

NOTICES

1988 dues were due January 1, 1988. Members in arrears will find noted on their mailing label the last year they paid.

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**MINUTES OF THE 1987 BUSINESS
MEETING HELD AT McMASTER
UNIVERSITY AT 4:15 ON
MAY 2, 1987.**

1. Approval of minutes of 1986 business meeting. MSP.
2. Approval of Secretary-Treasurer's Report. MSP.
3. President's Report. President Borza noted that the Publication Committee is considering topics and authors for future pamphlets. He also reported on preparations for the NEH Summer Institute of Ancient History scheduled for the Univ. of Washington in summer 1987. He indicated that in general the condition of the Association seemed excellent.
4. W.L. Adams reported on preparations for the 1988 meeting at the Univ. of Utah, and invited members to submit paper proposals.
5. K. Raaflaub reported on preparations for the 1989 meeting at Brown University.
6. Election of President. Nomination papers received for only one candidate, the incumbent president. Moved that President Borza be re-elected by acclamation. MSP.
7. New Business
 - a. J. Linderski moved the following resolution in honor of Prof. T.R.S. Broughton for his distinguished contributions to the study of Roman History: *Africam et Asiam libris ornavit, omnes magistratus Romanos primus ordine temporum ordinavit et supplementis feliciter auxit. Societas Studiorum Historiae Antiquae Provehendorum socio principi scriptorum T. Robert S. Broughton salutem.* MSP.
 - b. Prof. E. T. Salmon proposed on behalf of McMaster University that the AAH congratulate Thomas Robert Shannon Broughton, for more than sixty years an unflagging student of Rome, an inspiring teacher in America, and a learned guide to savants throughout the world, on the publication of the third and concluding volume of his magisterial *Magistrates of the Roman Republic. Neque eum sibi equari indignetur Titus Livius.* MSP.
 - c. Prof. Linderski requested that President Borza attempt to resolve the conflict between the meeting dates of the AAH and the Roman Law Society.
8. Announcements

Prof. P. Culham announced the Formation of the Task Force for Ancient History (an organization of feminist historians and persons interested in the history of women in antiquity). Interested persons should contact: Prof. P. Culham, US Naval Academy, Dept. of History, Annapolis, MD 21402.

9. Moved that the AHH thank for their generous hospitality the administration of McMaster University, President Alvin Lee, Acting Dean of Humanities Maureen Halsall, Professors, Dan Geagan, E. T. Salmon, G. Paul and R. Talbert, their colleagues in the Depts. of Classics and History and the School of Divinity, the student assistants from the Depts. of Classics and History and the university's office of conference services. MSP.

10. Moved that the meeting be adjourned. MSP.

**SECRETARY – TREASURER'S
REPORT**

Income	
Dues	\$2,382.17
Interest	309.97
Advertising	38.75
Mailing List	134.41
Misc.	31.00
Reimbursement of	
Overpayment of President's Air Fare	380.45
Transfer from Canadian Account	283.69
Subtotal:	\$3,599.19
Balance Carried Forward	4,613.11
Total:	\$8,212.30
Expenditures:	
Airfare	\$701.00
Postage	449.44
Typesetting	96.40
Printing	427.01
Labels	65.08
Certificate	68.00
Misc.	67.28
Total Expenditures:	\$1,919.21
Balance:	\$8,212.30
	-1,919.21
Total:	\$6,293.09

CALL FOR PAPERS FOR 1989 AAH MEETING

Brown University will host the 1989 meeting of the AAH during the first weekend of May (May 5 and 6), followed by an international conference on "Athens and Rome - Florence and Venice: City-States in Classical Antiquity and Medieval Italy" (May 7-9). Submission of papers is invited for the two following panels of the AAH meeting: "The Roman Revolution," "Religion and Politics." Abstracts (not more than 3 pages) should be sent by October 15, 1988 to: Prof. K. A. Raaflaub, Dept. of Classics, Brown Univ., Box 1935, Providence, RI 02912.

BOOK REVIEW

Philip O. Spann. *Quintus Sertorius and the Legacy of Sulla*. Fayetteville: University of Arkansas Press, 1987. xii + 239 pp.

Spann has written the first full-length biography of Sertorius since the 1920s. Although, as he points out, these earlier works (Schulzen, Berve, etc.) were marred by an inadequate knowledge of the workings of Roman politics, Spann's book hardly suffers from this failing. He updates Schulzen's *Sertorius*, and extensively uses the plethora of prosopographical research so popular today.

Spann has a keen eye for the political currents that swirled around and through the Roman Forum during the First Century B.C. He discusses Sertorius' probable tutoring - the *tirocinium fori* - at the hands of his patrons. He speaks eloquently of the mixture of gratitude and resentment felt by a young man of promise from an Italian municipality who was trained only for the lowest offices while the highest honors were reserved for those born - not apprenticed - to rule. Obliquely referring to Sertorius' disillusionment with his station, Spann describes Q. Servilius Caepio as Sertorius' "presumed patron" (11). Spann is also appreciative of the moral and political realities surrounding Sertorius' political attraction to the personality and "party" of Marius, never ignoring both men's municipal origins.

When discussing the factional struggles of the late Republic, Spann replaces the stock characterization of *optimates* and *populares* with *boni* and *ignobiles* or *novi homines* (76). Indeed, there is a severely anti-aristocratic and anti-Sullan tone both foreshadowed in the title and expanded in the text (87). Passages such as ". . . they quietly despised his municipal origin, . . . his *ignobilitas*" (8) and "Sulla's march on Rome . . . inaugurated a new age in the history of the Republic: the last" (28) indicate that this work is not so much pro-Sertorian as anti-Sullan.

Spann describes Pompey's growth from *adulescens carnifex* to a mature general. The volume at once traces the failure of Sertorius and the development of Pompey. As Sertorius descends from a pinnacle of success into abysmal failure, Pompey metamorphoses into a wise statesman and clement conqueror after Sulla's demise. After Sertorius' death, Spann is quite even-handed in relating Pompey's final successes in Spain (136-139).

There is also an ample share of hero worship in the biography. Sertorius was supposedly prescient about Marius'

coming butchery and does not want the old man brought into Cinna's alliance (30). Further, although Spann dislikes Mommsen's effusive praise of the rebel (xii), he himself claims that Sertorius was "one of the greatest tacticians antiquity ever produced" (69). Finally, Spann reluctantly admits that Sertorius was never destined to be a commander-in-chief (146).

Still, Spann has quite clearly done his homework and he brings to this biography a mastery of the extensive work done in the last fifty years on the turbulent politics of the Late Republic. In addition to being well-written, the work is attractively produced. One can only hope that the University of Arkansas Press expands its publications in ancient history.

David Hood, California State University, Long Beach

PERSONALIA

Mortimer H. Chambers (UCLA) has been appointed Blegen Distinguished Professor of Classics at Vassar for 1988/9.

Tamara Green (Hunter College CUNY) received an Excellence in Teaching Award from the American Philological Association at the 1987 meeting of the APA in New York City.

Colin Wells has been appointed T. Frank Murchison Distinguished Professor of Classical Studies at Trinity University.

BOOKS

Tertius Chandler, *Moses and the Golden Age* (Dorrance & Co.)

Louis H. Feldman & Gohel Hata, editors, *Josephus, Judaism, and Christianity* (Wayne State University Press).

Waldemar Heckel, *The Last Days and Testament of Alexander the Great: A Prosopographic Study*. Historia Einzelschriften 56.

Barbara S. Lesko, *The Remarkable Women of Ancient Egypt*, 2nd edition (B.C. Scribe Publications [P.O. Box 2453, Providence, RI 02906]).

A. Podlecki, *Plutarch's Life of Pericles: A Companion to the Penguin Translation* (Bristol Univ. Press).

Suzanne Dixon, *The Roman Mother* (Croom Helm).

L.A. Tritle, *Phocion the Good* (Croom Helm).

MEETINGS

The Department of Classics of the Univ. of Texas at Austin will host a symposium on "Hellenistic History and Culture" from October 19-22, 1988. Speakers will include E. N. Borza, S. M. Burstein, E.S. Gruen, Peter Levi, A. A. Long, M. Robinson, A. E. Samuel and K. D. White. For information contact: Prof. Peter Green, Dept. of Classics, Univ. of Texas, Austin 78712, (512) 471-5742.

PRIZES

The James H. Breasted Prize was not awarded in 1987. The 1988 award will be for the best book on Europe before 1000 A.D. (Antiquity, Medieval West, and Byzantium).

The Croom Helm Ancient History Prize for the best contribution to the understanding of the classical world for 1987 was awarded to Thomas Wiedemann for *Adults and Children in the Roman Empire*. Submissions are invited for the

1988 award. Manuscripts should be between 70,000 and 120,000 words in length and should not require extensive photographic illustration or typesetting of foreign alphabets. Editions and commentaries are not eligible. The award is funded by Routledge in the amount of \$500 and Routledge will also publish the winning title. Books already under contract to Routledge but not yet published may be considered on request of the author. Persons desiring to have their manuscripts considered for the 1988 award should send two copies to: Richard Stoneman, Editor, *Croom Helm Series in Classical Studies*, Routledge, 11 New Ferrier Lane, London, EC4P 1EE, England. Manuscripts must be received in time for submission to the judges by August 31, 1988. The judges are Professors Averil Cameron and Michael Crawford and Dr. Michel Austin.

MISCELLANEA

Students interested in participating in the excavation of a Roman civilian settlement near the camp of Second Legion Italica of Enns-Lauriacum in Austria from June 13 to July 22, 1988 should contact: Prof. Lawrence Okamura, Dept. of History, Univ. of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO 65211. Participants will receive 8 semester hours of university credit and a stipend from the Austrian government.

Routledge has begun to issue under the Croom Helm imprint a series of inexpensive paper-back reprints of biographies of ancient figures suitable for classroom use. The series is entitled *Classical Lives*. Included among the first volumes released are Eleanor Huzar, *Mark Antony*, Barbara Levick, *Tiberius the Politician*, Ramsay MacMullen, *Constantine*, Arthur Keaveney, *Sulla*, John Leach, *Pompey the Great*, and Stewart Perowne, *Hadrian*.

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY: SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES announces fellowships for research in the history, thought, and culture of the western world. The Ph.D. (or equivalent) and substantial publications are required. Qualified candidates of any nationality may apply for one or two terms. NEH fellowships are available for American nationals and some travel funds are supplied. Applications for 1988-90 are due before October 15, 1988. For further details write the Administrative Officer, School of Historical Studies, Institute of Advanced Study, Olden Lane, Princeton, NJ 08540.

EDITORS NEEDED FOR AHA GUIDE

The January 1988 issue of *Perspectives*, the newsletter of the American Historical Association, issued a call for section editors of the projected *AHA Guide to Historical Literature*. Some fifty historians will participate in the project, each overseeing a section in his/her area of expertise.

Four sections of the *Guide* would require the special skills embodied in the membership of the Association of Ancient Historians: Sec. 5 - *Ancient Near East to Muslim Conquest*; Sec. 6 - *Ancient Greece to End of Hellenistic Period*; Sec. 7 - *Early*

Western European and Rome, and; Sec. 8 - *Byzantium*.

Each section editor will determine the organization of his or her section, develop a list of essential entries, appoint and advise the contributors to that section, and write a brief introduction. Established scholars with extensive knowledge of the literature and acquaintance with potential contributors are sought as section editors, according to *Perspectives*, with most of the work concentrated in 1988-90. Suitable honoraria will be paid. The average section will assess 675 titles and each title will provide a critical analysis of 35-50 words.

Members of the Association who are interested in serving on the project should write to the General Editor, Prof. John Higham, American Historical Association, 400 A Street SE, Washington, DC 20003, and include a brief statement of the special bibliographical problems or needs of the field in question as well as a c.v. and two short published book reviews.

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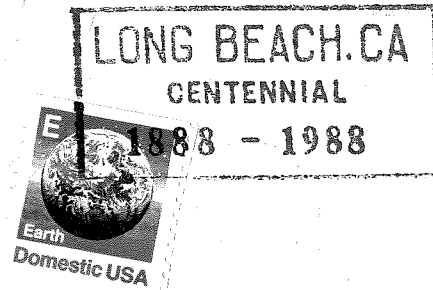
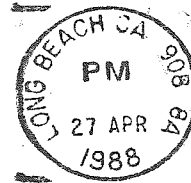
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