

Hasegawa Study Of Island Dispute Wins Japan Prize

Anyone would be JUSTIFIED TO FEEL PROUD when receiving a prestigious award. But Prof. Tsuyoshi Hasegawa was doubly pleased to learn last month that his book on *The Northern Territories Dispute and Russo-Japanese Relations* had won Japan's Masayoshi Ohira Memorial Grand Book Prize for 1999.

"This manuscript was rejected by acquisition editors of a dozen university presses even before it was reviewed by outsiders," Prof. Hasegawa recalled recently. "They thought it was too long and too esoteric."

The Northern Territories are the southern part of the Kuril Islands—a remote archipelago between Japan's northernmost island of Hokkaido and Russia's Kamchatka peninsula.

They were controlled by Japan from 1875 to 1945, when they were awarded to the then-Soviet Union as part of the Yalta Agreement.

Although the islands are remote and relatively insignificant, they have proved the biggest stumbling block to improved relations between Japan and Russia since 1945.

Editors were more interested in how well the book would sell than in the importance of the scholarship, he said.

One editor even insisted that he cut the manuscript by one-third—removing the historical analysis and turning it into a "contemporary issue book."

"I was so discouraged that it would have

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Associates to Hear From 'Eyewitness to History'

A RARE OPPORTUNITY to hear from an "eyewitness to history" presents itself for the next meeting of the UCSB History Associates, scheduled for Sunday, March 14 at 3 p.m. in the IHC McCune Conference Room on the sixth floor of the Humanities and Social Sciences Building.



Chancellor Yang (l.) greets Sander Vanocur

The eyewitness is veteran newsman and quondam Regents' Lecturer Sander Vanocur, who will talk about critical events he covered during a career that began more than 40 years ago and—as viewers of the History Channel well know—shows no signs of slowing down.

"Sander Vanocur is uniquely able to comment on the national politics and foreign policy of the past half century," according to Associate Prof. Fred Logevall, who has used the newsman in his classes on American diplomatic history.

"He was a close observer of so many key decisions—civil rights, Vietnam, the Cold War, the advent of Ronald Reagan, to name but a few."

In addition to the talk, Associates will have an opportunity to chat informally with Vanocur over refreshments.

Calling the History Associates' event "just the right forum" for Vanocur, Prof. Logevall said "students absolutely loved him when he appeared in classes during his Regents' Lectureship. Several said to me they could have listened to him for hours."

Reservations, at \$8 for members and \$9 for non-members, may be made through the UCSB Office of Community Relations, (805) 893-4388.

Vanocur became a familiar face to television viewers as White House correspondent for NBC News, where he worked for a momentous 14-year period that included the Cuban missile crisis, the assassination of one President and the resignation of another.

After leaving NBC in 1975, Vanocur worked briefly at the *Washington Post* before joining ABC News in 1977. Since 1991, he has run his own company, Old Owl Communications.

The Regents' Lectureship was created to bring prominent individuals whose achievement has been primarily outside academia into contact with students and faculty. Vanocur lecture and participated in a range of classes during the two-week appointment in February.

What Do You Call A Group of Historians?

HERE'S WHAT A trip to the San Diego Zoo can do.

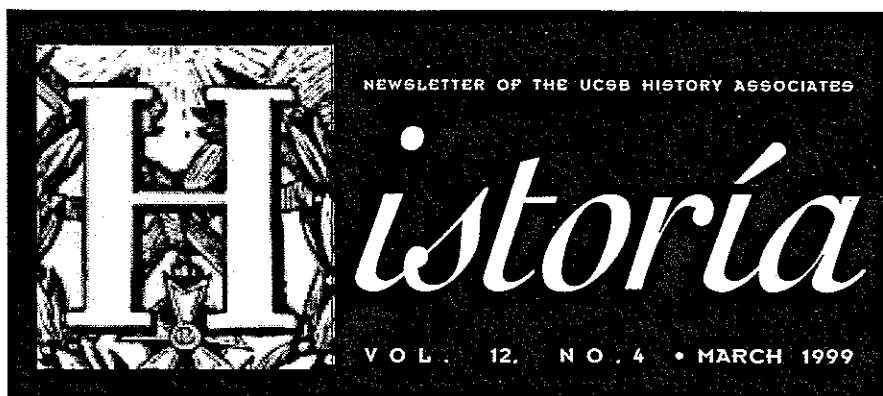
When David Burden, who is studying Latin American history with Prof. Cecilia Mendez, visited, he was struck by the different names for animal groups—such as a flamboyance of flamingos, a pride of lions.

He started wondering what names might be attached to academic groupings.

From Edward Wilson (Friesen), he got "a stupor of students," while Prof. Paul Sonnino suggested "an unconsciousness of undergraduates."

This led him to ask *Historia's* readers to suggest names for grad students and fac-

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Forty Niners Made California Great, Oglesby Tells Associates

"IT HAS ALWAYS seemed to me that the people involved in the gold rush knew they were part of something big," emeritus Prof. Richard Oglesby told the February meeting of the UCSB History Associates.

This, he said, accounts for the numerous diaries and journals that provide such a detailed record of the lives of individual Forty-Niners.

"It was one of the greatest folk movements in the world," he said. "They wanted their part recorded."

Reading from a selection of those records, Prof. Oglesby wove a tale of individuals who came to California for the gold, but "found magic."

"Wonderful stories circulated, such as the one about the man who saw a two-pound nugget washed loose in a rain storm and just picked it up," he said. "But that's all they were—stories."

Instead, the Forty Niners found "much more than gold."

Citing the letter of one woman who wrote a friend that she had sold \$18,000 in homemade pies at about one-third profit and the story of another who turned her boarding house



Emeritus Prof. Richard Oglesby

into an \$80,000-a-year business, Prof. Oglesby said that such woman made more money in four months in California than in 20 years back East.

Even more than the money, what these newcomers found was an environment. The combination of climate and opportunity let settlers realize the American dream.

"The 'pursuit of happiness' became real," he said. "The modern United States was founded here in California."

"These individuals and thousands like them carried within them the magic that made California a world-leader in business and agriculture and home of 33.5 million people."

"That is the real gold of California."

Prof. Oglesby is a former chair of the History Department and former Dean of Instructional Development.

She's the Sweetheart Of UCSB (Histor-ee)!

BY HAL DRAKE

I AM GOING to reveal a trade secret.

When you see the names of faculty advisers, the date or name of a dissertation next to the name of one of our grads in these pages, it doesn't mean I carry that stuff around in my head.

Nor does it mean the History Department has some fantastic database that I can turn to when people—despite my constant pleading—turn in reports without this information.

No, it means that I, like everybody else in the department when we need something, went to Darcy.

Some grad students go through the program without knowing the names of more than their major professor and maybe one or two others on their doctoral committee.

But there's one name ev-



Darcy Ritzau

erybody who has gotten an MA or PhD in History in the past 25 years knows: Darcy.

Officially, Darcy Ritzau is the department's Graduate Secretary, in charge of all the record-keeping needed to run one of the largest doctoral programs in a very bureaucratic university.

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A Banner Year for Marsak Students

1999 IS SHAPING up into a banner year for emeritus Prof. Leonard Marsak and three of his PhD students.

Klaus Fischer, who is professor of history at Hancock College in Santa Maria, has been receiving positive reviews for his book on *The History of an Obsession: German Judeophobia and the Holocaust*, including one in the *Jerusalem Post* that Prof. Marsak characterizes as "a rave."

This is Prof. Fischer's third book. His 1995 study of Nazi Germany also received strong reviews in national media. His first book, *History and Prophecy: Oswald Spengler and The Decline of the West*, was published in 1997.


He completed his dissertation on "John Locke in the German Enlightenment" in 1972.

Barbara Oberg, who has been editing the Benjamin Franklin papers at Yale for the past 13 years, has accepted an offer from Princeton University to edit the Jefferson papers, which Prof. Marsak calls "the flagship collection in the U. S." She will take up a position as full professor at Princeton this Spring.

Prof. Oberg finished her dissertation in 1973. She is author of several books, including *Preaching and Printing: Jonathan Edwards, Benjamin Franklin and the Popular Mind* (1990).

Finally, Michael Hobart, who completed his PhD in 1976, has just published *Infor-*

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President's Corner

Bring a Friend

Everyone loves History!

Those of you reading this would probably agree, or perhaps interject a "should" as a disclaimer for the student, child or acquaintance who professes to have no interest in the past whatsoever; perhaps recalling the tedious memorization process of dates and facts in an uninspiring class.

Ask that same person about their ancestry, sports heroes and accompanying statistics of years past or entertainment figures of a bygone era and sooner or later you will tap into that individual's area of historical interest.



As speakers are selected and programs planned for History Associates, effort is made to cover a broad range of historical eras, geographical locations and areas of emphasis such as public policy, political

and social topics.

Presentation formats and event locations are varied, and community resources such as the Civic Light Opera and Karpeles Library exhibits are incorporated when appropriate.

In short, History Associates is not just for historians—we have something for everyone!

Much of our membership has come as a result of one person inviting another to one of our programs. Our vice president, Jo Beth Van Gelderen, increased our members by almost forty this year by writing personal notes on membership letters.

Recently, I had an opportunity to set up a display for History Associates at a fair for non-profit organizations and was amazed at the response and interest.

Our new two programs feature veteran newsman Sander Vanocur giving his reflections on the major events he has covered for the past thirty years this month, and Prof. Brian Fagan in April on Egyptology.

These are unique and diverse opportunities to introduce History Associates to the community. We can all remember Mr. Vanocur's illustrious career as White House and NBC News political correspondent.

Those of us who haven't been to Egypt surely know someone who has and would love to hear more about the subject. We look forward to seeing all of you in the coming weeks.

And by all means, BRING A FRIEND!!!

Karen Anderson

President 7

Grad Students Flourish In Job Market, Conferences

A MONTH OF good news for grads and former grads.

Kathryn Statler, who is completing her dissertation with Fred Logevall, has accepted a tenure-track position at the University of San Diego.

Laura Wertheimer, completing her dissertation with Sharon Farmer, has accepted a tenure-track position at Cleveland State University.

James Burns (PhD Collins, 1998) has accepted a tenure-track position at Clemson University in South Carolina. He has been teaching this year at Colby College in Maine.

Marylou Ruud (PhD Hollister, 1989) has been pro-

moted to tenure at the University of West Florida in Pensacola, where she is a member of the department of History and director of the Women's Studies program.

Milan Protic (PhD Djordjevic, 1982) sends greetings via the internet from Belgrade and reports that he is remarried and has a 4-year-old daughter, Helen.

Andy Johns (Logevall) will deliver a paper on "Hawks, Doves, and Elephants: The Vietnam War and the 1968 Republican Presidential Nomination" at the AHA/PCB conference in August. He also received a Horace Samuel and

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Garcilazo Fund Created

Dear Friends,
I am writing to update you regarding Jeff Garcilazo's condition. Jeff has been off the ventilator for about a month and a half.

Though he is breathing on his own, he remains in a coma but has been opening his eyes more now that the dosage of medication has decreased. He responds to voices, light, and other stimuli.

On several occasions he has made gestures with his face and has squeezed lightly on his mother's hand. Jeff's parents tell me that recently he turned his head in response to a voice.

Not long ago Cara Anzilotti, my colleague at LMU and a colleague of Jeff's at UCSB, and myself discussed the possibility of starting some type of fund to help Jeff's parents,

Editor's Note: Jeff Garcilazo received his PhD in History from UCSB in 1995. He is now reported to be sitting up and responding to doctors' questions by nodding his head.

Alex and Antonia Garcilazo (both of whom are retired), offset expenses for Jeff's bills or other necessities as they arose.

Due to mounting expenses that include legal fees, and with compliance from Alex Garcilazo, I am also writing to ask that you please send a donation in whatever amount to help minimize the burden shouldered by Jeff's parents.

Until an actual fund is established you can make your check or money order out to "Alex Garcilazo." Your donations can be sent to:

Alex Garcilazo
18918 Cajon Blvd.

San Bernardino, Ca. 92407
I also ask that you please circulate this note to get as wide a distribution as possible.

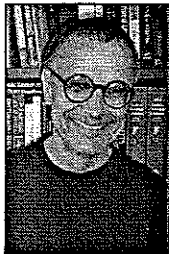
Thank you in anticipation.
Sincerely,

Gabriel Gutiérrez, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor
Dept. of Chicano Studies
Loyola Marymount Univ.

History as Judge

History will judge, politicians kept saying during the recent impeachment and trial of the President. An historic occasion, news-anchors hopefully described the doings on Capitol Hill. What did they mean?

Dan Rather probably meant, among other things, to stay the thumbs of jaded channel surfers. Henry Hyde may have sought to defer beyond the next several elections a verdict on whether wallowing in the mud had been a good idea. Such remarks no doubt had many other meanings. Perhaps news anchors really meant: this is important, if intermittently boring, and we should pay attention to it. Maybe politicians, lawyers by instinct when not so by training, think of the future as a courtroom in which their own present will be put to trial.



In some sense, the politicians are probably right. The passage of time does encourage the rendering of verdicts unpalatable if not unthinkable in any given present. These days it would be hard to find someone who believes the men and women hanged in 17th-century Salem practiced witchcraft and equally difficult to make the case for Joe McCarthy as an American hero.

Yet the notion of History as Judge, as a kind of St. Peter at the Pearly Gates, does have its limitations. For one thing, it covers only a relative handful of historical questions—precisely those whose answers resemble the binary judgments—guilty or not guilty—of the legal system. For another, the notion of History as Judge tends to be self-serving. What its exponents may actually mean is that I may seem to be wrong now but when history judges, I will be vindicated. This claim resembles claims commonly made by persons under indictment.

True, invoking the judgment of history may only be a way of saying that when passions cool, truth will out. “That Noble Dream” Peter Novick called the pursuit of objectivity by the American historical profession. Today, belief in the noble dream of objectivity probably remains far more widespread among Americans than it is in the historical profession. Within the profession, objectivity has been politicized, its loss lamented by the right and seen as a betrayal, its abandonment celebrated by the left and regarded as an advancement. Will history eventually judge which side in the culture wars was right? I doubt it.

Jack Talbott

As Bloopers Go, This Was El Niño

AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS of relative drought, it rained bloopers this month.

From Amy Caldwell (History 4B):

“Joan of Arc: Famouse [sic] in scripture for saving thousands of peoples lives. For the great seamanship he demonstrated. He was instructed and founded by the king of the time.”

Writes Amy, “I think the student was thinking of Noah, but then again, maybe he wasn’t thinking at all.”

She is topped by David Burden, who submits: “Joan of arc was declared a which [sic] by the people of islam and killed.”

From Jill Meekins (also History 4B): “From a 4B Thomas Aquinas paper: “Human reason is faulty and can lead to incontinence.”

And from Tim Hagan, who writes, “Tired of all of those ‘surf’ bloopers? Here’s a variation of the same theme from my modern world civ mid-term: ‘Before the French Revolution there were three classes. The first were the nobles the second was the church and the third were the pheasants.’”

From Michael Chilton (History 140B): “Parliamental-ready mistrusted James [I] because he wanted to unionize England and Scotland.”

There was also a renaissance in faculty submissions, replete with the usual retorts.

Luke Roberts submitted several from History 187A papers:

“An honorable samurai will fight to defend his child, he will avenge his child in death, and he will murder his child all to protect his honor.”

Luke: “Oh the busy man!”
“In a small squirmish between both sides, Honzo’s body

is pierced with the blade of Rikiya.”

Luke: “Would make me a bit squirmish, too.”

“Edo townspeople needed to acquire literature to be able to keep records to carry out commerce.”

Luke: “It was a dark and stormy night and three shady looking customers entered my store saying, ‘Flickering lamps, please,’ and I told them that it would cost four dimly brilliant gold coins and a dull but heavy string of coppers . . .”

From Sears McGee (History 140B): “When three men published pamphlets and information about the king [Charles I] and his ‘reform’ he had their ears cut off and put in prison.”

Sears: “I hope the prison wasn’t too noisy, for their sakes.”

Even Ann Plane, who usually refrains “because I would hate to have all my silly slips of the tongue be broadcast far and wide,” could not resist submitting the following:

“It was not until the Euro-

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LET US HEAR FROM YOU

If you are a grad trying to get in touch with an old classmate, or a community member or alum with an article or story, why not drop us a line?

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Hasegawa Basks In Book's Recognition

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 been still sitting in my drawer, had it not been rescued by UC Berkeley IAS Publications," Prof. Hasegawa said. "IAS not only published it in two volumes, but agreed to include extensive footnotes and bibliography."

Prof. Hasegawa, who has been the History department's Russian specialist since 1990, felt it was important for junior faculty, who often have to struggle to get their work published, to know that, in the current climate, having a book turned down by an academic press does not necessarily mean it is not worth publishing.

"Acquisition editors have gotten very business-minded, even at university presses," he explained.

"Because of their sorry financial state, they have shown a distinct trend to shy away from books of marginal commercial potential.

"So the past criteria of judging publications merely by publishers may not be as valid as it used to be."

This mindset among publishers explains the sorry state of books on Russo-Japanese



Prof. Tsuyoshi Hasegawa

relations, Prof. Hasegawa said. Many of these have been rushed into print because the subject is topical, but they contribute very little to the type of long-term understanding necessary to resolving complex issues.

His advice to younger colleagues: don't let the market set the standard.

The Masayoshi Ohira Memorial Foundation created the prize in 1985 in honor of Japan's 68th prime minister, who was a noted advocate of international harmony. The prize recognizes outstanding published works on politics,

economics, culture, science or technology that further the Pacific Basin Community Concept developed by Masayoshi Ohira.

Prof. Hasegawa will speak on the Kuril Islands at 4 p. m. on April 15 in the McCune Conference Room (6th floor, HSSB) at a book-signing co-sponsored by the Department of History and the Interdisciplinary Humanities Center.

A Blooper Bonanza

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 peans began adapting to the land that they found ways to abuse its resources."

"The Natchez are the only known decedents of the ancient Mississippian culture."

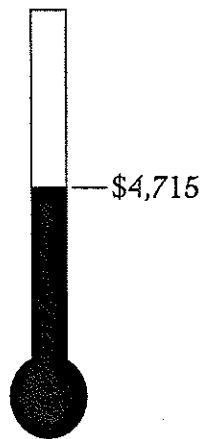
Of course, no roundup would be complete without something from the Bloopmeister, Al Lindemann, who submits the following:

"It is clear that the younger generation is in the process of working out new attitudes in sexual relationships. One student recently wrote that 'mar-

ring someone for their money is an example of marring them for the wrong reason.' She did not mention the right reasons for marring someone, but this student was clearly thinking along the same lines as another who wrote that the ideal preparation for marriage is 'sexual obstinance.' They both would probably agree with a third student who observed that one needs to learn about 'valuing but not constimating a relationship until marriage.' After marriage, of course, you can constimate all you want."

Temperature's Rising!

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English — Italian Style

HISTORIA'S FLORENTINE reporters are pleased to note that a large sign at the entrance to the Uffizi Gallery still reads: "WARNING You are in a monumental place, alike an Uffizi's gallery of Florence, You are therefore kindly required to behave consequently."

Another sign indicates that a bus stop has been relocated across the street: "The bus is moved. Walk on the other side."

A sign in a cafe stating that you must buy something in order to use a table is translated: "To stay at a table you must consumate."

Carol Lansing
Susan Snyder

Grad Honors

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 Marion Galbraith Merrill Travel Grant in 20th Century U.S. Political History from the OAH.

Deborah Gerish (Hollister/Farmer) will give a paper on "Eastern Brides: Queens and Kingship in the First Kingdom," in a panel she organized for the SSCLE (Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East) conference in Jerusalem in July.

Danielle Swiontek (De Hart) will give a paper at the OAH in Toronto entitled "'An Entering Wedge': Gender as a Surrogate for Class in the Campaign for Mothers' Pensions in Progressive-era San Francisco."

Michael Adamson (Brownlee) contributed three chapters and an appendix to a recently released study for the Department of Interior on the economic history of the oil industry in Santa Barbara, Ventura, and San Luis Obispo counties since World War II.

Time to Re-Up

Another great year of UCSB History Associates' events is beginning. You'll want to keep posted about events in the History Department as well. To renew your membership or join for the first time, just fill out this form and mail it with your check or money order (payable to UCSB History Associates).

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Darcy

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Unofficially, as every grad student will tell you, she is counselor, guide, and confidante—the first face a new graduate student sees, the one they all remember.

Darcy is also the person I pester constantly for obscure pieces of information, from the whereabouts of a long-lost grad student to the title of the department's first dissertation. (That one, which I tried on her as a pop quiz, drew a gasp and "You're not serious, are you?" followed by, "Wait a minute—I just have to think of the name.")

Better known across campus for the aerobics class that she has taught faithfully through the years, Darcy is the department's memory and its conscience.

But you can just think of her as The Name Behind the Dates.

Marsak

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mation Ages: Literacy, Numeracy, and the Computer Revolution, which he co-authored with Zachary Schiffman.

A professor at Bryant College in Providence, R. I., Prof. Hobart was responsible for the sections dealing with developments from the 17th century to the present.

Prof. Marsak's courses on European Intellectual history were a popular staple of the department until his retirement in 1986. He continued to teach a graduate seminar on historiography until 1995.

A Futz of Faculty

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ulty. Entirely unnecessary, of course, because as everybody knows the correct terminology is a giggle of grad students and a futz of faculty.

However, in the interest of fair play, *Historia* is pleased to offer a bag of Paul Sonnino avocados for alternative suggestions.

Entirely independently, Marnie McGee submits the following story:

"Four dons were strolling along an Oxford street one evening, discussing collective nouns: a covey of quail, and exaltation of larks, etc.

"As they conversed, they passed four ladies of the evening. One of the dons asked: 'How would you describe a group like that?'

"One suggested, 'A jam of tarts?'

"A second offered, 'A flourish of strumpets?'

"A third chimed in with, 'An essay of Trollope's?'

"The first then countered with, 'A frost of hoars?'

"Then the dean, the eldest and most scholarly of the four, apparently closed the discussion with 'I wish that you gentlemen would consider 'an anthology of pros.'"

"Whereupon a Cockney voice behind them broke in: 'Surely you have overlooked the obvious: 'a pride of loins.'"



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