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The first PhD Consortium in the Southwest Region was held in Houston, Texas on March 12-13, 1991. The consortium received funding support from the Deloitte and Touche Foundation. The goals, as charged by the Academy's executive committee, were completely fulfilled. These goals were that 1) the PhD students be exposed to historical methods and research, and 2) a mechanism be established to have a continuing consortium each year. All the PhD granting institutions from the states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Texas participated. This included 25 student and 12 faculty representatives. The presenting, visiting faculty were: A. Rashad Abdul-Khalik, University of Florida; Don Kleinmuntz, University of Illinois; Barbara Merino, University of North Texas; Patti Mills, Indiana State University; Lee Parker, Flinders University (AUS); Wanda Wallace, Texas A & M University.

Because of the perceived success of this consortium, a three person doctoral coordinators committee was established from the Southwest schools to begin planning the 1992 Consortium. All comments indicate that the Southwest Consortium will have a bright future.

The success of this consortium was due to the foresight of Barbara Merino (past president) and Lee Parker (president) who established the task force and the hard work of the task force. Members of the task force were: Alan G. Mayper (Chair), Urton Anderson, Vahe Baladouni, Doris Cook, Robert Ricketts and Philip Siegel.

HISTORY IN PRINT

Extensive research in accounting history is published in periodicals and books other than those of The Academy. The knowledge of these works can be of value to Academy members for personal development and research. Readers of The Notebook are encouraged to help the editor to locate the many publications involving accounting history which should be listed in this column. Readers in Asia and Australia may send their suggestions to Dr. Robert Gibson, School of Management, Deakin University, Victoria 3217 AUSTRALIA who graciously acts as intermediary.


