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MARTIN RIDGE has been appointed Director of the Graduate Program in American Studies for the academic year 1971-1972. Mr. Ridge, who holds the title of Professor in the Department of History, is the Editor of the Journal of American History.

CLARK D. KIMBALL (Speech and Theatre) has completed his dissertation, "Patriotism and the Suppression of Dissent in Indiana During the First World War," under the direction of Professor Robert G. Gunderson.

AUDREY P. OLMSTED (Speech and Theatre) has completed her dissertation, "Agitator on the Left: The Speechmaking of Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, 1904-1964," under the direction of Professor J. Jeffery Auer.

PROFESSOR EDWIN H. CADY will teach G603, Introduction to American Studies, during the fall semester. The course will meet on Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5:15 in Ballantine 442. Consent of the instructor is required.

CONGRATULATIONS to William A. Foley, Jr., Robert F. Martin, and Eric A. Winther who passed the qualifying examination in American Studies during the summer.

WELCOME to our new students in American Studies: Mark Cohan (History), Gregory Crider (History), Roberta Fox (Folklore), Sister Teresa Hines (English), Carolyn Lewis (History), Edna "Missy" Magnuson (History), John Olguin (Political Science), Sylvia Sallquist (History), Sidney Seligman (History), Frederick Stielow (History), Charles Wilson (History), and Carolyn Zintgraff (English).

THE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY and the American Studies Program are currently engaged in the purchase of The Papers of Thomas Ewing (1789-1871); The Orestes Augustus Brownson Papers; and The William Tecumseh Sherman Family Papers, 1808-1891, from the University of Notre Dame Archives. These papers will be available in the library on microfilm.

THE AMERICAN STUDIES OFFICE is located in Ballantine Hall, Room 421. Office hours are 8:00-12:00, 1:00-5:00. All students please come by the office and fill out an address card with your current address, telephone number, and status within the program.

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PROFESSOR ROBERT G. GUNDERSON spoke at a Research Seminar at the Huntington Library, San Marino, California, on March 18, 1972. The topic of Dr. Gunderson's presentation was "Frontier Demagoguery, Davy Crockett Style, 1824-1840." Both Dr. and Mrs. Gunderson send warm greetings to the American Studies students. They will return to Bloomington in June.

PROFESSOR MARTIN RIDGE, Acting Director of the American Studies Program, will lecture at the Universities of Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Maryland, and Yale University during the first week of April. Mr. Ridge will discuss "Scholarly Articles and the Journal of American History."

PROFESSOR RICHARD S. KIRKENDALL, Department of History, University of Missouri, addressed interested students and faculty on March 23, 1972. Mr. Kirkendall, a well-known specialist in contemporary American history and the biographer of former President Harry S. Truman, spoke on the topic, "Harry Truman and the Origins of the Cold War."

CONGRATULATIONS TO HENRY R. SPARAPANI (English and American Studies), who completed his Ph.D. on December 17, 1971, with a dissertation on "The American Boy-Book, 1865-1915," under the direction of Professor Edwin H. Cady. Dr. Sparapani is currently teaching at Indiana University at Fort Wayne.

DOMINIC RICCIOTTI (Fine Arts) has an article appearing in the Spring, 1972, issue of Historical New Hampshire. Dom's article is entitled, "Popular Art in Godey's Lady's Book: An Image of the American Woman, 1830-1860."

THE OHIO-INDIANA CHAPTER of the American Studies Association will meet at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, on April 28 and 29. This year's meeting will focus on the theme, "Artistic and Cultural Expression in America." Both students and faculty are encouraged to attend. Further details concerning the meeting will be available in the American Studies Office after April 1. If you are interested in attending the meeting, please contact the office.

PROFESSOR FRANKLYN S. HAIMAN, President of the Illinois Civil Liberties Union and Professor of Speech at Northwestern University, will address interested students, faculty, and members of the Bloomington community on May 5, 1972. Professor Haiman will discuss "Freedom of Speech and the Counter Culture." More details will be available at a later date.

NEW LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS include The William Tecumseh Sherman Family Papers, 1808-1891, and the Papers of Henry Clay Warmoth. The library is currently engaged in the purchase of the Cotton Mather Papers owned by the Massachusetts Historical Society and the American Antiquarian Society.

The American Studies Office is now open during the regularly scheduled hours. The secretary, Anita R. Fleming, has returned to work after an extended illness. Many thanks to Nancye Klinkenberg for her assistance in keeping the office running.

PLEASE REPORT ANY NEW ADDRESSES to the American Studies Office, Ballantine 421.

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AMERICAN STUDIES LECTURE, Wednesday, June 28, at 8:00 p.m. in State Room East of the Indiana Memorial Union. Professor Walter L. Fertig, Chairman of the Department of English at Wabash College, will discuss "The Periclean Age of the Athens of Indiana." There will be refreshments following the lecture.

JAMES H. MACGUIRE (Ph.D., English and American Studies, 1970), Idaho State College, Boise, is state coordinator of the George McGovern campaign in Idaho. A two-column story in the Los Angeles Times (4/26/72) tells of the McGovern victory at the state convention. "The old pros were just swept aside by this thing," the article says. "They didn't understand the process and it fell into the laps of the young people." Jim is quoted as saying that "his only previous political experience is that he voted in 1968."

DOMINIC RICCIOTTI (Fine Arts and American Studies) has been appointed senior instructor in art history and American art history at Wayne State University, Detroit.

ROBERT F. MARTIN (Speech and American Studies) has accepted a position at the Oregon College of Education, Monmouth, Oregon.

RAYNA GREEN (Folklore and American Studies) has accepted a position at the University of Massachusetts for the next academic year. She will be teaching Folklore and American Studies.

KURT RITTER (Speech and American Studies) has an article appearing in World Politics: Essays on Language and Politics, edited by Max J. Skidmore: "Ronald Reagan and 'The Speech': The Rhetoric of Public Relations Politics."

NORA RAMIREZ (History and American Studies) has just published a monograph, No. 32 in the University of Texas at El Paso, Southwestern Series, The Southwestern International Livestock Show and Rodeo.

ROBERT DRISCOLL of Brown University has been awarded the American Studies Fellowship for first-year students.

PROFESSOR RAY A. BILLINGTON, Senior Researcher of the Huntington Library will be speaking to American Studies students this fall. Further details will be forthcoming.

OHIO-INDIANA AMERICAN STUDIES MEETING, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, October 20-21. Speakers will include David Noble, University of Minnesota; Raymond Olderman, University of Wisconsin; and Edgar Branch, Miami University. Papers by graduate students are solicited on the conference theme: "American Literature in Cultural Perspective." Proposals should be sent to George W. Grieb, American Studies Committee, Butler University, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46208.

PROFESSOR GUNDERSON has returned from San Marino, California, after nine months of research and writing at the Huntington Library. He will be teaching Speech 737, a seminar in the "Rhetoric of the Revolutionary Period, 1760-1789" (3 cr.), 9:30-11:20, June 23 to July 21.