

NOTICES

Calendar-year 1992 dues were due on January 1.

Members whose last year of paid-up dues is 1988 (there were 29 of these at the time this Newsletter was sent) will be dropped from the mailing list prior to the sending of the Sept./Oct. Newsletter, unless dues payment has been received. Please note that, since our dues are so very low, when someone is dropped from the mailing list, we expect retroactive payment for *all* years missed, not simply "re-joining" *de novo*. I believe this is fair, since such non-payers receive Newsletters and even occasional monographs for at least four years before their names are dropped (unless of course I do not have a current address, but that is their omission, not mine).

Paid-up members of AAH are entitled to a \$12.80 (20% discount) annual subscription rate to the *American Journal of Ancient History*. Write to: AJAH, Dept. of History, Robinson Hall, Harvard Univ., Cambridge, MA 02138. (Please do not direct questions concerning AJAH to the Secretary-Treasurer; the journal is an entirely separate operation.)

Members with new books out, honors, or positions should notify me at the return address on the Newsletter. What is reported is largely determined by what you submit.

Jack Cargill

MINUTES OF 1991 BUSINESS MEETING

Assembly Room, Wilson Library, UNC
Chapel Hill, NC

4:45 P.M., Friday, May 17, 1991

- Minutes of 1990 Business Meeting approved, with minor corrections. MSP
- Secretary-Treasurer's Report, including increase in membership from 659 in April 1990 to 697 in April 1991. MSP
- Election of Secretary-Treasurer through 1994 meeting: J. Cargill re-elected unopposed and by acclamation. MSP
- Report of President S. Burstein: General comment that good meetings and good comradeship are our goal; no current problems. The monograph series is committed to being useful at all membership levels. PAAH 3 is about to go to press; A. Ferrill's book will be sort of a Luttwak Ten Years After. [See NL 56, pp.1-2, for follow-up.] C. Thomas' vol. 4 is underway and expected in 1993. Two other volumes are in the talk stage, including one in the Roman social history area by Keith Bradley. Volunteers for later volumes are sought, preferably for something in the Greek area, since the majority of published and planned volumes are on the Roman side. Members are urged to submit books for the American Historical Association's Breasted Prize for the best book in ancient history (\$1000). Shall the AAH co-sponsor a session at the American Philological Association's meeting with the APA's Ancient History Committee? Vote is affirmative. No formal motions received prior to the meeting.
- Motions, comments, invitations from floor:
 - Szemler reiterates proposed panel topics for 1992 meet-

ing at Loyola of Chicago, reflecting 500th anniversary of Columbus' voyage. Invitations to several persons, including L. Casson for keynote speech; calls for papers in several publications, including *Gnomon*; summary of proposals thus far received. Possibilities of events at Newberry Library and Oriental Institute. Housing at new "Learning Center" near lake; prices should be very reasonable.

W. Heckel outlines plans for 1993 meeting at Calgary and Banff, promises panel topics and call for papers soon. [See NL 56, p.1.]

J. Gabbert invites AAH to meet in 1994 at Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio. Panels still tentative; semester extending into mid-June necessitates hotel housing, but leaves meeting date flexible. Excursion to Air Force Museum planned—perhaps even a session on "ancient missiles"? Meeting proposal MSP.

G. Houston (speaking for R. Drews, prevented by car trouble from arriving in time for the meeting) invites AAH to meet in 1995 in Nashville, under sponsorship of Vanderbilt University, with hopes of a session in the Parthenon replica there, in commemoration of the 2500th anniversary of the foundation of the Athenian democracy. MSP

Death of A. Oikonomides noted; obituary promised. [See NL 55, p. 4.]

J. Cargill cites C. Wells' letter about problems caused for
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SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as of Secretary-Treasurer's Report in Newsletter 54 (April, 1991):	\$7723.84
Income:	
Dues	3853.00
Fees (mailing lists, labels, P&H)	348.64
Total Income:	\$4201.64
Expenditures:	
PAAH 3, 750 copies for members	2812.50
Set & Print Newsletters	600.00
Postage	763.19
Copying & Labels	231.48
Supplies	7.97
Telephone calls to UPA, etc.	5.80
Bank Service Charges	12.27
Transportation for Officers to meeting	489.08
Total Expenditures:	\$4922.29
Net Deficit for Year:	\$720.65
Balance, March 31, 1992:	\$7003.19

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archaeologists by late meeting dates. Letter will be printed in Newsletter [See NL 55, p. 1 and NL 56, p. 4.] and issue discussed at Chicago meeting.

R. Talbert encourages participation in Directory project of the APA Committee on Ancient History [See NL 54, p. 4.], similar to a Directory already in existence for Canada. Contact Talbert or R. Wallace.

G. Houston discusses logistics for remainder of meeting; D. Delia discusses air-conditioning problems in Carmichael Dormitory; P. Rahe asks about seeking tax-exempt status.

6. "Temporary adjournment", pending comments of "Resolutions Committee" at banquet. MSP

7. "Re-convening of Business Meeting" at banquet, Saturday, May 18, National Humanities Center. R. MacMullen's traditional resolution of thanks toward meeting hosts begins with a whimsical consideration of how one might count such a throng, except by the Persian king's method of putting groups within a measured enclosure—a reference to the low-walled central area in which the banquet tables were set up. He goes on to thank too many deans, chairpersons, directors, chefs, etc. for listing in this short summary, but all votes of thanks are enthusiastically echoed by those present. The same is true for G. Houston's expression of appreciation for the work of meeting organizer R. Talbert. Both resolutions MSP.

1992 AAH MEETING AT LOYOLA, CHICAGO

Invitations have been sent out for the May 21-23 meeting in Chicago. If yours has not arrived, or if you joined too late to be on the meeting hosts' mailing list, please contact the organizer directly: Prof. G.J. Szemler, Dept. of History, Loyola University, Chicago, 6525 N. Sheridan Rd., Chicago, IL 60626 (do not write to the Secretary-Treasurer or President of AAH; we have nothing to do with organizing the meeting).

See Newsletter 56 for a list of sessions with reporters and paper topics. G. Szemler has forwarded the additional information that Lionel Casson will deliver the keynote address at the banquet on Friday evening, May 22. Presiding at the three paper sessions will be R.P. Saller, R.J.A. Talbert, and M.C. Alexander.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE AAH

Demand for our monograph series has been such that I now have only a handful of "archival" copies of each of the three volumes so far published, reserving perhaps ten copies of *PAAH 3*, for new members who join after the publication of this Newsletter (one per person, by request, with a \$3 postage-and-handling fee). Otherwise, anyone interested must deal directly with University Press of America for copies of:

PAAH 1 = Chester G. Starr, *Past and Future in Ancient History*

PAAH 2 = Alan E. Samuel, *The Shifting Sands of History: Interpretations of Ptolemaic Egypt*

PAAH 3 = Arther Ferrill, *Roman Imperial Grand Strategy*

PERSONALIA AND BOOKS

Simon C. Bakhuizen (McGill Univ.) is coordinator of *A Greek City of the Fourth Century B.C. by the Goritsa Team* (L'Erma di Bretschneider 1992).

Richard J. Evans (Univ. of So. Africa) has published *A Short History of Rome. 753 BC-AD 476* (Maskew Miller Longman, 1991) and anticipates the publication of *A Short History of Greece, 1600-336 BC* (same publishers, forthcoming 1992).

Frank Frost (Univ. of Calif., Santa Barbara) will be Magie Professor of Greek and Roman History (Visiting) at Princeton University in Fall 1992 (replacing **Josiah Ober**, on leave).

Erich Gruen (Univ. of Calif., Berkeley), is, as I neglected to mention in the last Newsletter, the new President of the American Philological Association.

Judith P. Hallett (Univ. of Maryland) has been honored by her University as a 1992-93 Distinguished Scholar-Teacher.

Thomas R. Martin (Pomona College) will take over the Jeremiah O'Connor Chair in the Classics Department at Holy Cross in Fall 1992.

Robert J. Penella (Fordham University) has been awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship for University Teachers, in support of his work on an annotated translation of the private orations of Themistius.

Richard Stoneman (Senior Editor, Routledge) has been retained as consultant editor to J.M. Dent Ltd. on the reissue of the Greek and Latin Classics in the Everyman Library Series, the first of which (Xenophon's *Education of Cyrus* in Fall 1992) will include Stoneman's introduction and notes. He also expects publication of his own book, *Palmyra and Its Empire: Zenobia's Revolt Against Rome A.D. 269-274* by the Univ. of Michigan Press, around December 1992.

LEEDS-MANCHESTER GREEK HISTORY RESEARCH SEMINAR CALL FOR PAPERS: ALTERNATIVES TO THE DEMOCRATIC POLIS

Celebratory conferences in connection with Athenian democracy's 2500th birthday [AAH 1995 being one example] can have the negative effect of ignoring the variety of ancient Greek state forms and the plurality of constitutional patterns. The aim of this seminar is to give the variety and plurality their due by examining alternatives (theoretical and actual) to the polis and/or to democracy in archaic, classical and early hellenistic Greece.

Seminar sessions, alternating between Leeds and Manchester, will take place at approximately monthly intervals during the academic years 1992-93 and 1993-94, probably on Thursday afternoons. Although no funds can be provided for transatlantic travel costs, U.S. or Canadian scholars visiting Britain are invited to contribute. Given satisfactory quality in and coherence between the papers delivered, the plan is to have them published in a single edited volume.

For further information, contact one of the persons below as soon as possible:

Roger Brock or
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NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

The next NEH Travel to Collections Program application deadline is July 15. Grants of \$750 enable individual scholars to travel to use the research collections of libraries, archives, museums, or other repositories throughout the U.S. and the world. Awards help defray such research expenses as transportation, subsistence, lodging, photo-duplication, and other reproduction costs. Contact Kathleen Mitchell at (202) 786-0463.

For information on NEH programs and deadlines in general, contact: Marjorie A. Berlincourt, Director, Division of Fellowships and Seminars, National Endowment for the Humanities, Washington, DC 20506.

INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY FELLOWSHIPS

Two-Year Memberships for 1993-95: Two memberships are available to Assistant Professors who have served at least two and not more than four years at that rank in institutions of higher learning in the U.S. or Canada, in disciplines represented in the School of Historical Studies (including Greek and Roman civilization). Written assurances from their deans or department chairs that they may return to their positions must be submitted. Appointments are for two consecutive academic years (September through April) and the intervening summer, at a stipend matching the home institution's salary and benefits. Applications are due by November 1, 1992. For application materials and further information, write to: Administrative Officer, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ 08540.

Membership for One or Two Terms: Qualified candidates of any nationality working in fields appropriate to the School of Historical Studies are invited to apply for research fellowships for one or two terms (September to December, January to April). Approximately forty visiting Members are appointed each year. The Ph.D and substantial publications are requirements. Member awards may be funded either by the Institute or by the NEH. Applications for 1993-94 are due by October 15, 1992. Write to address above.

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If you find a mistake in your address or in the spelling of your name, please send me a correction, using the AAH Member Information form on this page. Please realize that my computer program allows me a maximum of four lines in the address and limits the length of individual lines; do not "correct" an adequate address merely because it is abbreviated.

AAH tries to keep costs down by recycling book mailers and avoiding all pro forma letter-writing. Thus no acknowledgement is sent when potential Newsletter items are received, although such items will indeed be included in the next Newsletter, if there is room and they have not become out of date. Nor are receipts sent for dues received: a receipt costs just as much to send as a Newsletter, cancelled checks will reach dues-payers anyway, and changes in current year paid are evident on subsequent Newsletter mailing labels.

It is impossible to process checks for Canadian dollars, or checks for U.S. dollars drawn on a Canadian bank, or some kinds of Canadian money orders, without being charged collection fees that generally exceed the value of the checks or money orders themselves. Fortunately, many Canadian banks have U.S. branches, and their money orders, bearing an "American Banking Association" number on their faces, can be deposited as if they were U.S. checks. Canadian *Postal Money Orders* (for U.S. dollars) can be cashed at U.S. Post Offices, but the "payee" line should include my name in addition to "AAH". Cash is acceptable, too.

Please let me know if you have a current address for any of the following AAH members: **John C. Cooper, Alex Garman, Bradley A. Skeen.**

TRUESDELL S. BROWN

Professor Truesdell S. Brown died in Houston, Texas on January 13, 1992 after a brief illness. Educated at Haverford College, Harvard and Columbia, Professor Brown's distinguished career as a teacher and scholar spanned four decades and included appointments at the University of Colorado, the University of Texas at Austin and the University of California, Los Angeles, where he was professor of Greek history from 1947 to 1973. A student of W.S. Ferguson at Harvard and W.L. Westermann at Columbia, Professor Brown was one of the last links to the founders of professional ancient history in the United States. His many articles and books, particularly *Onesicritus: A Study in Hellenistic Historiography* and *Timaeus of Tauromenium*, served a generation of scholars and students as indispensable guides to the field he made peculiarly his own, Hellenistic historiography. Like his scholarship, his teaching was truly Herodotean in its breadth and enthusiasm, and he brought a charm and graciousness to his dealings with students that few who came in contact with him ever forgot.

Stanley M. Burstein

VALENTINA IVANOVNA ISAEVA

On June 27, 1991 in Moscow, Valentina Ivanovna Isaeva died of cancer at 46. Until weeks before her death, she had been in the vanguard of those announcing the new comparative approach to studies of the ancient world, legitimized by the policy of *glasnost*. Since 1979, she had served as publications editor of a series devoted to the history of the ancient world, published by the Institute of Scientific Information on the Social Sciences (INION). Topics of individual issues included, e.g., the culture of ancient Greece in Western research (1988) and the legacy of the ancient world in Russian scholarship (1991). These studies under Isaeva's editorship signalled new directions in Soviet historiography and prepared for the works of a coming generation. Author as well of some thirty articles, 1974-90, Valentina Isaeva restlessly pursued the nature of Greek political thought and culture in the fourth century BCE, with particular concern for its relevance to the upheavals of the contemporary world. Isaeva's monograph, [*Isocrates and Problems of the Greek Polis of the Fourth Century BCE*], was approved and scheduled for publication in 1992. In the immediate future lay projects that would have singled out Isaeva among her peers and brought her a distinction commensurate with her gifts, her training, and her background.

"For many years I wrote politics, not history. Now all that is changing", Valentina confided to the author one evening after dinner at the House of Scientists. Her specialization in the civic values of the Greek *polis* is in keeping with the idealism of the family into which she was born. A biographical sketch by her sister, literary translator Tatiana Isaeva, tells of her birth on

September 3, 1945 in the settlement of Ust-Utinoe on the Kolyma River. Her grandfather, A.K. Voronskii (1884-1937), a prose writer, critic, and editor, was executed in the years of the "Great Terror". Her father, I.S. Isaev (1907-90), who studied at the Moscow Literary Institute, was arrested in 1936 and sent to the Kolyma camps, soon followed by her mother, G.A. Voronskaia (1916-91), who was arrested and not allowed to complete her studies at the Institute. The family was exiled to Magadan in 1953, but finally in 1959 was able to re-locate in Moscow, which allowed Valentina to enter the History curriculum of Moscow State University, which she completed in 1969. A student of K.K. Zelyin and a specialist in the ideology of classical Greece, she defended her thesis in 1975. The Isaeva sisters looked forward to enlarging their professional associations and continuing to rise in their respective fields. American exchange students who met Valentina will never forget her energetic hospitality, her concern for their well-being, and her buoyant friendship. Today, in Moscow, Tatiana Ivanovna carries on alone the intellectual and literary legacy of the Voronskii family.

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[Note: The above is a considerably shortened version of Ruth Rischin's obituary of Isaeva, which also omits the bibliography of Isaeva's publications that she appends to it. Readers interested in further information about this courageous and prematurely-departed scholar and her works should contact Rischin directly, at the address indicated.—J. Cargill]

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