Secretary: Frank Wesley Pitman of Pomona College, twice a member of the Council and President of the Pacific Coast Branch in 1930; Winston B. Thorson, State College of Washington; John T. Ganoe, University of Oregon; Philip Gerald Auchampaugh, University of Nevada, Robert J. Parker, City College of San Francisco; Melvin Clay Jacobs, Whitman College; Otto Jeidels, Santa Barbara; Samuel T. Farquhar, University of California, late Manager of the University of California Press and Business Manager of the *Pacific Historical Review*.

These resolutions were unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Nominations, consisting of Dan E. Clark, chairman, Francis J. Bowman, W. Stull Holt, Austin E. Hutchinson, Anatole Mazour, and John H. Kemble (ex officio) reported the following nominations: President, Walter N. Sage, University of British Columbia; Vice President, John J. Van Nostrand, University of California, Berkeley; Secretary-Treasurer, John H. Kemble, Pomona College; Council, Quirinus Breen, University of Oregon, Merrill G. Burlingame, Montana State College, David Harris, Stanford University, Arthur R. Kooker, University of Southern California. Board of Editors, *Pacific Historical Review* (terms ending 1952), Peter M. Dunne, University of San Francisco, W. Stull Holt, University of Washington, Earl Swisher, University of Colorado. Committees on Awards: American History, Herman J. Deutsch, Washington State College, (chairman), Paul S. Smith, Whittier College, James H. Shideler, University of California, Davis; European History, Alfred Larson, University of Wyoming, (chairman), Francis J. Bowman, University of Southern California, Giovanni Costigan, University of Washington; Pacific History, Paul S. Dull, University of Oregon, (chairman), Allan B. Cole, Pomona College, Lawrence Kinnaird, University of California.

These nominations were unanimously adopted.

A report for the Special Committee on the *Pacific Historical Review* was presented by Harold W. Bradley. It was accepted and the committee discharged.

It was moved, seconded, and carried that Bylaw 11 be added as follows: "The President shall annually appoint a Committee on Membership."

The meeting closed with two simultaneous sessions on the afternoon of December 30. One, on the history of modern Europe, was presided over by David Harris of Stanford University. There were papers on "Heinrich Kanner, Austrian Opponent of Militarism," by Henry F. McCreery of the California Institute of Technology; "The Sarraill Affair, 1915: A Chapter in French Politico-Military Conflict" by Jere King of the University of California, Los Angeles; "Soviet Russia's Cold War and Hot War Against the West, 1917-21," by Merrill Spalding of Stanford University; and "The Genesis of the Present Polish Government," by Raymond H. Fisher of the University of California,

Los Angeles. The other session, on the history of the United States, had W. Stull Holt of the University of Washington as chairman. There were papers by Benjamin A. Frankel of Saint Mary's College on "Bolivar and the Colored Castes in Venezuelan Independence"; Arthur R. Kooker of the University of Southern California on "From Pressure Politics to Political Action: the Genesis of the Liberty Party"; John A. White of the University of Hawaii on "The American Role in Siberian Intervention," read in his absence by Alexander DeConde of Whittier College; and James H. Shideler of the University of California, Davis, on "The La Follette Third Party: After the 1924 Election."

FEBRUARY 21, 1950.

JOHN H. KEMBLE, *Secretary-Treasurer*.

Financial Statement, 1949

Balance, Jan. 1, 1949	\$157. 62
Income:	
American Historical Association subvention	\$200. 00
Interest on Savings Account	2. 29
Registration Fees, December 1949 Meeting	192. 00
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Expense:	
Annual Meeting, December 1949	8. 00
Printing, stationery supplies	73. 80
Postage	29. 94
Travel expense	45. 00
Telephone 75
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	157. 49
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Balance, Jan. 1950	394. 42

FEBRUARY 25, 1950

JOHN H. KEMBLE, *Secretary-Treasurer*.