A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

As most of you must be aware, this issue is about six months late. Despite what seemed to me to be firm assurances of the financial and clerical support necessary to maintain the operation of the newsletter by my institution, that support has not materialized. After what, in retrospect, seems now to have been an inordinate delay, I informed the Executive Secretary in October that I would put out this issue without subsidy but could undertake no more. Happily, Dr. Carlton C. Qualey has obtained the backing of the Minnesota Historical Society and will issue subsequent numbers. All future correspondence about editorial material, dues, etc., should be sent to:

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This belated issue is a source of great personal embarrassment and I apologize to the membership for the delay and for my error in judgment in not resigning sooner.

THE 1972 IHS BUSINESS MEETING

The annual business meeting of the Immigration History Group took place on April 6, 1972 at the Sheraton Hotel, Washington, D.C. in connection with the annual meeting of the Organization
of American Historians. Nineteen members were in attendance. The executive secretary presided. Roger Daniels, newsletter editor and treasurer, reported on the condition of the society. Please note that we have become a society, surrendering the name of group in accordance with the newly adopted Constitution which also appears in this issue of the newsletter. Roger reported that checks have been coming in at a most encouraging rate and that the Society's financial condition is rapidly improving. Theodore Saloutos presented the draft of the Constitution, prepared by him, Carlton Qualey and Roger Daniels. The Constitution was discussed and adopted after certain changes incorporated in the present draft were made. The following motion was passed: as a one time emergency measure, the current executive board will be empowered to name a nomination committee for the election of president, vice-president and additional executive board members.

Rudolph Vecoli then reported on the following matters: the list of Ph D dissertations dealing with immigration, compiled by Bill Hoglund is well in hand. We are now discussing opportunities to publish it. It should consist of over one thousand titles and will probably make up a forty to fifty page pamphlet. Mr. Howard Applegate of the Balch Institute, Philadelphia, discussed his institution's plans for the furtherance and encouragement of immigration history and his desire to explore cooperative publication ventures. It was moved that officers of the society be empowered to enter into agreements with Professor Hoglund and appropriate publishers. Vecoli also gave us a report on the progress of the ethnic records microform project. A motion was passed to continue the Society's support of this undertaking.

Lastly, a motion was passed authorizing Professor Vecoli to pursue the Society's interests with respect to the revisions suggested for the American Museum of Immigration.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Appel

Executive Secretary, IHS
CONSTITUTION OF THE IMMIGRATION HISTORY SOCIETY

Article I - Name
The name of this body shall be the Immigration History Society.

Article II - Object
The object of this society shall be to encourage research, publication and the teaching of immigrant and ethnic history, and do all it can to further these purposes.

Article III - Membership
Section 1. Any person supporting the objectives of the Society will be enrolled as a member upon payment of dues to the Treasurer.
Section 2. There shall be the following kinds of membership in the Society: Annual, Student and Institutional at such rates as shall be recommended by the Executive Board and approved by the membership at the Annual Business Meeting. All members shall be entitled to full voting privileges.

Article IV - Officers and Terms of Office
Section 1. The Society shall have the following elective officers: a President, a Vice-President who shall be nominated for the presidency unless he becomes unavailable for the office, an Executive Secretary, and a Treasurer-Newsletter Editor.
Section 2. The officers, together with former presidents who continue to serve for three years immediately succeeding their presidency, and nine elective members shall constitute the Executive Board.
Section 3. All officers shall be elected for three years.
Section 4. The term of office of elected officers shall begin with the adjournment of the Annual Business Meeting.

Article V - Elections
Section 1. The election shall be by mail ballot.
Section 2. Nominations shall be made by a Nominating Committee of five persons elected by the membership in a second year of a term. The President shall select a chairman from the Committee members elected. The Nominating Committee shall report to the Executive Secretary not later than January 15th its nominations for a President, a Vice-President, and candidates for each vacancy on the Executive Board. The ballot should also provide a space where members may suggest candidates for the following term.
Section 3. Voting. The official ballot shall be prepared and mailed no later than February 15th. The ballots must be returned by March 15th. In the event of a tie in the mail ballot, or in order to meet an emergency vacancy, the election to the office in question shall be determined by a ballot at the Annual Business Meeting which normally shall be held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Organization of American Historians. The election results shall be announced at the Annual Business Meeting and in the next issue of the Immigration History Newsletter.

Article VI - Duties of the Officers

Section 1. The President of the Society shall preside at all meetings of the Society and the Executive Board. In case of disability or absence, the duties shall be those of the Vice-President or the Executive Secretary, in that order. Standing and special committees shall be appointed by the President.

Section 2. The Executive Secretary shall be responsible for the records of the Society, arrange for meetings, notify members concerned, inform persons of their appointment to committees, publish notices, and arrange for meetings of the Society.

Section 3. The Treasurer-Newsletter Editor shall have custody of the funds of the Society.

Section 4. The Executive Board shall have general charge of the affairs of the Society, including the calling and the conducting of the annual and special meetings, supervision of business affairs, and other matters pertaining to the Society and its well-being. It shall be presided over by the President.

Article VII - Quorums

Section 1. A quorum of the membership for business meetings shall consist of 15 members. A quorum of the Executive Board shall be five members.

Article VIII - Amendments

Section 1. Amendments to this constitution may be proposed by the Executive Board or by a petition of 10 members submitted to the Executive Secretary, or by a motion passed at the Annual Business Meeting. All proposed amendments shall be submitted to the members by mail ballot. Amendments shall go into effect as soon as the results of the polls are approved and reported at an Annual Business Meeting.
Section 2. Voting members of the Society are encouraged to submit recommendations for the improvement of the activities of the Immigration History Society to the Executive Board or the Executive Secretary of the Society or from the floor of the business meeting of the Society.

Article IX - Incorporation

Section 1. The Society shall be incorporated.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY’S (UNTIDY) DESK.

I have taken my first uncertain steps in the commodious shoes passed on to me by Victor Greene, former occupant of the secretary’s chair. Those who know Victor will not dispute me when I say he is a BIG man. It will take some doing to get used to his old brogans!

First, let me encourage you to keep Carlton Qualey, IHS Newsletter Editor-Treasurer supplied with appropriate items for the Newsletter. Send him your check for $3 for the current year’s subscription if you have not already done so.

Second, I should be pleased to receive course outlines, bibliographies and study aids describing courses in immigration and ethnic studies. I hope to build up a file of such materials and, at the appropriate time, prepare an annotated list of names and addresses of those who have supplied the material. In that way, every member can have a resource file of those engaged in teaching immigration and ethnic history.

Third, it has been suggested that the IHS should plan for a separate meeting every three or four years in order to bring together as many members as possible who do not attend the annual conclaves of the American Historical Association and the Organization of American Historians. If we can obtain financial support for such a meeting from university, government or foundation sources, we may be able to help defray some of the expenses a national (and why not international?) conclave entails.

Fourth, I want to thank those members who have written to me in connection with our (now adopted) Constitution, the review of the Immigration History Museum, and the annual business meeting. I have not been able to acknowledge all such communications. But be assured
that your opinions were represented and your ideas taken into account before members of the executive council arrived at the decisions reflected by our actions.

Fifth, you will soon be asked to think about nominees for the offices of president, vice-president and additional executive council members. The first pair of presiding officers will have to set policies and make decisions of considerable importance to us all. May I suggest that you think carefully about the choices to be made. Fortunately, among the founding fathers of our group, now become a Society, there are grey and black (and balding) heads whose scholarly credentials and efforts in behalf of our common interests make them eminently suitable candidates for the offices to be filled.

Sixth, please do not forget to send proposals for joint program sessions to our program chairman, Prof. Marian McKenna, History, University of Calgary, Calgary 44, Alberta, Canada.

Seventh, and last: why not plan ahead? The next three conventions of the Organization of American Historians will be held in Chicago (April 11-14, 1973); Denver (April 17-20, 1974); Boston (April 16-19, 1975). According to our new Constitution, the IHS will hold its annual business meeting in conjunction with these annual OAH conclaves from here on.

Cordially yours,

John J. Appel

NEWS AND NOTES


A lecture by Carlton G. Qualey, "On Being An Ethnic Historian", has been published in pamphlet form by the Friends of the Library, Western Reserve Historical Society.

The American Italian Historical Association, 209 Flagg Place, Staten Island, N.Y., 10304, has published: **Ethnicity in American Life; The Italian Americans; The Italian-American Novel; and An Inquiry Into Organized Crime.**

The Second National Asian American Studies Conference will be held at California State University, San Jose, on July 6-8, 1973. Those interested should write: Gus Lee, Asian American Studies, University of California, Davis, Ca., 95616.

The American Italian Historical Association held its 5th Annual Conference in Boston on Nov. 11. The theme was "Italian American Radicalism: Old World Origins and New World Developments". Papers included: John D. Baker, "The Italian Anarchism and the American Dream - The View of John Dos Passos"; Louis Joughin, "New Approaches to the Sacco Vanzetti Case"; Nunzio Pernicone, "The Italian Anarchist Movement: The Transatlantic Dimension"; David Wieck, "Nick and Bart: The Ideology of Myths".

The Institute for Continuing Education of the Passaic, New Jersey public schools is conducting "The Ethnic and Racial Experience in America: A Public Workshop". For details write Michael H. Ebner, History, City College, CUNY.

The Library, University of Hawaii, has published Social Process in Hawaii: an Index to Volumes 1-26, 1935-1963 by Kum Pui Lai at $2.00. Positive microfilm of a complete run of the journal is available for $32.00. It was the annual publication of the University's Department of Sociology.


The Balch Institute, 123 S. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa., 19109, has a list of collections available for research including microfilm runs of foreign language newspapers in German, Italian, Russian and Slovak.
A recent meeting of the Upper Midwest Ethnic Studies Association at St. Olaf College included papers by Carlton Qualey, "Ethnic Studies and Higher Education" and Norman Lederer, "Programing Ethnic Studies".

A recent meeting of the Pennsylvania Historical Society included a session "Immigration and Social Mobility": papers were Mark Dorfman, "Immigration - An Overlooked Catalyst of the Civil War" and John Bodnar, "The Mobility Rates of Slavic Immigrants and Negro Migrants in a Pennsylvania Steel Town."

William S. Bernard has edited a 10 volume series of reprints, Americanization Studies, published by Patterson Smith, 23 Prospect Terrace, Montclair, N.J., 07042 at $125 the set. They are: Frank V. Thompson, Schooling of the Immigrant; John Daniels, America via the Neighborhood; William I. Thomas, Old World Traits Transplanted; Peter A. Speck, A Stake in the Land; Michael M. Davis, Jr., Immigrant Health and the Community; Sophonsiba P. Breckenridge, New Homes for Old; Robert E. Park, The Immigrant Press and Its Control; John Palmer Gavit, Americans by Choice; Kate Holladay Claghorn, The Immigrant's Day in Court; William M. Leiserson, Adjusting Immigrant and Industry.

Leonard Dinnerstein will publish Jews in the South, a collection of his previously published articles, in Spring, 1973 with LSU Press.

The European Centre for Population Studies, Pauwenlaan 17, The Hague, Netherlands, in conjunction with the publisher, Martinus Nijhoff, have announced a competition, closing June 1, 1973, for manuscripts on European population problems, including migration. Prizes are 5000, 2500 and 1500 Dutch Guilders plus publication.

Professor Mark F. Goldberg, Office of Teacher Preparation, SUNY, Stony Brook, N.Y. 11790, writes: "I am interested in putting together a resource unit for secondary teachers who wish to explore the massive Jewish migration from East Europe to the United States from 1881 to 1917. Thus far, I have collected the names of over eighty works of fiction written in English and published between 1881 and 1917....I would like very much to have interested readers send me the following information or materials: 1. Contemporary literary sources; 2. Contemporary historical or sociological materi-
als - diaries, letters, newspapers etc.; 3. Non-contemporary fiction and non-fiction sources that deal with the period, 1881-1917; 4. Non-print materials that deal with the period, contemporary and non-contemporary - art, sculpture, music, film, etc.

The Commission on Memoir Study of the Polish Academy of Sciences under Dr. Franciszek Jakubczak has been established and is collecting reminiscences of Polish Americans concerning their past attitudes toward the old country. They have already collected about 150 and a selection will be published. The Commission is also revising and updating Thomas and Znaniecki, Polish Peasant in Europe and America for a 50th anniversary publication. The address of the Commission is: ulica Nowy Swiat, 18/20, Warsaw.

The Czechoslovak Overseas Institute (Ceskoslovensko Ustav Zahranici) at Karmelitska 25, Mala Strana, Prague has inaugurated a genealogical service for Czechs and Slovaks abroad. Joseph Beda is in charge.

A recent Polish publication is: Marek Drozdowski and Halina Janowska, eds., Pamietniki Emigrantow - Kanada (Memoirs of Emigrants, Canada).

The Information Bulletin of The Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America, 59 E. 66th St., NYC, 10021, reports: plans for initiating a large scale, three year, collective investigation of Polish Americans, based on a draft proposal by Feliks Gross, Sociology, Brooklyn College, CUNY; the election of Thaddeus V. Gromada, Professor of History, Jersey City State College, as Secretary General of the Institute.

Edward V. Kolyszko, Coordinator, Polish Microfilm Project, Center for Immigration Studies, Univ. of Minnesota, 1925 Sather St., St. Paul, Minn., 55113, reports continuing progress with "pilot" microfilming selected Polish American newspapers.

Dr. Reinhard R. Doerries, Historisches Seminar, Universitat Hamburg, 2 Hamburg 13, Von-Melle-Park 6, West Germany writes: Presently I am trying to make preparations for an extended work trip to the U.S. next year in connection with a study involving the history of German and Irish immigrants in the States since the end of the 19th century. In order to plan my stay in advance, it would be a great help to know the names of organizations and scholars in the States who are
informed on the above topic and who might be able to suggest the relevant archives and institutes in the U.S.

A session, "The Americanization of Ethnic Minorities", was held at the Southern Historical Association Meeting, Nov., 1972. Papers were: Paul W. McBride, "Settlements, Charities, and the Cultural Cold War" and Daniel E. Weinberg, "Immigrants, Experts, and Reform: A Question of Consensus".

The IHS Program Committee has arranged a joint session at the American Historical Association convention on December 30 in New Orleans: under the rubric "Immigrants in the New South", Jean Scarpaci will present "The Rural Case: Italian Immigrants in Louisiana's Sugar Parishes, 1880-1910" and Paul B. Worthman will present "The Urban Case: Industrial Immigrants in Birmingham, 1880-1910".

Joseph A. Cichon, Jr., Diocesan Archivist, Diocese of Providence, Cathedral Square, Providence, R.I., 02903 writes of a project to establish "A Center for the Study of Church and Immigration History in Rhode Island".

Amerasia Resources, Inc., 165 West 66 St., NYC, 10023, has published an exceptionally full catalogue, Japanese in America, $ .75.

There is now a Northwest Institute for Ethnic Studies, 1230 S.W. Park Avenue, Portland, Oregon, 97205. Michael Passi is Director.

H. Brett Melendy has published The Oriental Americans, Twayne Publishers, 1972, $6.95, which is volume 4 in their "Immigrant Heritage of America" series. It concentrates on Chinese and Japanese and compares their status in Hawaii and the mainland.

Franklin D. Scott has published a new edition of his AHA pamphlet on immigration now titled: The Peopling of America: Perspectives on Immigration, pamphlet #241, AHA, Pamphlet Orders B, 400 A Street, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003, $1.00.


Charlotte Erickson has published Invisible Immigrants: The adaptation of English and Scottish immigrants in 19th century America, University of Miami Press, Coral Gables, Fla., 519 pp., $17.50.
As a final item, it is most pleasant, in a time of placement troubles, to be able to list a job opening.

University of Minnesota Libraries

POSITION: Curator of Immigrant Archives

DEPT: Special Collections

STARTING DATE: Nov. 1, 1972

SALARY: $11,800 up, depending on qualifications

CONTACT: Raymond Bohling, Assistant Director for Administration,
University of Minnesota Libraries, Minneapolis, MN 55455

QUALIFICATIONS DESIRED: M.A. degree in library science, history, or related subject fields. Excellent knowledge of one or more Eastern, Central, or Southern European languages. Relevant professional experience. Capacity to deal effectively with donors and scholars. Demonstrated managerial ability. Research interest in American immigration and ethnic history.

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Immigrant Archives, a special collection consisting of publications and manuscripts, serves as a research facility for the study of American ethnic groups and immigrations from Eastern, Central, and Southern Europe, and the Middle East. The Curator is in charge of the Archives, which include such services as processing manuscript collections, cataloging publications, and assisting researchers. The Curator works closely with the Director of the Center for Immigrant Studies in the development of resources and the services of the Archives.

DATE POSTED: October 19, 1972.

NB. This notice was given to me in mid-November by Rudolph Vecoli and was unfilled at that time. R.D.