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NEWS AND NOTES

CARNEGIE ASSUMES EDITORSHIP

Garry D. Carnegie, Professor, Deakin University, has assumed the editorship of *Accounting History* with the retirement of Robert Gibson. Garry has appointed an international editorial board to provide input to the publication. *Accounting History* is the official publication of the Accounting History Special Interest Group of the Accounting Association of Australia & New Zealand.

PREVITS IS THE ACADEMY'S WEBMASTER

Gary Previts, Case Western Reserve University, is currently the Webmaster for the Academy's home page. The home page address is <http://weatherhead.cwru.edu/accounting/> and all comments regarding content should be addressed to Gary (INTERNET: gjp@cleveland.freenet.edu; Phone: (216) 368-2074; Fax: (216) 368-4776). The home page presently features the proceedings text of the December, 1994, research conference on accounting history education held in Atlanta.

GRAVES AND WALSH PRESENT ACADEMY PROGRAMS

Finley Graves, University of Mississippi, and Eamonn Walsh, New York University, presented Academy sponsored programs in conjunction with the Annual American Accounting Association Meeting in Orlando in August, 1995. Maureen Berry, president of the Academy of Accounting Historians, reports that both programs were well attended and made a significant contribution to accounting history research.

Finley initiated, organized, and moderated "The Accounting and Modernity Conference" held on August 12, 1995, at

the University of Central Florida. Paul Goldwater, conference coordinator, provided excellent administration of the program which was dedicated to the memory of Tony Puxty, University of Strathclyde. Tony, who was involved in the planning of the conference, passed away earlier in 1995. The program explored accounting as an expression and instrument of modernity and the papers presented appealed to a broad audience.

Eamonn presented a workshop on "Accounting History As Social Science" on August 13, 1995. This workshop was attended by an enthusiastic group as part of the CPE program of the AAA annual meeting. The workshop introduced the participants to archival materials which are available and described research methods and approaches applicable to the analysis of archival data.

TSUJI AND GARNER EDIT NEW BOOK

Emeritus Professor Atsuo Tsuji, Osaka City University, and Professor Emeritus and Dean Paul Garner, University of Alabama, edited a new book entitled, "*Studies in Accounting History: Tradition and Innovation for the Twenty-First Century*," published by Greenwood Publishing Group, Inc. under the auspices of the Accounting History Association of Japan. This volume includes key essays presented at the World Congress on Accounting History held in Kyoto, Japan. Also, a broad examination of topics such as accounting and public policy, or evolution of strategic management accounting, is provided in the volume through case studies ranging from 16th Century accounting practices in Spain to the development of the certified public accountants system in contemporary China. Papers and essays by several members of the Academy are included in this volume.

A SAD NOTE

The Academy sadly notes the passing of Dr. Harvey Mann in August, 1995. Dr. Mann was a retired faculty member of the Department of Accounting and Finance, Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario Canada.

TASK FORCE TO STUDY ACADEMY COMMUNICATIONS

President, Maureen Berry, established a task force in August, 1995, for purposes of assessing the Academy's communication with its members. The task force is chaired by Finley Graves, University of Mississippi and efforts have begun in this assessment. In addition to president Berry, other members of the task force are Barbara D. Merino, University of North Texas, Gary J. Prevtis, Case Western Reserve University, and Elliott L. Slocum, Georgia State University.

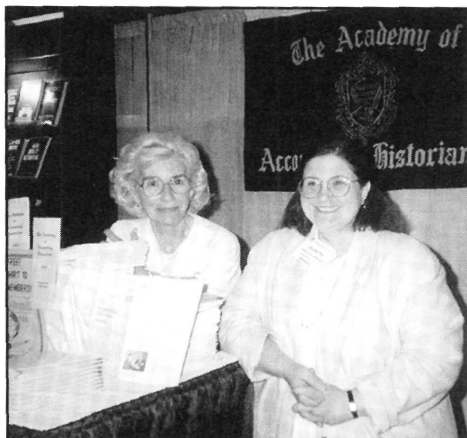
ACCOUNTING HISTORY RESEARCH CENTER

Al Roberts and Elliott Slocum, co-directors of the Accounting History Research Center (AHRC) at Georgia State University, report that the cataloging of holdings is nearing completion. Once completed, AHRC will be able to provide researchers with a listing of source materials. Recently, AHRC has received contributions of materials from the estate of James W. (Jimmy) Jones and from Professor Salvadore A. Gambino. More details concerning these materials will be provided in the next *Notebook*.

ACADEMY BOOTH AT THE ANNUAL AAA MEETING AND T-SHIRTS

Each year, the Academy provides a display booth at the annual meeting of the American Accounting Association. This past year in Orlando was no exception. Responsibility for it rests with the public

relations committee which was chaired by Jeanette Sanfilippo, Maryville University—St. Louis. Jeanette and her committee, N.M. Singhvi, Joann Noe Cross, and Hans Dykxhoorn, did an outstanding job this year in disseminating information about the Academy and its publications to those attending the AAA meeting. Additionally, Jeanette and her committee members sponsored a project to sell Pacioli T-shirts. She reports that this program has been so successful that the T-shirts have been completely sold.



Berry and Sanfilippo



A THOUGHT FROM THE PAST

"Our ignorance of history causes us to slander our own times.

*—Gustave Flaubert
French author
(1821–1880)*