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HISTORY NEWS

The Annual Meeting

St. Augustine will be the site for the eighty-fifth meeting of the Florida Historical Society, May 7-9, 1987. Chairing the program committee is Dr. Herbert J. Doherty, Jr. (4131 Turlington Hall, Department of History, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611). Linda Williams, director of Spanish Point, will serve as co-chair of the committee (P.O. Box 847, Osprey, FL 33559). Other members include Dr. William Goza (137 Florida State Museum, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611), and Dr. David Colburn (4131 Turlington Hall, Department of History, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611). Persons wishing to present a paper or organize a panel should contact a member of the committee.

The annual meeting will be co-hosted by the Historic St. Augustine Preservation Board and the St. Augustine Historical Society. Susan Clark of the Preservation Board and Page Edwards, director of the St. Augustine Historical Society, are chairpersons of the local arrangements committee. Individuals wishing information should write: St. Augustine Historical Society, 271 Charlotte Street, St. Augustine, FL 32084, or the Historical St. Augustine Preservation Board, P. O. Box 1987, St. Augustine, FL 32084.

The Florida Historical Confederation will hold a workshop in conjunction with the annual meeting, beginning May 7, 1987. Patricia Wickman (Museum of Florida History, R. A. Gray Building, Tallahassee, FL 32301) is chair of the Confederation.

Awards

Dr. John H. Hann, Historic Sites Specialist at the San Luis Archaeological and Historic Site, Tallahassee, received the Arthur W. Thompson Memorial Prize for 1985-1986 for his article, "Demographic Patterns and Changes in Mid-Seventeenth Century Timucua and Apalachee." It appeared in the April 1986 issue of the *Florida Historical Quarterly*. The prize is given annually by the Florida Historical Society for the best article

appearing in the *Quarterly*, and is presented at the annual meeting of the Society. The judges for this year's award were Dr. David Colburn, University of Florida; Dr. Lucius Ellsworth, State University System of Florida; and Dr. Jerrell Shofner, University of Central Florida. The prize is made possible by an endowment established by Mrs. Arthur W. Thompson of Gainesville.

Racial Change and Community Crisis: St Augustine, Florida, 1877-1980, published by Columbia University Press, was selected as the best book published in 1985 on a Florida subject. Its author, David Colburn, professor of history and chairman of the Department of History, University of Florida, received the Rembert W. Patrick Memorial Book Award. The judges were Dr. James McGovern, University of West Florida; Lee Warner, Museum of Florida History; and Dean Michael Gannon, University of Florida. The award memorializes Professor Patrick, former editor of the *Florida Historical Quarterly* and for many years secretary of the Florida Historical Society.

The Charlton W. Tebeau Book Award for 1985 was presented to Patrick D. Smith of Merritt Island, Florida, for his book *A Land Remembered*, published by Pineapple Press. The award honors Dr. Charlton W. Tebeau, emeritus professor, University of Miami, editor of *Tequesta*, and former president of the Florida Historical Society. It is given annually to the author of the best book for young readers on a Florida subject. The judges were Kyle VanLandingham, Fort Pierce; Daniel Hobby, Fort Lauderdale Historical Society; and Norman Simon, Pensacola Historical Society. The prize is made possible by an endowment established by Dr. Tebeau.

Florida History Fair

Final competition for the fifth annual Florida History Fair was May 1-3, 1986, at the Florida Historical Society's annual meeting in Bradenton. Seven counties participated in the state contest. Winners in the Senior Division: first place, Kane McGrath of Spruce Creek High School, Volusia County. His project was "Battle of Bosworth Field," and his teacher was Elaine Attick. Runner-up was Todd Snowden of Booker T. Washington High School, Escambia County. His project was

"You Have the Right to Remain Silent, *Miranda v. Arizona*," and his teachers were Leslie Carlin and Barbara Tanner. Third place winners were John Robby Lefebvre II and Denin Brown of St. Petersburg High School. Their project was "A Computer Simulation of World War II," and their teacher was Dr. Linda McPheron. Junior Division winners: first place, Shauna Drumming of RAA Middle School, Leon County, for her project "First Came Segregation, Then Came Integration." Her teachers were Ann Haas and Faye Caylor. Tony Bull of Ormond Beach Junior High was runner-up. Her project was "The Battles of the Civil War, A Conflict and Compromise," and her teacher was Dan Harlacher. Third place winners were Aaron Fink and Louis Brooks of R. Frank Nims Middle School, Leon County. Their project was "The Fort of Three Flags," and their teachers were Brenda Scott and Hortense Tookes.

The winners in each division were eligible to compete in the National History Fair in College Park, Maryland, June 17-21, 1986. Gerald M. McSwiggan, Alva Jones, O. C. Peterson, Mary Linehan, and Patricia Wickman served as judges for the Florida History Fair competition. The Fair was sponsored by the Florida Historical Society with support from Gerald M. McSwiggan, member of the Society's board of directors. Dr. Paul S. George, Department of History, University of Miami, served as chairman of the Florida History Fair.

Wentworth Foundation Grant

A check for \$1,000 was presented to the Society at the annual meeting in May on behalf of the Wentworth Foundation, Inc., by Dr. William M. Goza, former president of the Florida Historical Society and executive director of the Foundation. This gift is to support the *Florida Historical Quarterly*. In addition to the Society's activities, the Wentworth Foundation has contributed to the educational, historical, anthropological, and cultural programs of many organizations. The Foundation's major activity is to provide tuition scholarships for undergraduate students at a number of Florida's public and private colleges and universities. The recipients are known as Wentworth Scholars. The Foundation also supports archeological projects sponsored by the Florida State Museum in Florida and in Haiti and the calendaring of Spanish borderland documents, manuscripts, and

microfilm in the P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History. The Wentworth Lecture in Southern History and the Wentworth history workshop at the University of Florida are also recipients of Foundation support. Dr. Dan T. Carter, Andrew W. Mellon Professor, Emory University, gave the Wentworth Lecture in April 1985. Dr. C. Vann Woodward, Sterling Professor of History, emeritus, Yale University, will be the lecturer in October 1986.

History of Florida

The Florida Historical Society, in association with Continental Heritage Press, plans to publish in 1987, a 300-page illustrated history of Florida. Anyone with experience writing history for the general public and who wishes to be considered for the authorship of this volume should communicate with Dr. Gary Mormino, University of South Florida, Florida Historical Society Library, Tampa, Florida 33620; J. Earle Bowden, *Pensacola News-Journal*, One News-Journal Plaza, Pensacola, FL 32501; or Dr. Lucius F. Ellsworth, 209 Collins Building, 107 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301. Author(s) should have experience in writing for a popular market, the ability to complete the manuscript (200-250 pages) by May 1987, and indicate evidence of research, scholarship, and publication in state and local history. Author(s) will be paid by Continental Heritage Press; the remuneration is negotiable.

Quincentennial of the Discovery Prizes

For the celebration of the quincentenary of the Columbus explorations, the "Program of Cooperation of the Spanish Ministry of Culture and the Universities of the United States" will award prizes each year until 1992 for unpublished and published works that relate to Spain's activities in the New World with particular emphasis on the Spanish contribution to the independence of the United States in the eighteenth century. Entries may be in either Spanish or English. They should be addressed to the Cultural Office of the Embassy of Spain (4200 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Suite 520, Washington, D.C. 20116) before 1:00 P.M., October 12 of each year, and carry the label "Spain and America in the Quincentennial of the Discovery." Five copies of unpublished manuscripts or published works are required. Un-

published manuscripts must have a minimum of 250 double-spaced typed pages and a maximum of 600 pages. Works that have been published during the two years prior to the year of submission may be submitted either by the author or the publisher. They should be at least 250 pages and no more than 500 pages. For unpublished works, the awards will be \$6,000 for first prize and \$3,000 for second prize. For published works, similar sums will be divided between the author and the publisher.

The prize for 1985 was awarded to Professor Light T. Cummins, Austin College, Sherman, Texas, for his manuscript, "Spanish Intelligence and the American Revolution: The Foundations for Diplomatic Relations Between the United States and Spain, 1775-1783."

Florida Women's Hall of Fame Awards

The Governor's Commission on the Status of Women recognized the following Florida women at a reception at the Governor's Mansion in Tallahassee, March 25, 1986: Anne Ackerman, Rosemary Barkett, Gwendolyn Cherry, Dorothy Dodd, Marjory Stoneman Douglas, Elsie Jones Hare, Elizabeth McCullough Johnson, Frances Bartlett Kinne, Arva Moore Parks, Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings, Florence Barbara Seibert, Marilyn K. Smith, and Eartha White. Governor and Mrs. Bob Graham, Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Wayne Mixon, and the Governor's Commission on the Status of Women were the hosts at the reception which also honored the Florida women legislators. The purpose of the Hall of Fame is to recognize Florida women whose talents and efforts have made positive and valuable contributions to the quality of life in our state, and who have provided inspiration to all people of Florida. The Hall of Fame Award judges were Dr. Emily Baird, Mollie Brilliant, Eleanor Hunter, Mercy McCall, Dr. Samuel Proctor, and Sylvia Shorstein.

Announcements and Activities

The state of Alabama has formed a De Soto Commission to further studies on the era of conquest and colonization in Alabama and the Southeast in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. While the commission is particularly interested in the De Soto entrada into Alabama, it is planning a five-year research

effort to include other entradas in Alabama and the Southeast. The commission is interested in contacting scholars who are willing to work on either a grant or on a contractual basis on topics which have already been defined, or on others relating to the era of exploration and conquest. The commission is particularly interested in the following topics: maritime exploration and native contacts on the northern Gulf Coast during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries; social history of the Hernando De Soto expedition; composition of De Soto's army; the outfitting of the De Soto expedition; the expedition of Tristan de Luna y Arellano; the expedition of Marcos Delgado; and a biography of Hernando De Soto. Interested scholars should write Dr. Douglas E. Jones, De Soto Commission, Alabama Museum of Natural History, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35466.

The city of Fort Lauderdale celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary on March 27, 1986. As its gift to the city, the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society dedicated the Historic Walkway. The Walkway will feature bronze plaques placed in the sidewalk commemorating persons and events which have had an impact on Fort Lauderdale's history. The first three plaques recognize William Marshal, Fort Lauderdale's first mayor; D. C. Alexander, the developer of Las Olas Beach; and the riparant wrights case, a law suit which gave Fort Lauderdale ownership of the banks of the New River.

The Micanopy Historical Society and the Bureau of Florida Folklife Programs have received grants from the National Trust Preservation Services Fund. The grant to the Micanopy Historical Society will help pay for a feasibility study for the restoration of the Thrasher Warehouse as a museum. The Florida Folklife Programs, grant will aid in the documentation of the architectural, historical, archeological, and folk cultural resources of Florida's maritime community. For information on grants, write to the National Trust for Historical Preservation, Southern Regional Office, 456 King Street, Charleston, SC 29403, or the National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., Washington, DC 20036.

The Historical Society of Palm Beach County is cataloguing all the constructions of William Treanor and Maurice Fatio and

their architectural firm, Treanor and Fatio, which operated in New York City and Palm Beach from the early 1920s through 1943. Any one having architectural records, photographs, or memorabilia relating to the firm is asked to contact Alexandra Fatio Taylor, Historical Society of Palm Beach County, P. O. Box 1147, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

The Florida Aviation Historical Society presented its Thomas Jannus Award to Frank Borman, lunar astronaut and former chairman of the board of Eastern Airlines, at a banquet in Tampa, March 28, 1986. The Society, organized in 1979, is dedicated to the preservation of our aviation heritage. The Society is updating its book, *Florida's Aviation History* and is seeking additional information on the role of the military in Florida during World Wars I and II. Anyone with information or photographs is asked to contact the publisher, Aero-Medical Consultants, 10912 Hamlin Blvd., Largo, FL 33544. A chronological history of Florida aviation is also being assembled and should be available to members in September. For information on membership and Society activities, write to P. O. Box 127, Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33535.

The Jacksonville Historical Society has appointed Stephen J. Tool, Jr., as its new executive director. He is former director of the Jacksonville Historic Landmarks Commission and project coordinator of the Palm Beach Landmarks Preservation Commission. The Society's headquarters is at 626 May Street, Jacksonville, FL 32234. Its archives and library are in the Swisher Library, Jacksonville University.

The new address of Mickler's Floridiana, Inc., under the operation of Deborah and Sam Mickler, is 181 West Broadway, Box 1450, Oviedo, FL 32765.

The Kentucky Historical Society has presented its annual Richard H. Collins Award to Dr. Thomas D. Clark, emeritus professor of history at the University of Kentucky and Indiana University. The award, which recognizes outstanding research and writing, was given for Professor Clark's article, "Kentucky Education Through Two Centuries of Political and Social Change," which appeared in the Summer 1985 issue of *The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*.

Orders for volume VII of the *Southern Historian* are being accepted. The *Southern Historian* is an annual journal focusing on all aspects and periods of southern history and culture. Written and published by graduate students, the *Southern Historian* invites graduate students to submit original, scholarly work for publication. A \$100 cash prize is awarded for the best article of each issue. Subscription information, requests for style sheets for authors and potential book reviewers, and other inquiries should be addressed to John Morgan Dederer, editor, *Southern Historian*, History Department, Box 1936, University of Alabama, University, AL 35486.

Conferences

The faculty of the Department of History, The Citadel, Charleston, SC, will host the Fifth Citadel Conference on the South, April 9-11, 1987. Directors of the conference are Winfred B. Moore, Jr., and Joseph F. Tripp. Scholars interested in submitting papers at the conference should submit titles, an outline of their proposal, and vitas by October 1, 1986. Also, those interested in participating as commentators should submit a vita by the same date. Contact Professors Moore and Tripp, Department of History, The Citadel, Charleston, SC 29409.

The Florida Genealogical Society will hold its annual conference November 7-8, 1986 in Tallahassee. The Tallahassee Hilton will be the conference hotel. For information, contact the Society office, P.O. Box 8624, Tampa, FL 33679.

The Eastern Historical Geography Association will hold its 1986 meeting, October 24-26, in Savannah, Georgia. The eighteenth-century New World city, the historical development of the South, conservation of historical landscapes, and evolving settlement systems in early America are among the topics to be discussed. For information, write Professors Louis De Vorse or William Wyckoff, Department of Geography, University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602.

There is a call for papers for the annual meeting of the Western History Association, October 7-10, 1987, in Los Angeles, CA. The program committee is interested in sessions that deal with new directions, themes, and methodologies in the study of the American West. Consideration will also be given to

papers on any aspect of the frontier experience or the West as a region. Ten copies of paper proposals, together with a brief vita, should be submitted to the program chair, Dr. Paul Andrew Hutton, Department of History, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM 87131.

The American Society for Ethnohistory will hold its annual meeting November 6-9, 1986, at the Francis Marion Hotel in Charleston, South Carolina. For information write to John Finger, Department of History, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN 37996.

Planning has begun for a symposium on the History of Technology and the South to be co-sponsored by the Carter Presidential Library and the National Archives-Atlanta Branch. The symposium is tentatively scheduled to be held in February 1987 on the grounds of the Carter Presidential Library. Paper proposals should be sent to Gayle Peters, National Archives-Atlanta Branch, 1557 St. Joseph Avenue, East Point, GA 30344.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS.

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Aug. 26-30	Society of American Archivists	Chicago, IL
Sept. 25-27	Federation of Genealogical Societies	Orlando, FL
Sept. 25-27	Florida Trust for Historical Preservation	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Sept. 30- Oct. 3	American Association for State and Local History	Oakland, CA
Oct. 15-19	National Trust for Historic Preservation	Kansas City, MO
Oct. 23-25	Oral History Association	Long Beach, CA
Nov. 7-9	Southern Jewish Historical Association	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Nov. 12-15	Southern Historical Association	Charlotte, NC
Dec. 27-30	American Historical Association	Chicago, IL

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Feb. 26-28	Southern Humanities Conference	Nashville, TN
April 2-5	Organization of American Historians	Philadelphia, PA
May 5-7	Society of Florida Archivists	Orlando, FL
May 7	Florida Historical Confederation	St. Augustine, FL
May 8-10	FLORIDA HISTORICAL SOCIETY— 85th MEETING	St. Augustine, FL

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