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menting strategies and for ensuring survival.

Gary soon learned that the Hudson's Bay Company archives were unique for their completeness of management accounting documentation from 1670. They provide a deep understanding of management accounting, and the opportunity to understand how management accounting functioned and its actual economic role. The result of Gary's initial observation of a journal or ledger in a re-created fur trade post was 12 papers in refereed journals, many with co-authors who added important insights.

Gary is a professor of management accounting at the School of Administrative Studies, York University. He is also the associate dean for the 25,000 students at York's Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies. About half of his research is devoted to accounting history with the remainder divided between management accounting, accounting education, and ethics.

As the vice-president of relations for the AAH, he is on the editorial advisory boards for the Journal of Accounting and Organizational Change and for Qualitative Research in Accounting Management. He an associate editor with Accounting Perspectives

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New Shipments of Materials at University of Mississippi Library

Members and scholars should be advised that there have been two significant shipments of materials received at the University of Mississippi library which may be of interest to historians. Eight cartons of materials from the research files of Dr. Edward N. Coffman, late professor of Accountancy at Virginia Commonwealth University contain original copies of the four-volume softbound sets of Academy Working Paper Series and several research file sets in various stages of undertaking and completion. The most prominent of these relate to members of the Accounting Hall of Fame who were former chairmen of

the Financial Accounting Standards Board, all dating up to the period of about 2001. The files also contain briefer profiles of other Hall members and some of their papers and article publications for the same time period, through the early years of the 21st century.

The second recent shipment of 13 cartons of material was received from Professor Emeritus Doyle Z. Williams, former dean of the Walton School, University of Arkansas, and also a former faculty member at the University of Southern California

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AAH: Where would you like to see the Academy at 50 years?

I would like to see the Academy as an international organization with a strong United States base, whose members' teaching and research are held in high regard throughout academia.

AAH: Any other thoughts to share with Academy members?

Please continue to promote accounting history to your colleagues and faculties as an effective tool for both teaching and research. Carry the message that it is important for all scholars to engage in research they really enjoy and they can have a rewarding career doing historical research. Also, disabuse anyone, who wants to do historical research, of the notion that it is "easy" because you simply "gather facts." It is important that you convey to others the rigorous nature of good historical research.

Recent Installment of Academy History Published in *Accounting Historians Journal*

The December 2014 issue of the *Accounting Historians Journal* contains a fifteen-year history of The Academy (1999-2013)---the third in a series covering the history of The Academy since its founding in 1973. Coauthored by Edward N. Coffman, Yvette Lazdowski and Gary John Preverts it recounts and details the leader-

ship, publications, activities and events of the period from the viewpoint of individuals who have served as officers and/or trustees of The Academy. Earlier histories of The Academy appeared in the journal in December 1989 (1973-1988) and in December 1998 (1989-1998).

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and Texas Tech University. Dr. Williams is now retired and has been a significant contributor to textbooks and to accounting education improvement activities over his career. In particular, materials relating to the Accounting Education Change Commission and the Accounting Doctoral Scholars initiative of the

AICPA are prominent in the collection of materials received.

Information as to arrangements to visit the University of Mississippi or to inquire further about the materials, may be obtained from Dr. Dale Flesher, Associate Dean, Patterson School of Accountancy, The University of Mississippi.

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