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JAMES DON EDWARDS WINS HOURGLASS AWARD

Professor James Don Edwards of the University of Georgia was the 1993 winner of the Academy of Accounting Historians' prestigious Hourglass Award. The Hourglass Award is the highest international honor in the field of accounting history. The Hourglass award is presented annually to a person who has made a significant contribution to the study of accounting history. Dr. Edwards' award was essentially a lifetime achievement award, as he has made many significant contributions to the field of accounting history.

The award was presented in December at the Academy's annual conference, which was held at The University of Mississippi. Dr. Tonya Flesher, Ole Miss professor of accountancy and the 1993 president of the Academy of Accounting Historians lauded Dr. Edwards for several of his publications. In particular, she cited the May 1987 commemorative centennial issue of the *Journal of Accountancy*, which was edited by Professor Edwards. According to Dr. Flesher,

"James Don Edwards not only conceived of the idea for a centennial issue, he convinced the AICPA establishment of the importance of the concept, obtained advertisers, edited the over 400-page journal, and wrote some of the articles. That journal is now used as a textbook in many accounting courses throughout the world."

Professor Edwards' interest in accounting history began while he was still a doctoral student in the early 1950s at the University of Texas. His dissertation served as the basis of a 1960 book entitled *History of Public Accounting in the United States*. That book is considered a classic in the literature and was reprinted in 1978 as part of the Academy's Accounting History Classics Series.

The Academy of Accounting Historians is an international organization, founded in 1973, dedicated to the study and preservation of accounting history. It publishes *The Accounting Historians Journal* and numerous monographs and books.



THE COST HERITAGE

The Costing Heritage: Studies in Honor of S. Paul Garner, Monograph No. 6 was published in 1991 by the Academy of Accounting Historians to honor Dr. Paul Garner on the occasion of his eightieth birthday and his contribution to accounting. The monograph is edited by O. Finley Graves of the University of Mississippi. Its contents include the studies primarily in the history of cost accounting and two tributes to Dr. Garner.

The monograph is priced at \$15 for individual members and \$20 for institutional affiliates. Orders and inquiries may be made to: Doris M. Cook, The Academy of Accounting Historians, Department of Accounting, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, 72701, USA. Checks should be made out to The Academy of Accounting Historians and accompany the order.