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## UCSB Represented At Balkan Studies Conference

UCSB was well represented at the Sixth International Congress of Southeast European Studies, which met in Sofia, Bulgaria, from August 30 to September 5.

In addition to Prof. Dimitrije Djordjevic, who heads UCSB's thriving program in Balkan Studies, three UCSB PhD students were among the 750 scholars from throughout the world who gave papers at the Congress, which is put on every five years by UNESCO and the International Association for Southeast European Studies.

### UCSB PhD Students

Bernd Fischer (PhD '82), who now teaches at the University of Western Ontario, gave a paper on "The German Occupation of Albania," while Lynn Curtright (PhD '80), now teaching at Bethany College in Kansas, spoke on "Britain and Southeastern Europe in the Phony War, 1939-1940."

Milan Protic (PhD '87), who is now a member of the Institute for Balkan Studies of the Serbian Academy of Sciences in Belgrade, gave his paper on "The Ideology of French Radicalism and the Serbian Radical Party."

### Proud Moment

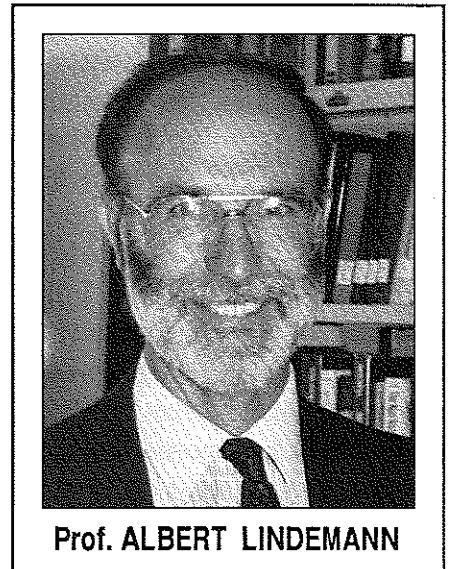
It was a proud moment for their former professor, who, himself, presented a paper on "Centralization Versus Decentralization in the Formation of Modern Balkan States" and also served as chair of the session of Balkan International Relations and, as a coordinator, summarized the results of the Congress at the closing plenary session.

In addition, both Djordjevic and Curtright were interviewed on Bulgarian national television, where they talked about Balkan Studies at UCSB.

## "Anti-Semitism" Topic of First Associates Lecture

By JOE FINNIGAN

The history, contradictions and evils of anti-Semitism--all of which form the background for the Holocaust of Adolf Hitler's "final solution"--will be the subject of UCSB Prof. Albert S. Lindemann's lecture, "The Anti-Semitic Personality: Some Unconventional



Prof. ALBERT LINDEMANN

Reflections" at the History Associates' first luncheon of the new academic year, Tuesday, October 10.

### Major Controversy

"There's a major controversy among historians now about the exact causation of the Holocaust," Prof. Lindemann says. "Common sense would lead one to assume that anti-Semitism was the cause, but recent studies of popular opinion in Germany in the 1930s have concluded that anti-Semitism was weaker than believed in that country." In his lecture, Prof. Lindemann will give other examples of what he calls the "paradox" of anti-Semitism.

"For instance," he says, "among those who came to

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# Prof. Gallagher's Peruvian Adventure

*(Editor's Note: Last Spring the Department's Middle East historian, Prof. Nancy Gallagher, and her husband Tony adopted a newborn baby in Peru. We asked her to describe her experiences for our readers.)*

By **NANCY GALLAGHER**

In March, my husband and I went to Peru to adopt a beautiful little girl named Elizabeth Jean Marisol (we call her Lisa for short). The first week I was there I attended the International Women's Day celebration where I met many activists in the Peruvian Feminist Movement. I spent the next few weeks interviewing representatives of various groups and collecting materials for a lecture on the movement. I also got interviewed myself for a weekly periodical called "Mujer y Sociedad."

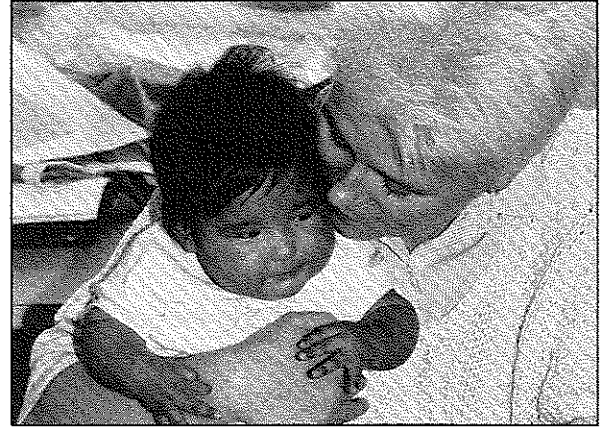
## Moorish Influence

The Moorish influence on Peruvian culture is evident, but Middle Eastern and Latin American societies are fundamentally different. We visited bookstores and museums in Lima and read (and bought) books on pre-Columbian, colonial, and contemporary Peruvian history. We took trips to Ica, Nazca, and Paracas (south of Lima), to Cuzco and Machu Pichu (in the Andes), and to Porto Maldonado (in the jungle near Bolivia).

The Nazca Lines are world famous. No, they were not put there by extra-terrestrial aliens, though people who believe that have descended upon the place and nearly obliterated the Lines with their RVs. Fortunately, the Lines are protected now. If anyone is interested, I have an excellent book that explains the current theories as to why they were made.

## Machu Pichu

We spent the night at Machu Pichu and managed to get up in time to see the sun rise over the Andes. Later, some intrepid British tourists of retirement age rapidly passed us as we tried to



Prof. Nancy Gallagher shows off the Department's newest member, Elizabeth Jean ("Lisa") in a photo taken on their arrival from Peru last May.

climb the Machu Pichu trail.

We took a river raft up the Madre de Dios river to our lodge in the jungle. You could pick bananas from the trees. To my surprise, the bananas were orange in color and tasted much better than the ones we are used to.

This brings me to the subject of food. We had a great time trying new dishes such as anticucho (kebobs

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# EXCAVATIONS AT PHALASARNA

## UCSB'S Campus on Crete

By ROBERT FRAKES

Want to work in the blazing sun for eight hours a day amid shin-deep poisonous thorn bushes and live on a diet of tomatoes, bread and goat meat? Then consider UCSB's unofficial satellite campus at Phalasarna, on the Greek island of Crete.

At this archeological project, students for the past two summers have excavated several Hellenistic towers and surveyed and mapped defense walls of the ancient town.

### Heat and Thorns

While working in the heat and thorns, the hardy archaeological interns can see the shimmering blue Aegean sea less than 100 meters away—as well as white sand beaches where swimming breaks are held religiously.

The excavation at Phalasarna is co-directed by Dr. Elpida Hadjidaki, an official in the Greek Department of Antiquities who received her PhD from UCSB in 1988, and UCSB History Prof. Frank Frost, her former mentor.

Phalasarna is a unique site due to its being one of the few locations in the Mediterranean where the modern coastline is lower than it was in antiquity. This is due to a seismic disturbance which lifted the Western coast of Crete in the 5th century A.D.

In addition to nine UCSB students, over the past

two summers archeological interns have come from such schools as Michigan State, the University of Michigan, MIT, Emory, the University of Hawaii, Saint Andrew's (Scotland) and the University of Athens.

### Positions of Responsibility

The archeological interns are immediately put into positions of responsibility involving trench supervision, work parties and surveying.

Through intensive on-the-job training, students learn the basics of field archeology while dealing with the experience of living in tight quarters that make Del Playa apartments look spacious.

Students necessarily pick up modern Greek in order to get food and supplies, and not least, to interact with the Greek workers on the site.

Archeological interns also learn Greek customs and culture, and Greek politics, in a country where the tradition of political involvement dates back over 2,400 years.

All in all, if UCSB students want to gain slashed and mosquito-bitten legs as well as a fascinating living and learning experience, they should talk to Prof. Frost about next year's season of excavation.

*Robert Frakes is a PhD candidate in Ancient History who has excavated at Phalasarna for the past two seasons.*

## Phi Alpha Theta Plans Active Year

By BURRIS DeBENNING

I wanted to take this time to acquaint the History Associates and new History majors with some important facts about our local chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, the international history honor society.

Phi Alpha Theta is designed to promote academic enrichment and interaction between students, teachers and writers who take a deep interest in history. Each year our Gamma-Iota chapter invites students who have taken at least five history classes with a minimum

GPA of 3.4 or better to become members.

Each year, Phi Alpha Theta hosts conventions, national paper contests, research seminars, symposia and lectures all across North America and in the Pacific Rim.

Our UCSB chapter is made up of grad students and faculty as well as undergraduates. Our goal this year is to increase the number of events we sponsor. We already have made plans for speakers, (Please see PHI ALPHA THETA, p. 6)

## History Associates Book Group

A book discussion group is the History Associates' newest activity.

Shauna Mika, who graduated with a History degree last June, came forward with the idea of creating the group because "for the first time in my life I have time to read!" Her plan is to get together with other Associates once or twice a month to discuss specific books read by the entire group in an informal forum.

"The optimum size would be five to ten people," she said. "If we have more response than that, we might form more than one group, dividing by lines of historical interest."

Emphasizing that she has no fixed plans as to how the group would operate, Mica said one way would be for members to meet at each other's homes on a rotating basis, with a reading list made up of members' suggestions or recommendations by professors.

"I'm hoping to keep the group very informal, without a strong scholarly emphasis," she explained. "It's meant for people who enjoy reading history and just want to get together with others to talk about what they are reading." Associates who are interested in joining such a group are encouraged to phone Mica at (805) 682-9881.

Associates President Dick Cook, who immediately endorsed the idea, suggested that it might inspire Associates members in other cities to form similar groups.

He encouraged members who are interested in doing so to send a note to that effect for publication in "Historía."

## Comings & Goings

Macmillan publishers is hosting a reception for **PROF. ALFRED GOLLIN** in London this fall to celebrate the appearance of his new book, "The Impact of Air Power on the British People and Their Government, 1909-1914." Prof. Gollin, who is on leave with a Fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities, planned to attend the celebration at King's College, London.

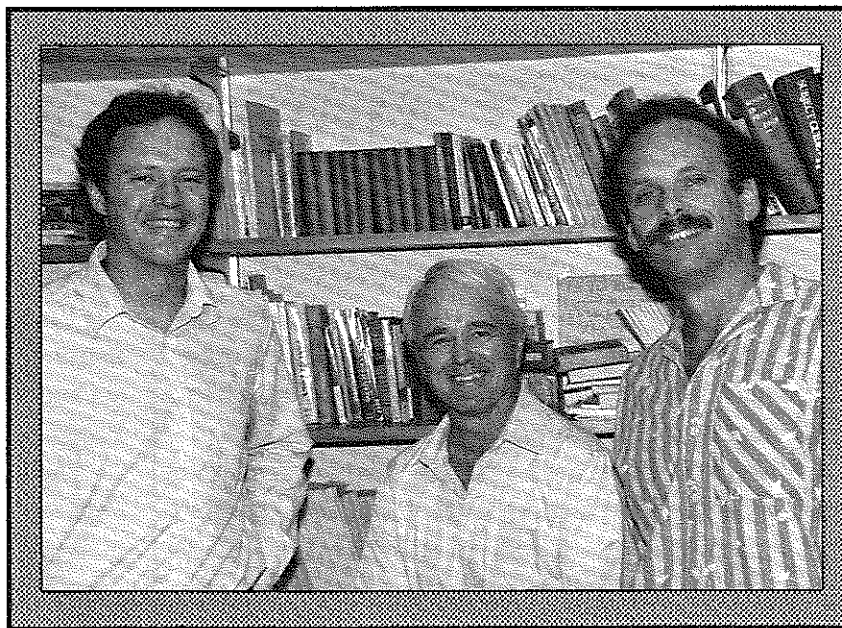
**PROF. ABRAHAM FRIESEN's** "Thomas Müntzer, Destroyer of the Godless: The Making of a Sixteenth Century Religious Revolutionary" will be published by University of California Press this fall, in time for the 500th anniversary of Müntzer's birth.

The fourth edition of **PROF. ROD NASH's** "From These Beginnings," a biographical approach to American history, will be co-authored by **GREG GRAVES** (PhD '87). Graves will handle revisions and add two new chapters to the book published by Harper & Row.

**SEAN O'NEILL**, who is completing his doctoral dissertation under **PROF. WILBUR JACOBS**, has received a \$500 Fellowship Award from the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution for his paper on "The Jesuits and Their Indian Converts in 17th-Century North America." O'Neill won the Department's

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**OLD AND NEW.** Prof. Otis Graham, Jr. (seated, center) shares the benefit of his command of Department lore with fellow new arrivals Kenneth Mouré (left) and Joshua Fogel (right). Graham, who served at UCSB from 1966-1980, returns this year from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where he has been Distinguished University Professor of American history. Mouré, who comes as an assistant professor from the University of Calgary, will teach European economic history. Fogel, an east Asian historian, joins the Department from Harvard University as a full professor. Not pictured is Prof. Sucheng Chan, who joined the Department last year but was on leave with a Guggenheim Fellowship. Now in residence, she is busy as director of the Asian-American Studies program.



# Comings & Goings

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Ellison Prize for best graduate paper in 1988 for an earlier paper on French Jesuit missionaries.

LARRY BADASH and students ZUOYUE WANG, PETER NEUSHUL and ART TIDDENS gave invited papers at the International Congress of History of Science held in Germany last August, while Medieval grad students LOIS HUNEYCUTT and CASSANDRA POTTS performed similar honors at the annual Battle Conference in England, held in commemoration of the Battle of Hastings.

"Battling the Inland Sea," Prof. Robert Kelley's study of the political culture and water policy in the Sacramento Valley, is out in hard cover by the U.C. Press.



## ROOSEVELT AND PEARL HARBOR

The Revisionist Belief

A Talk by

DR. HARRY ELMER BARNES

Guest Speaker at the Fourth Meeting of  
History Club Wednesday Evening

DECEMBER 7

- Was the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor really a "surprise"?
- Why was the information possessed by Washington on the impending attack not passed on to the commanders at Pearl Harbor?
- What is the other story behind the Pearl Harbor disaster?



8 p.m.  
University of California  
Santa Barbara  
Science Bldg. Auditorium

A talk by "revisionist historian" Harry Elmer Barnes was the big event of Phi Alpha Theta's first year at UCSB in 1960.

# LETTERS

Editor:

I have enjoyed your journal since its inception and thought your readership might like to know how one early undergrad major has fared.

Although I was advised to avoid military history--particularly by a very antiwar (who isn't?) Wilbur Jacobs--I went on to Duke and received the best possible graduate education in the field there.

Indeed, the study of organized conflict has been a superb vehicle for embracing the entire realm of history. A good example of this may be found in a collection of my essays just published and which I am forwarding to you.

At UCSB I was the founding president of the Phi Alpha Theta chapter in 1960, even though I had to beg a waiver from the head office to be a member myself (GPA a tad under 3.00).

We had a pretty energetic History Club and Phi Alpha Theta group, except that the first treasurer ran off with the balance for the first year.

As far as campus renown for us, the talk by revisionist historian Harry Elmer Barnes sparked great interest. I enclose a copy of our poster for the Dec. 7, 1960 address, in which he railed on about FDR's plans for the attack, etc., etc. In fact, we couldn't get him to shut up, and as bored listeners left the 100-seat lecture room, those standing in the rear took their places. Half the battle for historians, of course, is getting their attention.

The College of Charleston is a part of the South Carolina state college system, growing in popularity on the East Coast, current enrollment 7,000. The city itself is even more historic than Santa Barbara!

Please give my regards to my old European and U.S. survey teachers Hollister and Kelley, and also to my former adviser, now retired, Russ Buchanan. It was an excellent Department then, and I see it still is. (By the way, my own Department has 16 full-time instructors and six adjuncts.)

Clark G. Reynolds ('61)  
Professor and Chair

# Lecture

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the defense of Alfred Dreyfus were a number of anti-Semites."

To the surprise of many, Prof. Lindemann says, these include Emile Zola, whose rousing defense of Dreyfus, "J'Accuse," immortalized the affair.

Zola

"Zola had a history of anti-Semitism," according to the UCSB historian. "He had anti-Semitic themes in his novels."

The author of two books on European Socialism, Prof. Lindemann now teaches a popular course on the history of anti-Semitism and has just com-

pleted a comparative study of "Three Anti-Semitic Affairs" in France, Russia and the United States at the turn of the century.

Reservations for Prof. Lindemann's talk (\$12 for members, \$14 for non-members) can be made through the UCSB Alumni Association at (805) 961-4388.

Other speakers this year will be Prof. Warren Hollister on Magna Carta, Robert Collins on the Nile. Dana Driskell on Santa Barbara's Flying A Studios, Elliot Brownlee on the federal income tax, and Immanuel Hsu on modern China.

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# ADVENTURE

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of barbecued marinated beef heart), choclo (corn on the cob with fat white kernels), cebiche, aji de gallina, and a bright yellow salsa called "aji."

We brought some aji seeds home and have planted them (we harvest in October).

Unfortunately, Peru is going through very difficult times (inflation was about 4000 per cent last year), but people are hoping things will stabilize after a new government is elected in 1990.

# Phi Alpha Theta

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conferences and socials (details will be circulated in the Phi Alpha Theta newsletter and on fliers).

The lecture hall can be a lonely and intimidating place for all students. We hope all new students--and History Associates, too--will attend our activities, which are meant to bring things down to a more personal scale. Phi Alpha Theta peer advisers keep office hours in 4835 Ellison, just across the hall from the History Department office.

Stop in to find out more about us, and to let us find out more about you!