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## Berkeley Begins New Oral History Project on "The Earl Warren Era in California"

Government and Private Funds Provide Support for Five Years

First-hand accounts of important political and judicial events in California between 1925 and 1953 will be preserved on tape by the Regional Oral History Office of the University of California at Berkeley.

Entitled "The Earl Warren Era In California," this five-year project will focus especially on Warren's career. He was appointed District Attorney of Alameda County in 1925, and in 1953 he resigned from a record third term as Governor to accept an appointment to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Allan Nevins termed the Warren Project "of first importance to future generations of historians, jurists, and attorneys throughout the country." Nevins will serve as an adviser to the Warren Project; 21 years ago at Columbia University he began the first modern oral history program.

Mrs. Amelia Fry will direct the Warren Project for the Regional Oral History Office. New ROHO staff members who will conduct interviews include June Hogan, former reporter for the **San Francisco Chronicle**, and Frank Jones, who has written for **Newsweek**.

The National Endowment for the Humanities in Washington, D.C. awarded a \$10,000 grant to ROHO for the Warren Project. Another \$10,000 in matching funds was raised from private donors in an intensive fund-raising drive.

With Nevins on an 18-member advisory council is Warren Olney III, an Oakland attorney and long-time friend of the Chief Justice. Olney served under Warren as Assistant Attorney General of California and later as Director of the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts.

Other council members are former U. S. Senator Thomas Kuchel, who served as State Controller under Warren; Mrs. Helen MacGregor, Warren's secretary from 1935 to 1953; Ira M. Heyman, UC professor of law and former law clerk to the Chief Justice; and Arthur H. Sherry, noted criminologist and Berkeley law professor who was Assistant Attorney General of Alameda County under Warren in 1929.

Berkeley faculty members involved in this Project include Barbara Nachtrieb Armstrong, Morrison Professor of Municipal Law, Emeritus; Walton E. Bean, Professor of California History; William R. Dennes, Mills Professor of Philosophy and Civil Polity, Emeritus; Edward C. Halbach, Jr., Dean of the School of Law; Lawrence A. Harper, Professor of History, Emeritus; Joseph P. Harris, Professor of Political Science, Emeritus; John D. Hicks, Morrison Professor of History, Emeritus; Eugene C. Lee, Associate Professor of Political Science and Director of the Institute of Governmental Studies; James R. Leiby, Associate Professor of Social Welfare; Frank C. Newman, Professor of Law; and Sho Sato, Professor of Law and steering committee chairman for the Earl Warren Legal Center. Dean E. McHenry, Chancellor of the UC campus at Santa Cruz, will also take part.

Since 1954 the Regional Oral History Office has been recording memoirs of persons prominent in western development. The new project will be the first to emphasize the "Earl Warren era," when the attitudes and philosophy of one of California's most famous citizens were being formed.

## Accounts of Eugene McCarthy's 1968 Campaign Will Be Preserved

Oral history interviews will comprise a major portion of the materials being collected as part of the McCarthy Historical Project. This intensive, short-term effort is devoted to chronicling the extraordinary campaign of Senator Eugene McCarthy from the spring of 1967, when "Dump Johnson" Democrats met in New York to seek an alternative candidate for the 1968 Democratic nomination, through to the Democratic Convention in Chicago in August of 1968.

More than 250 taped interviews with campaign officials have been recorded since the project got underway in February of this year at the instigation of leaders in the "Women for McCarthy" movement. Another 100 to 150 are planned before the end of the summer, when the project is expected to be completed. Both tapes and transcriptions will be saved, but neither will be open to scholars until after the archives have been donated to one of the many major libraries now competing to receive the collection.

Director of the McCarthy Project is David Mixner, a 24-year-old labor union organizer who served as head field worker in the non-primary states for the McCarthy Campaign. In addition to the taped interviews, the collection will include the records of many McCarthy organizations in the country, their campaign publications, letters from the public, newspaper clippings and the personal papers from the campaign for both Senator McCarthy and his campaign manager, Richard Goodwin.

The oral history side of the project is under the direction of Mrs. Francis Scott Key, former classmate of Mrs. Abigail McCarthy at St. Catherine's College in St. Paul, Minn., and an active member of "Women for McCarthy" during the campaign. Working with her is Dr. Barbara Delman of American University.

Interviewers have included Mrs. Key, members of the Oral History Association and former campaign workers.

More than 300 individuals have made contributions to finance the project, the total budget for which is expected to be somewhere between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

## ORAL HISTORY IN WEST VIRGINIA: COAL MINERS HAVE PUT THEIR MEMORIES ON TAPE

Interviews with 73 retired coal miners in West Virginia have produced "some priceless source material for the economist, sociologist, and historian," according to a report from the West Virginia University Library in Morgantown.

These interviews were primarily recorded because company executives, railroad officials, and others involved in West Virginia mining were reluctant to allow historians to consult their records, thus prohibiting scholars from studying the industry from its basic source materials. Moreover, the interviewers discovered that "the memory of the coal miner itself yields a storehouse of information and impressions that cannot be obtained elsewhere."

On tape are the recollections of how miners viewed the rise and decline of coal towns, how conflicts between unions and management affected their lives, and how mechanization in the mines reduced their jobs. The interviews alter many basic assumptions about life in the West Virginia coalfields. For example the company store was not an especially sinister institution for the miners: "Although it may be conceded that the respective company stores charged what the traffic could and would bear, it can also be assumed and asserted that stores, not company owned, in non-competitive situations did the same thing."

Another revision suggested by these interviews is that the low wages and poor living conditions in coal towns 50 years ago were not especially discouraging to immigrants who had arrived from poverty areas in Europe, Negroes who had migrated from the Deep South, or whites who had moved down from mountain sections of West Virginia.

The average age of these miners was 74.3 when the interviews were recorded. Each interview averaged 41 minutes in length, for a total of 51 hours on tape from the 73 respondents.

Oral historians at other institutions will be impressed by the modest expenses incurred for recording these West Virginia interviews. Less than \$700 was expended to record these 73 interviews, with the average cost being \$9.60 per interview. Salaries (\$2.50 per hour) accounted for \$500; mileage (1,762 miles) and meals required \$141.84, and 26 reels of tape cost \$51.74 for a total of \$693.58. Obviously the tapes have not been transcribed, but visitors to the West Virginia University Library may listen to them. The University hopes to expand its oral history activities as time and money permit.

## THE OHIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAS TWO INTERVIEW SERIES UNDERWAY, MORE PLANNED

David Larson, Chief of the Archives and Manuscripts Division of the Ohio Historical Society, is the author of "Oral History in Ohio," an article in the winter, 1969, issue of *Ohio History* that explains oral history plans in the Buckeye State. Larson writes:

The first objective of the oral history program at the Ohio Historical Society is to add to the existing resources for scholarship by offering information which one cannot get easily or at all elsewhere, especially where manuscript sources are inadequate. A second objective is to coordinate the oral history program with the expanding manuscripts acquisitions program. Priority will be given to interviews that complement the Society's strongest manuscripts and archival holdings and attempts will be made to acquire the papers of some of the persons interviewed. The third objective is the teaching function of helping the Society's oral history staff become better historical investigators through actual experience with this type of primary source material.

The Ohio Historical Society's oral history program will be constructed around special projects—termed interview series—which will be carefully planned units centering on the life of an individual or on a specific topic. These series will last from three months to three years and will include from ten to one hundred different interviews. The Society has already undertaken two interview series and has three more in the planning stage. The two that are now being conducted are the "Distinguished Ohioans Series," which is a continuing project to conduct in depth autobiographical interviews with persons who probably will be the subjects of future book length biographies. The other is a three year project on "Recent Ohio Political History," which will cover Ohio politics on the state and national levels by interviewing fifty to seventy-five persons. Four to six interview series will be conducted concurrently each year.

In addition, the Society will have a separate section of donated oral history interviews. These will be interviews that have been undertaken by scholars for their own research on Ohio-related subjects and have been given to the Ohio Historical Society for cataloging in the oral history collection for use by other researchers.

## Hoover Interviews are Deposited at West Branch and Stanford

The first batch of fully completed interviews conducted by the Herbert Hoover Oral History Program will be deposited on August 10 at the Hoover Presidential Library in West Branch, Iowa, and the Hoover Institution at Stanford, California.

Raymond Henle, Director of the Hoover Oral History Program, explained that August 10 was chosen for this occasion because it will be the 95th Anniversary of Mr. Hoover's birth in West Branch.

At least 25 oral histories will be in this group representing all phases of Mr. Hoover's various activities from early mining days through Belgium relief, his founding and guidance of the Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace at Stanford University, the Cabinet and Presidency, his recall to public service by President Truman for relief of starvation after World War II, the Truman and Eisenhower Hoover Commissions on reorganization of the government, his invigoration of the Boys' Clubs of America, and the voluminous philanthropic activities, either publicly known or carefully shielded from publicity, which characterized his entire life.

The first group will be followed as soon as possible by all the other oral histories which now number more than 250. At least 125 additional oral histories, including 30 or 40 interviews in Belgium, Finland, France, Germany and England, still are to be recorded.

Work on an index of each interview and a master index of the entire program will be started at the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library, West Branch, as soon as arrangements can be made.

The completed program will comprise not only the carefully edited final copies of the original recordings so as to facilitate study by researchers, but also voluminous references and footnotes where the original recordings did not give all pertinent names, dates and explanatory information. Appendixes will contain many indispensable letters and documents.

Mr. Henle stated, "A fuller explanation of our work and its historical significance will be made when the first group of oral histories is deposited at West Branch and Stanford in August. We believe when all 375-odd oral histories are deposited, they will be a substantial contribution to knowledge of Mr. Hoover, the manner in which he conducted his affairs in many fields, and his contributions to the welfare of humanity."



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# Oral History Interviews are Preserving Memories of Events in Several Sections of the World

## CLAREMONT TO INTERVIEW MISSIONARIES WHO SERVED IN CHINA

The Oral History Program of Claremont Graduate School has received a \$41,550 grant from the Henry Luce Foundation, Inc., for a three-year project on the influence of the China Missionary movement in the Far East. The Oral History Office will conduct taped interviews with 60 Christian workers selected to reflect the work of several denominations, the various career lines in missionary work, and the geographic spread of missions in China. Pilgrim Place, a community of retired Christian workers in Claremont, will be a principal source of interviewees. John Niven, Professor of History and Director of the Oral History Program at Claremont Graduate School, is responsible for the project.

Interview guidelines have been developed by Claremont professors in the fields of Social Anthropology, Asian Studies, Political Studies, Education, and History. The interviews are planned to produce research materials on the interaction of Western Christianity with the emergence of modern China, changes in Chinese social and cultural institutions, and the changing attitudes of missionaries and Chinese about each other.

This grant from the Luce Foundation will assure that valuable information will be preserved about the final years of Christian and American influences in China before the Communist take-over. An important additional benefit will be guidance about the location of significant archival sources.

The manuscripts that result from these interviews will be deposited with major universities engaged in China studies, as well as with the Luce Foundation and the Claremont Oral History Collection. Enid H. Douglass, Assistant Director of the Claremont Oral History Program, is the project coordinator.

## BOOK OF 24 TRANSCRIBED INTERVIEWS CAUSES SENSATION IN MADRID

**Conversations In Madrid**, a book consisting of transcripts of tape-recorded interviews with 24 leading Spaniards, is being widely read in Franco's Spain because of the frank observations offered by major politicians, churchmen, businessmen, economists, artists, and a prominent general. The success of the book is largely attributed to the skill of the interviewer-author, Salvatore Paniker, in persuading his respondents to reply candidly to persistent questions. "I did this book," Paniker explained, "because it was the book I wanted to buy, and since the bookstores did not have it, I wrote it. There are these questions we keep asking ourselves, and rather than discuss them with my friends in the cafe, I thought I might as well discuss them with these 24 men."

## PHYSICISTS IN EUROPE AND AMERICA HAVE GRANTED INTERVIEWS

The Center for History and Philosophy of Physics reports that its oral history project has continued in recent months by recording interviews with European and American physicists. The Center's Director, Charles Weiner, recorded a 14-hour interview in Cambridge, England, with Sir James Chadwick, a 3½ hour interview in Italy with Edoardo Amaldi, and a 3½-hour interview with Lew Kowarski of Geneva, Switzerland. Roger H. Stuewer, historian of science at the University of Minnesota, has conducted taped interviews with Joseph Valasek, his colleague at the University. The Center staff is preparing transcripts of these and earlier interviews recorded on tape, and is preparing for other interviews planned for the immediate future.

## SCIENTISTS IN ENGLAND ARE INTERVIEWED

Historians at the University of Edinburgh have begun a series of interviews with a dozen major figures in the recent history of science in Britain. Financed by funds from a small private foundation, these historians intend to concentrate on such groups as the scientists who worked with Lord Rutherford at Cavendish Lab, Cambridge, during the first 30 years of this century, and also with scientists who did research during World War II. Some of the recollections they obtain may eventually be published.

At the outset these interviewers are proceeding cautiously. They plan informal preliminary sessions with each respondent in order to devise specific questions for a subsequent meeting that is more formal and recorded on tape. They are asking how each scientist organizes his ideas, his thought processes, his work methods, and his personal activities. Also they are compiling information on all prominent scientists in England who might be interviewed in the future.

In the years ahead these interviewers hope to record a continuing set of memoirs in order to assure a detailed oral history of British science in the 20th century. Their interviews will be evaluated by a small committee of specialists in the history of science who have recorded oral history memoirs themselves. One member of this committee is Gary Wirtz, an American, who has been working at the University of Edinburgh on the theme of social conscience among scientists.

## RUSSIAN EMIGRE INTERVIEWS COMPLETED

Capturing on tape and transcript the memories of old Russia, the Russian Revolution, and finally, of harrowing escapes from the Soviet Union, has been the assignment of a recently completed historical project of the Regional Oral History Office of the Bancroft Library, University of California at Berkeley. Sponsored by the Center for Slavic and Eastern European Studies at the University, the project involved lengthy tape recorded interviews conducted by Slavic history specialists with a number of Russian emigres now residing in the San Francisco Bay Area. The transcripts of the interviews are available for scholarly research at the Bancroft Library.

## HARVARD ORAL HISTORY PROJECT WILL FOCUS ON CHRISTIAN A. HERTER

The late Christian A. Herter (1895-1966) is the subject of an oral history project being conducted this summer under the auspices of the Charles Warren Center For American History at Harvard University. Charles Morrissey is recording interviews after studying the Herter Papers, which have been deposited in the Houghton Library at Harvard. The purpose of this project is to document major turning points in Herter's long public career. After graduation from Harvard in 1915 Herter planned to become an architect but served instead as an attache at the American Embassy in Berlin. Then he became special assistant in the Department of State (1917-18); secretary to the American Commission to negotiate the Peace at Paris (1918-19); executive secretary of the European Relief Council (1920-21); and special assistant to Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover (1921-24). After editing **The Independent** and engaging in other ventures in journalism he was elected to six consecutive terms in the Massachusetts Legislature, serving as Speaker from 1939 to 1943. Then he served five terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. From 1953 to 1957 he was Governor of Massachusetts. He was appointed Undersecretary of State in 1957, and succeeded John Foster Dulles as Secretary in 1959. From 1962 until his death he was Special U.S. Representative for trade negotiations with European countries.

## RESERVATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED FOR AIRLIE HOUSE MEETING

More than 60 reservations have already been received for the 4th National Colloquium on Oral History. This meeting will be held from November 7 to 10, 1969, at Airlie House, a conference center near Warrenton, Virginia, about 45 miles from Washington, D.C.

The inclusive fee for this colloquium is \$100, which covers meals, administrative costs, and lodging (in a double room). A single room is an additional \$12.00.

Since Airlie House can accommodate only 165 persons, reservations will be accepted as they are received until capacity is reached.

Coordinator for this conference is Royster Lyle, Jr., of the George C. Marshall Research Foundation, Lexington, Virginia 24450. Reservations should be submitted to him. Checks should be made payable to the Oral History Association.

Plans for the program at Airlie House were outlined in the previous issue of this **Newsletter**. A detailed program will appear in the next issue, to be published in October.

Peter Olch, Program Chairman, has announced that Wilbur F. Jensen of the 3M Company will display tape recording equipment at the Airlie House meeting. Mr. Jensen is willing to offer "curbside consultations" about technical recording problems, including advice about tapes that are unsatisfactory for unclear reasons. Oral Historians are invited to bring their "problem tapes" to this meeting.

Also at Airlie House a limited exhibit space will be set aside for the display of oral history literature and products that members bring.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF . . . .

Richard A. Bartlett is the author of "Some Thoughts After The Third National Colloquium On Oral History" in the April, 1969, issue (Volume IV, No. 2) of the **Journal Of Library History**. Among his observations is that oral history "belongs as a discipline, or an accession method, not to historians, but to librarians. It is a technique requiring highly trained, well educated, and specialized personnel, but still these people should work out of a librarian's office, not out of a history department. The challenge is to librarians, not to historians."

Coming in the fall, 1969, issue of the same journal is "Oral History And Local History: Opportunities For Librarians" by Charles Morrissey. Amelia Fry of Berkeley's Regional Oral History Office was recently appointed oral history editor of this quarterly.

The Minnesota Historical Society has received 3,000 feet of records from the Northern Pacific Railway Company—the first step in a two-year transfer of that company's records for the past 100 years. In addition the Northern Pacific has given \$50,000 to the Society for the care and cataloging of the collection. In time the Society hopes to add oral history interviews with key railroad personnel to the Northern Pacific archives.

Oral historians who have suggested that "practice tapes" (also called "educational tapes") be made to demonstrate successful and unsuccessful techniques of oral history interviewing will be interested in a phonograph record that has been prepared for a similar purpose in the accounting profession. The two-sided record is titled "Interviewing Potential Junior Accountants: Illustrations of Good and Bad Interviews," and is narrated by John Carey, Executive Director of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. It plays at 33 rpms, and points out how CPAs can interview job applicants effectively.

L. S. McClung of the Department of Microbiology at Indiana University is the author of "Oral History For Archives Of The American Society for Microbiology" in the **ASM News** for April, 1969 (Volume 35, No. 2). McClung is Archivist for the ASM, and originally read his paper to the meeting of the Society of American Archivists in Ottawa last fall.

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