

WEST COAST ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN HISTORIANS
(formerly West Coast Historical Association)

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Results of recent mail ballot:

1. Change of name from West Coast Historical Association to WEST COAST ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN HISTORIANS - approved unanimously.
2. Act as a clearing house for employment opportunities for women historians - approved with one dissenting vote.
3. Invite women without Ph. D. teaching history at the secondary college level to join - approved by a margin of 3 to 1.
4. Several suggestions for panels and topics for papers for the next PCB meeting in August, 1971 were submitted and will be forwarded to Prof. Wheeler.
5. Three members will definitely attend the AHA meeting in Boston, and several may attend.

***** FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION *****

Submit ideas for papers
and panels at the 1971
PCB meeting to:
Prof. Gerald Wheeler
History Dept.
San Jose State College
San Jose, Calif.

If you are interested in participating in a panel listed below at the 1971 PCB meeting, contact the historian whose name appears with the topic:

1. African and Afro-American Women: A Cross Cultural Survey,
Barbara Dubins, 1671 Hamilton Ave., San Jose, Cal. 95125.
2. The Family in Late Nineteenth Century America,
Dr. Sandra Herman, 15 Anderson Way, Menlo Park, Cal. 94025.
3. Pope Pius XII and the Jews,
Sister EthelMary Tennemann, College of the Holy Names,
Oakland, Calif.
4. Women in History,
Donna Boutelle, 1950 Volk Ave., Long Beach, Calif. 90815.

We plan to meet with the Berkshire Conference of Women Historians in Boston on December 27, the day before the formal meetings of the AHA. We shall also participate in any discussions conducted by the Coordinating Committee on Women in the Historical Profession. If you attend the AHA meeting, please look for announcements of time and place of these meetings. Detailed information about the women's historical meetings on December 27 can be obtained by contacting either Emiliana Noether, President of the Berkshire Conference or myself, Dorothy Sexton, since we shall both attend the AHA meetings.

Our survey of four year institutions in the western states which seeks information about the status of women in the historical profession will be tabulated shortly. Questionnaires have been returned by more than 80% of the history departments in these states. This large response should give our findings great validity.

The PCB approved the following resolutions at its September meeting:

Whereas discrimination against women in the historical profession is a matter of concern to the PCB,

BE IT RESOLVED that the PCB undertake to arrange more equitable representation of women historians on its committees, programs, and events under its sponsorship

that the Council of the PCB encourage equal opportunity for women in the history profession.

RECENT NEWS:

Rena Vassar, San Fernando Valley State College, appointed Assistant Chairman of the Department of History for 1970-71; published an article: "William Knox's Defense of Slavery (1768)," Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society, Vol. 114 (Aug. 1970);

Sally H. Miller, University of the Pacific, promoted from assistant to associate professor; article in print, to appear in 1971, "Socialist Party Decline and World War One," in Science and Society; book accepted by Greenwood Publishing Corp., Victor L. Power and the Promise of Constructive Socialism, 1910-1920.

RECENT NEWS (cont.)

Joan Wilson, Sacramento State College, promoted from assistant to associate professor.

Paula Eldot, Sacramento State College, promoted from assistant to associate professor; elected Vice President of California Chapter of American Studies Association.

SEND NEWS ITEMS OF PROFESSIONAL INTEREST TO
Dr. Dorothy A. Sexter, History Dept., Sacramento State College
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We hope to issue a roster of members with their field of specialization in our next newsletter. Please inform our secretary of your field of specialization if you have not already done so. PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES. WE NEED PAID UP MEMBERS NOW.

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