

THE ASSOCIATION OF ANCIENT HISTORIANS

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1. PRESIDENT

At the annual business meeting held on May 3rd, Professor C. G. Starr was re-elected as president, to serve a regular term of three years.

2. SUMMER INSTITUTE

The Association, at its business meeting in Columbus, approved the proposal for a summer institute in Ancient History and authorized the President and his committee on the institute to seek its implementation. The committee is presently investigating some possibilities for a host institution for the first summer (probably 1977) and hopes to submit a proposal to funding agencies in the coming academic year. The substance of the plan approved by the Association may be found in the previous newsletter.

In addition, the committee wishes to compile a list of those interested in participating in the summer institute and in offering seminars for it. Such a list will help to strengthen the proposition made to funding agencies and will provide a pool from which to select seminar leaders if and when we receive financial support.

Those interested in being seminar leaders should submit a curriculum vitae (including rank, teaching experience, academic honors, and list of publications), title and scope of the proposed seminar, background desired for students in the seminar, and some indication of bibliography to be assigned in the seminar. Please send these materials by November 1, 1975, to the chairman of the committee, Professor Erich S. Gruen, Department of History, University of California, Berkeley, Calif. 94720.

3. MEETING OF THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

The Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association will meet at the University of California, Berkeley, on August 19-22, 1975. Included on the program are two sessions entitled "Roman Imperialism, East and West." Papers and participants are the following:

Thursday, August 21 - 2:30 P.M.

Presiding: T. W. Africa (State University of N.Y., Binghamton).

H. J. Dell (University of Virginia): Strategic Advantage as a Factor in Roman Imperialism in the Greek East, 229-168 B.C.

M. G. Morgan (University of Texas): Incentives to Imperialism in the First Century B.C.

W. V. Harris (Columbia University): Annexation and its Alternatives in Roman Policy.

Commenting: E. S. Gruen (University of California, Berkeley).

Friday, August 22 - 9:30 A.M.

Presiding: R. C. Knapp (University of California, Berkeley).

S. L. Dyson (Wesleyan University): The Consolidation of Conquest: Policies and Problems in the First Generations of Roman Frontier Administration.

A. M. Eckstein (University of California, Berkeley): Senate and Generals: the Mechanism of Imperialism.

Commenting: T. W. Africa (State University of N.Y., Binghamton).

4. NEXT NEWSLETTER

Members are requested to send material for the next newsletter to the Secretary, if possible by October 1st. In particular we should like to publish then news of job vacancies and of visiting scholars. It has been suggested that we should keep a list of members' current research projects in order to facilitate communication between members working on related topics. The Secretary would be glad to hear members' reactions to the idea. A file will be established on recent graduates. Will members please give us information on their students who have recently completed their doctorates or will certainly complete them in 1975/6: name, major fields, subject of thesis, major professor.

5. THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF ANCIENT HISTORY

Full members of the Association are eligible for a discount of 20% on the subscription. Cheques for \$8.00 should be made payable to the Association of Ancient Historians and sent to the Secretary. (Members are requested to keep these cheques separate from their subscription payments to the Association.) The official announcement of the birth of the Journal is appended to the Newsletter.

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The American Journal of Ancient History

There has long been a need for a journal in the field of Ancient History in North America. Despite a large and increasing crop of Classical and archaeological journals, to which ancient historians contribute (we are often told) in greater proportion than is welcome, there is no journal wholly devoted to Ancient History in America, or indeed in any English-speaking country. Articles in this field, written by scholars in Canada and the U.S.A., appear in large numbers in overseas journals, again often giving rise to complaints, especially as there is at present little reciprocity – none in the case of scholars not writing in English.

The *American Journal of Ancient History* is meant to fill that need. Contributions will be accepted from all countries, in English, French, German, Italian, or Spanish, and will be judged anonymously, entirely on their merits. The journal is to be produced without any subsidy from any public or academic agency. This will naturally impose restrictions on the initial format, but it will (if successful) prove both the real need for such a journal and the fact that it can survive on its merits, through the interest of those it serves. If it cannot, then it should not.

AJAH will be devoted to the history of ancient Greece and Rome, and of other areas of the ancient world in their relations with Greece and Rome. It will not print book reviews or (in general) surveys of scholarship. It is hoped to produce, initially, three issues of 64 pages of text. The subscription has been set at \$10 per year in the United States and Canada, \$12 overseas. Members of the Association of Ancient Historians will be entitled to a 20% discount if they order through the Secretary of the Association. The first volume will contain contributions by E. BADIAN, F.J. FROST, E.S. GRUEN, P. KUSSMAUL, H.L. RAWLINGS, and S.M. TREGGIARI. (Others are at present under consideration.)

Contributions are invited, and should be submitted with no reference to the author's identity anywhere on the typescript. It is particularly important to avoid references to the author's own work in the first person, or acknowledgements to institutions which might reveal the author's identity. Technical changes necessitated by this rule may be made by authors after their articles have been accepted.

All contributions should be in double-spaced typescript (text and notes), with notes following the text and consecutively numbered. No Greek should appear in the text, though it may be used in the notes. Authors should be consistent in their system of annotation. In general, no "house style" will be imposed, but it is suggested that the abbreviations used in *L'Année philologique*, providing the only international standard, should be used wherever applicable. Authors who want rejected typescripts returned should enclose return postage. The Editor cannot accept responsibility for the safety of contributions submitted.

The journal is being edited by E. Badian, Department of History, Robinson Hall, Harvard University, to whom all contributions should be sent. He will also receive orders for the first volume (with check) both from individuals and from libraries; but members of the Association of Ancient Historians should send their orders to the *Secretary of the Association* in order to be eligible for their discount.

The Editorial Board at present consists, in addition to the Editor, of Frank J. Frost (University of California at Santa Barbara), Erich S. Gruen (University of California at Berkeley), and Ramsay MacMullen (Yale). It is hoped to add one or two other members, but the membership will in principle be small and active. Contributions from members of the Board have been and will be submitted to readers according to the same principles applied to other contributions, except that they have not been and will not be sent (even anonymously) to another member of the Board.

It is hoped to publish the first number in the autumn of 1975.